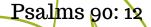


Volume 21



Verse of the Week

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom"



Weekly Services

Sunday Service Times: Sunday: 10am - 12:30pm Prayer service: Friday: 7pm - 8:30pm

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Challenge of the week

Maintain a relationship with your father in heaven

Be sober-minded and alert. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

1 Peter 5:8

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STRIVING TOWARDS PERFECTION

The ultimate goal of any child of God is to make it to Heaven at last on the last day. This goal cannot be achieved without holiness, Heb. 12: 14. A believer must be pure in thoughts and actions to make it there. What does it mean to be perfect thoughts and in our actions? How can a child of God achieve this goal? These and many more questions will be answered in this lesson. It is our prayer that the Lord will teach us in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

LESSON OUTLINES:

- 1. Clean In Our Thoughts
 - 2. Perfect In Actions
 - 3. How To Be Perfect

CLEAN IN OUR THOUGHTS

Before anyone can be perfect in words or actions they have to be pure and clean in thoughts. This is because whatever comes out of your mouth is an overflow of what is in your heart. The Lord Himself said so concluding that idle words are products of evil thoughts, Matt. 12: 34-35; Mk 7:15, 20-23; Lk. 6:45. The book of Proverbs also confirms that as a man is as he thinks - Pro. 23:7 consequently, we are advised to guard our thoughts because your life is shaped by your thoughts Prov. 4:23. In fact, there is a list of things that must occupy the thoughts of a Christian. These are things that are true, just, honest, pure and lovely, of good report, virtuous and praiseworthy - Phil. 4:8.

PERFECT IN ACTIONS

We must also be true, sincere and impeccable in our actions. We are the light of the world, Mt. 5:14-16, and our activities are to be as pure as light. Our actions must be to please the Lord, 1 Cor. 10:31; Eccl. 12: 13. God wants to be doers of the word, Jam. 1:22-25. Jesus Christ recognises doers of the word as his brethen, Matt. 12:50.



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HOW TO BE PERFECT

The steps towards a life of holiness begin with the the new birth - 2 Cor. 5: 17. Christians must take specific and right steps in line with scriptural principles as taught by Christ to be pure in our actions, Jam 1: 25; Job 11:14-15; Rom. 12:1-2. Those who know the name of the Lord are to DEPART from iniquity, 2 Tim. 2: 19. Christians are to FLEE and PURSUE righteousness, 2 Tim. 2:22. Job made a covenant with his eyes not to behold a maid, Job 31: 1, while Daniel purposed not to defile himself with the delicacies of the king, Dan. 1: 8. Joseph decided not to sin against God and therefore took appropriate action. Since all determinations are useless without the help of God, you must constantly call on Jesus for help - Phil. 4: 13.

CONCLUSION

Christians must be spotless in words and thoughts because it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks. Be spotlessly clean in your thoughts, actions and deeds because, "by their fruits we shall know them." Surely, also, we all need the help of our Lord Jesus Christ to be able to live spotlessly.

What's On

Our weekly service will be taking place this Friday at 7pm-8:30pm. This will be a time of prayer and Fellowship in the presence of God.

Stay connected in fellowship by joining one of the weekly House Fellowship groups. It is a wonderful time of fun, bonding and growing in God's word together. Kindly speak to Sister Remy for further details,