Mt. Lebanon Church

**Bible Study** 

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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.

Into His Marvelous Light

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

When we look, into the light of the word of God, the brightness of its truth can sometimes hurt. However, as our spiritual oversight matures and becomes adjusted in our life, we will be able to walk in the light of God's word.

**Psalm 119: 130,....**the entrance of thy words giveth light, it giveth understanding unto the simple....

God in his grace, has equipped us with his holy word, and hath filled it to overflowing with his light, life and hope. The more that we seek after the truth of God's word, the more that the Lord will open up unto us his understanding.

**1** Peter 2: 9,....but ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light....

God has graciously called us out of the darkness of sin and death, into the glorious light of his holy presence and his eternal light, and love. It is due to having been called out of darkness into his wonderful light that we, have the ability, to proclaim to all mankind, the saving grace of Jesus Christ, who through the cross, paid our sin debt, so that we might have salvation, and the hope of eternal life.

As Christians, we believe that the scriptures are divinely interpreted, so therefore we must make every effort to present the pure word of God, through the leadership and guidance of the Holy Spirit, without adding, or taking away from its teachings.

**2** Peter 1: 19 - 21,....we have a more sure word of prophecy, where unto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place....knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not....by the will of man, but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost....

**Proverbs 30:** 5 - 6,....every word of God is pure, he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee....

We must simply desire to share the truth of God's word as it is written. We must not desire to try to convince any others of our own personal ideas, which would diminish any relationship that they have with the Lord. Claiming the word of God as our sole authority, gives unto us confidence in our salvation, for it is the word of God, and not the traditions of men, that will judge us in the end.

**2** Timothy **3**: 15 - 16,....and that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness....

The book of John and salvation.

John 1: 1 - 5,....in the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God....In him was life, and the life was the light of men, and the light shineth in darkness....

John 1: 11 - 13,....as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God....

John 3: 3 - 7,....except a man be born again, he cannot enter the kingdom of God....marvel not that I said unto thee, ye must be born again....

John 3: 16 - 21,....for God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life....this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light....everyone that doeth evil hateth the light....but he that doeth truth cometh to the light....

John 12: 35 - 36,....then Jesus said unto them, yet a little while is the light with you, walk while ye have the light....while ye have the light, believe in the light, that ye may be children of the light....

John 12: 46,....I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness....

Luke 24: 45 - 49,....then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, and said unto them....that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations....

The nations showed no respect for God, and even crucified the one that he sent to be their anointed king. But God raised up his anointed Son, and through the resurrection, offers amnesty to all nations, if they turn from their rebellion against his divine authority. So, all nations are called to abandon their fighting against God and his Son, Jesus Christ, and are commanded to turn to him, and to recognize his sovereign authority. Through repentance and remission, they are then released from the sinfulness that enslaves them and are brought into his divine glory. This commission, or message, is not one for the individual, but gives unto us the good news that God will restore the whole earth from the slavery of sinfulness as we recognize, and turn from evil, and recognize the authority of Christ. This commission was not one to make people feel guilty, but to get the people to recognize Christ as the omnipotent, omniscience, omnipresent supernatural being that he is.

So, the enlightened word of God points us to two choices. Heaven and Hell.

**1** Peter 22 - 25,....seeing you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the spirit....being born again by the word of God....the word of the Lord endureth forever, and this is the word which by the gospel is preached....

**2** Thessalonians 1: 7 - 9,....when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord....

So, we should,

James 1: 21 - 24,....receive with meekness the engrafted word....be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only....a hearer of the word and not a doer....forgetteth what manner of man he was....

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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