



"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 WORKS TO HOLD JOINT COMING TOGETHER THIS AFTERNOON AT 3PM IN PREPARATION FOR THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

"...be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work" (2 Tim 2:21).

The Bible teaches that God's people, the Ekklesia, must be prepared for every good work. This is a Biblical truth that must be recognized and accepted by all members of the Lighthouse BBC.

Eph 2:10 explicitly tells us that as a people, we are God's "workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works." Moreover, the verse continues to say that "God hath before ordained that we should walk in them", meaning, in this good works.

The Apostle Paul in 1 Thess 4:1, exhorts the church in Thessalonica that they "ought to walk and to please God." And we all understand that this "walk to please God is actually the same as our "walk unto good works."

Now, in our text above in which Paul tells Timothy to be "prepared unto every good work" gives importance not only to the good works but to the preparation that must be done.

Our 45th Anniversary and Sacrificial Celebration comes in just 3 weeks away. This is a great and good work that we look forward to and one that will

be done even sacrificially. We cannot really do this not until we do a good preparation of ourselves.

As we look forward to this good work before us, we pray that the truth in our text above be also true in our hearts, lives as Lighthouse BBC. We pray and endeavor to have a good preparation so that we may be "vessels unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the Master's use."

I enjoin everyone to be present both in-person and in live-streaming as various Lighthouse BBC works around the country would come together this afternoon at 3pm. In this joint coming together, we shall appreciate the presence of our Lighthouse pastors. We shall also be joined by the Lighthouse BBC Iriga and we shall appreciate their prepared song number done by their choir and the Ezer Orchestra. We will also have 2 preachings this afternoon.

All these are done so that we may be prepared, not only for every good work, but especially for the sacrificial work which we all will do on March 21 as we celebrate our 45th Anniversary.

There are many other areas in which we do our preparation. But the best preparation is the preparation of the heart.

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Fitly joined, growing together, 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



Pastor Reuben talks with Dr. Robert Manaois during last Sunday's Lighthouse Enrichment and Development Class and discusses information on different vaccines against COVID19.

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. - continued -

C) We are a building built-up by the word of His grace.

Acts 20:32, "And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

1)The word of His grace for our establishment, cleansing, being set apart for Him (sanctification):

Heb 13:9, "Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good

thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein."

John 15:3, "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you."

John 17:17, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

How the word of His grace is laid down as foundation by the Apostles:

1 Cor 3:10, "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."

Eph 4:11-13, "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 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."

2)As the Ekklesia is taught the word of His grace, it is rooted and built up in Him:

Col 2:7, "Rooted and built up in him, and established in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving."

2 Tim 3:16-17, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."

3)He are some warnings concerning the attitude of some regarding the word of His grace, which in turn affect the building of the Ekklesia.

2 Tim 4:3-5, "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."

2 Peter 2:1-3, "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you..."

2 John 7-11, "For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: for he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds."

D)We are a building built together on our most holy faith.

Jude 20-21, "But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."

1 Cor 14:12,26

Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church...

How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

Eph 4:29, "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers."

1 Thess 5:11, "Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do." - to be continued -



Pastor Reuben, along with the TGLFI's All Lighthouse Emergency Response Team (ALERT) and NKT's team take a picture during yesterday's Blood Letting Drive. A total of 42 donors resulted from the 52 participants who came for the worthy drive. The blood letting drive of TGLFI-ALERT has contributed to a number of helps extended both to members and non-members of Lighthouse BBC through this pandemic.

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