

Mt Lebanon Church

Sunday School Lesson

6.15.2025

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.

Seek Godly Wisdom

Proverbs 4: 10 – 15, 20 - 27

As believers, in order to receive, we must first learn to serve, and the concept of service is not just about doing tasks for others, but it is also about putting the needs and intents of others before our own, this means showing compassion as well as offering help wherever and whenever it is needed. By serving others we will find a sense of purpose and fulfillment that is far greater than the pursuit of personal gain. Serving requires receiving instruction from the Lord, which means actively seeking his guidance through prayer, and the study of his word, led by the leadership and guidance of his Holy Spirit. Receiving instruction also requires humility and obedience, and a willful desire to live according to his will in our life.

Proverbs 19: 20 – 21,....hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou may be wise....the counsel of the Lord, that shall stand....

In order to receive instruction from the Lord, as believers, we must be teachable, which means that we must be receptive to his guidance, even when that guidance seems to challenge us. Along with receiving instruction comes accepting discipline and correction from God for this will lead to spiritual maturity, and a growing faith in our life.

James 1: 5 – 7,....if any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally....let him ask in faith, nothing wavering....let not that man think that he shall receive anything....

When making choices in our life in Christ, when we are unsure how to cope with the challenges in our life, God, through his word, and by his spirit is the source of our wisdom, our knowledge, and our understanding. As believers, it is very important to acknowledge that we need these characteristics to live a fulfilling life in the Lord. By asking in faith believing, God is not hesitant, or stingy, but is very generous in giving unto us his wisdom, knowledge, and understanding so as to provide guidance in our life. Our life as a believer is all about pursuing a greater relationship with God so that we might sustain a deeper faith and trust in him as trials, tribulations, situations, and concerns come our way, for it is these things that are exactly what we need in our life so that we might grow steadfast in the righteousness of God. Seeking godly wisdom shows evidence in our life that we trust in him to reveal his wisdom unto us through his word, so that we might make the best eternal choices in our life. Whether or not we obtain the understanding of the wisdom which we are seeking hinges on whether or not we truly trust God as the best source of our wisdom.

Proverbs 4: 10 – 15,....hear....and receive my sayings....I have taught thee in the way of wisdom, I have led thee in the right paths....take fast hold of instruction. Let her not go, keep her, for she is thy life....enter not into the path of the wicked....avoid it....turn from it....

The word of God is the believer's book of wisdom, prepared and preserved for our benefit, to help us, to comfort us, to encourage us so that we might live in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Living according to Gods word, according as he has commanded will help us to avoid the many unnecessary self-inflicted situations and circumstances in our life. Therefore, we are commanded to hold on to the teachings of Gods word, because his word is key to living a godly life in this world, and it is also the hope of our eternal life with him. Consistency in our obedience to Gods word is very important, for our obedience is not to be one of occasion or convenience. Therefore, it is not just a message of obtaining knowledge, but we must also apply it to our everyday lives. Discipline and a willingness to learn is a reminder unto us that Gods wisdom is not just advice given, but it is to be our way of life.

1 Peter 1: 23,....being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever....

As believers, our spiritual rebirth does not come through the temporary, corruptible ways of the world, but it comes through the imperishable, living, and enduring word of God, for without the wisdom and knowledge of Gods word we cannot be saved. Salvation is an act of God, whereby he gives eternal life unto all who will by faith, believe in his Son, Christ Jesus. Therefore, we are as believers, to live a life that reflects the new nature which we have received through our spiritual rebirth.

John 3: 7,....marvel not that I said unto thee....ye must be born again....

Proverbs 4: 20 – 27,....attend to my words, incline thine ear unto my sayings....let them not depart from thee, keep them in....thine heart....for they are life....and health....keep thy heartfor out of it are the issues of life....ponder the path of thy feet....turn not to the right hand nor to the left....

As believers, it is not enough to just simply hear the word of God, but we must listen, which means we must pay close attention and allow his word to penetrate our heart. In all of humanity there is a need to focus, we need to be actual listeners, rather than just have passive hearing. It takes a humble, sincere, willing heart to understand the words of godly wisdom in our daily life in Christ. Therefore, Gods word is to be actively and carefully considered, we must pay attention to what we hear, and welcome Gods word not only with open ears, but with open hearts and open minds.

James 1: 22 – 25,....be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only deceiving yourselves....if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer...he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was....but whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty....a doer of the work....this man shall be blessed....

Self-deception is a very dangerous characteristic in our life in Christ, for it gives unto us a sense of false security, and this insufficient knowledge will cause us to miss out on true spiritual growth in our life. Therefore, the word of God encourages us to become active participants in our journey of faith by applying the principles that we learn from his word unto our life and therefore practicing obedience. So, how do people who truly trust God live from day to day, because we know that to believe is to act upon what we hear. We are called by God to accept his word; therefore, we must accept it in our minds and agree to it in our hearts. To seek godly wisdom means that we stop talking long enough to listen and we take the time to hear and to understand. Our faith in Christ is not just the way, it is the actual journey. Therefore, we need to figure out which way God wants us to, and then actually go that way.

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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