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"every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master." Luke 6:40b

PSALM 19

In Luke 13:3 the Lord told us, "except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Three things are necessary for us to fulfill that repentance - to prevent our perishing:

- 1. Men must first recognize that the Lord, **HE IS** God and **seek** after Him.
- 2. Once they **find** Him, they must **LEARN** what He wants of them.
- 3. Then, they must **OBEY**.

Psalm 19 is a beautiful illustration of these 3 points:

1) God has declared plainly, to **all** men, that **HE IS** in verses 1-6:

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoices as a strong man to run a race. His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

2) God has given us **all** we need to **LEARN** of him, in verses 7-9:

The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

3) God has given good reason for **all** to **OBEY** him in verses 10-14:

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them there is great reward. Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

- Ed Kelleher, West Columbia church of Christ, South Carolina

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SERMONS

TJ BOLEN-Just Pray

EW TESTAMENT CHRISTIANITY

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AM:

PM: HARVEY ALLEN

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth;

to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." Romans

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Bring your Bible ques Saturdays 3 pm Informal Bible Study and members

EVANGELIST

"PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER" - James 5:16

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Dorothy Gray and family, Pat Joyner, Gwen Pittman, Anna Porter, Judy Walker, also Richard Ramkinson, Wilson Burton.

- Brother Bolen, Rane Taylor, Zamir Gray and Josiah Jenikins will be going to Palmetto Bible camp this Sunday afternoon. Keep them in your prayers that they do well and will be built up. Brother Harvey Allen will be preaching Sunday evening. Ed Kelleher will be teaching the Wed PM adult bible study on 3 Conversions in Acts.
- Remember Margaret Herring, Pat Joyner, Anna Porter, Gwen Pittman, Stephanie Rigney, Floyd Richbourg and Carolyn Stidham in your prayers also as they continue on the road to recovery from various ills.
- Remember to pray for and send cards to those we've not seen for awhile.
- Pray also that we all grow in faith, hope, love, humility, zeal, mercy, knowledge.
 - "Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in WELL DOING, as unto a faithful Creator." 1 Peter 4:19

"AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY" - Acts 2:42

- Bible study, Saturdays, 3pm, informal, bring friends and your Bible questions.
- We need volunteers to take the DVD and the Lord's supper to our shut-ins.

"What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God." - Micah 6:8

Sun AM Sermon— Just Pray

Luke

5:16; 6:12 - Make time for prayer.

6:28 - Praying for those whom you don't want to pray for.

11:1ff - Learn to pray.

18:1ff - Pray & not lose heart.

19:46 - Zealous Prayer

22:40 - Avoid Temptation

Acts

6:4-6; 13:1ff; 14:23 - Pray for the work

16:25ff - Prayer in evangelism

28:8 - Prayer in health

"And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." - James 5:15,16

BEARING FRUIT!

Here's a verse that ought to get our attention:

"Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: - John 15:2

God, being spirit, wants (and requires!) **spiritual** fruit from us. Fruit that will last forever (eternal) that makes **us** more **pleasing** in **His** sight and **valuable** to Him and **worth** keeping (worthy). When we, as branches in Christ, have and abound in the <u>spiritual</u> qualities of: **Mercy, faith, faithfulness, love, patience, meekness, hope, zeal, joy** etc. God will be pleased because these are His qualities, and He **wants them in us**. To help with that:

- 1. First, you must want to bear good fruit (Proverbs 16:9)
- 2. Get your **heart** (the soil) ready (2 Peter 1:5-8)
- 3. Plant the right seed (Luke 8:11, Colossians 1:5,6)
- 4. Water and **nurture** the seed and the soil (1 Corinthians 3:6, 1 Peter 2:2)
- 5. **Recognize** good fruit, reject the poorer (Colossians 1:10, Titus 3:14)
- 6. Remember, the fruit is for **God**, we're just the servants (John 15:8)

That ye might be ... Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power,

Books of the Old Testament—Good to memorize them!

Genesis	1 Kings	Ecclesiastes	Obadiah
Exodus	2 Kings	Song of Solomon	Jonah
Leviticus	1 Chronicles	Isaiah	Micah
Numbers	2 Chronicles	Jeremiah	Nahum
Deuteronomy	Ezra	Lamentations	Habakkuk
Joshua	Nehemiah	Ezekiel	Zephaniah
Judges	Esther	Daniel	Haggai
Ruth	Job	Hosea	Zechariah
1 Samuel	Psalms	Joel	Malachi
2 Samuel	Proverbs	Amos	

THE WORD OF GOD—ALL SUFFICIENT—ISAIAH 55:8-11

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."