

# *Mt. Lebanon Church*

Adult Sunday School Lesson

9.5.2021

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.

Ordination of Aaron and His Sons

## Leviticus 8: 1 – 13

Just as the priest in old testament times interceded before God on behalf of the people, so does Christ make intercession for us, by standing on our behalf before God the Father, to make a way for those who believe, so that they may have access to God. Unlike mans intercession, which was temporary, Christ intercession is portrayed unto us, at all times. In this grace dispensation period in which we live in, Christ is the only one who can intercede on our behalf. This is because Christ is, perfect God, and perfect man. He was tempted, but without sin so therefore he understands our experiences and temptations, having paid our sin debt on the cross, which allows us to accept his divine power, which grants unto all things pertaining to life and Godliness. Christ, sets at the right hand of the Father, advocating on our behalf against the accusations that Satan brings against us, before God. For all these reasons we can now be accepted blameless before God, and boldly come to the throne of grace.

**Hebrews 7: 25,....**wherefore he is able also to save to the uttermost those who come to God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them....

The more that we learn of the word of God, the better the understanding that we will have of who God is. As we began to recognize God's mercy and grace, we will have the ability to see what he is doing in our lives, and all that he has planned for those who love him. Christ, and Christ alone has the power to save us, and he also has absolute authority to intercede on our behalf to the Father. Christ not only promised to save us from the power of sin, the guilt of sin, the nature of sin, and the punishment of sin, but has also promised to sanctify us, day by day, by the Holy Spirit, into the image and likeness of himself. The more that we learn of his word and become obedient to his word, the greater relationship that we have with him.

This morning we will break this passage of scripture down into three parts, and that is, we are called by the lord, we are prepared by the Lord, and we are ordained by the Lord.

**Leviticus 8: 1 – 4**,....the Lord spoke unto Moses saying, take Aaron and his sons....and the garments....and the anointing oil....and a bullock....two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread....gather the congregation....and Moses did as the Lord commanded him....

**Called by the Lord.** Our first calling of the Lord would be to salvation. Since we are all guilty of sin, then we all must be cleansed. This cleansing process was made possible through Christ and the cross. Our salvation is not, on the basis of our own deeds, but only by the power of God. The same is true of our calling to serve others, it is not the result of our own efforts, but it is of Gods purpose and grace, and his due calling. Because of this divine calling, and our acceptance of salvation, God continues to save us from the power of sin, through out our life in him. Because he continues to save us, he then calls us, to be holy, to be spiritual, to be set apart, to live a life pleasing unto him, and to serve others. God saved us, and called us, to live a holy life, and done so, not because we deserved it, but because he loved us, and this was his plan of mercy, grace, and compassion for us, from the beginning of time.

**1 Corinthians 7: 17**,....but as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk....

God's intentions are to make use of each one of us. Therefore, Christians should remove themselves from out of the company of non believers, but should prayerfully retain their friendship, so that God may work out his plans, and purposes, in his time, and in his way, for his greater glory. We should walk in the gifts and graces that he has given unto us in Christ Jesus. We are to live our Christian life in the way that the Lord has called us to live, knowing, that we our accountable for our own choices and conduct. We are all accountable to the Lord and will one day stand before him to give an account for the things done in the body. So, we should always seek to walk in the way that God has assigned unto us, to the honor and glory of his holy name.

**Leviticus 8: 5 – 9,....**Moses said....this is the thing which the Lord commanded to be done....Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water....he put upon him the coat....girded him....clothed him....put the ephod upon him....put the breastplate upon him....put the mitre upon his head....the holy crown, as the Lord commanded Moses....

**Prepared by the Lord.** We are not chosen by man, we are chosen by God. We also cannot cleanse ourselves, we must be cleansed by a much higher, supernatural power, and that power is Christ. We are then clothed in his purpose, which insures within us the worship of the Lord. This means that we must set aside ourselves as the place where Christ is fully honored as the Lord God, remembering that our body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. We must focus one hundred percent on Christ as our saviour and master, living in his absolute spirit and truth. Christ prepares us to resist and to reject worldly beliefs, and to focus on sharing the good news of redemption through faith in Christ. We are not to condemn, but to present our faith of salvation without self righteousness. The word of God prepares us by giving unto us instruction on how to grow in grace, and live a Godly life in harmony with mankind. We must seek peace and pursue after it, we are instructed to be sanctified unto God, by thanksgiving and praise.

**Ephesians 2: 10,....**for we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them....

We are crafted by God with a specific skill and purpose for his good works. Good works that are meant to be the result of salvation. He has prepared and planned what he wants us to do in our lives. This unique plan of service to him includes the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives, to lead us and to guide us. This means that we are God's masterpiece, workmanship, and his new creation in Christ Jesus. It is only by Gods grace that we have been saved, but we have not been raised to newness of life for no purpose. Our purpose is to preform good acts, and good works, which could not be preformed by the old nature. These actions and works can only be carried out through our preparedness of our new abundant life in Christ. So then therefore we now truly are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus, which God hath prepared beforehand, so that we would walk in them.

**Leviticus 8: 10 – 13,....**Moses took the anointing oil and anointed the tabernacle and all....and he poured the anointing oil upon Aarons head....to sanctify him....Moses brought Aarons sons and put coats on them....girded them....put bonnets on them, as the Lord commanded Moses....

**Ordained by the Lord.** Every believer is meant to be a fruitful, productive, active worker in the kingdom of God. Bearing fruit is Gods calling and purpose for our life. God has therefore ordained and appointed each one of us to bring forth good fruit. As Christians we must tell the good news of salvation to others, helping them come to faith in Christ. Our spiritual gifts and abilities are meant to be used to produce good fruit. Through salvation, we are anointed or indwelt with the Holy Spirit. God gives unto us his spirit, without measure, to empower us, to equip us, to guide us, to instruct us, and to convict us. God cares about us, and therefore has chosen us for a specific purpose. He has called us into a particular realm of service, and through the anointing of the Holy Spirit, has equipped us for that role.

**John 15: 16,....**ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that you should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain, that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it to you....

God is the one who is ultimately in control of all that happens. Christ selected man to be his students, before and beyond, mans own knowledge. As we allow the word of God to abide within us, it drives our thoughts and desires, and it coordinates our will with that of the will of God. As believers, Christ has chosen and appointed us to produce good fruit. This means that we must bear fruit that will remain. As we live our life in Christ, in spirit and in truth, we then are fruitful to his praise and to his glory, guided by the Holy Spirit, into his unchanging will.

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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