

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.

God confirms the Covenant

Exodus 24: 1 – 11

Gods covenant, a bond, established in a relationship, between God and mankind. This covenant, or covenants, due to there was more than one established down through the ages, was not just a simple agreement between two parties, but a bond, created and sealed by the shedding of blood.

Hebrews 10: 16 – 28,....not even the first covenant was dedicated without blood....all things are purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin....so Christ, was offered once to bear the sins of many....to those who eagerly wait for him, he will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation....

The first covenant was conditional upon Israel keeping their part of the agreement. Although they promised to keep the conditions of the covenant, it was impossible for them to do so. This covenant, or law, was, and still is today, Gods tool, to identify, sin in our lives, and then point us to Christ and the cross, who is the only one able to redeem us of sin.

Hebrews tell us of a new covenant, which God promises, to his people, an unconditional covenant. Due to the weakness of mankind, and the inability to keep the law, this covenant would then be one that would be within us, when accepted by us. All that we must do, is trust in Gods word, and in his promises, which is to believe upon the name of Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 5: 21,....he made him, who knew no sin, to be sin for us, that we might become the righteous of God in him....

This covenant, brought into effect, through Christ and the cross, also brought together all believers, into one body of Christ, and commissioned those believers to administer this covenant, to all who would believe.

Jerimiah 31: 33 – 34,....This is the covenant that I will make....I will put my law in their minds, and write it on their hearts, and I will be their God....for they shall know me....and their sin I will remember no more....

So, what I would like to focus on, in this lesson is:

Exodus 24: 7,....he took the book of the covenant, and read it in the audience of the people, and they said, all that the Lord said, we will do, and be obedient....

Why did God, put such a great emphasis on bringing and reading the word to the people. This covenant, or this word, is Christ himself. And if Christ himself, then it is the God head of the trinity, God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. Only in this, can mankind be saved, and have an eternal life with God. So, how important do we see the word of God. It is our life here upon this earth, and, it is our life eternal. Without the word there is no light of understanding of what would be the proper use of the things that God has intrusted unto us as believers.

That is why David said:

Psalms 119: 11,....thy word, have I hid, in my heart, that I might not sin against thee....

If we have hidden the word, in our heart, it means that we have hidden Christ himself, therefore, through salvation, by the indwelling Holy Spirit. So, therefore we are no longer slaves to sin.

Romans 6: 6,....knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin....

As Christians we have living within us, this living word of God, and, in this we have all the benefits of Christ and the cross, without ever having to go through the pain, the suffering, the anguish, the humiliation, the separation from the Father, everything that it took to allow us this freedom of salvation, so that we may be able to experience daily in our lives, what this word of God, truly means to us and to those around us.

John 12: 44 – 50....he who believes in me....believes in him who sent me....and he who sees me, sees him who sent me. I have come as a light into the world....that you should not abide in darkness....

Psalms 119: 105,....thy word, is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path....

This light is like no other. Because Christ lives within us, then this light shines from within to without.

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

This light not only lights the pathway for ourselves, but the pathway to all of those around us, that they may see the lighted way, and direction, to the cross. We cannot take anyone into eternal life by the light of our salvation, but, by the word of God, we can take them to the cross, where Christ is the light, and he will give unto all freely, who will believe, their own light of salvation.

Revelation 3: 20,....behold I stand at the door and knock, if any man hear....and open the door....I will come in....

This is all part of our giving, receiving, and trusting in the word of God, which is all part of his eternal plan. The Father would give of the Son, the Son would redeem all of mankind, the Holy Spirit would apply the redemptive saving grace, and we, the redeemed, would carry it to all nations.

Matthew 28: 20,....teaching them, to observe all things....

Romans 10: 14 – 15,....how shall they call on him, whom they have not believed....how shall they believe in him, whom they have not heard....how shall they hear without a preacher....how shall they preach, unless they are sent....

So, how important is this covenant, this word of God, which God has given unto us, which God has commanded us to be obedient to. It is the most important aspect of life itself, for it is Christ himself. It is the difference between whether we live or whether we die, speaking of eternal life and eternal death. So, as believers we should, take the book, we should read and study and meditate in the book, and as God gives to everyone opportunity, we should read it in the audience of the people, to show others of our obedience to God and to his word, that we may be the example that would inspire others to choose, and to see that, all important difference between whether they live, which is eternal life with God, or whether they die, which is eternal separation from 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 the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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