

~ Thought For The Day~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

"come just as you are"

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, Lord I ask that You bless each person and keep them, protect them and led them in the way. Fill them with God's will for them and plans. Give each one peace. Refresh Your Love in them, and cause it to flame. Give them peace my Lord, in Your precious name. Amen.

Worship Music

Million Pieces-Newsboys

<u>Picking Up The Pieces-</u> Erick Nelson

<u>Little Country Church-</u> Love Song

Spirit In The Sky-Norman Greenbaum

Scripture

Hebrews 8 (2005)

Hebrews 8:1-13 (AMP)

¹ NOW THE main point of what we have to say is this: We have such a High Priest, One Who is seated at the right hand of the majestic [God] in heaven,

² As officiating Priest, a Minister in the holy places *and* in the true tabernacle which is erected not by man but by the Lord.

³ For every high priest is appointed to offer up gifts and sacrifices; so it is essential for this [High Priest] to have some offering to make also.

⁴ If then He were still living on earth, He would not be a priest at all, for there are [already priests] who offer the gifts in accordance with the Law.

⁵ [But these offer] service [merely] as a pattern and as a foreshadowing of [what has its true existence and reality in] the heavenly sanctuary. For when Moses was about to erect the tabernacle, he was warned by God, saying, See to it that you make it all [exactly] according to the copy (the model) which was shown to you on the mountain.

⁶ But as it now is, He [Christ] has acquired a [priestly] ministry which is as much superior *and* more excellent [than the old] as the covenant (the agreement) of which He is the Mediator (the Arbiter, Agent) is superior *and* more excellent, [because] it is enacted *and* rests upon more important (sublimer, higher, and nobler) promises.

⁷ For if that first covenant had been without defect, there would have been no room for another one *or* an attempt to institute another one.

⁸ However, He finds fault with them [showing its inadequacy] when He says, Behold, the days will come, says the Lord, when I will make *and* ratify a new covenant *or* agreement with the house of Israel and with the house of Juda h.

⁹ It will not be like the covenant that I made with their forefathers on the day when I grasped them by the hand to help *and* relieve them *and* to lead them out from the land of Egypt, for they did not abide in My agreement with them, and so I withdrew My favor *and* disregarded them, says the Lord.

¹⁰ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will imprint My laws upon their minds, even upon their innermost thoughts *and* understanding, and engrave them upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

¹¹ And it will nevermore be necessary for each one to teach his neighbor and his fellow citizen or each one his brother, saying, Know (perceive, have knowledge of, and get acquainted by experience with) the Lord, for all will know Me, from the smallest to the greatest of them.

¹² For I will be merciful and gracious toward their sins and I will remember their deeds of unrighteousness no more.

¹³ When God speaks of a new [covenant or agreement], He makes the first one obsolete (out of use). And what is obsolete (out of use and annulled because of age) is ripe for disappearance *and* to be dispensed with altogether.

Radio Stations...

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Hebrews 8. The New Covenant

brought humanity a new covenant. The first covenant, which centered around the tabernacle services and the Ten Commandments, had served its purpose (9:1–5). Its laws had been written on tablets of stone (9:4). Christ's laws would be written on our hearts (8:10). The first covenant was temporal. Christ's covenant would be everlasting (13:20). The first covenant was sealed with the blood of animals. Christ's covenant was sealed with His own blood (10:29). It was a better covenant, with better promises, based on the unchangeableness of God's Word (6:18).

Better is also one of this letter's favorite words.

- Better hope (7:19)
- Better covenant (8:6 kjv; niv, superior)
- Better promises (8:6)
- Better possessions in heaven (10:34)
- Better country: heaven, not Canaan (11:16)
- Better resurrection: never to die again (11:35)
- Blood that speaks a better word than that of Abel (12:24)

(Halley's Bible Handbook; Henry Halley; Zondervan ;2000; history and commentaries; pages 860-861)

V1 "Sum" here means chief or total. Jesus is in heaven at God's right hand (Matthew 26:64; Acts 7:56; John 17:5). V2 Jesus is a minister in heaven not in the earthly temple. VV3-4 Jesus did not serve as priest on earth, but in heaven. V5 The priests were only representing in earthly form the heavenly scene about the throne of God (Colossians 2:14-18). V6 The Law barred the door to God but Jesus opened it for us. The covenant of God with the Jews is different from His covenant with those who come to Him through Christ (Romans 11:25-29). The old covenant was conditional upon Man's doing something, but the new covenant is based on man's believing what Christ has done. VV 8-9 God spoke of a new covenant since the people were not keeping the old covenant properly and He could not accept (regard) them. V10 The new covenant would have its laws written in people's hearts, not on tablets of stone. The old covenant failed because the urgings of the spirit in man. The new covenant is based on Tod, making us new creations so that we are Spirit-controlled rather than body controlled. God makes His will the desire of our hearts (Psalm 40:8). VV 11-13 Jesus spoke of the new covenant in Mark 14:22-25. Soon after Hebrews was written, the temple was destroyed and the sacrifices of the old covenant ceased.

(New Testament Study Guide; The Word For Today; 2005; Chuck Smith; commentaries; page 155)

It Is a Sure Foundation for Our Faith

Man craves for certainty. Speculations and hypotheses are insufficient where eternal issues are at stake. When I come to lay my head upon my dying pillow, I want something surer than a "perhaps" to rest it upon. And thank God I have it. Where? In the Holy Scriptures. I know that my Redeemer liveth. I know that I have passed from death unto life. I know that I shall be made like Christ and dwell with Him in glory throughout the endless ages of eternity. How do I know? Because *God's* Word says so, and I want nothing more.

The Bible gives forth no uncertain sound. It speaks with absolute assurance, dogmatism, and finality. Its promises are certain for they are promises of Him who cannot lie. Its testimony is reliable for it is the inerrant Word of the Living God. Its teachings are trustworthy for they are a communication the the Omniscient. The believer then has a sure foundation on which to rest, an impregnable rock on which to build his hopes. For his present peace and for his future prospects he has a, "Thus saith *the Lord,"* and that is sufficient.

If the Bible is the Word of God then-

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It Has Unique Claims Upon Us

A unique book deserves and demands unique attention. Like Job, we ought to be able to say, "I have esteemed the words of His mouth more than my necessary food." If history teaches us anything at all, it teaches that those nations which have most honored God's Word have been most honored by God. And what is true of the nation is equally true of the family and of the individual. The greatest intellects of the ages have drawn their inspiration from the Scripture of Truth. The most eminent statesmen have testified to the value and importance of Bible study. Benjamin Franklin said: "Young man, my advice to you is that you cultivate an acquaintance with and firm belief in the Holy Scriptures, for this is your certain interest." Thomas Jefferson gave it as his opinion, "I have said and always will say, that the studious perusal of the Sacred Volume will make better citizens, better fathers, and better husbands."

When the late Queen Victoria was asked the secret of England's greatness, she took down a copy of the Scriptures, and pointing to the Bible she said, "That Book explains the power of Great Britain." Daniel Webster once affirmed, "If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering and to prosper; but, if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound obscurity. The Bible is the Book of all others for lawyers as well as divines, and I pity the man who cannot find in it a rich supply of thought and rule of conduct."

When Sir Walter Scott lay dying he summoned to his side his man in waiting and said, "Read to me out of the Book." Which book? answered his servant. "There is only one Book," was the dying man's response—"The Bible!" The Bible is the Book to live by and the Book to die by. Therefore read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, practice it to be holy. As another has said: "Know it in the head, store it in the heart, show it in the life, sow it in the world."

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

The Divine Inspiration of the Bible. By A. W. Pink

When thou goest, it shall lead thee;
When thou sleepest, it shall keep thee;
When thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.
Prov. 6:22.

(Amplified Bible; The Everyday Life Bible; 2005; Joyce Meyers; Scripture, notes, commentaries; pages 2043 -2044)

(Word 9; Bible Software; KJV; Amp; Sermons of Historical pastors; A.W. Pink; Scripture; concordance; reference materials; 2 008)

Psa 119:105

Thy word [is] a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

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