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Topic: A NEW HEART IN CHRIST JESUS

Bible Reading/ Passage: 2 Corinthians 5 vs. 16-19

INTRODUCTION: The account of a new birth in Christ Jesus was given by Apostle Paul to the Church In Corinth, He charged them that if they were in Christ Jesus behold old things are passed away and all things are now new. What the word meant was a reassurance word to the church that as soon as you received Christ genuinely that your old ways are buried with Christ and Nailed to the Cross and a new life is given by the immersion in the blood of Jesus.

In the Old Testament (Psalm. 51 vs.10) David was crying to the Lord to create in Him a new Heart, why? Because he knew the old heart was not good enough for a perfect journey with Christ. In our bible passage, we could deduce that new life in Christ comes from within. Reference mat 12 vs.34- 35 “ *you brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks, the good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him, but I tell you that me*”

Therefore a new life in Christ comes from a genuine repentance from within (the Heart)

THE OLD HEART.

The old heart could be likened you original self before the birth in Jesus Christ, your original self before Christ. Gal. 5 vs. 19-21 “ *the acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery, idolatry and witchcraft, hatred, discord, jealousy, fit of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy, drunkenness, orgies and the like I warn you as I did before that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God*”

Also 2 Timothy 3 vs.1-9 (*heart that does not understand Godread further and explain with relation to the old heart*)

The old heart cannot work with God, it is the impure state of a man and the bible says that for our “*God is spirit and his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth john 4 vs.24*”

THE NEW HEART

I James 1 vs. 22. Hearers and doers of the word of God

2 Cor. 6 VS. 14 *do not be yoked together with unbelievers for what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?*

1 Thessalonians 4 vs 11-12 *make it your ambition to lead a quiet life to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody*

2 Thessalonians 3 vs. 6 *in the name of the lord Jesus Christ, we command you brothers to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us.*

1 Timothy 4 vs.6-8 *be godly and have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives tales rather train yourself to be godly.*

1 Timothy 6 vs. 20 – 21 *timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge which some have professed and in so doing have wandered from the faith. Grace be with you.*

Galatians 5 vs. 22-26 *(read on the fruit of the spirit that lives in a new heart.....LOVE
QUALITIES OF THE LOVE TO BE EXHIBITED IN A NEW HEART.....)*

1 Cor.13 vs.4-8

BENEFITS OF A NEW HEART.

1. Psalm 1 vs.1-3 blessed and prosperous
2. Holy spirit will dwell within you
3. Psalm 24 vs3 –5 ascending the hill of the most high
4. Dwell before God and be protected Psalm 91 vs. 1-13 **NOTE: Having a right Heart/ standing with God does not excludes you from trials and tribulations**
5. Deuteronomy 28 vs 1-14 end the message with prophetic words on this chapter

PRAYERS

Ask God to create in you a new Heart

Lord make me a new man in your presence in the name of Jesus