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JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

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"THE CHRISTIAN'S STRENGTH IN DIFFICULT DAYS" — PART 1

THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, SON OF MAN, SAVIOR OF ALL MANKIND

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Luke 22:35-39

And Jesus said to them, "When I sent you out without a money bag, knapsack, or sandals, did you lack anything?" So they said, "Nothing." :36 Then He said to them, "But now, he who has a money bag, let him take *it*, and likewise a knapsack; and he who has no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one. :37 For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me: 'And He was numbered with the transgressors.' For the things concerning Me have an end." :38 So they said, "Lord, look, here are two swords." And He said to them, "It is enough." :39 Now coming out, He went to the Mount of Olives, as He was accustomed, and His disciples also followed Him.

We Just Heard the News on Friday afternoon that the United Sates Bank Failures have Reached Its Highest level Since the Great Depression of the 1920-30's.

AP WASHINGTON — 106! - - It's a big number that only tells part of the story. The number of banks that have failed so far this year have broken the 100 mark late on Friday — the most in nearly two decades. But the trouble in the banking system from bad loans and the recession goes even deeper. Dozens, perhaps hundreds, of other banks remain open even though they are as weak as many that have been shuttered. Regulators are seizing banks slowly and selectively — partly to avoid inciting panic and partly because buyers for bad banks are hard to find.

Syndicated Columnist, Charles Krauthammer:

"They Jury is in and The Obama Stimulus Package" has Failed to Perform and the Jobs promised from it, looks as though

they may not return at all. Another worry lurks on the horizon. The well used "Cash for Clunkers" program that gave the auto industry a quick monetary sugar rush may soon send the banking system even deeper into trouble as those buyers may choose to walk away from their "bank purchased automobile".

Church - The World, Even We Americans are beginning to wake up to the fact that....

"The bubble has burst, **Says Neil Cavuto, Host of the FBN channel's "Your World" the** days of retirement and anticipated ease are quickly evaporating from our American way of life."

But Wait Christian - - This is The Hour of Hope

THE CHRISTIAN'S STRENGTH IN DIFFICULT DAYS

WHAT MAKES US ABLE TO CONTINUE IN CHALLENGING TIMES

1.) God has promised to provide for us v.35-36

1a.) He has proven Himself faithful v.35

And Jesus said to them *(the disciples),* "When I sent you out without a money bag, or knapsack, or sandals, did you lack anything?" So they answered and said, "*Nothing.*" "Have I not be faithful to you - - to bring you to this moment in time? Then don't worry about what's going to happen next – *just make sure you're prepared for it!*

Luke 9:1-4

Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. :2 He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. :3 And He said to them, "Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece. :4 "Whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart...

You Have Learned to Depend Upon My Faithfulness Haven't You?

Isaiah 49:7c

"Kings shall see and arise, Princes also shall worship, Because of the LORD who is faithful,

Deuteronomy 7:9

"Therefore know that the LORD your God, He *is* God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments;

Matthew 6:24-34

"No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. :25 "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? :26 Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? :27 Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? :28 "So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; :29 and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. :30 Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? :31 "Therefore do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?' or "What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' :32 For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. :33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. :34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow...

He's Promised To Provide For Us

1b.) He has called us to do the same v.36

Then He said to them, "But now, he who has a **money bag**, let him take it, and likewise a **knapsack**; and he who has no **sword**, let him sell his garment and **buy one**.

I have been **feeding** you guys, **sailing** with you guys, **walking** with you guys, **ministering** with you guys, - - but now I'm leaving - - **so get ready!**

"The Practical Gospel"

(1) - money bag

now, you be responsible about managing over the resources & money that is needed for life and ministry.

(2) - knapsack

now you will have to be wise about where you go and where you stay because the world will be hostile toward you, because of me and my message.

(3) - **sword**

you will need to defend yourselves against evil people who will seek to murder you. you will need to defend your lives and those who are in need and your family from the increase of evil and evil men.

!!!He's Teaching Them That Now's The Time to Man Up or Woman Up!!!

1 Timothy 5:8

But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

We Have Been Commissioned to Be Responsible!

Matthew 24:45-46

"Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? **:46** Blessed *is* that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing.

Psalm 50:10-12

for every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand "**Chino**" Hills. :11 I know every bird in the mountains, and the creatures of the field are mine. :12 If I were hungry I would not tell you, for the world is mine, and all that is in it. – God's **Cattle**, God's **Birds**, God's **Cat**

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2.) He does what He's promised

v.37

For I say to you - that which is written must still be accomplished in Me: "And He was numbered with the transgressors." For the things concerning Me have an end."

Turn Now in You Bible to The Book of Isaiah

(written 743 years before the birth of Jesus Christ, it's a 2,700 year old Prophecy of about Jesus Christ in **Techno-Color** – and you're beholding it with your eyes right now !!!)

This is The Holy of Holies of the Gospel in The Old Testament...

Isaiah 53:1-12 Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? :2 For He shall

grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him. :3 He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. :4 Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted. :5 But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, And by His stripes we are healed. :6 All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, everyone, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. :7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth. :8 He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken. :9 And they made His grave with the wicked - But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was any deceit in His mouth. :10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. :11 He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities. :12 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was *numbered with* the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

He Does What He's Promised

Isaiah 53:12

Therefore I (the father) will divide Him (the son) a portion with the great, (great of the earth) And He (the son) shall divide the spoil with the strong, (those who believe) Because He (the son) poured out His soul (willingly yielded) unto death, And He was numbered (allowed himself to be degraded) with the transgressors, And He bore (carried the weight alone) the sin of many, And made intercession (cried out with a great cry) for the transgressors.

Get Out Your Cell Phone and Twitter a Friend,

Tell Them to Get to Here Now and/or Make Plans to Attend Here for the Next Few Weeks... They will either **get** saved, **get** strong or **get** lost!

2 Samuel 22:1-7

Then David spoke to the LORD the words of this song, on the day when the LORD had delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul. :2 And he said: "The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; :3 The God of my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, My stronghold and my refuge; My Savior, You save me from violence...
....:4 I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised; So shall I be saved from my enemies...
:5 "When the waves of death surrounded me, The floods of ungodliness made me afraid. :6 The sorrows of Sheol surrounded me; The snares of death confronted me. :7 In my distress I called upon the LORD, And cried out to my God; He heard my voice from His temple,
And my cry entered His ears.

A Word on Worship

(I must share something personal – I won't be seeing some of you anymore. – I'm not going anywhere – you are. Because as the pastor of the church I can't stand to watch people walk out on God in worship of Him... can you imagine walking out in the middle of loving your husband or wife - - "I gotta go"

End of Study
