

Mt Lebanon Church

Sunday School Lesson

4.20.2025

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.

Jesus Fulfills the Scripture

Luke 24: 32 - 49

What does it mean to fulfill the scriptures? It means to bring the entirety of the word of God to its appointed goal, and to complete its intended purpose. The prophets of old waited in anticipation for Christ to come and to fulfill these expectations, for everything finds its intended destination in him. Now, with the coming of Christ came the fulfillment of these expectations, therefore, we no longer live in the era of anticipation, but in the new covenant era of his fulfillment. As believers, our purpose and desire here upon earth should be the same as that of Christ when he walked upon this earth, for Christ came to establish the word, to encompass it personally, and to fully accomplish all that is written in it. Therefore, the prophecies of the Old Testament are realized in Christ Jesus, and those holy standards would not just be perfectly upheld by him but would also be upheld by him as one who would teach them to others. Christ taught the people to be obedient to the law, as he willingly obeyed it himself. Christ came not to destroy the law but to build upon it, he came to finish the old, and then to establish the new.

Romans 10: 4,....for Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth....

Christ fulfillment of the law obtains our eternal salvation. By grace, through faith, are we made right with God. He forgave us, and he canceled our sin debt, taking it out of the way, and nailing it to the cross.

Colossians 2: 14,....blotting out the handwriting and ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to the cross....

As believers, in Christ we are no longer under the law, even though some would argue that the law is still in effect. The law cannot save us but it is that which leads us unto Christ so that we might be justified by our faith.

Galatians 2: 16,....knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Christ Jesus....that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the working of the law, for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified....

Luke 24: 32 – 40,....did not our hearts burn within us while he talked with us....and while he opened to us the scriptures....they....returned to Jerusalem....saying, the Lord is risen....they told....how he was known of them....as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them....they....supposed that they had seen a spirit....he said....why are ye troubled, and why do thoughts arise in your hearts....behold my hands and my feet....see....for a spirit hath not flesh and bones....when he had....spoken, he shewed them, his hands and his feet....

As believers, the only way that we can understand the feeling of our salvation is when that we realize who Christ truly is, and what he has been teaching us through his word. This journey of our understanding comes not from seeking guidance from the Holy Spirit alone, but it also comes as we apply Gods teachings unto our life, through the personal experience of our life in Christ, which in turn leads us into a deeper relationship with him. So how does this work in our life? The more that we come to know Christ through the fulfillment of his word, the more that we will trust in him. The more that we trust in him, the more obedient we become to God and his word. The more that we obey him, the greater our faith in him. The greater our works, the more that we will experience his good works in our life. The more that we experience God in our life, the greater our relationship is with God, the greater our love becomes in God. The more that we love God, the more that we will want to know about God, and the more that we will tell others of his saving grace which comes through Christ Jesus his Son.

Romans 5: 1 – 5,....being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ....by whom....also we access by faith into this grace in heaven we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God....we glory in tribulation....knowing that tribulation worketh patience, and patience, experience, and experience, hope....and hope maketh not ashamed....because the love of God....in our hearts by the holy Ghost which is given unto us....

1 Corinthians 13: 13,....now abideth faith, hope, charity (love), these three, but the greatest of these is charity (love)....

As believers, our faith, our hope, and our love is founded upon the gracious promises of God word, for God's word is trustworthy, and it is never changing, never ending, and never failing. It is an unfathomable love that glorifies God, for it comes forth from an understanding, trustworthy heart, that believes in God's word of truth by faith. It is our assurance, and certainty, something that we cannot see, but it does exist. God's word is the hope of his love in our hearts and is confirmed through the indwelling presence of his Holy Spirit, therefore, our hope in God can never disappoint us or deceive us, for it gives unto us an unquestionable certainty, which is our seal of proof for the eternal hope that abides within us. Gods gracious gift of salvation is secured within all those who will believe, and it is based upon the unchangeable and unconditional love of God. Therefore, let us never question the length, the depth, the height, nor the breadth of God's love toward us, for God demonstrated his love to us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5: 8,....God commanded his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us....

Luke 24: 41 – 49,....while they yet believed not....he said....have ye any meat?....they gave him....fish and....honeycomb....he took it, and did eat....these....words....I spake....that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law....then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures....it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day....that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations....and ye are witnesses....behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you....tarry....in....Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high....

Just as Christ taught in his day, everything that we teach, as believers, must come from the truthful evidence of God's word concerning the death and the resurrection of his Son Christ Jesus. It is God's desire that his word be made alive to all of mankind. As we begin to understand God's plan of salvation in our life, it is then that the accomplishment of his work, through his redeeming blood, which brings unto all of mankind the forgiveness of sin, and life everlasting to all who will believe upon his name. When we fail to understand the salvation of God in our life, it is then that we begin to form our own perception of God's purpose and plan, for we have now become spiritually discerned without an understanding heart. This is why that we are taught by the word of God not to know anything but Jesus Christ and him crucified.

1 Corinthians 2: 2,....for I am determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified....

Romans 12: 1,....I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service....

As we live our life in Christ upon this earth, even though we may not have the person of Christ himself to join us in our walk, we are none the less privileged then those in his day, for we have the indwelling Holy Spirit of truth as our permanent companion and daily comforter, who is with us, and abides in us, so that he might open our minds that we may understand the scriptures as we walk spiritually with Christ, communing with him throughout the duties of our days, and have the ability to listen unto his voice, so that we might rest from our labours in his love.

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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