

Mt. Lebanon Church/ Big Isaac Community Church

Sunday School Lesson

8.9.2026

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.

God Reconciles His People

Jeremiah 31: 1 - 14

What is redemption? It is the concept of God's ability to deliver his people from the power of sin and its consequences. Even during a time of great disobedience and impending judgement, God, through his word, provides a message of hope with the promise of redeeming those, who will by faith, believe upon his Son, Christ Jesus. God is always the one who takes the initiative to reconcile his people to himself, which allows us to experience his everlasting peace and forgiveness and not the devastating feeling of being eternally separated from him, for he does not hold trespasses and sins against those who believe upon him. Now, as believers, we are entrusted with his message of reconciliation, and we are to share the message of the gospel of his saving grace with the world.

2 Corinthians 5: 17 – 21,....if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature, old things are passed away, behold all things become new....all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given unto us the ministry of reconciliation....that God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them, hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation....we are ambassadors for Christ....God did beseech you by us, we pray you in Christs stead, be ye reconciled to God....he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him....

As believers, we are to preach the divine message of restoration, which means restoring the fellowship between God and humanity. Therefore, God was not counting mankind's sin against them, but inspires each one to seek after spiritual healing, replacing worldliness with the compassion and forgiveness of Christ. So, as ambassadors for Christ we are Gods representatives on earth, and we are to invite those who are living in sin to turn away from worldly lustful desires and turn to his divine grace. We extend to others Gods mercy, his grace, and his forgiveness, so that it might lead to a personal commitment and to spiritual healing and confession.

Jeremiah 31: 1 – 6,....saith the Lord, will I be the God of all families of Israel, and they shall be my people....the people which were left of the sword found grace....the Lord hath appeared....saying....I have loved thee with an everlasting love, therefore, with lovingkindness have I drawn thee....I will build thee....thou shall be a day, that the watchmen....shall cry, arise ye, and let us go to Zion unto the Lord our God....

As believers, who represent the spiritual truths of God's word, we are to proclaim both the judgements of God and the eternal hope that he offers. This means that we must declare his justice and judgement against worldliness and sin while offering his love and compassion and eternal life through our faith in Christ Jesus. God must judge disobedience, and it is his righteous judgements that invite all mankind to seek after his mercy and his grace. Now, God promises a restored life and everlasting peace to those who trust in him. So, rather than seeing Gods judgement through worldly fear, his divine judgement assures us that his truth and his mercy and his grace will prevail over any and all suffering that we might encounter through the situations and circumstances in our life. Justice without grace results in a frightening experience, for without redemption through Christ Jesus, mankind is condemned to the wrath of hell, eternally separated from God.

Jeremiah 31: 7 – 14,....this saith the Lord, sing with gladness....shout among the....nations....praise ye, and sing, O Lord, save thy people....I will bring them from the north, and gather them from the corners of the earth....they shall come with weeping....with supplications will I lead them, I will cause them to walk....they shall not stumble....for the Lord hath redeemed....and ransomed....therefore they shall come....they shall not sorrow any more at all....I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow....my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, saith the Lord....

As faithful servants, through our eternal hope, God gives unto us the ability to rejoice in all our present situations and circumstances, for he will bring us through the trials and tribulations in our life if we will rely wholly and completely upon him. Our joy comes when we trust in his unchanging love, which gives unto us inner peace, and the spiritual strength to focus upon our eternal hope. Living out Gods will in our life has nothing to do with human effort but comes through our relationship with his Son, Jesus Christ. Our daily choices in life must be made according to Gods desire, focusing on his love, through our obedience and faith. Doing Gods will means living according to his word, and letting go of our own selfish desires, so that we might trust in his eternal plan. We must learn to match our daily life choices with the teachings that we find in the word of God. This means turning away from the sinfulness of the world, while being changed by the divine truth of his word. When we repent, he is faithful and just and will restore us into his righteousness.

John 16: 22,....ye now therefore have sorrow, but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you....

As believers, our pain is temporary, and our grief will turn into an unshakable eternal joy when God restores us into his presence. Through the promises and commandments of his word, we are assured that our sorrow will lead to a victory that cannot be taken away. God knows what is in our heart, and he promises that our suffering will not last forever.

Psalm 126: 6,....he that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bring his sheaves with him....

Doing Gods work will often time bring sorrow to our lives, but it is only a temporary circumstance that God uses to create within us a stronger relationship with him. God promises that our efforts, which are rooted and grounded in our faith in him is never wasted, and the result will bring eternal life and joy, for he will turn our sorrow into joy, as he reconciles his people unto himself.

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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