

Mt. Lebanon Church

Adult Sunday School Lesson

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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.

Obedience in Celebration

Leviticus 25: 1 – 12

Only through obedience to God can we find joy in his provisions for us. Gods' provisions for us is our needs supplied, spiritual needs and those needs of necessity. Faithful obedience to Gods word will result in the greatness of the blessings of the promises of his word. Keep in mind, disbelief, and disobedience, will result in consequences of afflictions. God gives unto us his word, to remind us, as Christians, that there are privileges through our salvation. These privileges include the promises that God will provide for our spiritual needs, and for our daily needs, and we will find satisfaction in his goodness. Therefore, we are reminded, through his word, who we are and what God has promised to do for us. As Christians, our obedience to God grows, through the promise, that he will test our faithfulness to him, daily. Gods desire for us is that we will continue to be obedient to his word, trust in his promises, obey his commands, and walk worthy of the privileges that we enjoy because of our salvation. There are many lessons that we learn through our failures, which gives unto us many reasons to rejoice in the salvation of God. As believers, we have been given all that we need for life, and for godliness (to live a godly life). We are clothed in his righteousness, as we hold onto the promise of his return, and that is the promise that he will take all believers to be with him, eternally.

Acts 1: 11,....ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven....this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven....

Psalm 84: 11,....the Lord will give grace and glory, no good thing will he withheld from them that walk uprightly....

God delivers abundant hope, to all believers, through the promises of his word. But there is a condition to his promises, and that condition is that we need to walk uprightly. Because not all walk uprightly, some have abused the purposes of Gods promises. Faithfully seeking the Lord means that there will be trials and tribulations, but God keeps our faith strong through his promises. Gods' goodness reaches far beyond the materialistic needs of our life, it also touches are hearts, and our spiritual wellbeing. By faith, we enter into salvation, this is just the beginning of our journey to test our heart and continue to prove our faithfulness to him. Christ made all things possible through the cross, and the resurrection, and by giving unto us the indwelling Holy Spirit. Sadly, many times we grieve the Holy Spirit, and do not allow the fullness of the spirit to reign in our lives.

Ephesians 4: 30,....and grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption....

It is our great assurance in knowing that the Holy Spirit has sealed us and will keep us sealed until Christ comes to claim us as his own. We must never doubt the security that we have through our salvation. We are still capable of sinning as Christians, and with this we sadden the Holy Spirit by our sinful actions. God, does in fact care about how we live our lives, and he does not cast us aside as a result of sin, but let us remember that our eternal security is not a license to sin and there is consequences for sin.

Leviticus 25: 1 – 7,....and the Lord spake unto Moses....speak unto the children....keep a sabbath unto the Lord....six years thou shalt prune....and gather in the fruit....in the seventh year shall be a sabbath....it is a year of rest unto the Lord....and the sabbath....shall be meat....(for all)....shall all the increase there of be meat....

The sabbath was a reminder to trust in God, even for those things which we did not labor, as long as we are obedient to his instruction. God promises unto us abundance, through obedience. Obedience to God brings joy, and joyful people remember that it is God that provides all that we need to live our life according to his purpose and plan.

Isaiah 1: 19,....if ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land....

As Christians, if we are not careful, it is easy to find ourselves under tremendous pressure, when it seems that we are not being blessed by God. Satan will use this to deceive us into believing that because we feel a lack of blessing from God, that somehow, we have become separated from him, and over time this can lead to worldly emotional anxiety and depression, and the feeling of abandonment. The good news is that God is never disconnected from those who have believed upon his Son, Christ. Our willingness and obedience are based upon our belief that Christs finished work on the cross is true, and that we now live by his love, his mercy, and his grace.

Romans 8: 35 – 39,....who shall separate us from the love of Christ.... (nothing) shall be able to separate us from the love of God....

God created us to have a relationship with him, and his love is the key to that relationship remaining healthy. Gods love, if we allow it, will cause our life in Christ to thrive, but do not be surprised when we suffer for Christ's sake as we patiently wait for our hope of eternal life to be fulfilled. As Christians, we must never interpret the circumstances in our life as Gods lack of love for us. Nothing that happens unto us could ever mean that Christ would no longer love us, in fact, he loves us enough to bring us through those things in our life.

Leviticus 25: 8 – 12,....thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years....thou shalt then cause the trumpet of jubilee to sound....ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty....a jubilee shall that fiftieth year be....for it is the jubilee, it shall be holy unto you....

There is a time to work and a time to rest, and both are very important to our spiritual life in Christ. We must not allow our desire for worldly gain to become more important than our compassion for the eternal well-being of humanity.

As believers, it is important to understand that God owns everything. Anything that we have, God has given unto us for our use, but it belongs to him. Our obedience in celebration comes from knowing that God will provide for all of our needs. This also is a foreshadowing of the work of Christ on the cross, where he relieved all mankind of all spiritual debt, which was due to our slavery to sin. God takes rest very seriously, this means our rest in his Son, Christ. God does not want man to get caught up in his own self-righteous provisions, where we think that we can provide for ourselves for our own needs and for the needs of others. No matter what the circumstance, God wants us to trust in him. We can, as believers, make the choice to allow God to move in our life in such a way that we find rest in him, with the hope of experiencing our eternal jubilee in heaven with him.

Hebrews 4: 11,....let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any fall after the same example of unbelief....

Lack of belief will destroy our ability to fulfill the destiny that God has in store for us. We obtain completion in the work that God has instore for us to do by holding fast to our faith, through obedience to his word, rather than submitting to doubt and disbelief. Faithful obedience will keep us from struggling in our salvation, and will strengthen us as we strive to obtain our eternal purpose, which is to glorify God.

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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