

Living the Gospel

Thy Will Be Done - Week 15.2 (9-13-23)

Hebrews 10:19-25

I. Live the Gospel

- A. You must have a legitimate, active relationship with Jesus in order to effectively share the gospel.
 - 1. No more compartments.
 - a) Compartment = A separate section of a structure or container in which certain items can be kept separate from others.
 - (1) Real faith and real relationship infects every aspect of living; all parts of life.
 - 2. You can't give what you don't have. The first person you must learn to lead is your self.
 - 3. Your interaction with the Holy Spirit is crucial in being able to communicate the gospel to other people both in action as well as by word.
 - a) The Holy Spirit sanctifies you which is a witness to others.
 - b) The Holy Spirit will lead you to share your faith and anoint you to preach the gospel boldly.
 - (1) 1 Corin. 12:3 - Only the Holy Spirit can truly change the heart of man so you must be in tune with Him
 - 4. Faith without works is dead. - James 2:17-20
 - a) Vs. 17 AMP "So too, faith, if it does not have works [to back it up], is by itself dead [inoperative and ineffective]." We need a living faith!
 - b) When people see our living faith they will be curious, and we need to have an answer!
 - (1) 1 Peter 3:15 AMP

II. Start at Home

- A. 1 Timothy 3:1-7
 - 1. Usually the first people that we want to share exciting/important news with are the people that we are closest to.
 - 2. If we can't share the gospel and disciple our own family we will never do that for strangers, and it is not likely to be an active relationship with Jesus.
- B. Eph. 5:22-6:4
 - 1. A properly functioning family unit is a powerful representation of the church and our relationship with the Trinity.
 - a) We should be discipling our children and other family members before anyone else.
 - b) God has always used the family unit to exemplify His glory and to teach future generations about Himself.
 - (1) Be active and intentional about the educating and training of your children!
 - (2) Let them watch you as you continue to learn how to live out your faith.

III. No More Excuses

A. Matt. 28:19-20

1. This still applies if you are introverted or shy.
 - a) Don't be stingy with your faith!
 - b) 2 Timothy 1:7 - God has not given us a spirit of being timid!
 - c) It is selfish to be so worried about your discomfort around other people that you are unwilling to tell them something that will save them.

B. Romans 10:17

1. Even though it is important for us to showing our faith with actions, it is still only by the spoken word that people can have faith to believe and be saved.
 - a) Be willing to talk to people about what you have that they desperately need to hear!