Ministry of Troubles

Jn. 16:33 Это я сказал вам, чтобы во мне вы имели мир. **В мире будете иметь скорбь: но ободритесь; я победил мир.**

Job 5:7 **Но человек рождается на беду, как искры летят вверх.**

 -Why can’t the world be without troubles?

 -As a matter of fact the Lord made the world without sin. It was man the messed it up.

 -This tribulation is not talking doctrinally about the Great Tribulation which Kent Hovind thought it did.

 -If you’ve been saved for any amount of time your realize the troubles are inevitable неизбежные–

Isa. 48:10 **Вот, я очистил тебя, но не с серебром; я избрал тебя в горниле страдания.**

 -Did you think that after you were saved that Satan would leave you alone?

 -Did you think that your flesh, that old man would let your spirit (that is now one with Christ) would not torment you at times?

 **ILL.** “Health and Wealth” teaching is wrong. False preachers teach would have you believe in this euphoric эйфористическое состояние where there no more headaches, tooth aches, job loss, problems emotionally, physically, etc.

 It’s dangerous! When trouble finally comes, the deceived Christian cannot handle it emotionally. He isn’t prepared for that.

 The fact is that some of the greatest grief you will ever experience will come after you have accepted Christ as your personal Saviour.

 Remember: The Bible never said God would keep the storms of life away from you. It said God would keep you through the storms of life.

Rom. 7:24 О несчастный я человек! Кто избавит меня от тела этой смерти?

Look at 7:25 He is thankful!

Rom. 8:28 **И мы знаем, что все вместе работает на добро тем, кто любит Бога, тем, кто призван согласно *его* замыслу.**

 **неприятность**

**I. TROUBLE HELPS YOU GET THE WORLD OUT** (Eccl. 3:10, 11).

1. Despite the beauty of this world – it’s attractive; creation, mountains, hills, valleys, forests, etc.

 i. there is something that is wrong; body ages, bugs bite, things wear out, etc.

 **ILL.** The prodigal didn’t wake up until he had troubles.

 His trouble came by rushing into his inheritance.

 **ILL.** Job had to simply trust in the Lord even when his wife threatened him.

 **Ты все еще сохраняешь целостность твою? прокляни Бога, и умри.**

 iii. John 16:1-3 troubles come from the world of wicked men that don’t know the Lord.

2. That’s why you’re not to love this world (1 Jn. 2:15-17)

 i. It’s getting old.

 ii. Uncertainties are what shake people up.

Jam. 4:4 **разве не знаете, что дружба мира есть вражда с Богом?**

 **затруднения**

**II. TROUBLES ARE MEANT TO KEEP YOUR FLESH DOWN**

If there were no devil to tempt you, if the problems did not come from the world, you still have the old man to deal with, that fallen nature.

Rom. 7:25-

Jer. 17:9 ¶ Обманчиво сердце больше всего, и крайне нечестиво: кто может узнать его?

1 Pet. 5:10 “…stablish you…”

1 Pet. 1:6 “…if need be…”

**III. TROUBLES ARE MEANT TO DRIVE YOU TO GOD**

Jn. 16:33 **но ободритесь; я победил мир.** (Lk. 4:1, 2).

 **ILL.** The apostles were sent across the Sea of Galilee, knowing they were headed for the storm.

Rom. 8:37 **Нет, во всем этом мы есть больше чем победители через того, кто возлюбил нас.**

Psa. 39:1-13

1. We know the Lord practically,

 i. Because we get caught up in the ‘rat race.’

 ii. That’s why it takes troubles it takes us to our knees.

2. Troubles are what cause us to bow our heads to the Lord.

 **ILL.** I need you Lord.

 i. Call upon Me (Psa. 50:15)

 **ILL.** king Jeroboam (2 Chron. 13:13, 14, 18) they cried unto the Lord.

13 ¶ Но Иеровоам послал засаду, чтобы обошла их сзади; так что они были перед Иудой, а засада позади них.

14 И когда оглянулся Иуда, вот, битва ***была* спереди и сзади: и возопили они к ГОСПОДУ, а священники затрубили трубами.**

18 Так дети Израиля были подчинены в то время, а дети Иуды превозмогли, потому что полагались на ГОСПОДА Бога отцов своих.

**IV. TROUBLES MAKE YOU MORE SYMPATHETIC** (2 Cor. 1:3, 4)

Неприятности предназначены, чтобы сделать тебя более сочувственным.

1. You don’t really notice people that are really in trouble.

 i. You’ve got your own business to take care of.

 ii. Until you’re ‘down’ in your ‘luck’ then you see others in trouble.

2. That is when you’ve called to go and minister to others (Eph. 3:13).

Job 23:15-16 “Nothing knocks out pride like trouble”

A great many Christians’ hearts are hardened because not receiving trouble rightly.

Therefore they can’t minister to others.

 **ILL.** Basically older folks can minister better. They’ve been through the trouble.

 **ILL.** Mr. Skipper just cried with me.

1. Sympathetic toward the brethren.

 **ILL.** Paul’s in jail comforting others **“Rejoice in the Lord…”**

 **ILL.** The Book of Psalms is a book not only of song but of troubles and man’s emotions.

 Those prayers become your words.

2. Sympathetic toward the lost.

 i. Instead of seeing that ‘wicked sinner’ you think rather, “That poor guy.”

 ii. Instead of looking down your nose at him, you ought to have compassion for him.

 **ILL.** That’s why the new media is out to make you hard toward others and not have compassion toward them.

Isa. 53

3 Он презираем и отвержен людьми; **муж скорбей, и знакомый с горестью:** и мы как бы скрывали от него *наши* лица; он был презираем, и мы не ценили его.

*APPLICATION:* If you’re down, He can pick you up. He is the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

 He’ll hear your cry. He knows of your sorrows.

4 Несомненно он взял на себя наши горести, и понес наши скорби: но мы почитали его поражаемым, наказуемым от Бога, и мучимым.

5 Но он *был* изранен за наши преступления, мучим за наши беззакония: наказание мира нашего *было* на нем; и ранами его мы исцелились.

Heb. 4:15 **Ибо мы имеем не первосвященника, который не может быть затронут чувством немощей наших; но *[который]* был во всем искушаем, подобно *нам*, *но* без греха.**

With open arms He comes to you and says, “I know what your problem is. Bring it to me.”

I’ll lighten your load a bit.

Matt. 11:28-30

I did the same for Moses, David, and Paul. I can do it for you.

There are many good reasons for trouble.

To wean you from that world that is set in your heart. It is a wicked world.

This world is going to hell. It is set on fire. (2 Pet. 3:10, 12)

God wants the best life for you.

To ruin your heart to this world.

You need a good healthy attitude against this world.

 **ILL.** It’s a nice car but it is just a bunch of metal.

 **ILL.** That is a nice house, but is just a bunch of cement.

*APPLICATION:* When is the last time you just cried before the Lord?

Maybe it was just because of your troubles. That’s alright but what about others.

There is only one reason for keeping you from something worse – the mercies of God and the word of God.

Heb. 13:1-3

When you’re in health, you’d better remember them that are suffering.

There might be a time when you might not be in good health so that you won’t be able to come to church.

Remember Jesus has overcome the world.

Rom. 8:37 is in the context of all kinds of trouble (vss. 34-36)

Conclusion

Invitation

Saved

Unsaved

Are you having trouble today?

Do let the Lord pass you up.

If you’re not going to call on the Lord, He can’t save you.

Isa. 63:9 **Во всякой скорби их он скорбел, и ангел присутствия его спасал их: в любви своей и в жалости своей он искупил их; и взял, и носил их во все дни давние.**