2020 - For His Glory

...Pray His Glory Across The Earth...*

For His Glory.12

Habakkuk 2:14 - For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Agape love is also not self-seeking, but seeks the Lord first in all things to keep filling the earth the knowledge of His glory as the waters cover the sea. This comes second in <u>1 Corinthians 13:5.</u>

<u>'Love</u> is patient and kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

'It does not dishonor others, it is <u>not self-seeking</u>, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

'Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

'It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Not self-seeking & the glory of the Lord - Not self-seeking, not looking out for first and foremost one's self and for whom and what one may love, is expected to be a hallmark of the church. While "not self-seeking" can be twisted into thinking that those who belong to the Lord are this world's doormats to treat however they want, "not self-seeking" instead just simply means seeking what the Lord wants for us each day, how does He want us to treat, care for and love those who come our way and meet throughout the day. It means that our life doesn't consist of what we own or how we think of ourselves. It means that we are freed from thinking that we know what's best for us and can trust the Lord now Who really does know what's best for us all the time.

Therefore, as we seek the Lord today, let's ask Him to help us live and define to this world a life that's free from being self-seeking, that's only looking out for itself to get what it wants. Let's resist any thinking that would have us go back to our old self-seeking ways before we met the Lord, pretending that these were really better then. And, let's remember that God is greater than all that's happening around us and to us and that it's always best to keep loving and serving Him and to always love one another just as He commanded us. Lord Jesus, help us truly love one another just as you have loved us and bring glory and honor to You! Amen!

Sincerely yours,

Pastor Ron

The 2020 Prayer Focus – <u>that we all would be free from self-seeking for this brings the Lord honor and glory</u> and that prayer would be restored in our public schools for this too will bring Him honor and glory!

Today's Bible Chapters - 3/18

Exodus 29 Proverbs 5 John 8 Galatians 4

<u>Take up every cross; never turn aside to avoid one; you will always find two in the place of it; go into every open door, and cry unto Him continually to be endued with power from on high.</u> John Summerfield (1770-1825)**

Proverbs 18

Thursday's Bible Chapters - 3/19

Exodus 30 Proverbs 6 John 9 Galatians 5

<u>It is of little use talking of faith if the heart be a stranger to its power. Mere profession is perfectly worthless.</u> Charles H. Mackintosh (1820-1896)**

Proverbs 19

Friday's Bible Chapters - 3/20

Exodus 31 Proverbs 7 John 10 Galatians 6

The road to heaven is soaked with the tears and blood of the saints. William S. Plumer (1802-1880)**

Proverbs 20

Saturday's Bible Chapters - 3/21

Exodus 32 Proverbs 9 John 11 Ephesians 1

Let the devil choose his way; God is a match for him at every weapon. The devil and his whole council are but fools to God; nay, their wisdom foolishness. William Gurnall (1617-1679)**

Proverbs 21

Sunday's Bible Chapters - 3/22

Exodus 33 Proverbs 10 John 12 Ephesians 2

<u>I feel there are two things it is impossible to desire with sufficient ardour - personal holiness and the honour of Christ in the salvation of souls.</u> Robert M McCheyne (1813-1843)**

Proverbs 22

Monday's Bible Chapters - 3/23

Exodus 34 Proverbs 11 John 13 Ephesians 3

God's ways being the safest, cleanest, rightest, shortest, and lightsomest ways, we must be careful to walk in them. Thomas Taylor (1576-1632)**

Proverbs 23

Tuesday's Bible Chapters - 3/24

Exodus 35 Proverbs 12 John 14 Ephesians 4

We cannot seek God till we have found Him! George Swinnock (1627-1673)**

Proverbs 24

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God will neither expect nor desire his blessing without exertion; for it has always been God's way to crown only those that run the race that is set before them, and fight the good fight of faith. William Jay (1769-1853)**

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