Christ Apostolic Miracle Ministry Sunday School

Week 49: December 8th, 2024

Topic: Your labor is not in vain – Part 2

Bible Reading: Hebrews 6:9-10

Works of those who forget God is useless

Nowadays, most people in the world have forgotten their Maker, and those who did not forget God do not have time to serve Him or pay attention to His statutes. The situation has degenerated to the extent that even the Christians are not absolved from this misconduct; thereby making their labor to be in vain. The primary focus of mankind is their survival in this world rather than God, who can provide for their needs and preserve their lives.

What is paramount in the hearts of humanity are the necessities of life; realizing their ambitions or aspirations, and amassing wealth. It should be noted that if the kingdom of heaven is not your goal, your works are useless. Though, it is the instruction of the Lord that humans will work hard during our lifetime to earn a living, and by the sweat of our brows that we will have food to eat until we die and return to dust, according to the scripture which says, "In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; For dust you are, and to dust you shall return." **Genesis 3:19**. However, that does not signify that we should not remember our Creator, and have time for Him. The commandment does not mean people should perform their works in manners that displeases God and make their labors to be in vain.

The works of the godless will be burnt

Most of the godless people across the globe always prosper; they are always at ease and continue in wealth; even though it is through dishonest means. So, things going smoothly for you, and living in peace does not mean that you are godly and your labor will not be in vain. Inasmuch as the dictators throughout the world are getting richer through oppression, and they are secured through exploitation, their works will be burnt; according to the scripture which says, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." **Psalm 9:17.** The labors of the wicked people and the Nations that forgets God are useless, and they will end up in perdition. The ungodly people together with Nations that reject God have the same fate; because they have purchased a one-way ticket to Satan's camp, and their works will be consumed by fire.

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God has promised that the wealth of these godless Nations will turn to ashes, and whatever they worked so hard to achieve will be in vain. The labor of the wicked is only fuel for the fire; because it is unacceptable to God, and their Nations exhaust themselves for nothing. Though, anything the evil doers labor for, is destined for the flames, but the work of the just people will be rewarded now, and in the future. Since the bad people labor for fire, why not labor for eternal life?

Are you working for things that have no lasting value? The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, "Behold, is it not of the Lord of hosts that the peoples labor to feed the fire, and nations weary themselves in vain? <u>Habakkuk 2:13.</u> Remember that godless Nations work so hard in vain, and their gains will turn to ashes. We pray that your efforts will be acceptable to God, and your gains will not become smoke.

For this reason, perform your works in accordance with the teachings of the Bible. Let your labor be meaningful before the heavens; else, it will be in vain, just like how people in the world are rushing around in vain gathering possessions that God will not give them the grace to enjoy. Today, people are hustling and bustling to amass wealth without knowing who will get the wealth. The people who are storing more riches than needed in a dishonest way may not live to utilize it.

The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "Surely every man walks about like a shadow; surely, they busy themselves in vain; He heaps up riches, and does not know who will gather them." **Psalm 39:6.** Are you busy trying to make ends meet? We pray that you will relish the rewards of your labor, in Jesus' name. God will give you good health and sound mind to enjoy the riches that you accumulated. You will not gather wealth for another person to utilize. Do not forget that the only the way for your struggles not to be in vain is to do it modestly, in a way that pleases God.