

Redeemed Christian Church of God

Bethel

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Verse of the Week

"Then Joshua said to the children of Israel: "How long will you neglect to go and possess the land which the Lord God of your fathers has given you?" . "

Joshua 18: 3

BIBLE PASSAGE: Joshua 18:2-6

Weekly Services

Sunday Service Times: Sunday: 10am - 12:30pm

Prayer service: Friday: 7pm - 8:30pm

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The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!".

John 1:29

Let's Keep In Touch!

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THE DANGER OF COMPLACENCY

To be complacent is to have a feeling of quiet pleasure, contentment or satisfaction with oneself because of some level of achievement that has been made. Complacency is often very evident in the lack of zeal and dedication in laying claim to God's wonderful gifts. This study will focus on how to identify complacency with the aim of eliminating it in our lives, why Christians are complacent, and dangers of complacency.

OUTLINES:

1. How To Identify Complacency
2. Why People Become Complacent
3. Dangers Of Complacency

HOW TO IDENTIFY COMPLACENCY

- (a) Lack of inner motivation - Josh. 18: 2-3 - The seven tribes were half-hearted in their commitment to claiming their inheritance. There was apathy, lethargy, and indifference.
- (b) There are always 'good' excuses to be stagnant and non-progressive. The lazy believer is often full of excuses, Prov. 24: 30-31; 22:13
- (c) There is a false sense of security and therefore a lack of concern for the situations around them where they live or work, i.e. Hezekiah in 2 Kings 20: 12-19
- (d) They are usually immature and committed in their spiritual lives or the growth of Gods kingdom where they are, Lk. 18:1 - 8
- (e) They are indifferent to God's word - James 1:22-23
- (f) They are lukewarm Rev. 3:14-19
- (g) They lack self-examination Acts 24:16
- (h) They lack foresight Pro. 29:18

WHY PEOPLE BECOME COMPLACENT

- (a) Discouragement caused by failure encountered in the task - Num. 21: 4-5
- (b) Delay in fulfilment of desires - Pro. 13:12
- (c) Difficulty of impending task - Neh. 4:10
- (d) Unrealistic expectations of themselves - Pro. 23:77; Rom. 12:3
- (e) Feeling of inferiority - Gal. 3:28
- (f) Worldly pleasures 1 Jn. 2:15



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(g) Little material possession Matt. 6:33

(h) Achievements - Rev. 3: 17; Lk. 12: 16-21

(i) Lack of total repentance - 2 Sam. 11: 2-17; 12: 1-7. David became insensitive to the Lord as a result of his deliberate repeated act of living in sin.

(j) Let us add to the list.

DANGERS OF COMPLACENCY

(a) Neglecting fellowship with the Lord and brethren - Heb. 10:24;

(b) Slow or delayed progress - Heb. 5: 14

(c) Bondage to Satan's agents - Exo. 1:14

(d) Poverty - 1 Sam. 2:7

(e) God's judgement - 2 Cor. 2:5

(f) Lack of fulfilment in life - Gen. 49: 3-4

(g) A damaged conscience - 2 Sam. 12: 10-14

(h) Other areas complacency may affect:

i. Secular Job - Rom 12: 1-2

ii. Family Life - 1 Tim 5:8; Eph. 5:22-25; 6: 1-5

iii. Leadership - Gen 39:2-4, 22

CONCLUSION

It is often said that your attitude determines your altitude, Note Amos 6:1 - "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion." Let us pray that the Lord will reveal your state to you.

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,