HE IS JEHOVAH OUR GOD: HIS JUDGMENTS ARE IN ALL THE EARTH. HE HAS REMEMBERED HIS COVENANT FOR EVER, THE WORD WHICH HE COMMANDED TO A THOUSAND GENERATIONS, THE COVENANT WHICH HE MADE WITH ABRAHAM, AND HIS OATH UNTO ISAAC, AND CONFIRMED THE SAME UNTO JACOB FOR A STATUTE, TO ISRAEL FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT, SAYING, UNTO YOU I WILL GIVE THE LAND OF CANAAN.

PREACHING THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

After the church was established men and women went throughout the world preaching the gospel message. The book of Acts records a uniform message that was preached. Starting on the Day of Pentecost we find a foundation sermon delivered by the Apostle Peter. Peter preached about Jesus Christ and man's sins. Those who believed that Jesus was the Christ and were willing to repent and be baptized for the remission of their sins would be forgiven (see Acts 2:37-38). Every sermon preached after Peter's was a carbon copy of Peter's words. Whether the preacher was Peter, Philip, Paul, or Luke the message was the same. Those who heard the gospel preached, believed the message, confessed that Jesus was the Christ, repented of their sins, baptized for the remission of their sins, and purposed to live faithfully all the days of their lives were added to the church of Christ (Romans 16:16).

Preaching the same message of Jesus was very important. At Acts 15 we find that some were preaching additional things for salvation. The erring was saying that unless people were circumcised they could not be saved (see Acts 15:5). The church had a great issue with...
Welcome to all Our Visitors. It is our prayer that you will be edified by our worship service today. If you have any questions regarding what we teach or practice please be our friend and talk with us.

Gospel Meeting!

This year we will have a fall Gospel meeting with Larry Tomlin of Orange Texas. Larry will be preaching to us during the week of October 3 through 6.

Stella Davidson continues to be weak and confined to her wheelchair. She is otherwise doing well.

Nina Gray is not finding much relief from her pain. She is considering some acupuncture work but is not sure. Please do remember her in your prayers.

Continue to pray for Daryl Lewis

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these false teachers. The method of salvation had already been preached to thousands and the church was consequentially growing. To add something to the salvation equation that God did not was error. Today, many denominational bodies have added and subtracted from the original pattern of hear, believe, confess Christ, repent of sins, be baptized for the forgiveness of sins, and live faithfully. Nothing has changed in God’s message yet man tries to change it. Some say that you do not have to be baptized to be saved and forgiven of sins. Others say that all you have to do is say the sinner’s prayer to be saved. Such words are daring and great error (see 2 Peter 2:1, 10 and 2 John 9-11). The pattern, or Law, has been established by Christ and no man has the right to alter those words (see Revelation 22:18-19).

Local News

A World of Suffering

Introduction

We live in a world where much happiness and joy is experienced by many. There is; however, a darker side of human suffering. No one is exempt from it. Job said, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble" (Job 14:1). The patriarch Jacob was asked by Pharaoh about his age and he replied, "The years of my wanderings have been a hundred and thirty; small in number and full of sorrow have been the years of my life, and less than the years of the wanderings of my fathers" (Genesis 47:9). Our lives are filled with sorrows as those who have gone on before and after us. We think about the human suffering in Egypt, Africa, Afghanistan, and other war torn areas and our hearts are broken over the death of many.

Religious bodies have tried to explain why suffering exist in the world. The Buddhist believe that divine Karma (your destiny). The Hindus teach that people suffer because of something they did either in this life or a previous life before being reincarnated. You may be a good person now yet you suffer because of something you did in your past life. Muslims believe that suffering is brought to man by God to test the individual to see if they will remain faithful to Allah (Islam means "submission"). Judaism teaches that suffering is a result of one's personal weakness. God is punishing the evil doer.

This lesson will examine the Bible’s explanation of human suffering.

I. Suffering Happens to Everyone (rich and poor)
II. Why do People Suffer
III. What are the Benefits of Suffering
   A. Personal Benefits
   B. Benefits to others when we are Wrongfully treated

Conclusion

If no suffering existed man would be content with living in sin and watching others fall from grace. If no suffering existed no one would desire to wait for God’s promises of better things. If no suffering happened in your life what would motivate you to do better in this life? Suffering is very necessary though very grievous.

"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto him"

Acts 2:38-39