## 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.

This Do In Remembrance Of Me

## 1 Corinthians 11: 24 – 25

Remembering Christ means that we are constantly thinking about him and focusing our attention on his on his saving grace and his word. Concentrating fully on him, and becoming obedient to the teachings of his word, helps us to draw closer to the Lord, and allows us to enjoy the comfort of his Holy Spirit. This comfort that we have come to know, allows us to understand the strength which we receive from our heavenly Father. As we rely upon this spiritual strength, we will find it easier to control our thoughts, our feelings, and our actions in the Lord, and then we will begin to understand his great love for us. This in return helps us to begin to learn to love others as Christ loves us. As we find this true love, we begin to remember Christ in all that we do. The choices that we now make are the choices that he desires for us to make. We now have become Christ like, and our lives reflect his will. Even though we are still yet beginners in our spiritual understanding, keeping the Lord in our thoughts will help us to always remember his great love for us, which is freely given unto us through Christ and the cross.

1 Corinthians 11: 24 - 25,....and when he had given thanks....and said....this do in remembrance of me....this do ye....in remembrance of me....

The call to remembrance directly concerns Gods new covenant of grace, given unto us through Christ and the cross, and then and now celebrated by the believers, through participating in what we know as the ceremony of the Lord's supper. So, what does it mean. It is a powerful concept, given unto us by Christ himself, which gives unto us the ability to participate in that which will revive our lives by recalling to our minds the significance and manifestation of the death of Christ on the cross. This is God's way of bringing the reality of that which is past, which was the greatest sacrifice ever given to humanity, for humanity, so that we might continually bring to remembrance the everlasting covenant between God and mankind. We participate, to show our faith in God's mercy and grace for giving unto us his redemptive saving grace, and the hope of eternal life. Every time that we participate in the Lord's supper, the gospel of Christ is proclaimed, and we as Christians believe all the more, as we remember. So, what does it mean to remember, as believers and as we spiritually mature in Christ, we understand that it is more than just simply letting thoughts slip from our mind, it is an eternal covenant, commanded unto us by God, and this is for us to keep throughout all generations, a statute forever.

John 12: 16,....these things understood not his disciples at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered, that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him....

The key to remembering is the ability to understand the things that were previously unknown. Often times in our lives we lack understanding because we did not interpret the word of God correctly. Our minds become clouded by worldly temptation, with the promise of selfish ambition. We must learn not only to read, but to study, and to pray, and to meditate on the word of God, through the leadership and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

John 16: 13 - 14,....howbeit when he, the spirit of truth, is come he will guide you in all truth, for he shall not speak of himself, but whosoever he shall hear, that shall he speak, and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me, for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you....

As believers, we must face the reality that there is so much more that we need to learn concerning the truth of the word of God. Christ, through his loving compassion, reminds us that this can and will come through the indwelling Holy Spirit, which was given unto us through our salvation, if we will only submit to his instruction. The truth of the gospel of Christ was manifested on the cross, and victory was won when Satan was defeated in the resurrection. These mysteries, now connected with the body of Christ, which were planned by God, before the foundation of the world, demonstrates the submissive nature that is well pleasing unto God. Our job is to listen to what the spirit has to say unto us, and this will guide us into the truth of the glorious gospel of Christ, and will give unto us Godly wisdom, and discernment for every aspect of our lives.

Acts 11: 15 - 17,....as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them....then I remembered the word of the Lord, how that he said....ye shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit....that I could understand....

Gods call in our life, first of all, is one to repent of our sins, and then to choose to follow after God. We should not be reluctant to acknowledge the word of the Lord Jesus Christ in our life, for in him is the power of God unto salvation for everyone who believes.

Romans 1: 16,....for I am not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth....

God alone has the capacity to save humanity, through believing on the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is one thing to believe the gospel, it is another to live it so that others may see its saving grace.

Acts 20: 35,....I have showed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said it is better to give than to receive....

Once saved, we are responsible for sharing our faith with all those around us. Gods ultimate goal for all, is that we become increasingly more like his Son, Jesus Christ. As Christians, we cannot redeem anyone, but we can give of ourselves in service to others, in the name of Christ. It is our obligation, and more than that, it is our privilege to help those who are of the body of Christ, those who are experiencing trials and tribulations in their own life. The Lord has given unto all of us the ability to lead others to the saving grace of Jesus Christ. There is no greater joy than that of knowing that we have helped another by giving words of encouragement to others. By doing so we are also giving unto the Lord. We were created for the purpose of having fellowship with God. We do this by remembering. Remembering that Christ died for us, that he was crucified, buried, and resurrected and all of this was so that we might accept his loving mercy and grace, and then share those memories with all those that he allows to become a part of our lives.

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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