

How God Delivers His People

TEXT: 119:170

Intro: -This ~~morning~~^{evening} we going to look at how "God delivers His People".

1. In our verse this ~~morning~~^{evening} we see the Psalmist praying for deliverance.

-I believe the key expression is found in the expression -
"According to thy ~~word~~^{Word}"

-This means according to the promises of God.

-Many times we fail to receive deliverance simply because we want the Lord to do it our way.

-We end up fretting, fuming, fussing and remaining in a state of bondage or captivity when we could have deliverance if only we had listened to the "WORD OF THE LORD", and obeyed its precepts.

2. Let us notice the importance of this statement "ACCORDING UNTO THY WORD", as noted by the Psalmist.

-Ps. 119:28

-Ps. 119:41

-Ps. 119:58

-Ps. 119:65

-Ps. 119:76

-Ps. 119:107

-Ps. 119:116

-Ps. 119:154

-Ps. 119:169

3. We can certainly see by the truths in these passages of scripture the importance of the word of the Lord.

-Some one may say that they believe that deliverance comes through faith and that's true, but may I remind you that True Genuine Faith cannot be exemplified until the Word of God is presented.

-Romans 10:17 - states, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."

-Let us notice some areas in our lives where deliverance is needed.

I. WE NEED DELIVERANCE FROM THE GUILT AND PENALTY OF SIN

1. The Word of God informs us that we are all sinners:

-Ro. 3:23 states - "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

-We are further informed by scripture that the "...wages of sin is death: but the gift God eternal life through Jesus Christ our

-In view of this we can readily see the dire need of all human beings to be

-So, what are we to

-Who are we going to turn to for

-The Psalmist said emphatically that we are delivered according unto the Word, so the individual, who truly desires deliverance, will turn to see what the Lord says for us to

2. In the Gospel of Luke 18: 9-14, read.

-We are given here an example that presents to us God's way of Deliverance from the Guilt and Penalty of Sin.

a. -The Pharisee and Publican had gone up to the Temple to pray.

-The Bible states that the Pharisee prayed with himself.

-A careful study of his prayer reflects to us an individual who was conceited and one who not recognize his

-He was not

b. -The Publican, on the other hand recognized that he was a sinner, repented of his sins, and plead for the mercy of the Lord.

-This man went down to his house justified which means He was saved and delivered from Guilt and Penalty of

-The reason He was saved was because He came and called according to the Word of

c. Some verses which substantiated these truths are as follows:

-Romans 3:20 - "Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin."

-Ephesians 2:8-9 - "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

-Titus 3:5 - "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost."

-Acts 13:38-39 - "Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins; And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses."

II. WE NEED DELIVERANCE FROM THE POWER OF EVIL IN OUR LIVES

1. The tremendous struggle between the flesh and the spirit is recorded in Romans 7.

-The problem that many possess, after they are saved, is trying to bring about this Deliverance by Self Effort, instead of submitting to and relying upon the Saviour.

-See Colossians 2:6

2. The impact of all this is that we are to intake the Bible truths and apply these truths to our lives.

-We are to do what we do and refrain from doings things, according to the Word of the Lord.

-In all of our experiences, we are to recognize the insufficiency of ourselves to accomplish these things, but recognize the sufficiency of our Lord to give us victory over the Power of Evil in our lives.

3. One should realize that the Victory comes because we have simply obeyed the Word of the Lord.

-Victory does not come because we are more brilliant, have a greater power than someone else, or that we are better than they are.

4. According to Thy Word, O lord, we have deliverance.

-Romans 6:14 - "For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace."

-II Cor. 2:14 - "Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place."

III. WE NEED DELIVERANCE FROM SUDDEN TEMPTATION.

1. It is not a sin to be tempted because all men are tempted.

-Even our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ was tempted by Satan.

-This is recorded in MT. 4:1-11.

-It becomes sin when we yield to that Temptation.

2. Our Precious Lord exemplified to us the way of Deliverance.

-It is through the Word and according to the Word.

-He used the Word of God to combat each temptation.

-It is no wonder that the Psalmist said what he did in Ps. 119:11 -

"Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee."

3. He recognized that deliverance comes according to the Word.

-We need to take heed to the Scripture as recorded in I Cor. 10:13 - **Turn & Read.**

4. Our problem today is not the accumulation of the data of the scriptures in our mind but rather the application of it to the experiences in our lives.

5. Another example of the courageous way to overcome is seen in Chapter 39 of Genesis.

-Where Joseph is tempted by Potiphar's wife to lie with him, commit adultery.

-He ^eknow what to do according to the Word of God.

-First he realized that to succumb to the temptation according to the Word of God would be sin.

-In Gen. 39:9, Joseph makes the statement "...how then can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?"

-Then when Potiphar's wife turned up the heat, Joseph got out of the kitchen.

-We are told in Ge. 39:12 about Joseph after Potiphar's wife caught him by his garment, Joseph then "fled, and got him out."

IV. WE NEED DELIVERANCE FROM GRIPPING FEAR

1. The Psalmist said - **TURN AND READ: PSALM 34:4**

-We need to have more faith in the Lord and His Word.

-Our problem, I believe, comes because we want instant action of deliverance from the Lord.

-One needs to get to the place that he has more confidence in the Lord.

2. Notice Proverbs 1:33 - tells us "But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil."

-This faith, not in self, but rather in the Lord, was that which stirred and stimulated David when he went out to battle Goliath.

-This was the faith that filled the 3 Hebrew Children and Daniel as noted in the Book of Daniel.

V. WE NEED DELIVERANCE FROM DEPRESSION AND LONELINESS.

1. This is so vividly illustrated in the life of Elijah in I Kings Chapters 17 through 19.

-In I Kings 17 and 18 we see his Faith shining as the prophets of ^{falsehood} defeated and destroyed by the power of the only one true God.

-In I Kings 19 we see him fleeing for his life.

-He became dejected, alarmed, fearful, depressed, and prayed to die.

-The Lord came to his aid and delivered him. - See I Kings 19: 1-8

2. May the Lord help all of us to claim the promise of Isaiah 41:10 -

"Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee: yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

VI. WE NEED DELIVERANCE FROM DIFFICULT AND SEEMINGLY IMPOSSIBLE SITUATIONS.

1. This is illustrated in Daniel 6:14-23.

-In this section of scripture notice the following:

- a. His devotion to God.
- b. The Difficult situation.
- c. The Deliverance.

2. When we are doing what the Lord wants us to do, then we can claim the promise of Psalm 34:7 - "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them."

-We need to develop enough faith to always remember that the Lords knows what is best for us.

-This essential is what Romans 8:28 tells us - "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

-Our biggest problem is worrying about what others might think of us or our circumstances.

-Even ^{if} ~~is~~ the Lord does not see fit to deliver us in the way we think we he should.

-He still delivers.

-This is exemplified in the lives of Paul, Silas, and yes, even Stephen.

-Stephen was competely delivered from all impossible situations.

-He was elevated and promoted to Heaven's Glory.

CONCLUSION:

-I ask what kind of bondage are you in?

-Will you let the Lord deliver you?

-Psalmist said - "Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy Word."