



"The entrance of Thy words
giveth light..." (Ps 119:130a)

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**Being Edified
as One in 2021**

Eph 4:7,12
"...unto everyone of us
is given grace...
for the edifying of the
body of Christ..."

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LIGHTHOUSE BBC BEEFS UP PREPARATION FOR 45TH ANNIVERSARY AND SACRIFICIAL CELEBRATION

"The preparations of the heart in man, and
the answer of the tongue, is from the Lord"
(Prov 16:1).

Lighthouse BBC has but six (6) weeks to prepare
for the biggest coming together of God's people
this first quarter of the year.

Last year, the church made preparation but the
Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) came and
we had to change the format of our coming together.
We never expected the ECQ to come our way and
we even thought that the quarantine would last for
just a few weeks so much so that we announced
that we were just postponing our physical
celebration. But our waiting brought us to this time.

While the physical coming together in celebration
of our 44th anniversary never came, the offering of
our sacrifices was never postponed. Our people,
continued to give according to the preparation of
the hearts.

Today, we again look forward to a celebration of
an anniversary and a giving of our sacrificial
offerings. As we do, let us be taught of the truth

that we find in our text above, that "the preparation
of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue is
from the Lord." The actual meaning of this verse is:
the plans of the heart belong to man. But how the
tongue answers only comes from the Lord.

It is our responsibility to make the necessary
preparations for everything in life. And this actually
covers every aspect of life, especially what we do as
an Ekklesia, with all our ministries.

But how we respond considering what may happen
to all our plans, especially when things go out of hand
and yet we respond with continual praise to our
God, taking everything according to His sovereign
will and believing that all things will work together
for good, is indeed from the Lord.

Let us make preparations as responsible as we
should as an Ekklesia. Let us make preparations not
only in the physical but let us prepare our spirits.
Let us present ourselves before God complete with
our body, soul and spirit and be found blameless
before Him.

I enjoin everyone not only those in Tatalon but in all
Lighthouse BBC related works to prepare. - PRA



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increasing in build
as a body in the love
of Christ.**



"...fitly joined together...
maketh increase of the body
unto the edifying of itself
in love..."
Ephesians 4:16



Lighthouse construction crew have started rehabilitation of the covered court and which includes a covered walk to the Lighthouse Events Place.

First Quarter Focus :

"Fitly joined, growing together, increasing in build as a body in the love of Christ"

"...fitly joined together and compacted... maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love..." (Eph 4:16).

"Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" (Eph. 3:21)

TITLE : THE BUILDING THAT WE ARE

TEXT :

1 Cor 3:9, "...ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building."

1 Peter 2:5, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

INTRODUCTION

We begin a new series of lessons consistent with our theme for this year, Being Edified as One in 2021.

The word edification refers to the act of building. It is a word that exclusively applies on the spiritual structure that refers to the Ekklesia and concerns its build, growth, promotion, activity as a spiritual body.

The Lord Jesus Christ used the term "build" in describing His work concerning the Ekklesia in Matt 16:18b, "...upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Some may refer to the use of the words "build" or "building" as figures or symbols.. But the spiritual establishment of the Ekklesia is not in figures or symbols because indeed, the Ekklesia is not a symbol. It is literally, a spiritual house, a spiritual building. The works that are done in the Ekklesia are not symbols but literal works. They are good works.

A) Our Builder is God

Ps 127:1, "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."

Heb 3:1-6, "...consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus; Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house. For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house. For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God."
Heb 11:10, "For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God."

B) We are God's Building, a temple of God, a house, a body, a dwelling place of the Spirit.

The Ekklesia is illustrated using different descriptions as building, temple, house, body in the following verses.

1 Cor 3:9-17, "For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building. According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are."

1 Cor 6:19-20, "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."

2 Cor 6:16, "And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."

1 Tim 3:15, "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."

1 Peter 2:5, "Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

1 Cor 12:12-27, "For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

For the body is not one member, but many. If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body? If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling?

But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him. And if they were all one member, where were the body?

But now are they many members, yet but one body. And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary: and those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness. For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked: That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another. And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it. Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular."

Rom 12:4-8, "For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

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Pastor Reuben met the Lighthouse BBC adults last Wednesday and further discussed the enhancement of the organizations consistent with the theme this year, Being Edified as One in 2021. All adults are being enjoined to be part of the groups.