

LESSON SIX RESTITUTION

Text: LUKE 19:8 – 9

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And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.

INTRODUCTION

After conversion many believers do not consider the need of restitution in their lives as necessary. Some only feel once they have turn away from their evil and bad ways and have accepted The LORD Jesus Christ as their personal LORD and Saviour that is enough. It is to unextend but not enough. Accepting Jesus is the principal thing but our salvation will not be completed without restitution in certain quarters because it is also very important.

In this lesson we want to see why we should retribute where necessary on the

TOPIC: RESTITUTION

MEMORY VERSE

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1. WHAT IS RESTITUTION?

- a. To restore or to give back to the owner:- Luke 19:8
- b. To return or send back:- 1 Samuel 5:11
- c. To amend or correct:- Matt. 5:23.
- d. Restitution in a nutshell means to restore back to the right owner anything taken wrongfully or forcefully. To retribute; it is necessary to compromise ones stand and allow the right thing to be done.

2. WHY SHOULD BELIEVERS RESTITUTE?

- a. Anyone who refuses to retribute where necessary is a cheat.
- b. Except a believer restitutes he or she cannot be bold in his or her faith walk.
- c. God will not hear you when you call.
- d. Your salvation will not be completed:- Luke 19:9-10.
- e. Restitution destroys covetousness:- Ex. 20:17.
- f. You will not be at peace:- Luke 18:2-5, Is. 57:21.

3. STEPS TO RESTITUTION

- a. Be repentant:- Luke 15:17
- b. Have Godly sorrow:- Luke 15:18-19, 19:8
- c. Settle it first with God, both for forgiveness and the grace to be able to go back.
- d. Don't be afraid or ashamed.
- e. Look only unto God and His reward (that you will be accepted):- Luke 15:17, 19:9-10
- f. Take the initiative (go forward):- Luke 15:21

4. THE BENEFITS OF RESTITUTION

- a. You will be accepted and restored:- Eze. 33:14-15, Luke 15:22-24
- b. Your salvation will be complete:- Luke 19:9-10
- c. The devil will have nothing to hold against you:- Eze. 33:16, Heb.10:17, John 14:30.

CONCLUSION

Restitution is very important in the Christian faith, because it puts the enemy (Satan) to shame that he cannot easily attack you since he has nothing against you. Since you believe, is there anything you should restore to its owner? Have you forgiven those who offended you? Have you paid what you owed? Especially those which you deliberately refused to pay? If yes! Take the right step NOW and be free. God richly bless you in Jesus name. Amen

BIBLE READING PLAN

Scripture Reading For The Week

Days Old Testament New Testament
Monday Num. 23 – 26 Mark 12
Tuesday Num. 27 – 30 Mark 13
Wednesday Num. 31 – 36 Mark 14

Thursday Deut. 1 – 4 Mark 15
Friday Deut. 5 – 10 Mark 16
Saturday Deut. 11 – 14 Luke 1
Sunday Deut. 15 – 20 Luke 2

LESSON SEVEN

BASIC BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

Text: 2 Peter 1:20 – 21

Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

INTRODUCTION

The Bible is the Christian text book. Without the Bible there will be no salvation, no Church and no hope of Heaven. This is true because this information is revealed to the Christian exclusively in the scriptures (Bible). For us to keep abreast of the scripture we must be ready to learn. Moreover as Christians we are disciples for Jesus Christ, and a disciple is a student or a learner. Thus it is very necessary that we are thoroughly familiar with the Bible and its content through our knowledge in the WORD.

The Bible says; “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” 2Timothy 2:15

In the light of this, in this lesson we are going to study about the Bible on the

Topic: BASIC BIBLE KNOWLEDGE.

I assure you of great help as you carefully study.

MEMORY VERSE: