

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. 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.

Gods Mercy Endureth Forever

Psalm 118: 1, 4

Do we often time feel abandoned by God. Do we sometimes wonder if the troubling circumstances in our life are actually proof that God no longer loves us. If so, then we need to ask ourselves this question, because of our disobedience, and faithlessness, will God reject and abandon us as believers. To answer this question, we must look to the promises of God's word to comfort us, and we must understand that the Lord forgives those who will repent and return into his righteousness, for the Lord he is good, and his love and mercy endures forever.

1 John 1: 9,....if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness....

Psalm 100: 5,....for the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth to all generations....

If as believers we repent, the Lord will not hold our sins against us, for he remains faithful, he is compassionate, he is gracious, and he always abounds toward us in love. So, for those times in our lives when we feel abandoned, or we feel that God is no longer showing his love unto us, remember, that the faithful love of God is never ending.

Lamentations 3: 21 – 26,....I recall to my mind, therefore, have I hope....it is of the Lords mercy that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not....the Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him....it is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord....

Those, who have by faith believing, experienced a living, and a personal relationship with Christ are partakers of his love, and his mercy forever. When all seems lost and without hope, we must remember that Gods mercy is endless, it is everlasting, and it endureth forever.

Psalms 118: 1, 4,....O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, because his mercy endureth forever....let them that fear the lord say, that his mercy endureth forever....

As believers, we are all going to face times in our lives when we have a need to be encouraged, and this encouragement comes by the reminder, that Gods love endures forever. So, why do we often time struggle through those times of encouragement in our lives, the truth is that we may never know the completeness of Gods assurance, at least not in this lifetime, but one thing that we do know for sure is that these trials are designed by God to help us to grow in our relationship with him so that we might prepare for our service to live for him. These trials are a part of our life, and necessary for our spiritual growth. There is no action or reaction in our life that goes unnoticed by God, therefore, when we humbly and sincerely go to him in prayer, we have his full assurance that he will hear us, and by him we can be more than conquerors, because of his great love for us.

Romans 8: 37,....in all things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us....

Ephesians 2: 4 – 7,....but God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love where with he loves us....when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, by grace are ye saved....and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly place in Christ Jesus....that in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus....

Will we as believers even comprehend the depths of God's love for us. God's love is infinite, whereas, we are limited in this mortal body, but even at that, God's love is rich in his mercy toward us, for when we were dead to him in our sins, when we had no hope in this world, when life was an never ending discouragement unto us, keeping us in a state of unbelief, God, being rich in his love and in his mercy toward those who would by faith, believe, he loved us so much that he gave unto us life, through the death and resurrection of his Son, Christ Jesus. Mercy is not just about what God does, it is also about who he is. God is loving, he is compassionate, and he is forgiving. We must never take his mercy for granted, but we must always strive to walk in the righteousness of Christ.

Ephesians 2: 10,....for we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.,...

God prepared the things which he wanted us to do for him before time as we know it. He has a unique plan for each of us to serve him in this world, therefore, we have not been raised into our newness of life for no purpose. This means that the actions of God's purpose and plan for our life can only be carried out through our new abundant life in Christ, which we must allow to be controlled by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, so the works that I do, I do through my new nature in him. When we begin to understand that everything that God creates is of eternal value unto him, it is then that we begin to realize the truth, that it was God's own breath that brought life into his workmanship, which is who we are in him, showing unto us that he is intimately a part of all of humanity.

Genesis 2: 7,.....the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul....

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

As believers, we have a special place in God's plan of redemption, for we have been selected, called, chosen, and now devoted for a very particular purpose. Our God given journey through life is to proclaim to the world, through our thoughts, through our words, through our actions, through our attitudes, and through our motives, we are to declare the one who has redeemed us from sin and death into the righteousness of Christ, and into the glory of God.

Psalm 136: 1, 23 – 24, 25,....O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endureth forever....who remembered us in our low estate, for his mercy endureth forever, and hath redeemed us from our enemies, for his mercy endureth forever....O give thanks unto the God of heaven, for his mercy endureth forever....

Gods' mercy, unlike mans, is not a fleeting emotion, or a temporary act of kindness, but it is an enduring and unchanging attribute of Gods character. Gods' mercy is not limited by time or space, but it is eternal, without limit. The concept of Gods enduring mercy is not confined by worldly values, for it reflects his redemptive plan for all of humanity, and it extends to all of creation, and to all people. It is a reminder of his faithfulness and grace toward all of mankind, and it confirms the never-ending work of salvation in the world. As believers, we should find comfort in the unchanging nature of Gods mercy. As believers, we are reminded of the importance of recognizing our faithful dependence upon God. The concept of Gods divine mercy gives unto us the perspective of his unwavering love for us, and shows unto us the nature of Gods mercy that endureth forever.

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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