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W - BEN WRIGHT - THE GREATNESS OF GOD'S JUDGMENTS

W - SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

OUR VBS IS JUNE 5-9. BE MAKING PLANS TO ATTEND AND BRING OTHERS WITH YOU

REMEMBER 5TH SUNDAY CONTRIBUTION GOES TOWARDS HELPING CONGREGATIONS REBUILD THAT WERE EFFECTED BY THE STORMS

BABY SHOWER FOR BRANDI RICHARDSON AT JINCY WRIGHT'S MAY 22ND AT 2 PM - IT'S A GIRL!

BOPEL MEETING AT GOODSPRINGS MAY 15-17

READING FOR THE WEEK: SUN- EZRA 1-4; MON- 5-7; TUE 8-10; WED- NEHEMIAH 1-4; THUR- 5-8; FRI- 9-10; SAT- 11-13; SUN- ESTHER 1-5

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May 18: Alex Earnest

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SUNDAY MORNING

BIBLE CLASS 9:30

WORSHIP 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

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THE GREATNESS OF GOD'S JUDGMENTS

(2 Chronicles 19:5-7)

God is _____.

- A. Jehoshaphat reminded the judges he appointed that there is no _____ in God.
- B. God is a purely _____ being.
 - 1. God is to be worshiped because of His _____ (Psalm 99:9).
 - 2. _____ cannot be around God (Psalm 5:4).
 - 3. God is so holy, He cannot even be _____ with evil (James 1:13).
- C. In judgment, God always does what is best and right because of His sinless _____.
- D. When passing judgment, it will always be right for Jesus can only do right because He is _____ (2 Corinthians 5:21).
- E. We don't have to fear any miscarriage of _____ on the day of judgment because of the sinlessness of Jesus.

I. God is _____.

- A. Jehoshaphat then told the judges he appointed that God is no _____ of persons.
- B. God does not lift up some while _____ down others.
 - 1. All have the opportunity to hear and heed God's _____ (1 Timothy 2:4).
 - 2. When a judgment is rendered by the all-wise God, it is not given based on a flip of the coin or some such _____ reasoning as that.
- C. The Bible plainly teaches that God has never _____ people capriciously (Acts 10:38).
 - 1. God told His people this under the _____ Law (Deuteronomy 10:17).
 - 2. Peter, by inspiration, tells us that God is going to judge our _____ without any respect of persons (1 Peter 1:17).

II. God is _____ - _____.

- A. Jehoshaphat told His judges that God did not accept _____.
- B. There will be no bribing on the day of _____.
- C. For one thing, God has created all with which we could bribe Him, so there is no need of us _____ it to Him.
- D. Also, all that we could offer will be _____ at the coming of Christ (2 Peter 3:10).
- E. Today, we as Christians cannot be respecters of persons, but treat all men as _____ (James 2:1-4, 9).
- F. God's eyes cannot be _____ to our sins.
- G. God needs _____ from us, being self-sufficient, so there is no hope of bribing being effective on the day of judgment.

Spiritual Weariness
Robert Hatfield

Even the best of Christians may be plagued by spiritual weariness. Far too often the Lord's work goes unnoticed or is unwelcome, and this can be discouraging to faithful brethren. Paul reminded the Galatians, "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (Gal. 6:9). Webster says that to be weary is to be "exhausted in strength, endurance, vigor, or freshness" and that it is much like having one's patience, tolerance, or pleasure exhausted." The Greek word for "weary" which Paul used in Galatians 6:9 literally means, "to faint or to lose heart." The word "faint" in that verse literally means "to be loosened or relaxed," similar to the way the limbs of a physically weary person will hang (cf. Heb. 12:12). It is sad when Christians become discouraged, begin to slack, and ultimately quit in their work for the Lord.

One of the worst things about spiritual weariness is that it is addictive. The faintheartedness of one often becomes that of another. This is undoubtedly the reason why the inspired writers of the New Testament would repeatedly warn against giving up.

But why were those once-faithful servants tempted to give up? What would cause one who is so blessed both physically and spiritually [Eph. 1:7; 2 Pet. 1:3] to suddenly find himself or herself so disheartened to the point of folding altogether? The New Testament indicates that some folks give up because they expect immediate reward (Gal. 6:9; 2 The. 3:13; Luke 18:1-7). Paul would remind these people to press on (Phil. 3:14) and await the reward which is to come "in due season." Others are weary because of a lack of patience and trust in God (cf. Heb. 10:36; James 5:7ff.) or because of persecution (Eph. 3:13). Even others buckle under pressure and wonder why God is chastising them (cf. Heb. 12:3, 5). Sadly, some become disheartened and give up simply because they do not get their way in the church.

Can an honest, truth-seeking soul beat spiritual weariness? Absolutely! Jesus was mindful of His fainting followers (Mat. 9:36) and He is surely mindful of those who suffer weariness today. But the fact that He is compassionate toward the weary does *not* mean that He overlooks it. The Lord (through His word) admonishes the faint-hearted to look to heaven: "he that endureth to the end shall be saved" (Matt. 10:22). "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life" (Rev. 2:10). The New Testament writers repeatedly emphasized the reward that awaits God's enduring servants. While the reward remains yet unseen, the promise remains true (cf. Titus 1:2): "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:2-3).

Members of the church are involved in the greatest work on earth. The message they carry is the living bread and water which can spiritually feed a dying world. Within that message the Savior pleads, "Come unto me, and I will give unto you, for no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (Matt. 11:28-30; John 14:6). And those who surrender their lives to the Savior in humble obedience will hear, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant ... enter thou into the joy of thy Lord" (Matt. 25:21, 23).

What is your response? Will you give the Master 100 percent or will you allow yourself to be overcome by spiritual weariness?