

Big Isaac Community 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. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the study of God's word.

If the Lord will

James 4: 13 – 15,....

So, let's start with a question. Let us ask ourselves, as a believer, as one who is born again, one who is saved by the redeeming blood of Christ, am I going about my daily routine, which by the way should be God's will and plan for my life, am I going about my daily routine and I have no regard to God's involvement when it comes to what is happening in my life, and if this would be the case, then what is the outcome of the events that are taking place in my life. So here is where we need to be, we must not allow ourselves to become someone who professes faith in Christ, but then we go on to live our life thinking that God would not care about the minor details of our existence, because nothing would be further from the truth. God cares about all aspects of our life. This means that there are those believers, and this may be us at times, who live in total disregard of the truth of God's word, and we are making decisions every day, but we are working all things according to our own will, without listening to the instruction of the indwelling Holy Spirit. If this is the case, how then can God accomplish his perfect will within us when we choose to allow worldly, sinful, self-righteousness to control our everyday lives. So, here is the alternative, through God's word, we can find encouragement, and we can find comfort in knowing, that if we will submit unto him, then he being a just and a holy God will take complete control of our life, and then, and only then, will his strength and his power prevail, and he will bring us into his purpose, and into his plan, and into his will, and into a spiritual maturity of completeness in our life in Christ.

Romans 8: 28,....and we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose....

Gods plan is one that will work all things unto his glory, into the eternal benefit of all who will believe and trust in his Son Christ as our savior. Gods plan is a perfect plan, where he works within our lives every detail of his purpose for every situation in our life, whether those circumstances are good or whether they are bad, God works them out to an end result that will have eternal value for our life. Yes, we are going to have difficulties, and yes we will experience tragedies, and disappointments, and persecutions, but the good news that comes through the promises of his word will remind and encourage us, that even in this fallen state of humanity in which we live, yes we will suffer tribulation, but if we endure to the end we will be saved.

Matthew 24: 13,....but he that shall endure to the end, the same shall be saved....

So, how am I going to live my life daily according to the will of God?

If you will turn with me to the book of James we will seek to find the answer to that question.

James 4: 13 – 15,....go to now, ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain....whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow....for what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away....for ye ought to say, if the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that....

A great part of becoming a living example to a lost and dying world is to let others hear and see, that as believers, we conduct ourselves morally, and spiritually, always working forward to a faith in God that is absolute in our lives. So let me give you this simple explanation of the phrase, if the Lord will, and you should write this down. (It does not matter that we think that we have a right view of what life is all about, for when we begin to make choices here on earth, what does matter is that we have a right view of God, and then we allow him to make our plans.) God has hidden the future from us for a reason, for he does not want us to live our lives according to careless presumptions of the future, for he wants us to live our lives trusting wholly and completely upon him. This is because our life is a gift from God, and it is subject to the will of God, and we must accomplish all that we can in the mercy and in the grace of God.

Psalm 39: 4,....Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is, that I may know how frail I am....

So, here is what we should be learning as we study and meditate on God's word. God's word describes both the quantity of life, and the quality of life, and that makes it is so very important that we diligently seek to redeem every moment of our life in God, understanding his saving grace. Everything that we do is subject to the will of God, so this means that it is not just whether we are alive tomorrow, but it is what we do in God tomorrow, as we live out our life unto him. As believers, we must never allow ourselves to come to the conclusion that anything that we do or say is out of Gods control, for this might cause us to believe that we are the master of our own fate, which we are not.

1 Chronicles 29: 11 – 13,....thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine, thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all....thou reignest over all, and in thine hand is power and might, and in thine hand is to make great, and to give strength unto all....therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name....

So, let us as believers, never forget that time and space, and all that exists belongs to God, and is under his grace. Now, even though God has bestowed upon mankind the unsearchable riches of his grace, our minds cannot comprehend his vastness. Therefore, we should not, because of temptation, because of trials and tribulations, we should not allow ourselves to become complacent in the gospel of Christ, which will cause us to stray from the mercy and grace of the one who gave up the splendor of heaven, to be born of this earth, who became despised and rejected by his own people, and was crucified, so that we might be set free from the penalty of death, and live eternally with God.

Philippians 2: 5 – 8,....let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus....made himself of no reputation....took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men....he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death....

Now, being born at a point in Gods time, for a specific purpose, Christ, who is infinitely God, became man's representative, therefore, upon his shoulders rests the future of all of humanity, and the salvation of the entire human race, which is Gods will. Now, here is the fact of the matter, Christ came willingly, which is a concept that staggers the limitations of our own mind, for it is these limitations that cause many to deny his eternal plan and reject his divine calling. By his death, Christ paid the price for man's sin, and by his resurrection he destroyed the power that sin and death have on the lives of all of those who trust in him.

Philippians 2: 9 – 11,....wherefore God hath highly exalted him....that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow....and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord....

Christ, who was not deserving of death, choose to give his life willingly as the ransom price for the sins of the world. And as believers, our life should reflect the life of Christ. This means that Christ character and attitude should be mirrored in the life of the believer. So, does this mean that our life will be one of humiliation and suffering, yes it will, but, it will be followed by a glorious resurrection when we will be welcomed into the kingdom of God.

So, a day is soon coming for all of humanity, and this day will include believers, and non-believers alike, and everyone will confess God. Some will confess him as Lord and Savior and joyfully enter into eternal life with God, while others will be forced to confess him as Lord, and judge, and then will be condemned to an eternity in hell. Gods plan for mankind is redemption, but he will not force people against their own will so as to become a part of his family. Man has a free will to choose, to either accept, or to reject the saving grace of Jesus Christ. For this reason, as believers, we should study and pray daily so that we might boldly proclaim, if the Lord will, because, yes it is his will that we not only live for him now, but that we will live with him forever throughout all eternity.

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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