

Personal Bible Study Week 3

Day 1:

Read 1 Peter 1:1-5

1. To what do the “strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia” owe their Christianity?
2. What is the main thought of this piece?
3. What does God have in mind when He chooses His people?
4. Does your life show these results? Explain your answer.
5. What gives the born again Christian hope for the future?
6. Can the special inheritance, that believers Received, ever taken away from them? Motivate your answer using this piece of scripture. What does it mean to you?

Day 2:

Read John 3: 1-21

1. What is the most important demand from Jesus for entering the Kingdom of God?
2. How do you understand “born again?”
3. Do you have a part in the whole operations of becoming born again?
4. Are you “born again” and how do you prove it?
5. What did God do to save man?
6. Are you sure that you have been saved? Substantiate your answer.
7. What happens to the person believing in Jesus as the Son of God and what to those that do not believe in Jesus as the Son of God?
8. What is going to happen to you?

Day 3:

Read 1 John 1:1-2:2

1. To whom does John refer when he mentions “the Word of life?”
2. What is the main thought of the first four verses?
3. What is the problem man has according to this piece of scripture?
4. What is God’s answer to this problem and the condition of man? (Examine the whole piece of scripture to find your answer)

Day 4:

Read 1 John 3:1-10

1. John is very happy about the fact that we can be called God’s children. Do you share his happiness?

2. How does this happiness manifests itself in your life? In feelings or in deeds?
3. Sin is a terrible thing. How does John describe sin?
4. When does man sin? In other words what is the prerequisite not to sin?
5. Can a person ever reach the point where that person never sins? Motivate and explain.
6. In verse 10, two things are mentioned that separates the children of God from those of Satan – what is it and how does it compare to the average “Church Person” of today?

Day 5:

Read 1 John 3:11-24

1. John describes the radical difference in the life of a child of God. Where in does this difference show in the lives of the children of God?
2. What is the fruit of real love?
3. God answers us and gives us what we ask in prayer if we comply with certain stipulations. What is it?
4. How is a life that stays in God? In other word a life permanently in God?

Day 6:

Read 1 John 4:7-21

1. What is the main point John is making here? Which verse do you see as the main point is this piece of scripture?
2. Do you live like that?
3. Why is love the most important sign and attribute of such a life?
4. Would you say love is a very important sign of the church of today? Is it the case in your congregation?
5. Is it the case in your life?

Group Bible Study: Week 3

Read Ephesians 2:1-10

Verse 1: **Trespases** – deviating from the path of truth and righteousness, in other words not keeping Gods commandments

Sin – Missing the purpose, in other words the sin causes man to miss the purpose of his life.

Verse 2: **walked according to the course of this world** – according to the spirit of the times and not seeking God’s will

Verse 4: **But God** – the Godly “but” tells us about God’s loving intervention in our lives.

Verse 8: **and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God** – man does not come to faith on his own accord, it is the fruit of God’s grace.

Verse 10: **created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk them** – God has saved us through grace with the purpose of doing good deeds. This is God’s plan for our lives. All we have to do is stay within God’s plan for our lives; we must simply accept what God has prepared for us.

1. What is the circumstances and position of the Ephesians before they were united into a congregation? Which forces ruled their lives from the inside as well as from the outside?
2. What characteristic in God moved Him to gathering a congregation for Himself? How did He do it?
3. How can you make God’s wish, that the believers do “good works,” a reality in your life? How can you do that in real life?
4. What light does the answer to the question shed onto what we need in life to live in the assurance of grace?
5. How can we live, in this world, knowing we are saved?
6. How did God do this for us?
7. What is expected of us?