



GREATER HARVEST BAPTIST CHURCH

CYBER BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAYS AT 7PM



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CYBER SERIES: "USE THE WORD"



OUR BIBLE STUDY GOAL



Living a Life Pleasing unto God.

Walking in Righteousness, Becoming a better Christian by following God's word.



TONIGHT'S LESSON:

CHANGE

THE MOMENT WHEN THINGS CHANGED

- Each of us have a testimony of when some event happened in our lives that caused us to change.
- We may not remember the exact date, or time. But the event is fresh and can be replayed over and over again.
- We should not fret over that event, because it was orchestrated by God for your good.

My life may not be going the way





GOD planned it.

God grant me the serenity To accept the things T cannot change, Courage to change the things I can, And wisdom to know the difference.

HOW DO WE BEST HANDLE CHANGE?

DON'T ALLOW MAN TO CONTROL YOUR CHANGE

BETHE GAME CHANGER.

Many are the plans in a man's heart,

but it is the LORD'S purpose that prevails.

Proverbs 19:21

You have been born anew, not from perishable but from imperishable seed, through the living and abiding word of God.

—1 Peter 1:23



THERE ARE THREE THINGS WE CANNOT CHANGE...

3 things you cannot recover in life: the WORD after its said, the MOMENT after its missed, and the TIME after its

CHANGE

HOW ARE WE CHANGED?

CHANGE

SPIRITUALLY

1 SAMUEL 13:14

14 BUT NOW THY KINGDOM SHALL NOT CONTINUE: THE LORD HATH SOUGHT HIM A MAN AFTER HIS OWN HEART. AND THE LORD HATH COMMANDED HIM TO BE CAPTAIN OVER HIS PEOPLE. BECAUSE THOU HAST NOT KEPT THAT WHICH THE LORD COMMANDED THEE.

AND ANOINTED HIM IN THE MIDST OF HIS BRETHREN: AND THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD CAME UPON DAVID FROM THAT DAY FORWARD. SO SAMUEL ROSE UP, AND WENT TO RAMAH.

BUT THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD DEPARTED FROM SAUL, AND AN EVIL SPIRIT FROM THE LORD TROUBLED HIM.

SPIRITUAL CHANGE

- SPIRITUAL CHANGE COMES FROM THE HEART.
- SPIRITUAL CHANGE CAUSES YOU TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE, MORE PATIENT, AND MORE UNDERSTANDING.
- YOUR SPIRIT HAS INTELLIGENCE, AND TEMPERANCE.
- YOUR SPIRIT IS WHERE YOUR LOVE FOR YOUR FELLOW MAN LIVES.

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that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect,

WILL of GOD.

ROMANS 12:2

SEE, I AM DOING a new thing! NOW IT SPRINGS UP: DO YOU NOT PERCEIVE IT? am making a way IN THE WILDERNESS AND STREAMS IN THE WASTELAND.

18A1AH 43:19

MENTAL CHANGE

- A MENTAL CHANGE IS ACCOMPANIED BY AN INCREASE OR DECREASE IN WISDOM AND PERCEPTION.
- YOU CANNOT BE A TRUE BELIEVER WITHOUT HAVING A CHANGE OF MIND.
- BECAUSE GOD GAVE US FREE WILL WE HAVE TO CHANGE OUR MENTAL STATE FROM SELFISH AND FLESH DRIVEN TO LOVING AND LED BY THE SPIRIT.

CHANGE

BEHAVIOR

Turn to God and change the way you think and act, because the kingdom of heaven is near. Matthew 3:2



ACTS 9

AND SAUL, YET BREATHING OUT THREATENINGS AND SLAUGHTER AGAINST THE DISCIPLES OF THE LORD, WENT UNTO THE HIGH PRIEST,

AND DESIRED OF HIM LETTERS TO DAMASCUS TO THE SYNAGOGUES, THAT IF HE FOUND ANY OF THIS WAY, WHETHER THEY WERE MEN OR WOMEN, HE MIGHT BRING THEM BOUND UNTO JERUSALEM.

ACTS 9

AND AS HE JOURNEYED, HE CAME NEAR DAMASCUS: AND SUDDENLY THERE SHINED ROUND ABOUT HIM A LIGHT FROM HEAVEN:

AND HE FELL TO THE EARTH, AND HEARD A VOICE SAYING UNTO HIM, SAUL, SAUL, WHY PERSECUTEST THOU ME?

AND HE SAID, WHO ART THOU, LORD? AND THE LORD SAID, I AM JESUS WHOM THOU PERSECUTEST: IT IS HARD FOR THEE TO KICK AGAINST THE PRICKS.

AND HE TREMBLING AND ASTONISHED SAID, LORD, WHAT WILT THOU HAVE ME TO DO? AND THE LORD SAID UNTO HIM, ARISE, AND GO INTO THE CITY, AND IT SHALL BE TOLD THEE WHAT THOU MUST DO.

ACTS 9

AND HE WAS THREE DAYS WITHOUT SIGHT, AND NEITHER DID EAT NOR DRINK.

AND ANANIAS WENT HIS WAY, AND ENTERED INTO THE HOUSE; AND PUTTING HIS HANDS ON HIM SAID, BROTHER SAUL, THE LORD, EVEN JESUS, THAT APPEARED UNTO THEE IN THE WAY AS THOU CAMEST, HATH SENT ME, THAT THOU MIGHTEST RECEIVE THY SIGHT, AND BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY GHOST.

AND IMMEDIATELY THERE FELL FROM HIS EYES AS IT HAD BEEN SCALES: AND HE RECEIVED SIGHT FORTHWITH, AND AROSE, AND WAS BAPTIZED.

AND WHEN HE HAD RECEIVED MEAT, HE WAS STRENGTHENED. THEN WAS SAUL CERTAIN DAYS WITH THE DISCIPLES WHICH WERE AT DAMASCUS.

AND STRAIGHTWAY HE PREACHED CHRIST IN THE SYNAGOGUES, THAT HE IS THE SON OF GOD.

BEHAVIOR

- WHEN YOU ARE TRULY CHANGED, YOU WAYS WILL CHANGE.
- YOU WILL NOT CONTINUE TO REPEAT SINFUL WAYS.
- POU WILL CONFESS, REPENT, AND CEASE THE BEHAVIOR THAT IS DISPLEASING TO GOD.
- BEHAVIOR IS THE LAST PIECE OF THE PUZZLE OF A CHANGED SPIRIT, MIND AND HEART.

CHANGE

TIME CHANGES ALL THINGS



JOB 14:12-14

SO MAN LIETH DOWN, AND RISETH NOT: TILL THE HEAVENS BE NO MORE, THEY SHALL NOT AWAKE, NOR BE RAISED OUT OF THEIR SLEEP.

GRAVE, THAT THOU WOULDEST HIDE ME IN THE SECRET, UNTIL THY WRATH BE PAST, THAT THOU WOULDEST APPOINT ME A SET TIME, AND REMEMBER ME!

IF A MAN DIE, SHALL HE LIVE AGAIN? ALL THE DAYS OF MY APPOINTED TIME WILL I WAIT, TILL MY CHANGE COME.

WHAT IS THE ENEMY OF CHANGE?

IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE YOU HAVE TO BE WILLING TO BE

UNCOMFORTABLE

EPHESIANS 4:17-21

17 THIS I SAY THEREFORE, AND TESTIFY IN THE LORD, THAT YE HENCEFORTH WALK NOT AS OTHER GENTILES WALK, IN THE VANITY OF THEIR MIND,

18 HAVING THE UNDERSTANDING DARKENED, BEING ALIENATED FROM THE LIFE OF GOD THROUGH THE IGNORANCE THAT IS IN THEM. BECAUSE OF THE BLINDNESS OF THEIR HEART:

19 WHO BEING PAST FEELING HAVE GIVEN THEMSELVES OVER UNTO LASCIVIOUSNESS, TO WORK ALL UNCLEANNESS WITH GREEDINESS.

20 BUT YE HAVE NOT SO LEARNED CHRIST:

21 IF SO BE THAT YE HAVE HEARD HIM, AND HAVE BEEN TAUGHT BY HIM, AS THE TRUTH IS IN JESUS:

EPHESIANS 4:22-26

22 THAT YE PUT OFF CONCERNING THE FORMER CONVERSATION THE OLD MAN, WHICH IS CORRUPT ACCORDING TO THE DECEITFUL LUSTS:

23 AND BE RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT OF YOUR MIND:

24 AND THAT YE PUT ON THE **NEW** MAN, WHICH AFTER GOD IS CREATED IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND TRUE HOLINESS.

25 WHEREFORE PUTTING AWAY LYING, SPEAK EVERY MAN TRUTH WITH HIS NEIGHBOUR: FOR WE ARE MEMBERS ONE OF ANOTHER.

26 BE YE ANGRY, AND SIN NOT: LET NOT THE SUN GO DOWN
UPON YOUR WRATH:

EPHESIANS 4:27-32

27 NEITHER GIVE PLACE TO THE DEVIL.

28 LET HIM THAT STOLE STEAL NO MORE: BUT RATHER LET HIM LABOUR, WORKING WITH HIS HANDS THE THING WHICH IS GOOD, THAT HE MAY HAVE TO GIVE TO HIM THAT NEEDETH.

29 LET NO CORRUPT COMMUNICATION PROCEED OUT OF YOUR MOUTH, BUT THAT WHICH IS GOOD TO THE USE OF EDIFYING, THAT IT MAY MINISTER GRACE UNTO THE HEARERS.

30 AND GRIEVE NOT THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD, WHEREBY YE ARE SEALED UNTO THE DAY OF REDEMPTION.

31 LET ALL BITTERNESS, AND WRATH, AND ANGER, AND CLAMOUR, AND EVIL SPEAKING, BE PUT AWAY FROM YOU, WITH ALL MALICE:

32 AND BE YE KIND ONE TO ANOTHER, TENDERHEARTED, FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER, EVEN AS GOD FOR CHRIST'S SAKE HATH FORGIVEN YOU.

FREE WILL IS THE ENEMY OF CHANGE,
BECAUSE WE GET COMFORTABLE WITH NORMAL
NORMAL REQUIRES REPETITION
CHANGE REQUIRES DIFFERENCE

TO TRULY CHANGE AND BE BETTER, SOME OF THE NORMALCY IN OUR LIVES HAS TO BE ELIMINATED.

GOD DOES NEW THINGS, TO CHANGE US, BUT HE NEVER CHANGES, SO HE CAN SUSTAIN US.



GOD ORCHESTRATES CHANGE IN OUR LIVES THROUGH OUR EXPERIENCES

"I WILL GIVE YOU A new heart AND PUT A new-Spirit IN YOU; I WILL REMOVE FROM YOU YOUR HEART OF STONE AND GIVE YOU A heart of flesh" EZEKIEL 36:26

SOMETIMES GOD DOESN'T CHANGE YOUR SITUATION BECAUSE HE IS TRYING TO CHANGE YOUR HEART.



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