



Rehearsing the Word

Sunday, January 7, 2024

Overall Theme:

My original **premise** for this message was the connection between our individual bodies and the body of Christ given by Yahshua for us on the cross. Of course, Yahshua gave His body and blood on the cross, and in so doing, made provision for us through our identification and appropriation by faith (see Romans 6). One of the stark realities of what happened at the cross was simply all the enemies of Yahshua the Christ and subsequently all the enemies of the Christ in you were lured to the cross. Interestingly, each enemy believed that by attacking the body of Yahshua through pain and death would gain them victory over Yahshua, the initial carrier of the Christ anointing and thus stop the anointing from being transferred to mankind. Even though each enemy was defeated by Yahshua at the cross and resurrection, these enemies (sin, Satan, selfish desires, world system and religion) continue to try to suppress and nullify the Christ in you, which according to Colossians 1:27, is the hope of glory.

To bring this point home on Sunday, we first looked at Isaiah 54 and pointed out all the descriptive action verbs that are listed in reference to Israel's future increase in capacity to fulfill Yahweh's purpose as a nation to all other nations. Very simply, the body of Christ seems to be following in the same footsteps of Israel by not fulfilling its purpose of establishing and expressing the kingdom of Christ, but rather utilizing the anointing of Christ for personal comfort and blessing. Yahweh declared Israel would sing, break forth, enlarge, stretch out, not spare, lengthen, strengthen, expand, inherit the resources and inhabit the land. Can you imagine in your spirit a faith vision of NW Arkansas and the four-state heartland region increasing in the Christ anointing individually and corporately in revelation, authority, power and unity to absolutely turn the tide on kingdom expression? Glory!!!

So we are fasting this month for a variety of reasons, but most notably to identify with Christ's sufferings that His victory may be manifested in our mortal bodies and the worldwide body of Christ for the ultimate victory of the consummate kingdom. More to come this Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.

Scriptures:

- **Isaiah 53** – Yahshua is offered up to secure the ultimate victory and divide the spoils with His mighty ones.
- **Isaiah 54** – increasing capacity for purpose fulfillment
- **1 Peter 1** – revelation of Christ
- **2 Corinthians 4:10** – “always carrying about in the **BODY** the dying of the LORD Yahshua, that the life of Yahshua also may be manifested in our **BODY**.”
- **Philippians 3:10-11** – “that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death, if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.”
- **Romans 12:1** – present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable...

Key Word & Quotes:

- Communion
- The body of flesh and the body of Christ
- The body of Christ maturing into the bride of Christ
- Fasting
- Identity debt
- Being delivered from the body of sin and death – salvation and sanctification

Discussion Questions:

1. Do you believe most Christians correlate their natural physical bodies to the body of Christ on the cross and the body of Christ in the earth today as the ecclesia? Explain.
2. Discuss how the enemies of Yahweh and His creation must have shrieked in jubilation at the death of Yahshua on the cross only to get a reality check when His body resurrected on the third day. How is that resurrection power manifesting in you?
3. Consider how the enemies of Yahshua the Christ have now turned their attention to the body of Christ of whom Yahshua is the head to neutralize the revelation, authority, power and unity of Christ.
4. Imagine the triumphant body, church/ecclesia and bride.
5. Examine Philippians 3:10 & 11 and compare Paul's language to the subject of Sunday's message.
6. Evaluate how often we are tempted to go into debt in the areas of identity, time, money, relationships, body and soul. How does debt in any and all of these areas affect the Christ anointing in and through you?
7. **CHILDREN:** Discuss with your children the treasure they hold in their earthen vessel. Also, begin the discussion of how to identify and appropriate the victory of Christ on the cross through faith.

Appropriations:

Father, you have absolutely thought of everything. You have left no stone unturned. You finished before you started and everything is complete in Christ Yahshua. Today, by faith, I position myself fully in Christ Yahshua. I position myself in Yahshua on the cross; I position myself in Yahshua at the resurrection. I am fully aware that if the Christ anointing by and through which Yahshua walked the earth is going to manifest today, I must make myself available as a willing, earthen vessel for which this treasure can be received and administrated. Through faith in Yahshua, I am victorious over every enemy of Yahshua the Christ and will take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ that tries to tell me otherwise. I will join and joint myself to others of like faith and present my body as a living sacrifice of worship and service. GLORY!!