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 God's word.

Assurance, Confirmation, Perception

Exodus 33: 11 – 18

Today we want to learn that we must never forget the privileges that we have through our salvation in Christ Jesus. As Christians, we have experienced a unique intimate relationship with Christ. Yet, sometimes we forget, that which we have received in the word of God, surpasses any experience that we have ever known. This is due to the indwelling Holy Spirit, which guides us in the way of the truth of the gospel, through the resurrected life of Christ, raising us up into newness of life and we have become one with him, covered in his righteousness, justified by faith, and seated with him in heavenly places.

Ephesians 1: 3 - 6... blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ....

As servants of God, we are instructed to lead. For this to take place, we must have a deep spiritual concern for those that have no desire to serve God. So, we pray, for the Lords, goodness, grace, guidance, and direction, to perform those abilities that we need, so that we may be able to lead others in the pathway of righteousness.

So, this morning we will look at three things that will enable us to see the glory and presence of God daily in our lives, and that is:

Seeking a continued assurance of Gods plan in our life, and Gods eternal plan for humanity.

Seeking confirmation through God's word, concerning his promises in our lives.

Seeking after a greater perception of God, by asking him to show us his glory, which is the fullness of God in our lives.

So, we will go to the book of Exodus and look at a conversation that Moses had with God.

Exodus 33: 11 - 18,....so the Lord spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend....I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, show me now thy way, that I may know thee....and he said my presence will go with you, and I will give you rest....for how then will it be known that your people and I have found grace in your sight, except you go with us....and he said, please, show me your glory....

How many meetings can we say that we have had with God. Only because of what Christ done for us on the cross, are we able to speak with God face to face. This is because God is, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Exodus 33: 13,....I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, show me now thy way, that I may know thee....

Seeking the assurance of Gods plan.

How do we seek after, not only Gods plan for our life, but also Gods eternal plan for humanity. We pray, we pray that God would show us his glory, so that we may know him. How important is it, to learn the ways of the Lord, and to discern the paths that he would have us to follow after in our lives. In order, to do this, we must separate ourselves from the world and submit to total dependence in God. This wisdom and knowledge come's through the word of God, by prayer and simply by asking.

Psalm 25: 4 - 5,....show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths, lead me in your truth....on you I wait all day....

We as believers endure the pressures of this life by anticipating the help that we will receive from the Lord. God promises to make our way successful, if, we are obedient to his word.

Philippians 3: 10,....that I may know him, and the power of his resurrection....

Exodus 33: 16,....for where in shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight....

Seeking confirmation of Gods promises.

The word of the Lord is truthful, the word of the Lord is sure, the word of the Lord stands firm. We as believers should never consider continuing on in our life, without God accompanying us. This comes through the presence of his Holy Spirit, who continually brings unto us his promises, through the righteousness of salvation.

Matthew 28: 20,....and Io, I am with you always, even to the end of the age....

Christ greatest promise to us is that through salvation, and in our service to him, that he will be with us always. This, God made possible, through the giving of the Holy Spirit, that, at the moment of our salvation, we are indwelled by, and with this Holy Spirit, which is the trinity of Godhead, in spirit form. We also have in our possession, the word of God, which is also the presence of Christ himself.

Psalm 119: 11,....thy word hath I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against you....

The possibilities, of Gods promises in our life our endless, due to the fact, that the trinity of the Godhead is always ever present in our lives.

Exodus 33: 18,....and he said, I beseech thee, show me thy glory....

Seeking a greater perception of God.

God has instilled within us as believers, a heart with eternal value. For this reason, we have a desire to see and understand the fullness of God in our lives. It is only by faith in Christ, that this privilege is granted unto man, and it is only through spiritual maturity, that we may come to understand that the fullness of God within us, is the desire to glorify him in the world around us.

Titus 3: 4 - 7,....when the kindness of the love of God our savior toward man appeared....according to his mercy he saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, who he poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our savior....

God will reveal his plan for our life unto us, but it will be in his own way, and by his own timing. We now know that the greatest part of his plan for us is to seek his glory and his presence in our life daily. Due to sinfulness blocking the perception of who God truly is, it is not possible for sinful humanity to comprehend Gods perfect holiness. The Lord is complete in his fullness, and his power is far greater than anything on this earth. Christ desire is that we may come to know him, and to understand our eternal value in him, and through him, so that we may experience the privileges that we have, through our salvation.

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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