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“The Church that Jesus Bought”

by Elder Oscar Mink Once a Pastor of our church.
From his article titled “The church that Jesus bought”

The blood of God coursing the veins of Jesus Christ was emptied out on the cross, and the blessings procured for His people by His sin atoning blood are so numerous that eternity will never reveal the sum, nor can the felicity which these blessings bring to the redeemed heart ever be fully expressed. Nevertheless, it is oft that the saint grows weary in his struggle with the powers of darkness, and to counteract this duty neglecting state, the saint must go to the sacred Volume and refresh his spirit by feasting his eyes and heart upon the blessings merited by the shed blood of Christ and put to his account. These blessings serve as impenetrable ramparts, hurling back the most vicious attacks of the adversary. The devil hates the word of God with an insatiable passion, for he knows it is through and by the scriptures the saint draws nigh to God, and is thereby enabled to resist his most malicious attacks (James 4:7,8).

The blessings of God are incomprehensibly great, and cannot be articulated, but it is appropriate at anytime and in every situation to speak of them, and so it is I mention a few of the ill merited and super abounding blessings of God which He has purchased by His own blood and freely bestowed upon His own people:

1. Redeemed by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 1:7; I Peter 1:18,19; Revelation 5:9).
2. Justified by His blood (Romans 5:9).
3. Believers are made nigh by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13).
4. It is by the blood of Christ that believers have access to God (Hebrews 10:9).
5. It is through the blood of His cross, believers have peace with God (Colossians 1:20).
6. It is through the blood of Christ that the people of God are sanctified and set apart from the world (Hebrews 13:12).
7. It is by the blood of Christ the believer has cleansing from sin, and fellowship with one another (I John 1:7).
8. It was by the blood of God, embodied in His son, and shed upon the cross that the New Testament church was purchased, and sent forth to proclaim the good news which the above mentioned blessings constitute (Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8, 20:28).

His church in the first fifteen centuries of its history suffered atrocities so calamitous that its enemies thought they had succeeded in bringing it to extinction, but there was a faithful remnant which God preserved, and whose ecclesiastical offspring are in this present evil world. Over the centuries these churches have been called by many names, and by Divine providence the contemporary New Testament churches are called "Baptists". The name "Baptist" may yet be stigmatic to many credulous and religious people, but it is by the people called Baptists the Lord is realizing His ecclesiastical designs in this perilous and end age time.

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“Understanding God’s Word.”

By Pastor Randy Johnson

Mark 8:21 *“And he said unto them, How is it that ye do not understand?”*

Our understanding of God’s word is without question a “revelation” from the Holy Spirit. It is not that some people choose to ignore or are too stupid to understand what you and I might understand. We must understand that God did not give anyone total understanding, and we are not perfect in our understanding of His word. We sometimes look down on people because they do not understand Biblical Truth, therefore, we who do understand need to count our blessings that God has elected to reveal it to us. However, with that being said, there are some Christians elect to ignore the bible, they chose not to believe what God is saying. They use excuses to ignore the truth. We cannot use scripture to battle scripture because that would be using God against God. Therefore, we must change our thinking and accept God’s word for what it says no matter what our opinion is or how it might affect our belief. Some people take God’s word out-of-context to prove a point that is wrong and at the same time refusing or failing to hear the truth. Christians are bound to the whole bible, not just parts we like or chose what we want it to say. We do not make exceptions for the flesh as to what God is saying. If a person doesn’t understand, it is because God’s Spirit has not revealed it to them, but if we choose to ignore the word because we do not want it to say what we think, that is the worst thing of all. Bible study is about reading, studying, understanding, and ignoring parts is not allowed. There are no exceptions, we must believe what we have been blessed with to understand. Paul wrote in, 1 Corinthians 15:34 *“Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.”* If we are blessed with the knowledge of God, the knowledge of His word of Truth, it is our shame not to believe that word and follow it. Do I suggest that some Christians know the Truth and elect not to believe or follow God’s Word, absolutely. Paul also wrote in verse 33 *“Be not deceived...”* because Satan’s challenge is to cause churches of Truth and true believers to ignore or error from the Truth by being deceived.

“Understanding God’s Word.” Continued:

The most important thing a Christians can do is to follow the word of God, as written and not unfollow it by deception. Paul wrote to the church of Rome these words of warning, *“And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.”* Romans 13:11 Christians do not have time to be deceived, not by Satan, not by friends, not by the world, because our completion of salvation is much closer today than it was yesterday. For us to fail God would be a much greater lose in eternity and a victory on this earth. If there are any believers sleeping on the Lord, it is time to awake, repent, realign, and look for the Lord. I will end with this scripture of reminding us all of God’s warning. *“Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.”* Proverbs 23:23

Announcements and Upcoming Events

- Our 19th Annual Bible Conference is approaching quickly. The Conference is scheduled Friday night and Saturday September 15 & 16. So far, we have 6 confirmed speakers.
 1. **Pastor Joey Newell**
Sovereign Grace Baptist Church Silsbee, Texas
 2. **Pastor Ronnie Miller**
Divide Baptist Church Sulphur Springs, Texas
 3. **Pastor Kelley Hinson**
Landmark Sovereign Grace Baptist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas
 4. **Pastor Larry Wilson**
Northside Baptist Church Oakdale, La.
 5. **Pastor Jimmy Nelson**
Landmark Baptist Church Haltom City, Tx
 6. **Pastor Robert Keller**
Grace Bible Baptist Church Denham Springs, Louisiana

*Create in me a clean heart, O God;
and renew a right spirit within me.*
Psalm 51:10