Mt. Lebanon Church

Adult Sunday School Lesson

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Please look up and read all verses in their entirety. I have only written partial verses.

Make your own notes, write down other scriptures that you run across while studying, write down questions that you may have or comments as well. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the study of Gods word.

The Kings Eternal Throne

Psalm 45: 1 – 17

As Christians, through our salvation, Christ encourages us to maintain a sense of joy and celebration in our lives. We see that this joy and celebration of Gods love is far greater than anything we could ever experience on our own. As we allow the Holy Spirit to fill us with the inspiration of Gods word, we find a greater intimacy with Christ flowing within us as a living being, which causes us to experience the grace and mercy of his salvation in a much deeper fulfilling way.

Psalm 45 shows us what intimacy in Christ is all about. It is Gods love in our life. The passion that is given through his love by the direction of the Holy Spirit so that the things that we do and experience in him can be life changing events in our lives which moves us forward in his grace and mercy and helps us to impact the lives of others as well.

As we begin to study and meditate on Gods word, faith revives the imagination, we feel the presence of Christ in our heart, we begin to speak with him, we begin to truly see who he is through the living word.

The first couple verses in Psalm 45 not only shows Gods intentions for Christ but for us all as well. So, what is the basis of these intentions.

Ephesians 5: 8 - 10,....for you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light, for the fruit of the spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth, finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

As Christians our highest duty is to please Christ. To examine the heart, to prove each thought, each action, each experience by the word of God.

Romans 12: 1 - 2,....present your bodies a living sacrifice....transformed by the renewing of our minds, that we may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

When we are ready, and not until we are ready, then Christ will appear to us. As our intimacy with Christ grows, as we pour out our affection to him, then Christ reveals himself to us. Christ gives us blessings, by the Father, that, by and through him, his people also might receive spiritual blessings.

Gods intentions for us is to help us recognize a need in our life that creates the interest where we to learn more about him and the goodness of our salvation.

The next few verses we see the Psalmist describing the beauty of Christ. Christ beauty is not only his Glory and Majesty, but also his power and might. He is true, he is mighty to save, he is mighty in love, he is also mighty in wrath.

Whether for love or for vengeance, nothing Christ does is without purpose, through the beauty of his mercy and grace. No matter what form he executes it in, his mercy and grace brings forth salvation.

Isaiah 53: 2,....for he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness, and we see, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

We as Christians should not view people according to their outward circumstances. Through doing so, just as the children of Israel did with the coming messiah, a lot of times in our lives we spend looking for splendor and glory, when we do not find it, we bring upon ourselves disappointment, which leads to unbelief.

Christ beauty comes from within, the divine power that we now have, which is his word, allowed him through his humbleness and obedience to the Father, to be made sin for us, but rejected by the world and crucified due to being viewed according to the outward appearance and circumstances of his life. The true beauty of Christ came not from the outward appearance of the man, but from the message that was within.

Luke 19: 1-10,....for the son of man has come to seek and to save that which was lost....

Christ purpose should be our purpose, no matter what others see when they look upon us from the outside. Just as Christ took the initiative to seek out those who had an undesirable worldly outward appearance, so should we seek after those, that through the leadership and guidance of the Holy Spirit, God has brought into our lives, no matter what we tend to see through our worldly eyes, but to bring them to the wisdom and knowledge of salvation in Christ Jesus.

This brings us in our lesson text, (Psalm 45: 11,....so shall the king greatly desire thy beauty, for he is thy Lord....) to the church, the bride of Christ, which started with Israel, described in the Old Testament as the wife of the Lord.

Christ has nothing but the best in store for his bride. He has divinely arrayed his righteousness upon her. A divided heart he will not endure. We must reject the worldly love of our being and commit souly to our one true love in Christ.

As the bride of Christ, the church, forsakes the worldliness that surrounds her, then we begin to enjoy the full manifestation of Gods love. When the church abounds in Holiness, then the glory of Christ, through the church, will attract those that need to enter in.

Ephesians 5: 25,....that he might sanctify and cleanse....that he might present her to himself a glorious church....

Christ never criticizes the church, even though the church is weak, and who's sin is daily, Christ love for us stands strong.

2 Corinthians 11: 1-2,....for I'am jealous for you with Godly jealousy....that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ....

Paul speaks of Christ desire through himself, for the spiritual well being and growth, protection and provision, spiritual maturity and purity, for the church. Christ and the cross brought the body of believers into spiritual birth. Now through Gods love we are sanctified, so that Christ may present us a pure bride at his coming.

Godly sanctification should be the desire of all believers. Not only for ourselves, that we grow in the grace and knowledge of Christ, but for every member of the church. Our desire which is Christ desire for us is to be sanctified completely, Holy and blameless, without spot or wrinkle in him.

This brings us to the last past of our lesson text, the eternal glory of God.

What is our part in Gods eternal glory.

As believers, we will live with God and share in his glory forever. That means that due to dying to sin In this life, and then being raised to a new life and a new body with Christ, we will enjoy a deeper fellowship with God and participate in greater opportunities of praise and worship, then we can presently enjoy. This glory, Gods glory, we share as we dwell in his eternal light.

2 Corinthians 4: 16 -18,....we do not lose heart....outward man is perishing....inward man is being renewed day by day....working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory....

As Christians, our life in heaven will be a fulfillment of our life on earth. What is promised to us now, will be given to us then. Closely united with God, through Christ, sharing everything in an eternal state.

1 Peter 5:10,....God of all grace, who called us to his eternal glory by Christ Jesus....perfect you, establish, strengthen, and settle you....

We must not expect our salvation to eliminate pain and heartache while on this earth, but, eternal salvation means the suffering will end forever.

God, who is a God of all grace, by this grace has saved us from the price of sin, eternal death, separation from God. This is made possible through faith in Christ. By his grace, God has called us to share in his Glory in Christ forever. This is the destiny of every believer.

Lesson notes:

Those who here Christ speak are awestruck.

Prophet, priest and king, Christ has the legitimate right to offer the sacrifice of himself for our redemption.

Christ the messiah, the only one of David's descendants whose reign will continue forever.

We should always be ready to speak to others about the goodness of God.

Whether in saving sinners or defeating enemies. God will ultimately be victorious.

The people of God have been commissioned to share the news of Christ.

The throne of Christ represents his position as king over the earth.

Christ throne is forever and ever.

Let us pray.

If anyone has any questions, comments or would just like to discuss any of the scriptures, feel free to call, text or email me. Keep praying for each other and all that God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.



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