"Leaving a Legacy"

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Psalms 2 v 8 "Ask of me, and I will make the Nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession".

Introduction

God, has given First Assembly of God a prophetic mandate to reach Nation's. That we are a Mission's Church with a call and vision to reach the world. From the time that we were conceived, Mission's was in our blood and DNA.

When the Headquarters of Assemblies of God in Springfield Missouri sent out our founding Pastor Eldon Vincent and his wife Wanita in 1947. They considered Hawaii a Foreign Mission Field.

God has called,

us to raise Spiritual son's and daughter's to plant Mission's Churches, to possess Nation's, Countries.

A Mission's Church is a Church that plants Churches with a Mission's Heart and Vision.

1.To reach, teach and disciples the lost/those who are unsaved and who do not know the Lord.

To reach their Nation:

- 1. Nation (Specific Ethnic or People Group and Culture)
- 2. Country Geographical Region or Territory where that Nation is located.

I. This morning, I want to talk about Leaving a Spiritual Legacy.

The Dictionary definition of Legacy is:

A Heritage, Birthright, Endowment, Provision. Something left by will, a particular thing, or certain amount of money, something of value or personal property left to someone.

A gift / Inheritance

Something received from an ancestor or predecessor/ a person who previously occupied an office or position.

Example:

"Good counsel and a Godly example is the best legacy a father can leave to his children".

Pro 13 v22a "A good man leaves an Inheritance for his children's, children"

Proverbs says, we should leave a Inheritance for our Children's, Children.

A Spiritual Inheritance is Generational. It is passed down from One Generation to Another Generation.

It should perpetuate/ Increase from Generation to Generation

II. Call to Repentance as we Reach Nations

1Pet Ch 2 v1-3

"Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like new born babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good".

Before we can reach Nation there needs to be a Spiritual Cleansing. So we can grow in our Salvation and taste the goodness of the Lord. As we disciple Nations

III. The Call to Holiness

1 Pet Ch 2 v9-10

"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light, Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you have not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

We are a Chosen people Eph 1 v 4 "For He chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be Holy and Blameless in His sight. In love He predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Christ, in accordance to His will"

We are Called out of a Life of Darkness, to be His Light to the World.

The Church is:

A Royal Priesthood/ Spiritual Priest

A Holy Nation / A Culture/ People Group Set apart to do His will.

v 9b "A People Belonging to God, that we may declare the praises of Him who called us out darkness into His wonderful/ marvelous Light.

As we walk and live in the Light of His Salvation.

We are Called to a different Life and Culture 1Pet Ch 2 v 11-12 He says,

...I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans (unbelieverthe world) that, though they accuse you of doing wrong they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visit us".

IV. Biblical Example of a Man that had a opportunity to make a difference Text

2 Kings Ch 20 v 1

"In those days Hezekiah became ill and was at the point of death. The prophet Isaiah son of Amoz went to him and said, "This is what the Lord says: Put your house in order, because you are going to die: you will not recover"

He was 36 or 37 years old at the best time of his life, when the wake call came from Isaiah.

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Isa 38 v 9 "A writing of Hezekiah king of Judah after his illness and recovery: 10 I said, "In the prime of my life must I go through the gates of death and be robbed of the rest of my years

What would you do and what would be your response, if you life was coming to an abrupt end in the best years of your life?

Hezekiah prayed

2 Kings Ch 20 v 2 -3 "Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord, Remember O Lord, how I have I walked before you faithfully and with wholehearted devotion and have done what is good in your eyes." And Hezekiah wept bitterly".

He reminded God of his life and the way he lived.

2 Kings Ch 20 v 4 – 6 "Before Isaiah had left the middle court the word of the Lord came to him: "Go back and tell Hezekiah the leader of my people, This is what the Lord, the God of your father David, says I have heard your prayers and seen your tears; I will heal you. On the third day from now you will go up to the temple of the Lord. I will add fifteen years to your life. And I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the

I will add fifteen years to your life. And I will deliver you and this city from the hand of the king of Assyria. I will defend this city for my sake and the sake for my servant David"

God heard his prayer and extended his life for 15 years

Hezekiah asks for a sign 2 Kings 20 v 8 -9

When God extends our life/ or gives us extra time. it is always for a purpose.

People came from distant lands because they heard about his Hardship 2 Kings 20 v 12 They came because of hearing about his difficulty/ letter & Gift

Instead of Testifying of God's Goodness/ He showed them all the things he acquired2 Kings 20 v 13His Success/ His Wealth/ The Strength of his Army

Isaiah Question 2 Kings 20 v 14 -15

God's Verdict 2 Kings 20 – 16-18

**KEY Reveals Isaiah Heart 2 Kings 20 v 19 "The word of the Lord you have spoken is good, Hezekiah replied. For he thought, "Will there not be peace and security in my lifetime"

Our Spiritual Inheritance

1 Pet 1 v 3-9 "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into a inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade kept in Heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last times. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith of greater worth than gold, which perishes even

though refined by fire may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with inexpressible and glorious joy, for you receive the goal of your faith, the salvation of your soul".

We have a new life through a living hope because of the resurrections of Jesus. He gives us a Inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade kept in Heaven called Eternal Life.

We are able to preserve because, we are shielded by: 1. God power/ dynamis/ God's supernatural Power/ Ability 2. By our Faith

1 Pet v 6

In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials

Brings forth Spiritual Maturity and develops Character

Rom 5 v3 *"..we rejoice in our suffering, because we know that suffering produces perseverance, perseverance character; character hope."*

As we put our faith in Christ and what He has done for us. We are filled with Joy and have received our Spiritual Inheritance the Salvation of our Soul.