## 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.

The Importance of Gods Word

John 1: 1 - 14

People who reject the gospel of Christ, do so, because they have no understanding of it. Christs coming, into this world was intended to be a light that shineth in darkness, but due to mankind's inability to see Christ for who he truly was they preferred the darkness over his eternal light. The Lord Jesus came into this world, already as the word of God and he came to reveal to humanity the true meaning of Gods eternal love and plan. He came as life and he came to breathe new life into mankind, who is dead in trespasses and in sin. This is because that due to sin, darkness entered the heart of humanity, but through the Son, sin, death, and darkness would be overcome. Christ is that light which hath been shing from the beginning and will continue to shine through eternity. His light, his life, his love, his hope, his joy, and his peace, comes from the Father, who has decreed that the Son is all, and in all.

John 1: 1-14,....In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God....the same was in the beginning with God....all things were made by him....In him was life, and the life was the light of men....And the light shineth in darkness....that was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world....he came unto his own....as many as received him, to them he gave power to become the sons of God....which were born....nor of the will of man, but of God....and the word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth....

So, how important is God's word.

The word, which has been forever present was with God in the beginning, and was sent by God to accomplish his saving grace through the power of the Holy Spirit. Each person of the Godhead has their own unique role to play, and yet together they work in perfect harmony, being equal and perfect in every aspect of their being. Before the foundation of the world, and all that was created, there was the word, the living word, the word that became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. So, first and foremost this word is our salvation, Gods saving grace, and through the Holy Spirit this word leads us into that salvation.

**1 Peter 1: 23,....** being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth, and abideth, forever....

By faith in Christ and the cross, we are born anew, born of the spirit, born again, given a new nature, made a part of Gods new creation, clothed in his righteousness. Being born physically does not make us alive spiritually. God is the only one who can make us alive through his saving grace in which we now have the ability to love one another, with spiritually alive hearts. By this we know that our security rests firmly on the never changing and eternal word of God. As part of our life in Christ we have been given a new nature with Christlike characteristics, which will transform us into his very likeness because he is the living word of God.

Romans 10: 17,....so then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the work of God....

The means of salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ is only found in the word of God, so that by faith in Christ, we may be born again into the newness of life, and transformed from the sinful worldliness that came through Adam, into a new creation of the eternal Christ. God's word gives unto us wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, which leads us, and guides us, and directs our footsteps. Refusal to believe in God's word will bring us to disobedience. Those who do not believe do so because, they do not want to believe. Those who hear and believe God will send him out to preach the gospel of the saving grace of Jesus Christ. This glorious gospel is simply profound and profoundly simple, which is Christ died for you.

Psalm 119: 105,....your word is a lamp into my feet, and a light unto my path....

The word of God is the greatest physical asset that we have upon this earth. We can touch it, see it, feel it, read it, and hear it, every moment of every day in our life. We must believe that the word of God is complete and will accomplish everything that it promises. God sent his Son, the word, for the reason of accomplishing his perfect will in our lives. In order, for us to be complete in God and see his promises fulfilled, we must do two things. Trust in the Lord and wait upon the Lord. As we live our life in a sinful fallen world Gods word provides a sure foundation upon which we can stand.

Psalm 138: 8,....The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me, thy mercy O Lord, endureth for ever, forsake not the works of thine own hands....

Mankind will always be a disappointment, but God never will. Often times, when we feel disappointment, it is because the Lord allows us to go through trials and tribulations to help us to grow and to mature. We must learn to use what we feel to be disappointments, as opportunities to grow closer unto the Lord. No matter how despairing we feel the situation is that we are facing, through the word and the leadership and guidance of the Holy Spirit, God will work for the good of all mankind and for the glory of the Lord. Through this we will find perfection, but only in those things that God knows is best for us. We must remember that God is always in control.

God done all his creative work through his Son, the word. Through Christ, we may come to know God and see his glory. Mankind's only hope lies in the truth of the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Through salvation, we not only see Christ as one with humanity, as one who was born into this world, but we see him as the creator of this world, and also as one who was cast out from this world, crucified, yet resurrected, so that we might bear witness of him, showing him unto the world, as the one true light.

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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