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AM - BEN WRIGHT - "A DAY OF GOOD TIDINGS"

PM - BEN WRIGHT - "PROOF ALL HAVE SINNED"

MAKE PLANS FOR VBS JUNE 2-6!

1ST SUNDAY OF JUNE CONTRIBUTION WILL GO TO HELP THOSE IN OKLAHOMA WHO WERE SUFFERED LOSS LAST WEEK

BIRTHDAYS:

May 27: Gail Windham

28: Lynn Honeycutt

30: Jasmine Griggs

ANNIVERSARY:

June 1: Vince & Jill Roden

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING

Bible Class 9:30

Worship 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

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A DAY OF GOOD TIDINGS

(2 Kings 7:3-11)

- I. **The lepers _____ (vs. 8).**
- A. These men had decided that they were going to _____ one way or the other, so they might as well try to get some food.
 - B. They got _____.
 - 1. Just a little earlier, they had no _____ of food and now more than they could eat.
 - 2. Jesus is the _____ and _____ of life and we have access to all the spiritual nourishment we need as Christians.
 - C. They got _____.
 - 1. The life of a leper was one of abject _____.
 - 2. Christians have wonderful _____ blessings (Ephesians 1:3).
 - D. They got _____.
 - 1. They came into the camp _____ in the rags of lepers.
 - 2. As Christians, we get _____ and become _____ (Acts 22:16; 2 Corinthians 5:17).

- II. **The lepers _____ (vs. 9).**
- A. After the initial rush went away, they _____ they weren't right.
 - B. We need Christians who realize that what we have is not just for _____.
 - C. It was possible for them to keep _____.
 - D. What about when _____ keep silent?
 - 1. We fail to _____ the Great Commission.
 - 2. We fail our _____ as God's people to praise God as we should (1 Peter 2:9-10).
 - 3. We will _____ to God for keeping silent.
 - E. _____

- III. **The lepers _____ (vs. 10-11).**
- A. These men decided that they could not keep this to _____ any longer.
 - B. The decision by the lepers took _____.
 - 1. They stood the chance for _____ or _____.
 - 2. Despite the reaction of those to whom we speak, we _____ still take the message out to the lost.
 - C. The decision took _____.
 - D. Their decision resulted in _____.
 - 1. The city was _____.
 - 2. You don't know how things will turn out when you _____ to someone about Jesus.

How deep is your devotion to God? How lasting is your love? How fervent is your faith?
How true is your trust? How determined is your dependence on Him?

One of our favorite verses of comfort and reassurance is Isaiah 40:31 — *“But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.”* Don’t you just love that verse!

Do you wait on the Lord? Oh, we are not good waiters! Go to almost any restaurant (fast-food especially) and you will find customers who are not good waiters. Look inside most of our homes and you’re bound to find at least one family member who is not a good waiter. What does it mean to “wait on the Lord”? Let the Bible define this concept by looking to other passages that discuss this great thought.

“I will look to the Lord; I will wait...” (Mic. 7:7). “...To those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him” (Lam. 3:25). “It is good that one should hope and wait...” (Lam. 3:26). “Rest in the Lord, and wait...” (Psa. 37:7). “My soul, wait silently for God alone, for my expectation is from Him” (Psa. 62:5). Think about these words in bold — Waiting on the Lord requires looking to Him, seeking Him, hoping in Him, resting in Him, expecting that all good things and all the needs of our lives will come from Him! Note these adverbs that modify HOW we are supposed to wait: “patiently” (Psa. 37:7), “silently” (Psa. 62:5), “quietly” (Lam. 3:26). That takes trust!

What else is involved in waiting on the Lord? “Wait on the Lord; **Be of good courage**” (Psa. 27:14). “Wait patiently for Him; **Do not fret**” (Psa. 37:7). “Wait on the Lord, and **keep His way**” (Psa. 37:34). “My soul waits, and in **His word I do hope**” (Psa. 130:5).

Waiting on the Lord involves **patiently trusting Him to take care of you in the best way that He knows how** (which is better than the way we know). Waiting on the Lord involves **quietly expecting all good things to come from Him**. Waiting on the Lord involves **humbly obeying His word and His way, yielding my will to His will!**

So, if we wait on the Lord, what are His promises? “He shall strengthen your heart” (Psa. 27:14), “exalt you” (Psa. 37:34), “save you” (Prov. 20:22), “hear” you (Mic. 7:7), and “bless” you (Isa. 30:18). “The Lord is good to those who wait for Him” (Lam. 3:25). He will continually provide **renewed strength, soaring success and unwearied drive to serve** (Isa. 40:31). *Are you waiting on the Lord? Read those questions in the first paragraph again. Are you really waiting on Him?*