

5/5/24

Sunday service

Don't Be Deceived by Temptations

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

God's sole desire is to share the Gospel and bring people out of curses. There is nothing more meaningful to God than this. This is God's unchanging plan and desire. Therefore, God blesses and regards precious those who live their lives heading towards this. When you discover this truth in yourself you will be the one who can connect with God. Then, God will do the rest. You are living in the age of 237 nations and 5000 tribes. That's why God tells you to stand as a witness to the ends of the earth. Then God has promised that He will always be with you. This means that He will do this work until the end and that He will carry out this work. May you become a person of world evangelization once again. May the conflicts between you and God disappear and may the blessing of Oneness be upon you all.

1. Don't be deceived by temptations.

- 1) The message recorded in Verse 13 of today's bible passage is very loved. This is because it is the precious promise that God gives to mankind who is so weak. It speaks of 2 things. First, He will not let you be tempted beyond your ability and second, He will provide a way of escape. It is a tremendous promise and you must be grateful.
- 2) He desires for you to look back at the word of promise to wonder how it is possible. Apostle Paul states in Verse 1, "For I do not want you to be unaware..."
- 3) They were all baptized under the cloud and in the sea, and they all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink. Verse 5 states that God was not pleased with most of them. He desires for you to understand this.
- 4) He gives examples of when the people sat down to eat and drink and rose to play (Verse 7), the making of the golden calf in Exodus 32, when they bowed down to the Moabite gods and indulged in sexual immoralities with their women in which 23,000 people died, recorded in Numbers 25 (Verse 8), and when the people blamed God and requested to go back to Egypt in Numbers 21 and instead, a bronze serpent came out and bit them to death.
- 5) After this description of the wilderness, Verse 13 states, "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation, he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it." The people could not overcome this temptation. It was a temptation they could have handled, but they were deceived by temptations.
- 6) However, Apostle Paul does not describe their problems as problems, but rather calls them "temptations." They simply viewed them as problems that kept occurring. However, Apostle Paul expressed this as a "temptation."
- 7) All of the problems that they experienced in the wilderness were caused by Satan's seduction. All things are spiritual problems and the root cause of Satan and original sin. This is the truth to all mankind regardless of the location of time or age.
- 8) The people made the golden calf because they were unsure of the covenant and were deceived by Satan. This is the same as when they bowed down to the Moabite gods and committed sexual immorality. This would not have happened if they had made a truthful confession of faith about the blood of the promise. How could they bow down to idols?
- 9) The incident of the bronze serpent occurred because the people burst out in complaints when Moses led them to the land of Edom. And again, they complained and called out to the Lord. They would have no water to drink if they went back to Egypt, and they disliked the food they had at the time. Because of this, many people died after getting bitten.
- 10) This would not have occurred if they came to the answer of the land of Canaan. They did not know why they were headed that way. They did not care about the kingdom of God and simply cared about sleeping and eating well. It is seen as a physical problem by its description, but they were captured in spiritual deception. Apostle Paul saw this and therefore, saw this as a temptation rather than a problem.
- 11) All things are spiritual problems. It is a problem that is rooted in Satan and sin. Therefore, the answer to these two problems is only the resurrection of Christ. You will have victory and conquer when you

remain inside of this covenant. May the death of Christ and the blood that was shed become your covenant once again.

2. **The absolute plan**

- 1) There is one thing that you must keep in mind. God has resolved all sorts of problems. Some people have died, but He has opened the way for forgiveness and healing.
- 2) However, the nation completely perished. In Number 14, the Israelites rebelled that they would not go. They lamented all night that they would not go. Everything arose because of some people, but God forgave them and resolved it.
- 3) Yet, God did not completely forgive the entire nation. In Number 14, Moses intercedes for the people to testify to the Word of God to let them know that they will remain in the wilderness for forty years. Some people repented and headed to the top of the mountain to go to the wilderness.
- 4) However, Moses told the people not to go to the top of the mountain for God is not with them and they will do if they go. Still, they went to the mountains and were killed by the enemy. It is a bittersweet story, but as stated in 1 Corinthians 10:6, it serves as a valuable example to you.
- 5) In that age, this was the covenant for them to go to the land of the Canaan. It was a historical covenant that was relayed from the ancestors and was the process of fulfilling the promise.
- 6) The Israelites that were chosen by God in the historical time refused to go. If they accurately knew the covenant, then they would have lived a life masterpiece like Joshua and Caleb, but they refused.
- 7) The reason they refused was because of the physical aspects and spiritual disbelief. All the physical aspects that go against God's spiritual absolute plan are deeply rooted in the work of Satan.
- 8) You may see the fault of people and surroundings, but you fail to see the work of Satan behind it all. Therefore Apostle Paul did not see it as problems, but as temptations. The only way to defeat temptations is to enjoy only Jesus Christ. You must live by holding to the covenant of the promising blood.
- 9) No one on Earth can completely defeat Satan. Yet, you must never be a stumbling block to God's stream. If you do not follow the stream of the age or block the stream of God, then you will live a distressing and pitiful life like the people in the wilderness.
- 10) God waited for those people to die and took the posterity who were twenty years and younger to the land of Canaan. This is the remnant movement. God's plan will be fulfilled. The covenant and the promising Word will be fulfilled.
- 11) You must surrender yourself to God and follow God's stream in this age. It will be best for you to be at the forefront of this tremendous work. When this covenant comes into you and takes deep root in your life, you will live a masterpiece life that will be victorious and conquer everything. May it be a week that you are filled with this grace.