Mt. Lebanon Church

Sermon

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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.

Obedience, Servitude, Compassion.

## Hebrews 4: 14 – 16, 5: 1 – 9

Christ, who was not born with a sin nature like the rest of humanity, still holds a unique relationship with humanity. Christ, who also had and still has a unique relationship with God the Father, who became a member of the human race, is considered fully man and fully God. Christ was not only perfect, but, also made perfect by becoming the head of a new creation, and the author of eternal salvation to all who believe on his name. Being fully God, he had to learn to live as a man, under Gods direction and guidance, so he could fulfill the fathers will. He laid aside his glory, he lived his life in a way, that God expects all men to live, not relying on himself, but, in total obedience to the Father. The word of God tells us that salvation comes by grace through faith in Christ Jesus, and it all begins with obedience.

Hebrews 4: 14 - 16, 5: 1 - 9,....seeing then....we have a great high priest....Jesus the Son of God....for every high priest taken from among men, is appointed for men, in things pertaining to God....

Everyday as believers, we should look to, and be thankful for our salvation.

....let us hold fast our confession....

Romans 10: 10,....for with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made to salvation....

Without salvation, we are separated from God, and if separated from God, there comes eternal death, eternal death is everlasting punishment, the fire that never shall be quenched, there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth, there shall be torment day and night for ever and ever.

As we look to Christ, our example,....who was in all points tempted, as we are, yet without sin....

1 Corinthians 10:13,....no temptation has overcome you, such as is common to man....

Although, at times, our personal belief is that of one that we are the only ones enduring this kind of temptation that we are experiencing, due to the trials and tribulations that come upon us as we fall prey temptations .But, Christ, not only was he tempted, but, his temptation did not lead to sin, he did not fall prey to his temptations.

This salvation that we ask for and receive has a two fold meaning. When we come boldly to the throne of grace, first of all, to obtain the mercy of our salvation, secondly, to find grace to help others in their time of need.

Matthew 22: 37 - 40,....The two greatest commandments, Love the Lord thy God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself....

With a true understanding of our salvation, we move to our servitude to the Lord.

....every high priest, taken from among men, is appointed for men....

1 John 3:1,....behold, what manner of love, the Father has bestowed upon us....

What great honor God has given unto us, to have become preachers and teachers, witnesses and examples, all, who are called by God, and having accepted, was brought out of the worldliness, to be a light of salvation to all those who God has appointed us to be an example to.

Matthew 5: 16,....let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

....that we may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins....

Luke 22: 43 - 44,....he prayed more earnestly, then his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground....

What an important job we have, to follow after the example of Christ, who was praying in the garden before his crucifixion,

.... in the days of his flesh, he had offered up prayers and supplications....

Prayers of....compassion on those who are ignorant and gone astray....just as we once was in our weaknesses....

Prayers for, and on behalf of the sinners, which was not just offered up for us in the garden by Christ himself, but, has continued to be offered, down through the ages, by all saints, who through obedience to God and his word, as required, for the people, as also for themselves, sacrifices for sins....

....no man taketh this honor for himself....so also Christ did not glorify himself....

1 Corinthians 10: 31,....whatever you do, do all to the glory of God....

Everything Christ did was to glorify the Father, everything that we do is for the glory of God.

....because of Godly fear....

Due to respect and reverence for the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, just as Christ was perfected, so we began our journey of perfection, striving to be Christlike.

**Colossians 3: 1,...** if then, you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God....

....and having been perfected ....

Christ perfection, although preached before the cross, and made an example of on the cross, was not seen by humanity through the crucifixion. In order for it to bee seen, we had to learn obedience. Obedience which comes through conviction, allows us by faith, to see Gods grace, which by his love and compassion for mankind perfected salvation through Christ and the cross.

Matthew 5: 48,....therefore you shall be perfect, just as you father in heaven is perfect....

This perfection, handed down to man, freely accepted, becomes the focal point of our lives as believers.

**1** Corinthians 6: 18,....I will be a Father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord almighty....

And although, through salvation we are sons and daughters, we also must learn obedience through the things by which we will suffer, the trials and tribulations of this world, as to become perfected, so that through obedience we might learn, and gain, the love and compassion that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit had for humanity, and graciously bestowed upon all who believe.

My hope and prayer today would be for all to come to know the salvation of God.

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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