

Mt. Lebanon Church

Adult Sunday School Lesson

2.20.2022

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.

Crucifixion and Death

John 19: 16 – 30

Our faith, as a believer, is built upon the truth of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christ death on the cross, removed the barrier of sin, which separated humanity from God. Only by believing in that which Christ has done for us on the cross are we able to secure an eternal relationship with God the Father.

Romans 3: 23,....for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God....

All of humanity was born into sin, and therefore, all have sinned and deserve death. If we place our trust in Christ, who was completely sinless and did not deserve death, but placed himself on the cross as our sin substitute so that his shed blood would pay our sin debt that we may have forgiveness of our sins, and have eternal life with God.

John 19: 16 – 24,....then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified....he bearing his cross went forth into a place....Golgotha....they crucified him, and two other with him....Pilate wrote a title....Jesus Of Nazareth The King Of The Jews....then said the chief priest....write not, The King of the Jews, but that he said, I am King of the Jews....Pilate answered, what I have written I have written....then the soldiers....took his garments, and made four parts....also his coat....let us not rend it, but cast lots for it....

Let us start off by looking at and comparing some Old Testament scriptures with that of the New Testament.

Isaiah 53: 3 – 4,....he is despised and rejected of men....he was despised, and we esteemed him not....surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows....

John 1: 10 – 11,....he was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not....he came unto his own, and his own received him not....

Even today, mankind looks at Christ with low esteem, and they are very indifferent concerning their belief when it comes to the tremendous sacrifice that Christ had made on their behalf. Christ loved us so much that he willingly gave himself up for us, to offer his own life as a ransom for all. Sadly, Christ came into the world in which he created, a world that was rightfully his, he came to his own chosen covenanted people, but they would not receive him. It is no different today. We understand that Christ came for all humanity, to be the savior of the world, and is still despised and rejected. Even though he is rejected by some, for those who will believe upon him, he gives unto them the power to become the Sons of God.

Psalms 41: 9,....yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me....

Matthew 26: 14, 21 – 23,....one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priest....as they did eat, he said, verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me....he that dippeth his hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me....

Even as Christians, we do not know the intent of any mans heart toward us, this includes those who claim to be our closet friends. For this reason, we must be on guard, and allow Gods will to be at work in every part of our lives. For we do not know who may present themselves unto us, appearing delightful and friendly, but in their minds, they have wicked and dangerous thoughts toward us. Christ used the example of the betrayal of David, which came by one of his best friends, as an example to his disciples, of what was going to happen between himself and one of them. As Christians, we study this example, because betrayal and rebellion are a very real characteristic of the human nature that we are born with. The word reminds us how easily at one moment we can be experiencing the joy of the Lord and then through trials, tribulations, or deception, we can fall from the presence of the Lord, and become someone very different, someone very contemptable.

Psalms 22: 1 – 2,....my God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me, why art thou so far from helping me....

Matthew 27: 46,....and at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice....that is to say, my God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me....

At the time of the crucifixion, for three hours, time was held by eternity. This was due to God showing us, by his power, that he is just, and holy, and that every sin had to be punished, and the price for this, which was death, had to be paid in full. Christ took upon himself every sin, and the responsibility of paying the price for that sin. Christ willingly, and obediently bore the sinfulness of the worldly man, so that humanity, if they would believe, would not perish, but have everlasting life. For this reason, when Christ hung upon the cross, bearing the sins of the world, he experienced for the first-time what separation from the Father would be, because Gods eyes are too pure to look upon sin, and tolerate what he sees, because God judges all sin. Christ experiencing this, means that humanity will never have to, if we believe in what he has done for us on the cross. It also shows unto us that without Gods eternal plan of salvation, we will be permanently separated from the Father.

2 Corinthians 5: 21,....for he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him....

Christ took the punishment that we deserved, so that we, through believing, by faith, might be accredited with his perfect righteousness. God, through his mercy, his grace, and his love, by the redeeming blood of Christ, adopted us as his children, and made us just heirs with Christ.

John 19: 25 – 30,....there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother....when Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, woman, behold thy Son....then saith he to the disciple, behold thy mother, and from that hour that disciple took her unto his home....Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished....saith, I thirst....when Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, it is finished, and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost....

Christ, who was the lamb of God, paid the full price of sin for mankind, which means that he accepted the full measure of the wrath of God, and therefore fulfilled the whole law, and carried out the fullness of the scriptures in every detail. So, what does this mean to us. Christ came to redeem us from sin and the suffering of that sin by sacrificing himself as our sin substitute, on the cross. Sin and suffering go together, therefore redeeming the world from suffering must include redeeming the heart from sin. Suffering continues if sin remains. Suffering will end when sin is defeated. Christ redeemed us through his suffering, therefore if we are in Christ, the only suffering we will experience will be that which comes about in our life. Gods love for us is so great that it is difficult for humanity to grasp until they become believers, and then we must grow in faith and spiritual maturity, so that we may begin to gain understanding of this love. Christ did all this so that we might have peace and spiritual healing, when we are redeemed and justified. This love, this sacrifice, this man called Jesus, is our salvation.

Hebrews 1: 3,....who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the majesty on high....

Jesus became the final and ultimate sacrifice for our sin, which indicates that a debt was paid. Christ came to finish Gods work of salvation in us, which continues in our world still today. It is finished, proclaims that all the work that the father had sent the Son to accomplish, was now completed, particularly the work of bearing the penalty for all sin. This means that there is no more penalty left to be paid for sin, and all of Christ suffering was finished.

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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