

Tuesday Family Night 2/18/25

Welcome

Prayer

Review

On Sunday we were back in our text coming from Psalms

Ps 116:12 What shall I render unto the Lord *For* all his benefits toward me?

Now for the benefit of those who may view this teaching later the focus of this series entitled 2025 originated from Luke 20:25. In that text we found Jesus response to the pharisees who tempting him to try and get him to speak against Roman authority. Jesus response was "Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's. "

We established last week that in order to render unto God you must know who He is. Everybody ought to know who Jesus is if they want to escape God's judgement.

On Sunday we explained in detail what the 2nd death is.

For those who want to escape the second death they need to give their hearts and lives to the Lord. (Jesus is Lord) **Phil 2:11**

For those who's are already saved we need to ascribe the greatness to Him that is do Him.

Jesus is the only name given whereby men/women can be saved.

Only those who have overcome this world by faith in Jesus, only those whose names are written in the lambs book of life, only those who have repented of their sins in full acceptance of God's grace shall escape the 2nd death which is eternal separation from God.

After the great white thrown judgement (which is the judgement of all the unrighteous dead) they'll be cast into the lake of fire which will be their reward from a just and Holy God.

Thank God for the gift of salvation that we've received. Thank God for His Grace, love, mercy, long-suffering, forbearance, His goodness and kindness, and His faithfulness.

Christ is our sufficiency. That's the way God purposed it to be.

1. So my 1st question is why is it so hard for some people to give God His just do? Is it that hard to give God the praise/glory/honor that he alone deserves?

2. Could it be that the reason we have fewer numbers connecting to the church (the bride of Christ) is because there are fewer witnesses testifying to His goodness?

a. I believe that for every one voice that will testify for the Lord there are ^50 that will testify against Him. That's 50 to 1..

*This # is merely hypothetical, not factual. Only God knows the actual numbers, but suffice it to say, there are more against us than are with us. Jesus proved that;

Mat 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Lu 13:24 Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

3. What is the greatest benefit we have as believers?

(Jesus himself confirmed it)

Lu 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

Revelation 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Sunday we looked at a few consequences of those who would not give God the glory due Him. The first was the nation of Israel.

On Sunday we kinda skated over this text but I want to go into this tonight to get the full understanding of the text.

We took our focal verse from;

Duet 32:6 Do ye thus requite the Lord, O foolish people and unwise? *Is* not he thy father *that* hath bought thee? Hath he not made thee, and established thee?

This particular verse came from the song of Moses which the Lord had given to him for the nation of Israel. This was at the end of Moses time of leading the Israelites right up to the promised land.

Lets begin at;

Duet 30:14 But the word *is* very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

15 See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;

16 In that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them;

18 I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and that* ye shall not prolong *your* days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.

19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

20 That thou mayest love the Lord thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he *is* thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the Lord swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

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31:1 And Moses went and spake these words unto all Israel.

2 And he said unto them, I *am* an hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in: also the Lord hath said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

3 The Lord thy God, he will go over before thee, *and* he will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them: *and* Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as the Lord hath said.

6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he *it is* that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

7 And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must go with this people unto the land which the Lord hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.

8 And the Lord, he *it is* that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

9 And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and unto all the elders of Israel.

10 And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of every seven years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles,

11 When all Israel is come to appear before the Lord thy God in the place which he shall choose, thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing.

12 Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy

stranger that *is* within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the Lord your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

13 And *that* their children, which have not known *any thing*, may hear, and learn to fear the Lord your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

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¹ "Listen, O heavens, and I will speak! Hear, O earth, the words that I say!

² Let my teaching fall on you like rain; let my speech settle like dew. Let my words fall like rain on tender grass, like gentle showers on young plants.

³ I will proclaim the name of the Lord; how glorious is our God!

⁴ He is the Rock; his deeds are perfect. Everything he does is just and fair. He is a faithful God who does no wrong; how just and upright he is!

⁵ "But they have acted corruptly toward him; when they act so perversely, are they really his children? They are a deceitful and twisted generation.

⁶ Is this the way you repay the Lord, you foolish and senseless people? Isn't he your Father who created you? Has he not made you and established you?

⁷ Remember the days of long ago; think about the generations past. Ask your father, and he will inform you. Inquire of your elders, and they will tell you.

The 2nd story we used on Sunday was about King Hezekiah. Now Hezekiah was credited at the time of his reign to have brought revival back to Judah. This story can also be found in 2Kings ch18-20

2Chron 29:1 Hezekiah began to reign *when he was* five and twenty years old, and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that David his father had done.

3 He in the first year of his reign, in the first month, opened the doors of the house of the Lord, and repaired them.

4 And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them together into the east street,

5 And said unto them, Hear me, ye Levites, sanctify now yourselves, and sanctify the house of the Lord God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the holy *place*.

6 For our fathers have trespassed, and done *that which was* evil in the eyes of the Lord our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned

away their faces from the habitation of the Lord, and turned *their* backs.

So Hezekiah restored worship in Israel and Judah

2Chron 31:1 Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went out to the cities of Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities.

2 And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of the Lord.

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20 And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought *that which was* good and right and truth before the Lord his God.

21 And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did *it* with all his heart, and prospered.

*You can bank on the fact that whenever you're flowing in god's will you will be tested.

32:1 After these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought to win them for himself.

1st thing king Hezekiah did was cut off their water supply which flowed from the city, then he called the people together to prepare them for war.

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6 And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the street of the gate of the city, and spake comfortably to them, saying,

7 Be strong and courageous, be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that *is* with him: for *there be* more with us than with him:

8 With him *is* an arm of flesh; but with us *is* the Lord our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

This was Sennacherib's king of Assyria response.

14 Who *was there* among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that your God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of mine hand?

16 And his servants spake yet *more* against the Lord God, and against his servant Hezekiah.

17 He wrote also letters to rail on the Lord God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of *other* lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.

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20 And for this *cause* Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz, prayed and cried to heaven.

21 And the Lord sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there with the sword.

22 Thus the Lord saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all *other*, and guided them on every side.

God know how to deliver his people...

God knows how to keep them that are his...