

The Day to Proclaim Liberty (Lev. 25:8-28)

Today is the day to proclaim liberty. In other words it is the day of Christ. Of course, before today's scripture of chapter 24 it speaks about the Sabbath year. Leviticus 25 is speaking about the Sabbath year. In verse 2 this is what it says, "Speak to the people and say to them. When you come into the land that I give you, the land shall keep a Sabbath to the Lord." In their time in the wilderness it was not permitted for them to observe the Sabbath year but yet once they entered the land of Canaan they were allowed to do so. In verse 4 it says, but in the seventh year there shall be a Sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath to the Lord. You shall not sow your field or prune your vineyard." Of course for you to sow your field you must continuously do it yet the Lord says to not do it. In verse 6 it says, "The sabbath of the land shall provide food for you, for yourself and for your male and female slaves and for your hired worker and the sojourner who lives with you." The Lord says even if you do not do anything it will grow on its own. For six years you shall sow your field however in the seventh year on the Sabbath to the Lord, he says that all the food shall be provided for yourself your male and female slaves and all things. In verse 7 it says, "and for your cattle and for the wild animals that are in your land: all it yield shall be for food." It's not only for those who are living in that place but also for the cattle and for the wild animals. All the food will be provided for them to eat. The Lord says you shall not reap what grows or harvest it for it is the Lord that will allow all things to grow on its own. The Lord says not only will the food will be provided for yourself but also for the male and females slaves as well as those hired workers and the sojourners who lives with you. It is the year of Sabbath to which the Lord says that all the food shall be prepared for the cattle and for the wild animals as well. It means that all creation on earth must enjoy the Sabbath year. God will reveal who he is and that he is the creator. The Lord wants to relay the message that it is not by your efforts that you do all things yet it is the Lord that will provide all things for you. That is why the Sabbath to the Lord applies to all creation on earth. This is what is stated in Romans 8:19, "For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God." What does that mean? It means that even the sons of God who wait for their salvation all their creation waits eagerly along with them. It states that the creation waits with eager longing as well. The standard is for the sons of God to receive salvation. Also one of the messages of the Sabbath year is that even if no one is able to sow their field yet the crops will grow on its own. The Sabbath of the Lord is applicable to all creation on earth but also God's message is that you do not sow your field for I will allow all of it to grow. It is God's message that he relays that you may be able to enjoy all things on earth but on the seventh year of the Sabbath day I will take care of all of your crops. The Lord says

that you must have the solemn rest and you must not do anything; you must just simply enjoy all that I have provided for you. The Lord's message is that you must be able to give the utmost glory to God for he is the one who has done everything for you. It's a very strong message that he relays. The Lord relays the message you must observe and keep the Sabbath year. This is the message of the Sabbath year and it is the same as the message of Christ. There is no reason for you to die. Why do you try to die for yourself instead? Why are you putting in your own effort? All you have to do is enjoy Christ and the Lord says you don't have to die on the cross for yourself because it is not significant. The Lord's message is that you must be able to give the utmost glory to God for he has died for you instead because you have not done anything. The tremendous meaning of Christ is contained inside of the year of the Sabbath. May this be the covenant placed in your heart. You have many concerns. Why don't you challenge all of your concerns by holding onto Christ and seeing what happens. We have the nature of using our own efforts and our own diligence and try to put Christ secondary but we must not do that. I do believe that when you come to the answer of Christ, Satan will be bound. The doors to your life, evangelism, and mission will be opened. Remnants at a young age may you come to this answer. May you be able to truly enjoy Christ so that you will possess the spiritual authority to truly bind the work of satan that hinders you. That is the incident of original sin. Because of original sin, all mankind have perished. It is impossible to restore this themselves on their own. The answer to that is Jesus Christ. May you hold onto the fundamental as the covenant.

1. The Day to Proclaim Liberty

The Year of Jubilee is written in today's scripture. It is the fiftieth day of the day of atonement of the tenth day of the seventh month. That is when they give out the sound of the loud trumpet. They proclaim liberty throughout all that they are enslaved to. Verse 10 states, " And you shall consecrate the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you, when each of you shall return to his property and each of you shall return to his clan." In the past, as one lived their life, if they were not well-off, they were sold off as slaves and all of their property was sold. In the past, if they were having financial difficulties, they had no choice but to sell off their property, and even if they did this, they could not grow their crops. But yet even if they sold their property, they could return back to their property in the year of jubilee. If they were sold as slaves, in the year of jubilee, they could return back to their land and their clan. This is the Year of Jubilee. When they sold their property, they were able to return back to their property, but they would count the years according to how much crops were able to grow on their land during that time. Especially for the Kews, they would never purchase property. They would count the numbers of

the years of the crops instead of the property cost. Verse 23 states, "The land shall not be sold in perpetuity, for the land is mine. For you are strangers and sojourners with me." The Lord says, "The land does not belong to you for it belongs to me. The land is not yours, for you are living in that land with me." This is God's concept of property and land. This was the law that the Jews abided with. This is because the law is what they followed after. The Lord allowed them to redeem their land in the year of jubilee. Verse 24 states, "And in all the country you possess, you shall allow a redemption of the land." If one is able to be prosperous and find sufficient means to redeem it, they are able to do so. One who is able to sell off their property will never be able to say that they could never return back to their property. If one was to buy the property and ask for it back in America, this would be absurd and is not allowed. Even if that person was willing to give a tremendous amount of money, if you say no, they cannot buy it. But for the Jews themselves, they had no choice but to give it back. There are many examples of this in the Bible, as shown in the book of Ruth, towards the character, Boaz. The tribe of Amalek went to a different region, but all of their males were put to death. So, Naomi was able to return back to the land of Israel, because Israel was being restored. At that time, she had nothing but still needed things to eat so she started to receive it from others. But yet, if there was one who could bring back the property for her sake, through the family line of Amalek, then she would be able to receive it. I do believe that Boaz had interest in Ruth, so he brought the property back. They wedded and had a son named Obed. However, this son is not Boaz's son but is in the family line of Amalek from Ruth. Because Boaz had the money to bring the property back, he was able to inherit the son. That property was able to go back to the family line of Amalek. What about Boaz? In this situation, he got nothing, but this means that he did all this simply because he wanted to. This is one of the stories that explains the family line of Jesus. Why did I share this story? It is to share the message that once God has granted the land to you, you will always have the right to redeem this land. If one receives it from God, then no one else can take that land from them. That is why this becomes the foundation for them to proclaim liberty. On the year of the jubilee, they would be able to proclaim liberty and redeem their land. But what is important is, why did God create such a law like this? The first message that God wanted them to know is that everything belongs to God. Secondly, the land that they possess is their life. It's for them to make a living because, without this land, they cannot grow and harvest crops. They would starve to death. If they don't possess the land, there is no such thing as salvation for them. That is why God made it so that He blocks anyone that tries to take away the land. That is the same for our salvation. No one can lay a finger on the salvation given to you. There is no one that can take away your salvation from you. On the day that the Lord has set for them, they are to proclaim liberty so that they are able to be set

free from all that they are enslaved to. That is the year of jubilee. That is why it is the seventh year counting after the seven weeks of the year. This is the Day of Atonement. This signifies the covenant of Christ. And after the Sabbath Day, it is the day of resurrection. And then the Lord says, "You must be able to observe this day, and you must proclaim liberty." This is God's message.

2. Christ

The second point we'll look at is Christ. Liberty and freedom are contained in Christ. Sabbath is only possible in Christ. This is what it says in Matthew 12:8. It says, "For the Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath." On that day, Jesus and the disciples were going through the grain field, and the disciples were hungry, so they began to pluck the heads of the grain and eat it. But when the pharisees saw this, they said that the disciples were doing something that was unlawful on the Sabbath. Then, He gives two examples to explain it. He gave two examples to explain what they have done which the pharisees believed were unlawful on the day of the Sabbath. His first explanation was that King David ate the bread of presence which is only for the priests when he was hungry. Especially for the pharisees at the time, they saw David highly and knew what he did. The bread of presence signified of Christ, and David and those who were hungry at the time ate it. There's another example. Especially the priests on the Sabbath, they have to keep all of the offering and sacrifices. Imagine yourself working to kill all the ten cows and one-hundred lambs to give as offering to the Lord. Yet, the Lord says to the pharisees, "Did you ever nitpick on that?" who has not kept the day of the Sabbath. Then, when you look at Matthew 12:1-8, the Lord says, "Something greater than a temple is here." In Verse 8, He says, "For the Son of Man is the lord of Sabbath." It signifies that the Sabbath belongs to Him. That is such an unimaginable word. The Lord says, "I have made the Sabbath for my own sake. And it is the lord that is greater than the temple. Then it is the Lord that is above all laws that are here. That is why all the day of the Sabbath was kept inside of the law. Yet, it is the Lord who is exalted and higher than the law. That is why it is the Lord who does not have to keep and observe the temple or the Sabbath. He himself is the Sabbath. The Lord is saying that it is not Him who must keep the Sabbath but the Sabbath must keep Him. He says, "I am the content of the Sabbath." I'm sure the pharisees who heard this were dumbfounded. Today, we are looking at the passage of the Sabbath year and the year of jubilee, and it's all about Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the Lord of the Sabbath year and the year of jubilee. The reason why they observe the Sabbath is for the sake of Christ. And the reason why the year of jubilee was created was to explain who Jesus Christ is. The year of jubilee was made so that they are able to testify the liberty that is inside of Christ. Without Christ, how can the year of jubilee be the time

to proclaim liberty? Without Christ, is it possible for you to be set free from all that you are enslaved to? No, it is not. That is why the Sabbath year is the Lord's. The liberty of the year of jubilee belongs to the Lord. And there are moments in our lives when things are not taking place. Your life is not being resolved, and you are enslaved to life. You must proclaim Christ. You must be able to proclaim Christ and bind it. You must be able to bind Christ so that you are able to be liberated from all because that is a spiritual problem, and all spiritual problems derive from original sin. It is the conclusion of the Bible that it is Satan who caused original sin and behind original sin is the work of the spiritual problem to which Satan is constantly at work. The reason why the Lord said he will send the offspring was to crush Satan's head. If you are enslaved to anything in life may you proclaim Christ. If you have wondered, "How come Christ is not taking place for me?" Please proclaim Christ to yourself. Then your life will be resolved. There is much evidence in the Bible and around us. It is God's will for all believers to live life like this. The moment you proclaim Christ is when liberation and freedom are upon your life. May you proclaim the liberty within Christ. That is when your life will be resolved. All the causes to whatever you are enslaved to are all the same. Please do not use different methods. What is the message of the Sabbath? The Lord says that we must simply enjoy our lives. It is the fundamental and basic condition that you must hold onto Christ as you enjoy your life. God will take care of the rest for you. In the seventh year when they have the solemn rest, they are able to enjoy all the foods God has provided for them, but in the eighth year, they are able to reap all of their harvests. In the ninth year, they are able to enjoy all that they have grown from crops. It says in verse 21, "I will command my blessing on you in the sixth year, so that it will produce a crop sufficient for three years." The Lord says that when you reap your harvest in the seventh year, in the eighth year it will continuously grow and in the ninth year you will be able to enjoy it. In the verse, the Lord says that in the sixth year, you will be able to produce crops sufficient for three years for you to enjoy and eat. In verse 22, "When you sow in the eighth year, you will be eating some of the old crop: you shall eat the old until the ninth year, when its crop arrives." In the seventh year, you must not do anything. That is why on the crop that has been grown in the sixth year, you must eat it in the eighth year. You shall eat the food until the ninth year when the crop arrives. That is why whatever crops you have grown in the sixth year, you will be able to eat it until the eighth year. May you not use any other methods. May you only do Christ. That is when deep prayer will be upon you and you will have the three transcending. Even if it is not working out for you, you must do only Christ. Just because it is not taking place for you now, you may take another method but yet, if you do only Christ, it will be done. There is only one answer, Jesus Christ. If you are not holding onto this as your answer, you will hold onto something else. When you are inside of Christ, God will give you

the true answer. When you remain inside of Christ, God will give you the solution that will be the answer to all in the coming years. Jesus Christ is the only way for mankind to be set free from the snares of Satan. That is why the Lord says, "I am the way." There is no other way for he is the only way. Simon Peter responded. He did not do anything else and just simply responded to Jesus. He received the three tremendous blessings that will become and is the solution to all your life. The Lord says that we are the church built upon the rock because we have responded with the correct answer. The gates of hell shall never prevail against our lives because we have given the accurate answer and we know who he is. You correctly know who he is, so he will give us the keys to heaven, to which we will be able to enjoy the blessing of the throne. Simon Peter did nothing else, he gave the accurate response, "You are the Christ." We must do this as well. You must do this continuously, throughout the day, or set the time and do this at least once. You must make the confession, "You are the Christ, you are my God." Then you will be able to go into the depths of it. For those who have the accurate confession within their prayer, they will spiritually grow. They will go into the depths of the gospel and receive tremendous spiritual authority. They will enjoy the tremendous mystery of Christ and enjoy him for 24 hours. It is the tremendous blessing of 24 hours that is contained in Christ. Without Christ, why would God want to give you the blessing of 24 hours? Even if you do receive the blessing, without Christ, what is the purpose? What would happen if you are in 24 hours prayer without Christ? You will be possessed by demons. Undoubtedly, without the prayer of Christ for 24 hours, evil spirits will dwell inside of you. Once again may you hold on-to Christ who is your final destination. He is the start, not only that, he is the end result. He is not merely any start, he is God himself. May this be your covenant once again. May this be the week that you proclaim the liberty of Christ to yourself and to your life. I bless you all in the name of the Lord that you will proclaim the liberty of Christ to which you are set free from all problems and you stand as a witness.