

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

October 21, 2012

The Message:

Righteousness and Sin

1 John 3:7-10

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Oct 21 Deacons' Meeting.
Sunday Oct 21 Foundations 201 Class. 5-7
Monday Oct 22 Foundations 201 Class. 5-7
Monday Oct 24 Applications for the Last Days.

- ** The "Coming Events" books have arrived and are on the back table. A special conference tentatively planned for November 10. Specific details will be provided once they are finalized at today's deacons' meeting.
- ** Please be in prayer for our finances.

| | September | Total 2012 | General Fund | Building Fund | Missions YTD |
|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Income | \$ 6,724.00 | \$69,452.94 | | \$4,642.27 | \$14,956.00 |
| Expenses | 8,259.64 | 76,293.69 | | Benevolence | 12,911.00 |
| Balance | (-1,535.64) | (-6,840.75) | \$ 8,347.61 | \$ 706.73 | 2,045.00 |

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Praise and Worship

The Message:

The Great Encourager

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1 John 3:7 = The Warning and Contrast.

E.T./L.T. = Little children let no one lead you astray; the one who is doing the righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. (8) The one who is doing the sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from a beginning. For this purpose the Son of the God was manifested, to loose the works of the devil.

Summary:

1. False teachers universally hold to a different view of sin than God.
2. The righteousness that begins with saving faith and then continues in obedience to God's standards is evidence of the new birth.
3. One who has an uninterrupted history of Sin Nature functions is not saved.
4. Like the devil it indicates a life religiously lived against God. John 8:44
5. Sadly, even Believers can live like unbelievers. Phil 1:12-18
6. Christ appeared to undo the works of the devil:
 - A. Spiritual death.
 - B. Sin Nature.
 - C. Personal sins.
 - D. Physical death.
 - E. Worldly viewpoint
 - F. Evil.
7. We should seek a life patterned after Christ's. Php 2:5-8
8. The command is to not be led astray.

Principle: Since Satan's power has been loosed we are to _____ the true righteousness given to us at the moment of saving faith.

1 John 3:9 = The New Creation and Functioning Childre.

E.T./L.T. = Everyone who has been permanently born of God is not unceasingly doing sin, because His seed is abiding in Him; and He is not being empowered to sin (all the time), because he is born of God. (10) By this the children of the God and the children of the devil keep on being manifest; any one who is not doing righteousness is not *functioning like he is* of God, even the one who does not love His brother.

Summary:

1. No one who is born of God unceasingly practices sin.
2. At the new birth we become two creations residing in the same body, born again of imperishable seed. 1 Pet 1:22-25
3. The new part cannot sin, being empowered by the Holy Spirit. Gal 5:16-17
4. The old self still has that capability, and has to be put under control. 1 John 1:8-10; 2:1; Eph 4:20-24; Col 3:1-11
5. Unchecked sin in one's life gauges the maturity of spiritual relationships.
6. Relationship with God is displayed by love for one another.
7. It is the supreme standard of conduct for the Royal Family. Jas 2:8

Principle: Righteousness _____ Christ while sin _____ the devil.

Encouraging One Another

1. Introduction:
2. We Must Meet Together
 - A. There are many words used in the New Testament to describe the functioning Body of Christ and what Believers are to do for one another, but no word is used more frequently than PARAKALEO meaning to "call alongside."
 - B. Encouraging One Another-the Setting is a Christian community.
 - C. Encouraging One Another-the Objectives.
 - D. Encouraging One Another-the Elements.
 - E. We need to Encourage One Another to approach God.
 - F. We need to Encourage One Another to "hang on."
 - G. We need to consider how to _____ One Another to Spiritual Love.
 1. To do this we must consider the " _____ in our own eye." Matt 7:3
 2. Our first consideration is a _____ comparison with Jesus. Heb 3:1
 3. Nature itself should lead us to consider God's provision and the _____ of seeking only His Kingdom. Luke 12:22-34
3. The Great Encourager:
 - A. The reason that it is possible for Christians to meet together for mutual encouragement is because God the _____ leads us in this endeavor.
 - B. Jesus' last _____ to His disciples before the cross centered on the new function of the Holy Spirit.
 - C. Several things had happened that evening that deeply _____ the Twelve.
 1. Jesus insisted on washing their feet. John 13:1-17
 2. Christ had singled out Judas as His betrayer to John. John 13:18-26
 3. Jesus told them He was going to leave them. John 13:33, 36; John 14:1-3
 4. Jesus told Peter that he would deny Him. John 13:37-38
 - D. Jesus, knowing their feelings of uncertainty, spoke directly to their _____ thoughts and emotions. John 14:1-3
 - E. Jesus' "lesson plan" for the last night was right on schedule. John 14:9-15
 - F. Though they would not yet grasp its total meaning, the apostles were now prepared by Jesus to hear about the next major truth-one

so profound that it has made it possible for people everywhere to experience the dynamic _____ of Christianity. John 14:16-17

- G. The other Comforter/Counselor/Encourager is the Holy Spirit:**
1. Four times Jesus identified the Holy Spirit as a "Counselor," or "Encourager." John 14:16, 26; 15:26; 16:7
 2. What began in God's Son was now focused in the Holy Spirit.
 3. The Holy Spirit is "Another Counselor/Encourager" of the same kind as the Lord.
- H. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of _____.** John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13
1. Jesus described the Spirit's primary functions as:
 - a. _____. John 14:26
 - b. _____. John 14:26
 - c. _____ about Jesus Christ. John 15:26
 - d. _____. John 16:8
 - e. _____. John 16:13-14
 2. Therefore, Encouraging One Another happens when we permit the Holy Spirit within each one of us to communicate.
- I. Encouraged by the Holy Spirit.**
1. While waiting in Jerusalem in obedience to Jesus, the Holy Spirit came just as He had promised. Acts 2
 2. The promise that He would send them another Encourager was fulfilled when the Holy Spirit moved inside the Church Age believer. Acts 9:31; 14:21-22
 3. The means of encouragement was God's message of the Person of Jesus Christ.
- J. The Holy Spirit and today's Christian:**
1. God's primary means of encouraging Christians everywhere is with the truth about Jesus Christ, revealed by the Holy Spirit through His _____. Rom 15:4
 2. As Spirituality is by faith and surrender of our will to the Lord, so is our " _____ " to encourage one another or even to be encouraged. Gal 3:1-5
 3. Realizing that the Holy Spirit is in the business of encouraging believers (and even unbelievers to accept the gospel) hopefully lets us be more _____ to Him working through us to accomplish this task.