Christ Apostolic Miracle Ministry Sunday School

Week 48: December 1st, 2024

Topic: Your labor is not in vain – Part 1

Bible Reading: Hebrews 6:9-10

Introduction

Today, the work of many people across the globe are in vain; because they are not acceptable to the Lord. Numerous people are not rewarded by God for their toils; why? Because they are not in conformity with the teachings of the Bible. Whenever your struggle is in vain, you need to check yourself and rectify anything you are doing wrong. The works of most Christians are worthless and useless; because they failed to act according to the confession of their faith. If you want your toil to produce positive results and be successful; do it in a way that pleases God.

Humans are created to work for God: The reason why God created mankind is to work for Him; which means, your labor will not be in vain; anytime you are working for God. The only way to be rewarded by the Lord for your toils is to comply with the commands of God. Anytime that you are tending the work of your heavenly Father, you will be rewarded in this world and the world to come. Looking after the Beloved will not make your labor to be in vain. Guarding and keeping the work of the Lord is the best way to be compensated by the heavens for your toils.

If God put Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it; don't you think you too need to work for God, for your labor not to be in vain? The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to tend and keep it." **Genesis 2:15.** Caring for others must be paramount in your heart, if you don't want your labor to be in vain.

Do not be deceived by the godless people: Most people in the world are devising hopeless plots and empty schemes against the Lord. People are raving uselessly and grumbling against their Maker; because of their unpleasant conditions. Are you among those who are rebelling against God because of your situation? Are you conniving, or plotting against your Creator? Nowadays, it is not strange to see people trying to outwit the Lord God their Maker. However, you need to realize that your rage and anger towards God will be in vain; therefore, change and do what is right; else your labor will be in vain.

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The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, "Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing?" **Psalm 2:1.** It is time to cease conspiring against God, in order to be successful spiritually, and be compensated by the heavens. You need to depart from following multitudes of people to do evil; so that it shall be well with you throughout your existence.

Do not be deceived that the godless people in the world are relaxed, and they continue to pile up wealth; because they have no portion in the kingdom of heaven. Even if these contrary people are at ease, and they increase in riches; unfortunately, it will not last. Do not imitate the ungodly, even if they confess to prosper and live in peace; because in a little period, they will not be found. These contrary people may be heaping up riches, and enjoying life of ease; that does not signify that such persons are recognized by the heavens.

The Bible confirmed this fact by saying, "But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled; My steps had nearly slipped. For I was envious of the boastful, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked." **Psalm 73:2-3.** It must be noted that your financial status does not signify that your work will not be burnt. So, it is inevitable for you to live righteously; so that your labor will not be in vain. Even if all goes well for you, and your life is free of misfortune; it is not an indication that you will inherit the eternal kingdom.

There is no unrighteous with God

Humans must realize that our God is a just God, and there is no injustice with Him. Inasmuch as the Lord is the Judge of all judges; then, He can never be unfair in all His dealings. Since God is not partial, or biased; and He cannot be bribed; then, there is no unrighteousness with Him; according to the scripture which says, "What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? Certainly not!" **Romans 9:14.**

Considering the fact that there is no inequity with God; if you do what is acceptable to Him, your works will not be in vain, but if you do what displeases the Lord, your toil will be in vain; in order to show that the Lord is upright, and faithful to His promises. The Lord always does what is right; therefore, He will reward the good people, and penalize the evil doers, to proclaim that there is no wrong in Him; according to the Bible passage which says, "To declare that the Lord is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him." Psalm
92:15. Our God is just, and there is nothing, but goodness in Him.

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For this reason, God will not forget you; but He will reward you proportionally, according to the good things that you have done. The Lord will remember your efforts towards the propagation of the Gospel, and you will be endowed with prosperity that has never happened in your lineage. Since God is not unjust; He will repay you for the assistance you are giving to the Christians. As it is written, "For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister." Hebrews 6:10. Your reward is on the way, for the love that you demonstrated for His name's sake. The Lord will not overlook your labor, because He is not unfair; instead, you will be rewarded in this world and the world to come.