

Good Morning, Saints!

2020 - For His Glory

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

For His Glory.37

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

The Lord gives us each a garment of praise to replace the spirit of despair that the is world gives us to fill the earth with the knowledge of His glory as the waters cover the sea and is also revealed to us in **Isaiah 61:3.**

**and provide for those who grieve in Zion—
to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes
The oil of joy instead of mourning,
And a garment of praise in stead of a spirit of despair.**

Praise instead of despair and the Lord's glory - There's a spirit and/or attitude in this world that wants to make us all give up on ourselves, those we love and this world. This worldly spirit is out to destroy all hope for us and make us feel that if we're frustrated or defeated that it's all our fault anyway. But, the Lord is greater than any disappointment, grief or frustration this world can throw at us and His remedy for all of this despair is praise. Here in Isaiah 61:3 it's described as a garment of praise, which means it's something the Lord Himself gives us to put on to combat all that would cause us to despair and lose hope. So, when our enemies, Satan and his dark forces, hit us hard, we can now fight back because no matter how hard they hit, there's always more than sufficient reason to praise the Lord for His goodness and grace and how He's making even these times of despair turn out for our good.

Therefore, as we seek the Lord today, let's thank Him for this garment of praise that He's given each of us to put on and always be glad to wear it. When despair comes at us, let's throw it off and remember the great things the Lord has done for us and will continue to do for us no matter how troubling things seem to appear right now. And, let's make the most of the opportunities we have to praise the Lord and to love others so that all around us will see more of the Lord in our lives, filling the earth with more of the knowledge of His glory. **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 – **that we would all give ourselves to excel in love and prayer for this brings the Lord honor and glory and be exceedingly joyful and glad that prayer has been protected in our public schools as of January 17th by a Presidential executive order!**

Today's Bible Chapters – 9/10

2 Samuel 4-5
Psalms 52-54
Ezekiel 13
I Corinthians 15

God knows how to prepare the heart for the message and the message for the heart. Charles H. MacIntosh
(1820-1896)**

Proverbs 10

Friday's Bible Chapters – Patriot Day - 9/11 – Let's never forget what happened on 9/11/2001!

2 Samuel 6
Psalm 55
Ezekiel 14
I Corinthians 16

A heathen philosopher once asked, 'Where is God?' The Christian answered, 'Let me first ask you, where is He not?'
John Arrowsmith (1602-1658)**

Proverbs 11

Saturday's Bible Chapters – 9/12

2 Samuel 7

Psalms 56-57
Ezekiel 15
2 Corinthians 1

That which a man spits against Heaven shall fall back on his own face. (concerning final judgment) Thomas Adams
(1585-1630)**

Proverbs 12

Sunday's Bible Chapters – 9/13

2 Samuel 8-9
Psalms 58-59
Ezekiel 16
2 Corinthians 2

The wages that sin bargains with the sinner are life, pleasure and profit; but the wages it pays him are death, torment, and destruction. Robert South (1633-1716)**

Proverbs 13

Monday's Bible Chapters – 9/14

2 Samuel 10
Psalms 60-61
Ezekiel 17
2 Corinthians 3

For years Jesus has been leading me where I never could have gone myself. Dwight L. Moody (1837-1899)**

Proverbs 14

Tuesday's Bible Chapters – 9/15

2 Samuel 11
Psalms 62-63
Ezekiel 18
2 Corinthians 4

Secret tears for secret sins are an excellent sign of a holy heart, and a healing balsam for broken spirits. God well understands the language of half words interrupted with sighs, and interprets them as the streams and breathings of a broken heart. Samuel Lee (1625-1691)**

Proverbs 15

Wednesday's Bible Chapters – 9/16

2 Samuel 12
Psalms 64-65
Ezekiel 19
2 Corinthians 5

He that puts the treasure into earthen vessels often allows the vessel to be chipped and broken that the excellency of the power may be of God and not of us. Robert McCheyne (1813-1843)**

Proverbs 16

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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)**

*National Day of Prayer Task Force Theme for 2020.

**On Earth as it is in Heaven, A Classic Bible Reading Guide compiled by Stephen Hill.