August 18, 2019

Sundays 9:00 am                                                                     WKYT     Channel 27-2

***It is requested that all children under the age of five stay in our nursery***

***so there will be no distractions during the preaching of the Gospel.***

HYMN

O Thou, from Whom all goodness flows

I lift my heart to Thee

In all my sorrows, conflict, woes

Dear Lord, remember me.  *(Repeat)*

When groaning on my burdened heart

My sins lie heavily

My pardon speak, new peace impart

In love remember me.

Temptations sore obstruct my way

And ills I cannot flee

O give me strength, Lord, as my day

For good remember me.

Distressed with pain, disease, and grief

This feeble body see

Grant patience, rest, and kind relief

Hear and remember me.

If on my face, for Thy dear Name

Shame and reproaches be

All hail reproach, and welcome shame

If thou remember me.

The hour is near; consigned to death

I own the just decree

Savior, and with my parting breath

I’ll cry, Remember me.

(Tune: “Majestic Sweetness” p. 52)

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Danville Bible Conference – Aug. 30st– Sept. 1st

Birthdays

18th– Molly Mohr                     18th– Adam Peters                            19th– Nora Imes

19th– Allison Vincent                19th– Sharon Vincent                        21st– Mark Ham

22nd– Charlie Walmsley                                                                      23rd– Rych Byrd

24th– John Greenleaf                                                                          24th– Don Willis

*“She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.”    -Proverbs 4:9-10*

All of the adjectives we use for grace like sovereign, free, and saving are inherent in the word.  When we speak of the Biblical word grace it is always the grace of God that loves, elects, predestinates, justifies, redeems, calls, regenerates, preserves, and glorifies. Any use of the word grace that does not comprehend all of those things is not the grace of God.  It is the word grace without the meaning of grace.

*“Put off concerning the former conversation of the old man which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts.”  - Ephesians 4:22*

It is true that we still have an old man that is corrupt according the deceitful lusts which we will carry with us until the day we die.  But that is never an excuse to indulge the conversation of that old man.  This old nature does not leave us with an excuse for sin and disobedience. While we cannot put off the old man, we are called to put off this corrupt conversation.  Sin is never acceptable.

*“Be ye kind, tenderhearted, forgiving one another even as God for Christ’s sake****hath*** *forgive you.”  - Ephesians 4:32*

I am so thankful for this verse because I cannot find a reason in me as to why God would forgive my sin. But a reason in me is not needed. He forgives my sin for Christ’s sake.  He is the only and all sufficient reason for the forgiveness of sin.  What effect is that to have on us?  To be kind, tenderhearted, and forgiving to one another, in the same manner that God for Christ’s sake hath forgiven us.

LEANNESS OF SOUL

Through the influence of the *“mixt multitude”*(those who were not true children of Israel, but left Egypt with them) the children of Israel became weary of the manna and desired flesh to eat.  The things of the flesh became more attractive to them.  *Psalm 106:15*says, *“And God gave them their request: but sent leanness unto their soul.”*The manna is Christ, the Bread of Heaven!  Be sure, that when something other than Him becomes our desire, leanness of soulwill follow.  And what a miserable state for the soul to be in.  May the Lord keep us ever thirsting after Christ, and always being conscious of His beauty and our need of Him.

*“This is a faithful*(true)*saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.”*

*- I Timothy 1:15*

There is a lifetime of preaching in this verse but there are two points of great importance which are sometimes overlooked: the truth of the saying and the worth of it!  To discover the truth of the Gospel is to find true peace of mind and to discover the worth of the Gospel is to find true peace of heart.

1. **The truth of it.** *“And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son” (I John 5:11).*I believe the record that God hath given concerning Christ; therefore, I am not troubled and confused by other voices or other claims.  Let God be true and every man a liar.  The apostle summed it up this way, *“To whom shall we go?  Thou hast the words of eternal life” (John 6:68)*.  My mind is satisfied!

2. **The worth of it.**If I have Christ, I need nothing else, either in this life or in the life to come. I am complete in Him, redeemed in Him, accepted in Him, and already seated with Him in glory.  I have ceased from all my labors and efforts to secure divine favor.  His redemptive work is not only effectual but is sufficient for the greatest sinner, the poorest sinner and the weakest sinner.  *“My grace is sufficient for thee” (II Cor. 12:9).*Does this not leave your heart in a state of rest and peace? If not, then you have not yet discovered the worth of His great atonement.  *- Henry Mahan*

Paul said, *“Neither count I my life dear to myself, that I might finish my course with joy” (Acts 20:24).*This is the opposite of the way we naturally think. We think we will find joy and happiness in carefully preserving our life and by doing those things that will lend to our happiness.  But the opposite is true.  The only way we will have true joy is by not counting our lives as dear, but counting the glory of Christ and obedience to Him as what is truly dear.

In the new birth there is nothing changed in the flesh…it is still sinful flesh.  But in that same new birth, there is an imparted new man born from heaven that is holy and does not sin.  *- Marvin Stalnaker*

The Holy Scriptures DO NOT teach that God loves everybody in the world.  However, God’s Word DOES teach that He loves everybody that loves, believes, and trusts wholly in His Son.                    *– David Eddmenson*