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Standing fast, **Serving God** as free in 2023.

Galatians 5:1; Romans 6:22

"Standfast...being made free from sin, and become servants to God..."

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LIGHTHOUSE BBC GEARS UP FOR THANKSGIVING FIRSTFRUITS

"In every thing give thanks: for this is the will says in 2 Thess 1:12, "That the name of our Lord Jesus of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thes 5:18).

"As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving" (Col 2:6-7).

"...behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O Lord, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the Lord thy God, and worship before the Lord thy God: and thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the Lord thy God hath given unto thee..." (Deut 26:10-11).

ome years back, the whole Lighthouse BBC works were taught that the land of Canaan, the land of plenty to the nation of Israel, represents the plenteous grace of God to His Ekklesia in the New Testament. It is by Jesus Christ, the Head of the Ekklesia, that grace and truth came to us and by His grace and truth, we have been enriched to do everything for His glory and honor. The Apostle Paul Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."

The Lord God told the children of Israel in Deut 8:10, "When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee."

In the same manner, Paul tells the Colossian church in Col 2:6-7, "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving."

It is clear therefore that as the Lord makes us to be blessed, established in faith, able to do aboundingly, we should come before Him with Thanksgiving Firstfruits. Let us then be prepared for this worthy undertaking!



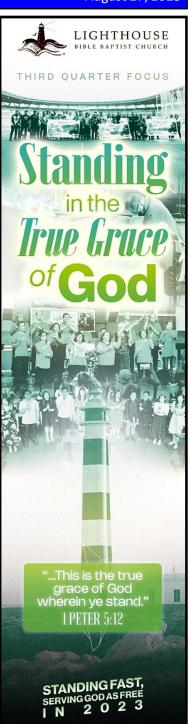


Graduates and honor students pose for a picture with Lighthouse BBC Pastors, Pastor's Men, Leaders, Advisers after the Baccalaureate and Recognition Service last Sunday. Congratulations to everyone!

Third Quarter Focus:

Standing in the True Grace of God

"...This is the true grace of God wherein ye stand." (1 Peter 5:12)



ENRICHMENT & DEVELOPMENT CLASS LESSON

LED Lesson 08.13.2023-01

TITLE : THE WILL OF GOD AND THE GRACE

OF GOD

Text/s: "..that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God" (Col 4:12).

INTRODUCTION

Mas was created by God in perfection. But sin came and when it did, it made the whole mankind sinners, even affecting the whole creation, and brought adversities, pain, sufferings, illnesses and death. It brought evil desires, lusts that involved the whole being of man.

All these are not in the decreed plan of God. They are not the will of God for man as His will remained that man be perfect before Him.

God's will for man came through Jesus Christ, Who when He came brought grace and truth to

This lesson is prepared so that everyone in Lighthouse BBC may be settled on the truth that the will of God for His children is not in the circumstances and situations that we have because of sin. The will of God is, that because Christ came and we get to know Him through His Word, we may do contrary to sin, serve Him, please Him and glorify Him in our lives as we obey and do His Word.

A) The Lord Jesus did the Father's will through the things that He faced as He did His earthly ministry.

John 4:34, "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."

John 5:30, "I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me."

John 6:38-40, "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day."

Heb 10:7-10, "Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God. Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law; then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

Matt 6:10, "Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven."

B) As exemplified by Christ, the will of God is done by man in obedience to God's Word and contrary to sin.

Matt 7:18-27, "A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

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Top left photo, the All Lighthouse SWYP pose with Pastor Reuben and Dr Roberto Manaois during their meeting last Monday; Top right photo, organizers of the Milk Letting Drive last Friday in which 22 donors successfully donated more than a total of 3L of breastmilk. Lower photo, the All Lighthouse Youth Fellowship (LYF) delegates to the Baptist Heritage Youth Convention (BHYC) render their choir number, "Nothing Ever Can, Nothing Ever Will", just before Pastor Reuben gave his challenge last Wednesday.