

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.

Gods First Instruction To Israel

Exodus 19: 1 – 9

To follow Christ means, waiting upon the Lord. Waiting upon the Lord means, to be obedient to the Lord. Obedience to the Lord means, our unconditional service to others, through him. The greatest part of waiting upon the Lord is that it gives us the opportunity to be obedient to him. As we become obedient in our life to him, we then begin to see the benefit of his and plan and his purpose for our lives. We are waiting upon the Lord, for the opportunity, to do that which he would have us to do, and to allow him to establish our pathway and guide us in our footsteps. We are only able to accomplish that which we seek through Gods word, and to put our delight in his ways. This is due to the fact, that waiting upon God, does not mean that we sit around doing nothing, we must be faithful, in seeking after Gods will for our lives.

Psalm 37: 34, 39 – 40,....wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall exalt you....the salvation of the righteous is from the Lord, he is their strength....the Lord shall help them, and deliver them....and save them....because they trust in him....

We are called, by Christ, to live our lives, to the glory of God. This means, that we are to be obedient to his word, while we wait, drawing close to him, and seeking to live according to the way that he commands us to live.

In our lesson today, we will look at three things, that God, instructed Moses to teach, not only the children of Israel, but he also inspired it to be written in the word, that we might be able to learn as well, in our lives today.

#1 Waiting upon the Lord

#2 Obedience to the Lord

#3 Our service to the Lord

Waiting upon the Lord.

Exodus 19: 3 – 4,....this shall they say....you have seen what I did....how I bore you on eagles wings, and brought you into myself....

God, who spoke to Moses, told him to remind the people, that it was because of his love, his compassion, his power, and his might, that they were who they are. Because of what he had brought them out of, he now brought them to a place, where they might wait upon him, by actively seeking him, and he could teach them his ways, and his purpose, that he had in store for them, in their lives.

Psalms 40: 1 – 3,....I waited patiently for the Lord, and he inclined to me, and heard my cry....he set my feet upon a rock, and established my steps....he has put a new song in my mouth, praise to our God, many shall see it and fear, and will trust in the Lord....

God, who promised us, in his word, to be ever present in our lives, and to work in all of the circumstances of this life together with us, for the glory of God. He carries out his plan and his purpose, in his own way, in his own preferred time. He does this in order to strengthen our faith, in his word, so that we may trust in his goodness and grace, and continue to grow in him. God has promised that his help will always come at the right time. Not too soon, as to allow our faith and trust in him to grow, and not too late, so that we do not lose heart. Through salvation we follow in the footsteps of Christ, and wait patiently for the Lord, knowing, that his plan and purposes for our lives are all that we need, and our perfection is to the glory of God.

Obedience to the Lord.

Exodus 19: 5,....if you will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then you shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people, for all the earth is mine....

Gods purpose for the Israelites, and ultimately for us today, first and foremost is to obey him and his word, and then to serve him by becoming his representative to the world around us, This means, to display Gods love, his mercy and his grace, as to bring others into his saving grace.

Matthew 28: 18,....Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, all authority, has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.... Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you., and lo, I am with you always....

Christ willingly gave his life, as a sacrifice, to pay our sin debt. God, the Father raised him from the dead, and gave him all authority, to bestow, his own eternal life, on all who would believe on his name. Through this, we have absolute confidence in him, that he has given unto us, all his power and authority, to overcome Satan in order to proclaim, the gospel of salvation to all humanity.

2 Peter 1: 2 - 4,....as his divine power has given to us all things, that pertain to life and Godliness, through the knowledge of him, who called us by glory and virtue....that through these, you may be partakers of the divine nature....

As believers, God, has already equipped us with the power to live a victorious life in him. As we mature, and put our trust in him, we begin to understand and believe, that he has also equipped us with his divine power, to become teachers and preachers of his word, which is that which portrays life and Godliness, that grants to all who believes, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, which comes through the cross.

Our service to the Lord.

Exodus 19: 8,....all the people answered....and said, all that the Lord hath spoken, we will do....

The Israelite people did not deny all that God had done for them. For this, the people had a genuine desire to serve God, and to commit themselves to him and to represent him to all nations. Likewise, it is our responsibility to represent the gospel of salvation, through our servitude to the Lord, to the world around us.

1 Corinthians 15: 58,....therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord....

As Christians, we have an order, and a structure to our spiritual lives. First of all, for all who place their faith in Christ, we obtain salvation and the hope of eternal life. Next, we have the great assurance, that every promise, that God has given unto us, through his word, will be fulfilled in our lives. For this reason, we are encouraged, to be thankful in our good works of salvation, that God, through Christ has given unto us, Let us never doubt Gods word, but, rejoice, as we fulfill our calling, and remain occupied at all times in his work. Our hope, and eternal inheritance, was laid up for us in heaven, the moment that we placed our trust in Christ. This eternal inheritance continues to grow and to mature in our service to him.

Those who are of the body of Christ, acquire his divine nature. Growing in these assurances, through faith and truth, insures us of our spiritual maturity and endurance. God will reveal himself to us, as we continue to put our faith and trust in him, and he will lead us, guide us, and use us, to bring the hope of salvation to a dying world.

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 the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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