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Sunday service

The One Who is Prepared

Acts 17:1-9

God gave the Gospel as the answer to mankind. Also, it is continuously being testified in the Bible. The Gospel is the answer to come out of curse to which all those who are apart from the Gospel are compelled to curse, so they can not come out of Satan's deception. Israelites history is an example of life to mankind. Their results was that when they restored the Gospel all problems were overturned to miracles. However, when they were apart from the blood of the covenant and served idol worship, curses came upon them, war broke out to which they were colonized and enslaved to the enemies. This is the fundamental stream of Israelites history. This principle was applied to each individual and the 7 Remnants who were the representative of the Gospel to which they live a miraculous life. All the kings that worshiped idols fell into curses. Therefore, you must restore the covenant so God will cast out curses and crush Satan's head. Answers and evidence will come to you according to the extent you are fundamentally holding to the Gospel. It is to the extent of understanding the Gospel. It is to the extent of enjoying the Gospel, the heart to devote to the Gospel, and the personal spiritual color of the Gospel. That is why you must deeply understand Jesus Christ and enter into deep prayer to enjoy Jesus Christ. May this blessing be upon you.

1. The one who is prepared

- 1) The one who is prepared is very important. God attached Jason, the one who was prepared, to Apostle Paul in Thessalonica. Surely, work arose and they established a church in 3 weeks.
- 2) This church "became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia,"(1 Thessalonians 1:7) and was established by the "work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope."(1:3) "Because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction."(1:5)
- 3) The church that was established in 3 weeks became a tremendous church and it was all through one prepared disciple of that region. Jason, the one who was prepared, was the center and led the church. Apostle Paul had already left the region and probably never returned.
- 4) Still, the church remained as it became the example for believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. You must also become the one who is prepared. You must be the representative, prepared disciple of one region.
- 5) Jason had many prayers as the one responsible for the Church of Thessalonica and he was able to connect the Word that he received to lead many devout Greeks and prominent women.
- 6) Naturally, Jason's understanding, enjoyment, and realization of the Gospel influenced the Church of Thessalonica. Jason's faith must have been of work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope. This church was not only active by words, but was deeply influenced by Jason's spiritual state to which it became a church of full conviction in power and in the Holy Spirit.
- 7) Therefore, the one who is prepared is very important. A simple example is when Joseph, who had the covenant, died. The Israelites were captive, but during the time of Samuel, who was a person of the covenant, the enemies could never invade them. This means that God will crush the head of your opponent according to His covenant.
- 8) You are one who is historically prepared. This is because the Gospel that you have is historical. Because you will do historical works, our church will do historical works in Latin America and America.
- 9) You must see the works of God's time schedule in your field through the prayers of the 100 mission teams and 100 regional churches. May the Mizpah movement arise for the sake of America, Latin America, Remnants, and people of all nations covenant as this year's time schedule.
- 10) But there is a fundamental Mizpah movement that must arise. It is your personal Mizpah movement. Through this, you will see many contents that enable you to be a witness. May it become a year for you to receive this blessing.

2. The way to meet the one who is prepared

- 1) Preaching the Gospel is the way. Paul also found it by doing this. As was his custom, Paul went into the synagogue, and on three Sabbath days he reasoned with them from the Scriptures, as he testified of Christ (verse 2-3). At this time, Jason heard the Gospel, came to a conclusion, and welcomed Paul and his companions into his house.
- 2) Jason was a Jewish and Christian, who never revealed the whereabouts of Paul and his companions when the incident occurred. That is why he was arrested, and even when he was arrested, he did not tell the whereabouts of Paul, and it seems that Jason got a complete answer after hearing the Gospel from Paul.
- 3) However, there is one thing you need to think about here. There were many disciples around Paul. While they were carrying out this Gospel movement, Rome was conquered by the Christians. However, all other disciples of Jesus were martyred and followed His command to complete the Gospel movement, but there was no apostle who had received answers like Apostle Paul.
- 4) Apostle Paul was not a person who lived with Jesus while He was on earth or who went to the field with him. However, he has far greater and deeper evidence of the Gospel and evangelism more than any other apostles. What you need to confirm is that the physical condition does not affect spiritual evidence.
- 5) Then, what is the difference between the other apostles and apostle Paul? Knowing this is very important. This is because of the difference in answers. The difference in answers is connected to the difference in witnesses.
- 6) There are many different opinions, but the most fundamental difference is their understanding of the Gospel. This difference will lead to a difference in your resolution and reason for the Gospel, and a difference in your value of the Gospel, how you enjoy the Gospel, and the degree to which you go all-in, and so forth.
- 7) This is what makes the difference between enjoyment, answers, realization, and conquest. In conclusion, it is the difference of the Gospel. It is not a different Gospel, but a difference in uncovering and responding to the Gospel. The reason you understand this is because the Gospel is the standard. The Gospel is the standard for everything in the world. It is the standard for all things and events that happen in your life.
- 8) This means that when such things happen, if you choose the gospel, God will surely work and you will conquer as you see the evidence of answers. Conversely, if you choose the opposite side of the Gospel, you will surely die under curses. Therefore, the Gospel is the standard of your life and the standard of blessings and curses.
- 9) This is the way to meet disciples who are prepared for the Gospel, just like apostle Paul. This is the content, as well as the method. This is the reason the confession of Christ is emphasized, even if you struggle to enjoy the Gospel and the covenant. Pastor Ryu also talks about the root of the Gospel, the mystery of prayer that enjoys this, and evangelism. It is always like this.
- 10) May you have the grace to dive deeply into Christ, and may you become the prepared person and become the witness of this age. May you live the life where the Mizpah movement takes place.