

Lesson 148 Looking at Cleansing

Your offering of silence is accepted. You are growing in this walk. Healings are taking place as we speak, healings and deliverances. Move forward in this knowledge. God is preparing the way. Remember to be meditative prior to the Day of Atonement. Think and grow and you will be cleansed. Cleansing, look at this. Study and speak of it. That is all for now, go in peace.

Introduction

In the words we received this week the Lord instructed us to look at cleansing. Cleansing means to:

Cleanse:

- -to make clean
- -to remove by or as if by cleaning
- -to become clean

Synonyms: purge, restore, purify, refine

Antonyms: adulterate, condemn, corrupt, dirty, pollute

In the days of old the Lord instructed us to sprinkle the blood of animals on the mercy seat as a means of making atonement or as a means of cleansing the people of Israel.

Leviticus 16:30 "For on that day the priest shall make atonement for you, to cleanse you, that you may be clean from all your sins before the Lord.

Therefore in the context of this verse when we are talking about being cleansed what we are actually talking about is removing sins. However if we want to be thorough when speaking of cleansing then we must note that the Lord also instructed that the Levites be cleansed in this manner as well:

Numbers 8:5-7 Then the Lord spoke to Moses saying: "Take the Levites from among the children of Israel and <u>cleanse them ceremonially</u>. Thus <u>you shall do to them to cleanse them</u>: Sprinkle water of purification on them, and let them shave all their body, and let them wash their clothes, <u>and so make themselves clean</u>."

This, however, was just the first step in their cleansing process because following this animals were then offered up as an offering to the Lord to make atonement for the Levites as well.

Numbers 8:12 "Then the Levites shall lay their hands on the heads of the young bulls and you shall offer one as a sin offering and the other as a burnt offering to the Lord, to make atonement for the Levites.

So the Levites were cleansed not only through a sacrificial atonement offering but through a ceremonial cleansing as well. Yet what we have discovered is that these methods are ineffective. Basically they were established as a means of teaching us about sin and the need for cleansing. Paul said it like this:

Romans 3:20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

Romans 7:7 ... "I would not have known sin except through the law."

So it is the law that helps us to understand that we need to be cleaned up. And it is from this point that we shall proceed in this lesson.

Healings and Deliverances

In the introduction section of this lesson we began by learning the very basics of cleansing basically we learned that the Lord began laying the groundwork for cleansing through the establishment of His laws. And in this section we will discover how healings and deliverance in many instances are linked together, particularly, when it comes to cleansing. So let's begin by reviewing exactly what it was that the Lord said to us today in this regard. He said:

Healings are taking place as we speak, healings and deliverances.

And now's probably a good time for us to check out the definitions of these two words:

Healing:

- -curing or curative, prescribed or helping to heal
- -growing sound, getting well, mending
- -the act or process of regaining health
- -to bring to an end or conclusions (as in conflicts)
- -to free from evil, to cleanse, to purify

Deliverance:

- -the act or instance of delivering (to carry and turn over to another)
- -salvation

Synonyms: freedom, delivering, acquittal, redemption, saving

Consequently, healing and deliverance are about getting well. They're about growing sound and regaining that which was lost. And they're about freedom and salvation as well. It is from this context (that of freedom and salvation) that I think we will find that they (healing and deliverance) are linked to obedience unto the Lord's commandments. For example in these words below we will note once again the connection between deliverance and following the guidelines and instructions of the Lord:

06/19/13 DP - Deliverance is coming to those who wait on Me. Prepare for My cleansing, how so? Be bathed in My blood made clean, listen for My voice. Follow every guideline and instruction. This is complete victory. Never doubt My words, they are life to the receiver.

Therefore what this is saying to us is that deliverance is coming or another way to put it would be to say that freedom is coming. It is coming to one who listens to the Lord. It is coming to one who follows His guidance and instruction. Yes, we are cleansed through the blood of Jesus but there is a place for obedience as well. And what I believe we will find is that healing and deliverance will come not only through His blood but it will also come through following His example, following His steps, and following His guidance in the here and now. This is the path that leads to healing and deliverance. This path reminded me of this verse:

1 Peter 2:21-24 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: "Who committed no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth: who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously; who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness-by whose stripes you were healed.

I was reminded of this verse and it is an important verse for us to remember when we are thinking of healing and deliverance because this verse speaks not only of following the Lord's steps, following His example. But it also speaks of commitment and walking in righteousness (walking in obedience, being morally upright and justifiable). It points out that following this process leads to a healing within. Hence it brings all the elements we have spoken of previously together in one place. And when we move forward in this, then this is what will happen:

08/29/13 BN - You will be set free. No more captivity for My people. You have been given the key, unlock the door to My kingdom. Move forward.

08/29/13 DP - I am awakening My body, new path to be traveled, <u>let Me transform you</u>.

This new path that we are traveling, this transformation, this healing and deliverance that we are to move forward in, this will only occur through commitment. For example in the verse we read from 1 Peter, it tells of how Christ *committed Himself*. In other words He was wholly committed to the Lord likewise we must wholly commit ourselves as well.

08/13/13 MVA - Continue to press forward. Stalwart (strong, sturdy, brave, firm, steadfast), strong steadfast in the ways of your God Jesus. Each must learn Kingdom ways. Resistance equals trials and testing. Flow with your God Jesus. My ways are not mans ways. Following all instruction and guidance will keep one on track moving forward. Think Spiritual not physical. The will of your God Jesus done in all. This is the way to true life abundant. Eternal perspective maintain. Stay focused priorities your God Jesus. Doing well.

Resistance (not following His ways) equals trials and testing thus the need for healing and deliverance. Therefore we cannot ignore the importance of commitment and obedience unto Him.

God Prepares the Way

In the last section we talked about how resistance to the Lord's ways equals trials and testing. We grew to see a link between this and the need for healing and deliverance. This was confirmed in the Lord's words this week when He said, The will of your God Jesus done in all. This is the way to true life abundant i.e. a life void of the need for healing and deliverance, a life that is instead flowing in Him. This was the life of which the Lord said,

Move forward in this knowledge. God is preparing the way.

So what this is saying is that God will make this happen. He is the only one who can cleanse His people. He is the only one who can prepare the way for this. He prepares through:

Psalm 19: 7-13 The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple; The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes; The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. Moreover by them Your servant is warned, And in keeping them there is great reward. Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. Keep back Your

servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be blameless, And I shall be innocent of great transgression.

And He cleanses and prepares us through this as well:

07/10/13 MVA - New beginnings, many will have new beginnings. Each will then have choices to make. Opportunity for good. I will instruct what and when to do things. You need only focus on your God Jesus in all. I AM well able to cleanse and rebuild each. As each focus on your God Jesus I AM able to move. Level of focus level of cleansing. Each must walk in completeness in your God Jesus. 07/23/13 DP - Relationship establish, deeper silence, attain much done in silence. Let nothing distract you. Power in cleansing, stay clean from the world much pollution to be avoided. Love greatly walk in the power of love and forgiveness condemn not, judge righteously. Love My people be My vessel on display let your good works shine forth that I may receive glory. 07/29/13 DP - I am moving My people to another level, Married Bride, the time is soon labor to be worthy. Stay spotless, practice protocol, function together as you have been doing, group bond growing. Love each other dearly, lift each other in prayer constantly, pray now (did it) well done. Hour of prayer, what do you mean by that? Time to be prayerful, always seeking My guidance in all things. I am cleansing the group as a whole, corporate sanctification this is necessary for My government plans, refuse no instruction, do as I say instantly, obedience is key. Prevail over the enemy I have given you the power to overcome (saw a gold star descending and twirling slowly) the righteous shall overcome.

08/03/13 BN - Silence...pure silence, prepare, cleansing, purification, marriage coming.

Therefore He cleanses us and prepares us by leading us to make the right choices. He cleanses and prepares us through His encouragment to follow protocol, to separate ourselves out from the world, and to walk in love and forgiveness. But these are just a few of the steps that He has encouraged us to move forward in as a part of our cleansing process. But most importantly we must: Continue to press forward. Stalwart (strong, sturdy, brave, firm, steadfast), strong steadfast in the ways of your God Jesus. In other words we must have complete faith and trust in Him for true healing and deliverance to take place.

October 23rd God Calling - You must trust to the end. You must be ready to go on trusting to the last hour.

You must *know* even when you cannot see . . . You must be ready, like My servant Abraham, to climb the very Hill of Sacrifice, to go to the very last moment, before you see My Deliverance.

This final test has to come to all who walk by Faith. You must rely on Me *alone*. Look to no other arm, look for no other help. Trust in the Spirit Forces of the Unseen, not in those you see. Trust and fear not.

And here are some additional words the Lord has given to assure us that not only is He prepared for all situations, for all needs but we must prepare ourselves as well.

08/29/13 MVA - Following correctly your God Jesus. I AM the revealer of all. Keep your focus and attention on your God Jesus in all. I will reveal what is needed in its time and season. Worry not for I AM in control of all. Obedience pleasing. Your God Jesus guiding the way.

08/29/13 EC – I AM in control - My Plan is coming forth.

08/30/13 MVA - Prepared for what will be.

08/30/13 KE - I have ordained you and equipped you with all the essentials that you need now to walk in what I have for you to do.

08/30/13 DP - I will guide and lead into all victory there is no enemy who can stop us they will be ashes under our feet... Do not be distracted I have the plan this is My doing according to My calender.

08/30/13 Watchman - follow My plan; deviate not; plan in action.

08/30/13 SN - Focus on Me and My plan.

08/31/13 MVA - I will direct you need only follow guidance and instruction of your God Jesus.

09/01/13 Watchman - Come; listen; for My plans; My agenda I give; vary not; attend each detail; astute; accord; be one with Me; give Me full attention; discard not My bidding; strict obedience necessary; vital; no compromise; it is as it is; absolutely no doubt allowed; eyes open to Me; My revealing; come My children, tarry not; be one, be one; united in purpose, action; My stalwart; give the enemy no place; none; defeat him and his at every turn; I have spoken.

09/01/13 DP - You must be prepared. Time spent with Me will prepare you. Renew your mind in My word. This brings peace to a troubled heart. Know you can overcome any obstacle when following Me. There is nothing to great for Me to overcome. Be united with Me.

09/01/13 VC - My plan coming together. Stay focused on Me. There is safety in Me. I will guide you through all.

09/02/13 BN - Let My plan for you come forth for it is the perfect plan. I AM with you in all things. Look for Me.

09/03/13 MVA - I AM guiding and directing all who will. Presume not. This is for all. I will reveal the hidden. Your God Jesus revealer of all. Time and season only trust in your God Jesus to provide the way. I AM well able.

God has the plan. He has prepared the way but we must follow His path. His path leads to a life abundant. Essentially we are talking about a life without the need for healing and deliverance.

Meditative

In the previous sections we learned about the need for healing and deliverance through cleansing but what we must realize is that this message is important because we are fast approaching the Lord's Holy Day of Atonement. The Day of

Atonement is important not only because it is the reminds us of the Lord forgiving the Jewish people for making the Golden Calf; but it is also the day established for us to confess of our sins today. It is a special day, the most solemn day of the year in fact, because we are confident that the Lord will forgive us our sins just as He forgave the sins of the Jewish people. However, before the day comes we are to be meditative, reflective, thinking over our past year. The Lord said it like this:

Remember to be meditative prior to the Day of Atonement.

What we are to be doing is, we are to be introspective, looking back at our mistakes, our sins of the past year. We are to be thinking about them and how we can change (with the Lord's help) in the future. Therefore we are to meditate on the cleansing that needs to take place within each one of us. Of this time of cleansing the Lord has said:

07/10/13 Watchman – Cleansing, be not afraid, justified, completely; willing, really willing, I am God, come, as I call.

08/26/13 CT - Begin contemplating this past year and the walk you have led. This is a part of the cleansing process that needs to take place. So begin your meditations, begin preparing your hearts and minds for Yom Kippur. 08/30/13 BT - My holy days are upon you. Take them seriously. My people follow My calendar. The Day of Atonement – take this seriously. It is a somber day, a day of reflection. A day of repentance. A day to ask for forgiveness. Be thinking about this as this day approaches.

And as we reflect on our mistakes of this past year, as we examine our sins, our motivations, we are not to be discouraged. We are to know that nothing is impossible for the Lord He can do all things.

08/30/13 BN - Do not worry, I will correct all things.

Cleansing

Through the previous sections of this lesson we have discovered that the Lord has been speaking to us of cleansing, healing and deliverance because a most holy day is approaching us. We have discussed the importance of commitment and righteousness, following Jesus example, walking in obedience, being morally upright and justifiable. We learned that these elements are important because they help us in our efforts to clean ourselves up. I think the picture that is being painted for us is that the more we are walking in the Lord's ways then less healing and deliverance will be necessary. Less cleansing too! So this is the time of the year that we are to be reflective and meditate on what we are

learning. Therefore we should meditate on following after the Lord's ways. We should meditate on walking in obedience. The Lord said,

Think and grow and you will be cleansed.

So as we are thinking and meditating on what we have learned thus far, as we are doing this I would like to pause for a moment to read this from the book of **Psalm.** I would like for us to read this together because I think it reveals much of what we have spoken of.

Psalm 51:1-12 Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, <u>Blot out my transgressions</u>. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, <u>And cleanse me from my sin</u>. For I <u>acknowledge my transgressions</u>, And my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight-- That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge.

Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. **Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom**. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit.

In this David is asking the Lord to have mercy upon Him because of His many sins. He is asking the Lord to wash him clean from his sins, to create in him a clean heart and a steadfast or one could say a stalwart spirit. He is asking that the Lord remain with him, near leaving or deserting him. But David knew that in order for all this to take place, the first thing that needed to happen was a cleansing, a renewal within himself. And he knew that only the Lord could accomplish this. Of this same heart, of this same purpose, the Lord has encouraged us through words like these:

06/28/13 DP - Cleansing, renewal in progress only believe and it will be.

07/02/13 BN - Cleansing ongoing.

07/19/13 SN - Cleansing, Boastful, Correct now.

07/21/13 BN – Cleansing. Glorious day...filled with love, Let it overflow, Let Me guide your steps, Let Me be seen through you.

08/05/13 RS – Vespers, vespers (a late afternoon or evening religious service) are a good deal, bathe in them. Flow with Me. The cleansing of your heart is a must. Fear not the things of this world (thinking about the spirit world, the kingdom of God). They are life giving. Sadness and shame, there is none.

Rejoice in Me. I am the one who delivers acquittal. Be it so unto you. Let the fires ignite, ignite to start other fires.

08/10/13 BN - Preparation a must...focusing...<u>cleansing</u>, instant obedience. 08/17/13 Watchman - My cleansing power; go teach.

09/01/13 EC - Study My Calendar - pay attention - hearts need to be cleaned.

June 7th God Calling - Not only live but grow in grace and power and beauty - the true Beauty, the Beauty of Holiness. Reach ever forward after the things of My Kingdom.

In the animal world the very form of an animal alters to enable it to reach that upon which it delights to feed. So reaching after the treasures of My Kingdom your whole nature becomes changed; so that you can best enjoy and receive the wonders of that Kingdom. Dwell on these truths.

Our natures are changed because we are cleansed. We then receive healing and deliverance that can only come from Him.

Summation

We opened this lesson up by reviewing cleansing through sacrifice. We read about the Levites and the process they would go through in order to be clean. We talked about the law and how it educated us to sin. And then we moved on to learn about healing and deliverance, about how it's about getting well, about growing sound and regaining that which was lost. Basically we learned that it's about freedom and salvation from living in a corrupted path. We discovered, however, that the Lord has prepared a way, a true and righteous path for us to follow. It's a path that revolves around Jesus and His example. And it's a path of commitment and death to sins. We found that He is leading the way in this, in the here and now, just as He did in days of old. He is leading through the His offers of guidance and instruction. But we also learned about another important part of this path and that is one of introspection, reflection, and meditation. Essentially, it is a review of the choices we have made over the past year. And once this part of the process has taken place, then we must confess, and through the release of our words, cleansing and healing and even deliverance takes place. This is the point we have reached. And the reason for it, well part of the reason will be revealed in this:

08/29/13 BN - Always obedient, Opens some doors and closes others, Trust in My leading, Victory brought forth through obedience.

08/29/13 DP - Study and prepare you will need everything you have learned to prevail and overcome the enemy.

08/30/13 MVA - Each choice effects all consider.

08/30/13 EC - Prepare for all the upcoming events on My Calendar... don't neglect or overlook them. I'm not looking for Jewish traditions, I'm looking for heart cleansings.

09/01/13 KE - Conform not to the ways of the world / She brings death and no life is found in her / Her delusions are satisfactory to the mind and flesh / Her playground is full of dead men's bones / I see all My son / Heed My warnings. 09/03/13 DP - Many will be taken off guard the enemy is raging destroying all he can you must be anchored in Me without Me there is no safety I am your protection. Go deeper there is more to me only by instant obedience is this deeper depth discovered I desire My disciples to walk in the fullness of My power I will give to obedient vessels. Strive for perfection know this is attainable I would not ask you to do what is impossible. Attacks on My people be guard against the enemy he is raging like never before he is looking for open doors to enter in keep the doors shut only you can open to him. Stay focused many things are coming against My people the enemy is desperate he will try anything you must be on guard.

09/04/13 MVA - When enemy attacks look to your God Jesus. I AM well able. Do not doubt only believe. All is well.

We are reflective, we confess, we cleanse because this closes doors to the enemy. Each choice effects all and that is why the Day of Atonement, the day of cleansing is so very important. That is why the Lord said this: Your offering of silence is accepted. You are growing in this walk. Healings are taking place as we speak, healings and deliverances. Move forward in this knowledge. God is preparing the way. Remember to be meditative prior to the Day of Atonement. Think and grow and you will be cleansed. Cleansing, look at this. Study and speak of it. That is all for now, go in peace.

May the Lord Bless You, Cindy

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