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JESUS CHRIST - THE ONE AND ONLY

THE SUPREMACY AND SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS CHRIST.

A THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION, ATONEMENT AND MINISTRY OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH

Hebrews 4:11-13

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

“The Cure For Unbelief” – Part 3

In everything, the book of Hebrews presents Jesus Christ as the all-sufficient and eternal priest. In all things Jesus Christ is better than Moses, than Angels, than the law, being centrality of those ministries.

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Hebrews 4:11-13

Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. 12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart. 13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

In our previous study we saw that there are steps for us to take if we are going to find...

“The Cure For Unbelief”

“The Cure For Unbelief”

1.) Flee from all things that murder faith

vs. 11

Hebrews 4:11

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“The Cure For Unbelief”

Flee All Things That Murder Faith

1a.) Flee murder by allurements

vs. 11a

1b.) Flee murder by impatience

vs. 11b

1c.) Flee murder by opinions

vs. 11c

Hebrews 11c
according to the same example of disobedience.

>>>>>>> *A Bad Example* <<<<<<<<<

Proverbs 1:10
My child, if sinners entice you, turn your back on them!

1 Corinthians 15:33
Do not be deceived: "Evil company corrupts good habits."

"The Cure For Unbelief"

2.) Cling to all things that increase faith

vs. 12

"The Cure For Unbelief" Cling To All Things That Increase Faith

2a.) An increasing faith will be a relevant faith

vs. 12a

Hebrews 4:12a
For the word of God is living and powerful,

There is only one Real Faith According to the Scriptures and it is
an Active, Practical and Engaging Faith – It's a Lively Faith

Real Faith – Rational Faith – Logical Faith is a Relevant Faith
(by no means am I suggesting that a Relevant Biblical Faith can always be
explained, outlined, diagrammed or qualified – that wouldn't be faith)

**but in light of the Scriptures, a Biblical Faith makes perfect
sense because of the Nature of our God !**

"A biblical faith that is increasing will result in our ability to
see the greatness of God more clearly."

Romans 10:17
So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Living

grk: zao (zo)

to be quick or to be quickened, active, to be teeming with life, possessing life. (implied is that the Word (logos) of God is life itself and thus is life communicated, life giving, life transferring.

Romans 12:9-13

Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. 10 Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; 11 not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; 12 rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; 13 distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

The Word is Living and Powerful.

Powerful

grk: energeis

a life giving power or a living work, meaning – a faith that is made up of abounding energy, continuing energy, perpetual energy.

Genesis 1:1-3a

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. 3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; And there was light. (and is still)

Isaiah 55:11

So shall My Word be that goes forth from My mouth;
It (My Word) shall not return to Me void,
But It (My Word) shall accomplish what I please,
And It (My Word) shall prosper in the thing for which I sent (My Word) it.

>>>>>>> A Good Example <<<<<<<<

Mark 5:35-42

While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" 36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not be afraid; only believe."

37 And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. 38 Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. 39 When He came in, He said to them, "Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping." 40 And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. 41 Then He took the child by the

hand, and said to her, “Talitha, cumi,” which is translated, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” 42 Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. (= faith in action will amaze you)

“The Cure For Unbelief”
Cling To All Things That Increase Faith

2b.) An increasing faith will be a battling faith

vs. 12b

Verse 12b

Hebrews 4:12b

And (it is) sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow,

**A Battling Faith or Militant Faith
Should Not Surprise Any of Us as Christians.**

2 Corinthians 10:3-6

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God (1) for pulling down strongholds, 5 (2) casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, (3) bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and (4) being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

A Great Exhortation to Grow Up

Hebrews 5:13

For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.

Unskilled here means – having no practical experience in using or handling the Bible.

(like a 2 year old with a chainsaw – not pretty)

The Real Faith of the Christian is Sharper

Sharper

grk: tomoteros;

to cut suddenly as if by a single stroke, quick and piercing. not by chopping, not by striking or by butchering – but with precision.

The word of God alone has the power to take us apart piece by piece, thought by thought, motive by motive - - to perform its surgery in us in such a way that God is able to re-construct, re-create us into a new person from the inside out.

The Real Faith of the Christian is Two-edged

Two-edged grk: distomos
a “double-mouthed”, two-edged blade, made to cut in a direction of use, implication is to both cut to kill as well as cut to heal based upon what is required.

The Real Faith of the Christian has the Sword

Sword grk: machaira
The roman short-sword or dagger. a close combat, to the death weapon of ancient origins and perfected by the spartan hoplite.

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2 Timothy 2:15

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

The Real Faith of the Christian is Piercing

Piercing grk: diikneomai
to go all the way in through and out, to penetrate and then to exit.

With one cut there was Effect (+)

Acts 2:37

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Men and brethren, what shall we do?”

But with the same cut, a very different Effect (-)

Acts 5:33

When they heard that, they were cut to the heart, and took counsel to slay them.

Real Christian Faith is Health

Division grk: merismos
the dividing, dissecting, partitioning of one part from the other,

Real Christian Faith is Wholeness

Soul grk: psuche
the mind or personhood of an individual, consciousness.

Real Christian Faith is Renewing

Spirit grk: pneuma
breath, the spirit-driven part of you. the pneuma or pneumatic.

Real Christian Faith is Intentional

Joints grk: harmos
to connection one to another, to link a symbiotic relationship of the body, soul and spirit of a man, with the intent to fulfill a purpose.

Real Christian Faith is Supernatural

Marrow grk: muelos;
the origin of strength, blood, life-giving cells, to function as designed.

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Cling To All Things That Increase Faith

2c.) An increasing faith will be a discerning faith vs. 12c

Hebrews 4:12c

And is (the Word) a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Discerner grk: kritikos;
critical thinking, able, equipped to judge or to make a judgement.

1 Corinthians 2:14-16

But the natural (unregenerate) man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. 15 But he who is spiritual (regenerate) judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. 16 For “who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

Thoughts grk: enthumesis;
deliberation within oneself, to be pondering,
to go over and over an issue again,

Intents grk: ennoia;
the thinking, the thoughts, thoughtfulness, moral understanding, the
purpose of what we do and why we do it.

“The Cure For Unbelief”

3.) Knowing that all things must be of faith

vs. 13

Hebrews 4:13

And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are
naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

“The Cure For Unbelief”

Knowing That All Things Must Be Of Faith

3a.) It's of faith to know what He sees

vs. 13a

Hebrews 4:13a

And there is no creature hidden from His sight,

Creature grk: ktisis
all things of or regarding creation, that which is other than God and
having been made by God which is all things.

Sight grk: enopion:
in the presence of or to be appearing before someone, to be seen
fully as in through and through or totally complete.

The imagery that is presented here is one of brilliant inescapable,
penetrating light. It is God's ability to pass through us like an X-Ray machine,
MRI and CT Scanner all put upon you - revealing who and what we are -
detailing our lives from the inside out. Imagine God having this ability where
His light does two key things. #1 His light exposes what is dark and ugly and
deadly within us. #2 His light eradicates and purges and makes clean
until the image of Himself is revealed in us.

“The Cure For Unbelief”
Knowing That All Things Must Be Of Faith

3b.) It's of faith to know what He knows

vs. 13b

Hebrews 4:13b

but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him.

Naked grk: gumnos;
to be bare or stripped of clothing, void of any form of covering.

Open grk: trachelizo;
to take hold of the throat, to seize the throat of a victim or someone
conquered, to expose the neck of a victim.

Revelation 5:6

And I (John) looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

Isaiah 11:1-2

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. 2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him (1), The Spirit of wisdom (2) and understanding (3), The Spirit of counsel (4) and might (5), The Spirit of knowledge (6) and of the fear of the LORD (7).

Psalm 139:1-2

O LORD, You have searched me and known me. 2 You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

But as it is written: “Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.” 10 But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.

Psalms 139:3-6

3 You comprehend my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. 4 For there is not a word on my tongue, but behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. 5 You have hedged me behind and before and laid Your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it.

“The Cure For Unbelief”
Knowing That All Things Must Be Of Faith

3c.) It's of faith to know how this all ends

vs. 13c

Hebrews 4:13c

Him to whom we must give account.

Account grk: logos;
Give word, present or hand over our thoughts, our ideas, our the statements, to be called upon to make known or to give the reason why you did what you did in life. It's an open book test – the answer is; (All for Jesus)

I am surprised to hear that many Christians do not know that they,
we, who belong to Christ must appear at
The Courthouse of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:9-10

Therefore, we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. 10 For WE MUST ALL APPEAR before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one (us) may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

We will be judged by Jesus Christ regarding this;
Were we faithful to execute, perform, or do what it was that He
called us to do with our lives?

End of Study

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