

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

February 19, 2012

1 John 1:1-4

Fellowship with God

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Feb 19 Deacons' Meeting.
Sunday Mar 4 The Lord's Table.
Saturday Mar 10 Men's Fellowship Breakfast.

** The board of deacons has voted to print 3,000 copies of the Malayalam Version of "Coming Events: A Summary of Unfulfilled Prophecies." The cost is about \$2,000. If you would like to participate in this project you may mark your donation for that purpose.

	January	Total 2012	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions YTD
Income	\$ 8,072.00	\$ 8,072.00		\$10,005.89	\$ 3,986.00
Expenses	7,785.34	7,785.34		Benevolence	2,961.00
Balance	286.66	286.66	\$ 16,783.69	\$ 984.24	1,025.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns

*The Message:
Myths and Ministers*

2 Tim 4:3-5

1 John 1

Introduction:

- I. Tradition places this epistle about 80-85 A.D. At that time John is the last living Apostle.
 - A. John the apostle has always been considered the author.
 - B. It was written for a group of churches in Asia Minor.
- II. Recipients:
 - A. Internal evidence indicates the churches had been well established for quite a while.
 - B. Internal information indicates they had a lot of knowledge of God's word and will, but were beginning to lack application. Cf 2:21
- III. Occasion:
 - A. The infiltration of false teachers into Christianity.
 - B. To promote works as evidence of their faith. Cf Jas 2:18; 1 Pet 1:6-8
 - C. To relate Christology to "the Christian life."
- IV. Outline:
 - A. Fellowship with God. 1:1-4
 - B. Fellowship and Confession. 1:5-10
 - C. Fellowship and Obedience. 2:1-6
 - D. Fellowship and Scripture. 2:7-11
 - E. Fellowship and Posterity. 2:12-14
 - F. Fellowship and The World. 2:15-17
 - G. Fellowship and The Enemy. 2:18-24
 - H. Fellowship and Consistency. 2:25-29
 - I. Fellowship and Righteousness. 3:1-12
 - J. Fellowship and Sacrifice. 3:13-24
 - K. Fellowship and Discernment. 4:1-6
 - L. Fellowship and Love. 4:7-21
 - M. Fellowship and Faith. 5:1-6
 - N. Fellowship and Witness. 5:7-12
 - O. Fellowship and Assurance. 5:13-17
 - P. Fellowship and Truth. 5:18-21

1 John 1:1 = Statements Of Fact

L.T./E.T. = What kept on being from a beginning, what we have heard (that we will never forget), what we have seen with our eyes (that we will never forget), what we beheld (while He was with us) and our hands handled (while He was with us), concerning the Word of (all) life- - -

John 1:1-4 L.T./E.T. = In a beginning kept on being The Word, and The Word kept on being before the face of God, and God kept on being The Word. The same one kept on being in a beginning with the God. All things were made through Him, and apart from Him, not one thing came into being that has come into being with

lasting results. In Him kept on being life, and the life kept on being the Light of the men.

1 John 1:2 = A Divine Parenthesis.

L.T./E.T. = And the life of The Word has been manifested (at a point of time), and we have seen (and will never forget) and are testifying and proclaiming to all of you the eternal life, which life kept on being with the Father and has been manifested to us--

1 John 1:3 = The Purpose.

L.T./E.T. = What we have took a long look at (and will never forget) and heard (that we will never forget) we are proclaiming to all of you also, for the purpose that all of you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son, Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:4 = Personal Joy.

L.T./E.T. = And these things we ourselves are writing, so that our grace-based joy may be permanently filled.

Summary:

1. John immediately begins to counter false teachings with statements of _____.
2. The starting point of Christianity is the _____ nature of our Lord Jesus Christ. Cf John 1:1
3. The Lord's _____ and _____ eternally impacted many people.
4. The one and only God became _____. Cf John 1:14
5. The proof Jesus is God incarnate is seen in His authority over all _____.
6. The eternal life of the _____ was presented to humanity through the _____. Cf John 14:6
7. John's eternal life is displayed by His _____ and _____.
8. This epistle is partly designed to _____ those who have followed false teachings.
9. First and foremost is fellowship with _____.
10. John also desires the joy of fellowship with other _____.
11. John's _____ relationship with the Lord is clearly seen in His opening comments.
12. Also evident is his _____ care and concern for the recipients of this epistle.

Principle: True theology begins with the eternal nature of the _____.

Myths and Ministers

2 Tim 4:3-5

2 Tim 4:3-4 = Reasons For These Essentials-Four Prophecies.

L.T./E.T. = For the time (1) will be when they themselves will not endure healthy doctrinal teaching; but wanting to have their ears tickled they (2) will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires. (4) And (3) will turn away their ears from the truth, and (4) will be perverted to the myths.

Summary:

7. A myth is an allegory that has grown up around a real or imagined event.
 - A. Myths are _____ rather than _____. 1 Tim 1:3-7
 - B. Their embrace shows a lack of spiritual _____. 1 Tim 4:6-8
 - C. They are _____ of "turning away" from the truth.
Titus 1:13-14
 - D. Prophecy is not based on allegorical myths, but on _____
facts. 2 Pet 1:12-21

Principle: Prophecies are _____ of the times in which we live.

2 Tim 4:5 = Four Commands To The Minister.

L.T./E.T. = But you yourself, (1) be spiritually sober in all things, (2) suffer inherent evil, (3) do the work of an evangelist, (4) carry the full measure of your service.

Summary:

1. Spiritual Sobriety is essential:
 - A. For _____ to stand in front of the Lord. 1 Thes 5:4-11
 - B. To _____ holiness. 1 Pet 1:13-16
 - C. Is essential to _____. 1 Pet 4:7
 - D. For spiritual _____. 1 Pet 5:8-10
2. Endure hardship.
 - A. It should be driven by a _____ for others. 2 Tim 2:8-10
 - B. It requires _____. Jas 5:13
3. Do the work of an evangelist:
 - A. Equip others to _____. Eph 4:11-13
 - B. Be _____. Acts 21:8
 - C. Counter attack the _____. Acts 8:1-4
 - D. Proclaim Jesus Christ to everyone, including _____.
Acts 8:5-11
 - E. Proclaim the _____ of God. Acts 8:12-25
 - F. _____ to the Holy Spirit. Acts 8:26-40
4. Fulfill your ministry.
 - A. It begins and ends with a "full load" of _____. Rom 4:16-21
 - B. It is a daily _____. Rom 14:4-8
 - C. It endures _____. 2 Tim 4:16-18
 - D. It is sustained by _____. Heb 6:11-12
 - E. It draws near our Great _____. Heb 10:19-22
 - F. It grows by understanding that in Jesus Christ is true _____.
Col 2:1-3
 - G. It relies on the _____ in the Holy Spirit. 1 Thes 1:5