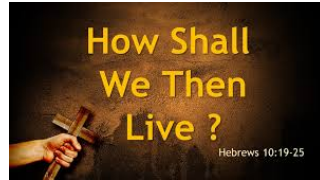


“How Shall We Then Live?”

Part 1: “Pass It On ... The Importance of Inter-generational Discipleship”

Deuteronomy 6:1-9



Introduction: “Discipleship” is an often - used, and perhaps even an over - used word ... because most people don’t know what it means!!

If we are to understand how to live we must acknowledge the depravity of human nature and our total inability to “fix” what is broken ... without Jesus Christ.

We are moving toward the inevitable collision with the holy God whom men continue to ignore and whose Word they continue to reject.

PEOPLE don’t have the solution or the answer ... only GOD does!

Being a disciple of Jesus Christ begins with loving the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might!

I. You love God by KNOWING God ...

God revealed Himself to Israel, but without the Spirit they could not “see” or understand.

God was the only God, their Creator and their Savior ... the God of salvation.

Deuteronomy 6:1-5:

Deuteronomy 7:6-9: “*Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him!*” (vs. 9).

Romans 5:8:

From the beginning, God’s love has always been an “electing” love.

Ephesians 1:3-14:

I Peter 2:9-12: “*But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession ...*” (vs. 9).

Matthew 22:37:

Such love comes from KNOWING the God who created you ... the God who loved YOU in this way: He gave His only Son!

Psalms 145:1-9, 18-21:

Joel 1:2-3: “*Tell your children of it, and let your children tell their children, and their children to another generation*” (vs. 3).

Judges 2:7, 10:

II. You love God by hearing His commands and passing them on ...

These verses express the “imperative,” the command of God to teach His Word to the next generations.

Hebrews 10:19-25:

Love leads those who are true disciples of Jesus toward obedience.

Matthew 5:48:

Everything God says to do in His Word is instruction for those who are disciples of Jesus Christ today!

II Timothy 3:16-17:

God’s truth about “salvation” must lead to God’s instructions on how to LIVE as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Psalms 1:1-6:

III. You love God by setting an example for the next generation ...

Making disciples requires BOTH teaching and modeling.

II Timothy 1:3-7:

Teachers: what you say will be communicated to the children and young people not only by what you SAY, but by your life ... what you DO!!

Philippians 4:9:

Galatians 5:19-21 ... 22-23: “*The fruit of the Spirit is LOVE ...*”

Jesus is the only perfect example, but we who are His disciples must pursue “Christlikeness!” (**Romans 8:1-6**)