Bible Study Nuggets

December 15, 2021

Monday-All Your Needs

(Philippians 4:15-20)-We are looking at the basic needs for humans. Those basic needs include air, water, food, sleep and other essential elements (A need for belonging as well as spiritual things). Paul is encouraging individuals that when going through things we should focus on all our needs. Paul is acknowledging those that helped him along the way. No matter what we go through on this journey we don’t have to get bent out of shape when it comes to our needs. We must keep Christ centered in our lives and God will provide all our needs.

Tuesday-Born Through the Promise

(Galatians 4:21-28)-Paul wanted Christians to know that we are justified through faith. Righteousness comes from Christ and not through the works of the law. Salvation is the work of the spirit, and we must be born again. Christ has come along and made a new covenant and has advised that the people are free to serve the Lord. The Old Jerusalem is no more since God has sent his son, there is freedom. When God makes a promise to us, we find that if we go out of God’s will, we are in trouble. We must wait on God’s promises. God’s promise to Abraham and Sarah was to bear a child even at their old age. Sarah bears a child named Isaac who was born with freedom. The promise to us if we live by faith and by God’s word, we shall see the new Jerusalem (The Holy City). We are born through the promise.

Wednesday-Not withholding his son

(Genesis 22:15-19)- God showed up again with Abraham and showed him the promise and the oath. God promises is what he is going to do when all the requirements has been met but his oath is him fulfilling the promise.

Thursday- Faith Completed by Works

(James 2:14-24)-True faith transforms the way we behave as well as our thoughts. A living faith is real faith. If we believe something we will follow through and act upon it. A faith without works is like a body without breath: Dead. If we put our trust and faith in Jesus, we will care for others as God told us to do. Works are the effects and signs of the life of faith. True faith involves a commitment of your whole self to God. If Abraham had not believed in faith, he could not have done the good work of obedience when asked to sacrifice his own son Isaac. We cannot see someone’s faith, but we can see their works. The more faith that we have in God, the more we allow God to direct our lives. When we have faith everything that we do will align according to the will of God and his word.

Friday-Concern for Our Descendants

(Joshua 22:21-29- When a legacy is laid before us, years later the family line shall continue. The people were not to build an alter for burnt offerings for if they did it would lead them to not serve God. In years to come this would cause their descendants to do this as well. We as Christians must do things the right way. We must train our children in the way that they should go for when they get older, they shall not depart. We must be willing to serve God.

Saturday- Righteousness and Justice

(Proverbs 21:1-5)-Chapter tells us that the King’s heart is in the hand of the Lord. God takes care of the heart. Human beings say what we think, what the heart should do but God oversees the heart. God does not go by what we think, God can change our hearts. God can save us. God knows our heart and weighs our hearts. God wants our hearts to be pure. God is the only one who can make our hearts pure. God does not like sin. God does not want us boasting about self-deeds. Our heart is where all the good deeds come from.