

BEING ROOTED!

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TEXT:

Colossians 2:6-7

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SUBJ: Being rooted!

INTRO: I want to talk to you today about being rooted in GOD. And simple the reason why we need to be rooted in GOD is because we're going to have some troubles in this life.

Job 14:1

Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble.

(EXPOUND) We don't have a lot of time here and while we're here, we're going to have a lot of trouble, and in the midst of those troubles we have to be rooted in GOD.

JESUS said in

Matthew 13:20-21

20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it; 21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

(EXPOUND) When you're not rooted, what you go through, will go through you!

(EXP#) That's why some of y'all are bitter after your breakup.

(EXP#) That's why some of y'all don't have joy after your storm.

Because what you went through, it went through you!

BODY:

Three definitions of Rooted that I want to share with you today:

(DEFINITION)

Rooted – means to have a base!

#1 You have a solid foundation!

(EXPOUND) When you're rooted in GOD, you have a solid foundation.

Acts 17:28

For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

(EXPOUND) Our base and foundation is GOD

And because GOD is your solid foundation, your faith doesn't waiver in the situation!

(EXP#) When you're rooted in GOD,

Job 13:15

You still trust him, even though he's allowing you to go through something!

(EXP#) When you're rooted in GOD,

Acts 7:56-60

You can forgive those who stone you like Stephen.

(EXP#) When you're rooted in GOD,

Daniel 6

You can sleep peacefully in the Lion Den like Daniel!

(EXP#) When you're rooted in GOD,

Daniel 3

You can walk through fire like the (3) Hebrew boys!

Proverbs 12:3

A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.

(MSG)

You can't find firm footing in a swamp, but life rooted in God stands firm.

(EXPOUND) When you're rooted in GOD and you have a firm footing in your faith, can't nothing shake you!

(DEFINITION)

Rooted – to take hold!

#2 You become stablished!

(EXPOUND) When you're rooted you develop deeper and stronger roots.

(NOTE: You developed strong roots!)

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(EXPOUND) When you're rooted, you build up and stablished your faith.

Paul said in

2 Corinthians 4:8-9

8 We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; 9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

(EXPOUND) Life is going to come at you on every side but when you're rooted in GOD, your faith is built up and stablished!

(EXP#) The doctor says you're sick, but when you're rooted, you know that you're healed.

(EXP#) The devil comes against you, but when you're rooted, you know that you're already victorious.

(EXP#) You're finances are not good, but when you're rooted, you know that GOD is going to supply all your need.

(EXP#) Your children are acting fool, but when you're rooted, you know that they're great men and women of GOD.

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(EXPOUND) When you're rooted in word, your faith is established.

CONCLUSION:

(DEFINITION)

Rooted – means to grow!

#3 You're positioned to prosper!

(EXPOUND) I heard someone say, "Where there is root, there will be fruit!"

Psalm 1:1-3

1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. 2 But his delight is in

the law of the Lord ; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

(EXPOUND) When you're rooted in GOD, you put yourself in position to grow and prosper!