

Mt Lebanon Church/ Big Isaac Community Church

Sunday School Lesson

10.5.2025

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 which he would have you to see through the study of God's word that we share.

God Warns Pharoah Through Dreams

Genesis 41: 25 - 36

Does God give unto us, as believers, seasons of conditioning, which allows us to spiritually prepare for the events that are happening or going to happen in our lives. Let us always remember that this time of spiritual preparation is not always about foreseeing a specific outcome, but it is about developing the spiritual maturity needed in order to achieve Gods purpose and plan in our life. As believers, we are encouraged to trust in God as he leads us by his spirit, through specific situations and circumstances in our life, and even though we do not fully understand his purpose and plan, we should see these experiences as opportunities that will help us to grow in our faith in him, and will also help us to maintain a sense of security in our relationship with him. Now, committing our life in Christ to daily practices, such as prayer, and the study and meditation in the word of God will help us to diligently seek after his divine leadership in our life. Now, the pathway to fulfilling Gods purpose in our life is challenging, but it is this process that ensures us that our position of responsibility is never greater than what we are spiritually mature enough to handle, for a believer that is unprepared will grow weary of trying to perform the tasks that God has given. Therefore, often time, God will reveal unto us a glimpse of his glory to confirm his plan, and offer us hope in the midst of difficulties, for he gives unto us just exactly what we need to help us to move forward in our life in Christ one step at a time.

Sadly, many want God to give unto them the entirety of their life's plan so that goals might be set, and so that we can move forward in what we believe to be our God given purpose. This stems from a worldly emotion of fear and a lack of faith and trust in knowing that God is in complete control. As we progress in Gods purpose and plan in our life, he will continue to reveal unto us instruction through his word, by his spirit, so that we can be confident in knowing that he is holding us steadfast and unmovable in his hand, always abounding in his work, for we are never out of his care.

Isaiah 30: 20 – 21,....and though the Lord give you the bread of adversity, and the water of affliction....thine eyes shall see thy teachers....thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, this is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left....

Psalms 32: 8,....I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go, I will guide thee with mine eye....

Yes, often time, God will provide adversity to help us in gaining clear, spiritual sight, to see the right pathway that he would have us to take. This divine guidance, which comes through our obedience to him, will remain present in our life and will provide the means for us to understand and to follow after his will. Yes, there will be sufferings in our life which are designed by God to serve a purpose that will help us to create a deeper, more intimate relationship with him. Therefore, we as believers, are reassured daily through his word, that the hardships which are designed by God for his purpose, that we will not allow them to take away the promise of hope that God has appointed to bring about spiritual growth and repentance to the lives of all who will believe.

Genesis 41: 25 – 32,....Joseph said....God hath showed Pharaoh what he is about to do....seven good kine....and seven good ears are seven years....seven thin and ill-favored kine....and....seven empty ears....shall be seven years of famine....this is....spoken unto Pharaoh....seven years of great plenty....after this seven years of famine, and all the plenty shall be forgotten....the famine shall consume the land....the plenty shall not be known....by reason of the famine....the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass....

As believers, we understand that God is in control of all things, and his control allows for preparation, in order to demonstrate his ability to communicate his will to believers and unbelievers alike. Experiences in our life in Christ, no matter how troubling they may seem are not just mere chances, but they are direct messages from God, which he has selected to reveal unto those of his choosing, to provide for preparation for presentation unto his people. So, Gods sovereignty foreshadows both his divine provisions with the severity of hardship. Sadly, to many believers, when a time of prosperity is followed by a time of intense tribulation, the time of spiritual abundance is completely forgotten. Now, to overcome this in our life we must understand Gods control of all things, and we must understand the importance of his wisdom, knowledge, and understanding that helps us to see the necessity of preparing for times of uncertainty in our life in Christ.

Proverbs 6: 6 – 8,....go to the ant....consider her ways, and be wise....which having no guide, over seer, or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest....

As believers, we must demonstrate foresight and planning, along with personal responsibility for times of adversity, by striving and working hard during those times of spiritual maturity in our life. Motivation and discipline through obedience can develop into true wisdom so that our labour will not be in vain, but having a continued wise expectation for the saving grace of Jesus Christ in the lives of all who will trust that God calls all believers to be hardworking and diligent when it comes to giving of ourselves wholly and completely in our service unto him.

Genesis 41: 33 – 36,....therefore....look out a man discrete and wise....let him appoint officers....let them gather....of those good years that come....and lay up....that....shall be for store....against the....years of famine, which shall be in the land....that the land perish not....

So, as believers, following after the leadership and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are to possess sound judgement, self-control, a sober mind, wisdom with knowledge through understanding with the ability to perform righteously, for this is Gods will for our life. One who is discrete and wise in understanding of the Lord is one who acts with Gods given ability of foresight, and exercises sound judgement while living a life that brings glory unto God. Anticipating future adversity in our life is a necessary ability given unto us by God, which comes through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and is an effective resource, so that we might ultimately serve Gods purpose of presenting the integrity of the believer's relationship with him during hardships and adversities in our life.

Jeremiah 29: 11 – 13,....I know the thoughts that I think toward you....thoughts of peace....to give you an expected end....then shall you call upon me....you shall go and pray unto me....I will hearken unto you....ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart....

God has good plans for our future, plans to give unto us hope, so, that even in difficult times, it is his intention that we call upon him in prayer, that we will seek him with our whole heart, and in doing so we trust that he will be listening , and that he will apply his faithfulness unto us, to offer comfort and hope with unwavering commitment, so that when we call upon him we will be met with his presence and attention. Therefore, there is no hardship or adversity that can separate us from the love of God, therefore, let us be confident that all things will work together for our good to his glory. God will never abandon us, and we will always have hope, because of the Holy Spirit that indwells within us. Even though we will face all kinds of spiritual famine in our lives, we should never let it distract us from the plenty that is instilled within each of us. Remember, God has shewed unto us what he is about to do, and it is established by him, and he will shortly bring it to pass. Therefore, let us, as believers, make preparation, so that this hope and the prosperity of God will be fully realized within our lives, so that our relationship with God will not perish by reason of spiritual famine.

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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