

Mt. Lebanon Church

Adult Sunday School Lesson

3.10.2024

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. Below please find my sharable thoughts, so please allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you that he would have you to see through the study of God's word to share.

Jairus's Daughter and the Bleeding Woman

Luke 8: 40 – 56

Our faith in God should be stronger than anything else in our life, for it encourages believers to trust in God and his promises above all else. Having faith in God, means trusting in God's plan and provisions, even in the face of uncertainty, difficulty, and fear. So, what does it take for us to acknowledge, and face our fears in a way that we do not allow them to control us or consume us. We must learn to focus on God, his characteristics, and his promises, all the while believing that he is with us through every situation and circumstance in our life, so that we may live with a sense of spiritual purpose and meaning. Choosing faith over fear will help us to know if we are experiencing an emotional fear, or godly fear. As believers, we should not allow emotional fear into our life, but we should always experience spiritual fear in a sovereign God.

Proverbs 9: 10,....the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the holy is understanding....

Too often, the things that we value most come from the fleeting pleasures of the world, which causes us to yield to the lust of the flesh, and the pride of life. Through the word of God, we will discover, that a reverent fear of the Lord is a great start toward godly wisdom, knowledge, and understanding, which provides spiritual fulfillment in our lives. Spiritual wisdom means seeing life from God's perspective, because until our hearts are in a right relationship with God, we are unable to acquire the wisdom that only he can give.

Luke 8: 40 – 48,....when Jesus was returned, the people gladly received him, for they were all waiting for him....there came Jarius....fell down at Jesus feet and besought him....he had only one daughter....and she lay a dying....as he went....a woman having an issue of blood....came behind him, and touched....his garment, and then immediately the issue of blood stanchd....Jesus said, who touched me?....master, the multitude throng thee....Jesus said, somebody hath touched me, for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me....woman....came trembling....declared....for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately....he said unto her....thy faith hath made thee whole, go in peace....

In the world, actions are motivated by needs, and it is no different in our life in Christ. It is not until these needs are met that we feel that we can bring ourselves to become who God created us to be. When we are in need, it is very hard to think about how to improve and strengthen our relationship in God. Therefore, we must be mindful of what is causing these situations and circumstances in our life, so that we may use them as an occasion to strengthen our relationship with God not to keep us from a relationship with him. For this reason, there are many promises in God's word to encourage the believer to look to God to supply our needs, all while growing in our relationship with him.

Philippians 4: 19,....my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus....

2 Corinthians 9: 8,....God is able to have all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having suffering in all things, may abound to every good work....

Matthew 6: 33,....but seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added unto you....

Psalms 37: 4,....delight thyself also in the Lord, and he shall give thee the desires of your heart....

Matthew 6: 8,....be not ye therefore like unto him, for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him....

Ephesians 1: 3,....blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ....

The common denominator in all of these promises would be that they encourage our spiritual faith to overcome our worldly fear, so that we may obtain the obedience that we need to serve God through his word in such a way that we might gather the wisdom, knowledge, and understanding needed to receive the fulness of our strength in him, which he has freely given unto us. The problem that many Christians face is that due to a lack of faith, we do not completely surrender our lives unto Christ.

The Lord will always bless those who serve him faithfully, and these blessings are continuous through the Holy Spirit, which lives within us, and which helps us to experience the promises of God, because we are living our life fully devoted to serving the Lord. For this reason, we believe every promise of God, without doubt, and we strive to live according to his promises. The greater our desire to live in the obedience of God's word, the more our faith in him increases, the more that we will experience that the promise of God are true. God will provide us with everything that we need, not only our earthly needs, but he also gives unto us the spiritual motivation to tell others about the saving grace of Jesus Christ. As we live to serve Christ, we will receive his spiritual blessings and come to know that the Lord will make all things possible and provide for us our earthly needs.

Luke 8: 49 – 56,....while he yet spake....cometh one....saying....thy daughter is dead, trouble not the master....when Jesus heard it, he answered....fear not, believe only, and she shall be made whole....when he came....all wept....but he said, weep not, she is dead....he took her hand....and her spirit came again, and she arose straight way....and her parents were astonished....

It is always by our faith, and never through our actions, for God responds to us through our faith, so that we might find hope in Christ, in any situation, knowing that the Lord is greater than any problem that we might face. Although physical death is something that we cannot escape, through Christ, we have the power to overcome spiritual death, therefore, we should replace our worldly fear with Christlike faith, for it is our faith in Christ that has given unto us the victory to overcome the world. The more that we trust in the Lord, the more we will understand the power of his resurrection, which gives us the confidence that Christ will lift us up if we will only believe.

1 John 5: 4,....for whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith....

How do we overcome? By our faith! Every believer is already an overcomer because we have eternal life in Christ. Therefore, let us remember that our faith must have an objective, and the object of our faith is Christ. Our faith comes from the work that Christ accomplished on the cross, and through the resurrection, he gave unto us the forgiveness of our sins, life everlasting, and victory over the world and the sinfulness of the world. As members of the body of Christ, we are accepted by God who gives unto us all that we need to live, to work, to overcome, and to glorify him through our faith.

Through faith, we surrender our will to Gods will, which is his purpose and plan for our life and whosoever does the will of God abides forever. Therefore, our salvation is secured by the Holy Spirit who has sealed us for the day of redemption and gives unto us the guarantee that we belong to God.

In order, to remain in our faith, we must draw our strength and encouragement from the word of God, knowing that our eternal victory has already been accepted through Christ. Therefore, we are to continually take up the shield of faith with which we are able to extinguish and quench all the fiery darts of the devil.

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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