

MESSAGE

Occasion : Sunday Morning Service
Theme : Family
Venue : Lighthouse BBC Tatalon
Date : August 26, 2018

TITLE : BIBLICAL QUALITIES OUR COMING HEADS OF FAMILIES AND LEADERS
Text/s :

1 John 2:13-14

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Bible Reading :

Ps 144:1-145:1

144 Blessed be the Lord my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

2 My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.

3 Lord, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him!

4 Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that passeth away.

5 Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.

6 Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.

7 Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children;

8 Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood.

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

10 It is he that giveth salvation unto kings: who delivereth David his servant from the hurtful sword.

11 Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood:

12 That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude of a palace:

13 That our garners may be full, affording all manner of store: that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets:

14 That our oxen may be strong to labour; that there be no breaking in, nor going out; that there be no complaining in our streets.

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Song/s :

Other references :

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There are two commendations about the “young men” (typically applied to those under 40) that John notes. They are “strong” (vigorous, healthy, both physically and mentally) and the word of God “abides” (remains, endures) in them. These are those who have come through their believing childhood, no doubt guided and counseled by the “fathers” in their lives, who are now active in the “good fight of faith” (1 Timothy 6:12).

No person is born strong and able. Somebody made us strong.

The book of Proverbs are filled with instructions to My Son:

Prov 1:8

8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

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Prov 1:10

10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

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Prov 1:15

15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

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Prov 2:1

2 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

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Prov 3:28

28 Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.

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Prov 3:1-12

1 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

2 For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:

4 So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.

8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

9 Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

11 My son, despise not the chastening of the Lord; neither be weary of his correction

12 For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

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Eph 6:4

4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

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Col 3:21

21 Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged.

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Ps 144:12-15

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BODY

But let us consider the attributes of these young men and how the Word of God describes those who have these attributes.

A) You are strong.

Prov 20:29

29 The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the gray head.

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Isa 40:28-31

28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

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1) Like Abraham, the were strong in faith

The did not stagger under the burden of unbelief.

Rom 4:20

20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

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2) Like the leaders in the churches in Rome, they were willing to bear the infirmities of the weak and even be alert as they stand fast in the faith

Rom 15:1

15 We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

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1 Cor 16:13

13 Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

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3) Like how Paul admonished Timothy, they were strong in the grace that is in Christ

2 Tim 2:1

2 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

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Eph 6:10-16

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

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Col 1:11

11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

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B) The Word of God abides (remains) in you.

1) They received the Word of God as did the Thessalonian believers

1 Thess 2:13

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

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2) They made the Word of God their authority and standard

2 Cor 4:2

2 But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

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3) They recognized value of the Word of God in their lives.

Heb 4:12

12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

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4) They have taken to store the Word of God in their hearts and lives

Ps 119:11

11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

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John 15:7

7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

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John 8:31

31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

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C) As a result of the above attributes, they overcame the wicked one.

Rom 12:21

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

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1 John 5:4-5

4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

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1 Cor 15:57-58

57 But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

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CONCLUSION