“Fruits of Redemption”

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Bible Study Nuggets

“These Fruits are so precious”

Monday- “Renewed by the Holy Spirit”

(Titus 3:1-7)- This is a letter to Titus from Paul. Paul is advising Titus on how to organize and lead the churches. The Blueprint of the letter includes Paul advising the leadership of the church, the right living in the church and in this chapter the right living in society. As Christians, our main priority is being faithful to Jesus Christ. But we must also obey our government and its leaders. Christians are not above the law. Obeying the civil law is only the beginning of our responsibility, we must do what we can to be good citizens. Paul summarizes what God does for us when he saves us. When God saves us, we move from a life full of sin to a life led by the Holy Spirit of God. God washes all our sins away, when we talk about washing, we are talking about the washing of Baptism. When we received baptism we acknowledge Christ as our Lord, we recognize God’s saving work, and identify with the Christian community. We gain eternal life with all its treasures. We gain a new life through the Holy Spirit and God continually renews our hearts. How do you know that you have been renewed by the Holy Spirit? The things that you use to do you don’t do anymore. The friends that you use to hang around, you don’t hang around no more. Your life will be completely changed.

Tuesday- “Chosen to Be Obedient”

(1 Peter 1:1-5)-Chosen means to be selected. We as people like to be selected for a new job. If we are chosen, we know that we can be obedient and follow the laws. Peter wrote this letter to the believers. Peter just didn’t speak about persecution, Peter suffered himself. Peter knew that the people were desperate at this time. Peter advised that even though they were going through these times they must continue to trust in God. Peter writes this letter to comfort the people who were suffering persecution. He wanted to remind the believers what the end was going to be. Peter talked about a heavenly inheritance for Christian believers. Peter knew that his audience was going to be made up of individuals who were forced from their homes by religious persecution. These individuals were no longer calling this place home, they knew that their residency was in Heaven. The people knew that they would be transported into to a new land. Peter introduces himself in this letter. Peter uses the word “elect” which means chosen. God chose us even before the foundation of the world was created. God just didn’t know about us he chose us. We were chosen as the elect. God is choosing the people he can call Holy. God spilled his blood for us so that we can have the life that he promised us. God chose us and we didn’t do anything to deserve it. Jesus blessed us with mercy, and he gave us the living hope. God gave us his inheritance that does not fade away. God protects this inheritance because we are his children. God’s inheritance is not perishable, it does not fade away or run out and it’s in Heaven.

Wednesday- “Supporting your Faith”

(2 Peter 1:3-8)-Warnings have many forms such as sounds, smells, written words, etc. The forms all have the same purpose. People handle the warnings depending on the source and their situation. Warnings tells us about staying faithful to Jesus Christ. Peter was advising Christians to stay away from those who are twisting the word of God. We want and need the multiplication of peace. It is the way of knowledge of God that creates the multiplication. If we want more favor, we must have more knowledge of God. Spiritual blessings are already accessible to us, but we must live for Christ in order to receive them. God makes us participants in the divine nature. Faith is more than the belief in certain things, it must grow through acts of faith such as doing God’s works. Christians must finish God’s works. The seed will respond to the fact that God is being glorified. When you glorify God, your seed continues to grow. As you glorify God, you are moving away from oneself. The best is yet to come. We as Christians must go outside of the ministry to minister. When you are growing in Christ, we do not have to strain to grow fruit, the fruit is always there for us.

Thursday- “Faith Working Through Love”

(Galatians 5:2-6)-Paul is speaking to the Galatians; he is advising that the ritual of circumcision does not get us into heaven. The only way that we are to get to heaven is through Jesus Christ. As we walk through this life, we should long for a life though Jesus Christ. If we find yourself falling short of Jesus Christ, we are to repent.

Friday- “Called to Freedom”

(Galatians 5:7-15)- We as Christians are called to be free but we must not fall into the flesh. We must not take advantage of our freedom.

Saturday- “The Works of the Flesh”

(Galatians 5:16-21)- The flesh wants what it wants whether it be money, oneself, alcohol etc. The pulling of the flesh does not want to confirm to the spirit. It is obvious what kind of life develops when you are trying to get what you want all the time. All-consuming but never satisfied. Small minded and whap sided pursuits are not godly acts. Paul is warning the Galatians against the acts of the flesh. The things that a person idealizes, or indulges in, becoming jealous, ungodly addictions, disputes, conflicts etc. are all acts of the pulling of the flesh. Paul says I warned you as I did before that those that live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. People that choose the acts of flesh, it’s hard to be around those individuals. Some individuals are not saying the lie but are living the lie when no one else is watching. We as Christians must show glory. Somethings are on the outside, but the filthiness of the spirit are in the inside. We must crucify the flesh daily. We all have struggles. How do we cleanse ourselves from these things? We need to study the word of God daily and live by God’s spirit. Walk the word, live the word and speak the word of God.