



"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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"GO LIGHT NIGHTS" TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY THIS WEEK

"That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding..." (Col 2:2).

"Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ" (Eph 4:13).

All of God's people in Lighthouse BBC should understand that the effort to see everyone in the Ekklesia being knit together and being united in the work is equally important as the work of evangelism. We do not just do the ministry to get people saved, but to get all the saved people in the work of the Lord to learn to be together in all things.

On the nights of June 30, Wednesday, and July 1, Thursday, we will have, for the first time since being under the pandemic, a **Go LIGHT Nights**. The word **LIGHT** in this term is actually an acronym, **Lighthouse Inter-Groups and Households Together**.

This pandemic has seen people doing their own thing as individuals, being left alone by themselves. Except

they need help, they do not care to be with people, even families around them. Many young people are just left to themselves, in the confinement of their rooms until they get to be so bored, alone, having anxieties and depressions.

As an Ekklesia, we do not wait until we get sick to realize that we need each other in the work of the Lord. We do not wait for problems to come to us and even our families for us to come to terms with the Lord. What we do, while we have the strength, the health, the ability to do things, we come together and present ourselves both to each other and to the Lord and ask for His grace for each day we live and do the ministry.

These are but some of the reasons for the Go LIGHT Nights on the evenings of Wednesday and Thursday. As your Pastor, I am enjoining all our families (households) to join. We will also be doing activities as fellowship groups and districts. We shall also appreciate the different ministries into which everyone in Lighthouse may be involved.

Do not let this opportunity of coming together on Wednesday and Thursday pass. See you all!

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Last Sunday's Father's Sunday drew the biggest in-person attendance since the celebration of the 45th Anniversary of Lighthouse BBC last March. Praise God for the the growing in-person attendance!

2ND QUARTER FOCUS

BEING SOBER, VIGILANT, STEADFAST IN FAITH

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you." 1 Peter 5:8-10

Second Quarter Focus :

"Being Sober, Vigilant, Steadfast in Faith"

"Be sober, be vigilant...resist stedfast in the faith..." (1 Pet 5:8-11).

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

TITLE : OVERCOMING TEMPTATIONS

TEXT :

1 Cor 10:12-13, "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

1 Thess 3:3-5, "That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know. For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain."

INTRODUCTION

The story of the children of Israel in the wilderness should be a great lesson for us to equip us in overcoming temptations. - cont'd

2) God Himself was tempted by Israel to forget His promise. To forsake them.

Ps 95:6-11, "O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness: when your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work. Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways: unto whom I swear in my wrath that they should not enter into my rest."

Ex 17:5-7, "And the Lord said unto Moses, Go on before the people, and take with thee of the elders of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the river, take in thine hand, and go. Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. And he called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, because of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the Lord, saying, Is the Lord among us, or not?"

Num 14:11-24, "And the Lord said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them? I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they. And Moses said unto the Lord, Then the Egyptians shall hear it, (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;)

And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land: for they have heard that thou Lord art among this people, that thou Lord art seen face to face, and that thy cloud standeth over them, and that thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.

Now if thou shalt kill all this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying, Because the Lord was not able to bring this people into the land which he swore unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.

And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying, The Lord is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.

Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now. And the Lord said, I have pardoned according to thy word: but as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord.

Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice; surely they shall not see the land which I swore unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it: but my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it."

Heb 2:14-18, "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; and deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage...Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted."

3) And so, churches were taught...

See the text.

1 Cor 10:1-11, "Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; and were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; and did all eat the same spiritual meat; and did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ...these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted..."



It is thrilling to see increased occupancy of seats in this picture taken from the back of the baptistry. With the approval of the QC government for increased capacity, we can expect more in-person attendance each Coming Together. Praise God!

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