

Announcements

- Wednesday 2/9 - Min. Koko
- Wednesday 2/16 - Min. Mildred
- Tuesday 2/22 - Break. No meeting on this Tuesday
- Wednesday 2/23 - Break. No Meeting on this Wednesday

- Friday 2/18 - Daniel Fast Ends (40days)
- Tuesday 3/1 - Teachings on The Spirit of God begins – Min. Mildred

Noteworthy

- No breaks from Morning Dew. It continues until the end of the year.
- Questionnaire responses due by Sunday 2/6/2022. We would like to speak with everyone who responds, before the Daniel fast ends.

Importance of “doing” the Word

James 1:22-25 (NIV)

22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. **Do** what it says.

23 Anyone who listens to the word but does not **do** what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror

24 and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.

25 But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but **doing it**—they will be blessed in what they **do**.

The Body of Jesus Christ

1 Corinthians 1:23-24 (NIV)

23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the *same* night in which He was betrayed took bread;

24 and when He had given thanks, He broke *it* and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; **do this** in remembrance of Me."

The Blood of Jesus Christ

1 Corinthians 1:25-26 (NIV)

25 In the same manner *He* also *took* the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. **This do**, as often as you drink *it*, in remembrance of Me.”

26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes.

A PERSPECTIVE ON

SOUL

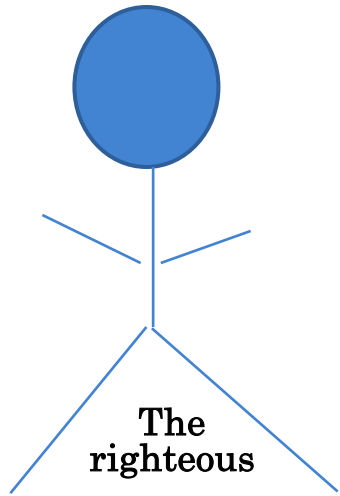
WINNING

PROVERBS 11:30

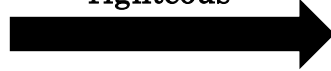
Noteworthy

- Soul winning is not a one-time process. It is a present continuous process.
- Both believers and unbelievers need to be won.
- Unbelievers are won from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light.
- Believers are won from old mindsets and ungodly practices into the lifestyle of the kingdom.
- These changes do not happen in a day. It is ongoing and continues until Jesus Christ returns.

Proverbs 11:30



The fruit of the
righteous



The tree of life

Proverbs 11:30 (NKJV)

“The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life,
And he who wins souls is wise”.

1) Righteousness is the foundation for soul winning.

2) Having a proper perspective of our identity in Christ is very important.

Proverbs 11:30b

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life...

3) Soul winning is a life-giving process.

John 6:63 (NIV)

The Spirit gives **life**; the flesh counts for nothing.

The words I have spoken to you, **they are full of the Spirit and **life**.**

4) Soul winning should preferably be done by one who is connected to the life-giving source (and righteous).

John 14:16 (NIV)

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and **the life**.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

What does it mean to “win souls”?

Proverbs 11:30 (NKJV)

“The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, And he who wins souls is wise” .

- This is a scripture often quoted in the context of evangelism to indicate that wise followers of Christ ought to win souls.

What does it mean to “win souls”?

The word “win” in the Hebrew language, is the word “laqach” which means [but not limited to] the following:

take out of;

to take from;

take in the hand;

to take and carry along;

carry away;

to take up or upon;

etc.

Proverbs 11:30 cont'd

- Therefore, to “win” in this context
 - is not a one-time event, rather, an ongoing process.
 - it is not a one-way agreement, **it is mutual.**

The Key!!!

We take the person “in the hand”, “upon us” and “carry along” with us until they attain a certain level of maturity and can do likewise.

EXAMINE YOUR WINNING STRATEGIES!!!

QUESTIONS

- Are you satisfied with where you are in your walk and spiritual growth?
- Have you arrived?
- Now that you have received some COUNSEL from the Word of God and your problems are no longer drowning you, would you still HUMBLE yourself so that the mature continue to carry you, as you carry others?
- Who has changed ever since you “changed”? Who is your disciple?

Other translations of Proverbs 11:30

New Century Version

“A good person gives life to others; the wise person teaches others how to live”.

Expanded Bible

“A good person gives life to others [The fruit of the righteous is the tree of life]; the wise person teaches others how to live [gathers lives/souls]”.

Common English Bible

“Live right, and you will eat from the life-giving tree. And if you act wisely, others will follow”.

Jesus Christ is the Life!

John 14:6 (NIV)

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and **the life**.
No one comes to the Father except through me.

Conclusion

The fruits of our lives as disciples are very important and does serve as indicators of whether a person will be willing to come along with us or not.

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