Strong Tower Bible Study

Agenda

Lesson 155

Time 6:00pm -7:30pm

Topic: The Source of Peace

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Scripture text: Colossians 3:1-17

"Living as Those Made Alive in Christ

3 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your mind on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. ⁸But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice,

slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹ Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. ¹¹ Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

New Vocabulary:

Shalom- Is translated Peace in the Hebrew language.

Things to know:

- -Ultimate Peace is in heaven.
- -Jesus is the Prince of Peace.
- -The Holy Spirit can keep the Peace of God flowing in the hearts of every believer.
- -Our Peace can't be stolen we choose to give it away.
- -Staying connected to the teachings of Jesus enables followers of Christ to remain at Peace.
- -We cannot have Peace outside of the Will of God.
- -Peace is a direct result of a relationship with Jesus Christ

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What does it mean to set our hearts and mind on things above? Vs1-2
- 2. How is our life hidden in Christ Vs 3-4
- 3. How can we "Put to death" what belongs to our earthly nature? Vs 5.
- 4. How can our behavior contribute to a Peaceful life?
- 5. What is the consequence of verse five? Vs 6
- 6. How can you or others see a difference in your life? Vs 7-8
- 7. What are some examples of (anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language)

- 8. The apostle Paul is reminding all followers of Christ of what Vs 9 and why? Vs 10.
- 9. Are there any external barriers in Christ? Vs 11
- 10. How are the children of God described? Vs 12
- 11. How and when do we wear? Vs 12
- 12. How should problem solving amongst followers of Christ be handled? Vs13 (Remember believers and followers are different)
- 13. What does it mean to *Let* the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Vs 15
- 14. How can we exhibit Vs 16?
- 15. How intentionally should we live? Vs 17

Challenge of the Week:

Search your Bible for a solution to a problem you may have. (*The solution is in there*) if you need help phone another brother or sister in Christ for assistance.

Faith in Action:

- -Trust God for each day's problems.
- -Share your Bible Study lesson with someone

- -Share a Truth you learned from walking with Jesus
- -Reach out to a loved one who may not attend church, they need to hear the Word too. Tell them about the sermon from Sunday.

Scripture Application:

John 16:33-We have been warned and reminded-Share it

Isaiah 26:3-What part do we have in receiving our free gift of Peace?

Philippians 4:6-How can we knock out worry, anxiety, and fear?

Romans 12:18-What does this look like? Who are you in control of?

Closing Prayer: