

We Are Messengers

Who and What God uses to fulfill His will... (Acts 5:20 ; 2 Corinthians 5:21 ; Romans 8:28-39)

Previous Sunday Evening Teaching

Blessings and grace to you. This was taught at Briggs Chapel. Sunday evening (1.15.2023).

Message title: We Are Messengers

Some things to note in this message:

Our home church - Northcote

1997 Both Stephanie and I entrusted our lives to Jesus in and the Church launched us out into ministry in 1999

A servant must always be ready - in Season and out of Season

Self-Examination

What Revival looks like?

The unchanging ways of God.

The Words of life

Our society sees it perfectly acceptable to simply add Jesus to their lives.

We don't "add" Him, He is our life or He's not!

Acts 5:20... Go,

16 English words, 15 Greek words.

The Words of life- The words of this life.

We have a new language, a new vocabulary, a new message, new words, ways and wisdom that

explain this life we are NOW consumed with.

The apostles were confined and locked up behind bars... They leaders and rulers attempted to shut them, cut them off, stop them and silence them.

"Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life." Acts 5:20

Step Out (Go, in your going urgently)

Speak Up (share the gospel, grace and truth)

Stand Firm (on who and what you believe)

Show Forth (your new life)

I come as the messenger of the Lord, like the Angel of the Lord, that revealed to the disciples that God had opened the gates of the prison and commanded them to go with a purpose to the people and proclaim all the words of this life.

Go... my friend! When they try to shut you up and silence you, go, go and keep going.

The life Jesus lived qualified Him to die the death that He died. And the death that He died, because the life that He lived, qualifies us to receive the life that He lived. His life, through His death, becomes the substitutionary and atoning work that completely and eternally satisfies every aspect of God's love, wrath, justice, holiness, and mercy needed to be rightly related to His Father.

Therefore, by faith, we gladly receive the gracious and righteous life that He lived — because He lived it for His Father that His Father could graciously grant us the righteous life that He lived. And the life He lived then... He now will live that same life in us, when we, by faith, walk in the life that He reveals.

This life can be:

Embraced

Expressed

Explained

Experienced

Enjoyed

Evidential

We see two different spirits controlling the leaders and the disciples:

The rulers were controlled by their indignation.

The disciples were controlled by the Holy Spirit, their faith and wisdom.

What is an angel?

1. A Servant of God, who follows the Voice of God (obey).

2. A Minister of God, who ministers the will of God.

3: A Messenger of God, who declares a message from God

I am a messenger, we are messengers, you are a messenger of the Judge of Heaven and Earth.

The rulers wanted to silence them. like our society attempts to do today.

They discredit our bible, our work, our people, our Creator, our Savior, our Message, the words of this life we trust, obey, live and declare.

The devil ALWAYS questions the essence, exactness, expectations and enjoyment of God. Even though he knows God is God, believes God is God, recognizes God is God he cannot rejoice, trust, treasure or celebrate this revelation without twisting it with a lie, adding doubt and confusion to God's clarity.

He sees it as a personal win, every time, when anyone QUESTIONS the essence, exactness, expectations and enjoyment of God.

And when the devil is at work manipulating an individual or group of people, who are full of themselves, they respond the same way he does. They ALWAYS question the essence, exactness, expectations and enjoyment of God.

The enemy always questions:

The Essence of who God is.

The Exactness of what God's says.

The Expectation of what God requires from every believer.

The Enjoyment of what delights our God.

But the High King, the Judge of all things, says "Go..."

Go with an urgency...

Go to them who hostile to this life.

Go to them that know nothing of this life.

And they were consumed with this life.

We are messengers...

Go... and as you Go, Go with this priority. Proclaim the words of this life.

They opened their mouths - Testify

They opened their bibles - to stand on what God has and is saying and doing.

They opened their lives - To ridicule, shame, scrutiny, and harm.

A Priority, GO...!

A Place, He always has a place!

A Purpose, Speak up!

A People, it will always involve people and these people will be hostiles until they are made new creatures in Christ.

A Person, Jesus, Jesus Jesus!

A Prize, life in Christ

A Path, a way of life to love, live and lead others.

We see this call to:

1. Step Out
2. Speak Up
3. Stand Firm
4. Show Forth this life

2 Corinthians 5:21

This is our life

A history of sin and history of repentance

We ALL have a history of acting as though we know BEST, even better than the Lord.

The believer has a prominent history of repentance

The gospel...

The greatest 15 words ever spoken to man.

Yes, the gospel of the grace of God.

God made God sin on my behalf.

God made God my Substitute.

God made God my Savior.

God made God my Salvation.

He is my life

God made God my Source of life

Grace, grace, grace... grace upon grace

"Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life." Acts 5:20

2 Corinthians 5:21, this is the Words of this life.

His life is perfect Romans 8

Romans 8:28-39

To love God we must be born of God. Called to His purpose.

The highest of all the Judges has freed you, TO GO...

The gospel...

God-

A good thing can be a hard thing

We are messengers.

Troublesomes things

The hard things are often the good thing.

Conforming us to Jesus.

He is your life.

Who would want to be separated from the Lord?

You are a messenger.

Preaching Teaching

"Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life." Acts 5:20

The power of preaching...

Preach and teaching

...the means God has chosen to introduce us to His warnings and wisdom, (**preaching** motivates and moves, **teaching** measures out the means on how to get where the preaching is moving.)

Preaching introduces people to God and His ways (usually to things previously unknown or it reminds us).

whereas

Teaching instructs us on how to rightly receive, respond and redeem the steps that God's given to us that we may walk with Him and live a life that reveals and reflects Him. (Philippians 1:28-29).

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Lord willing there will be a little something to encourage and edify you in it. Blessings...

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