The Heart of Jesus Christ

3/30/25 Sunday service

Philippians 1:3-11

Main

1. The heart of Jesus Christ

- 1) There are many descriptive words for Paul, but the words "one who has the heart of Christ Jesus" must surely be one of them. Philippians 1:8 "For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus." There is no truer statement than having God as your witness. In this way, Paul has shown the life of one with this heart.
- 2) Paul is the man who received the answer of a thousand years. All Christians will agree to this. He created a new culture, and countless people were liberated from the curse through him. His small gospel movement not only brought the power of Rome to its knees, but it also saved many lives and created a new culture that hasn't lost its impact to this day.
- 3) The culture that has changed their ideologies, lives, fate, and destiny, and still has the greatest impact, is the Christian culture. Apostle Paul, who did this 1000-year work, wrote a letter to the church in Philippi. It's a passage that contains his covenant worth a thousand years.
- 4) The church at Philippi is the church where he met Lydia, healed the woman of spirit divination, was imprisoned, and saved the jailer's family, which is recorded in Acts 16. And Paul will never forget how he was led by God to come from Asia to Europe because of a man from Macedonia who told him to come through a vision in Troas.
- 5) This is the life story of the church at Philippi. So Paul makes some heartfelt confessions to the Philippian church. Philippians 1:6 "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ." He states the reason in Philippians 1:7.
- 6) Philippians 1:7 "It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel." In all the sufferings he went through in the fields, they were always with him as well.
- 7) Apostle Paul states his earnest request. Philippians 1:10 "So that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." Philippians 1:11 "Filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God." He conveyed the sincerity of his heart.
- 8) It's a glimpse into how much the Apostle Paul cares about the Philippian church. After this confession and exhortation, he goes on to say in Philippians 1:12 that his imprisonment has advanced the gospel. Philippians 1:12 "I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel."
- 9) Some speak evil of him to give him trouble, but it is Christ that is proved, and it does not matter to them, but rather it is well. He is a man who has come to the answer. Not only did it not matter what people said about him, but even if they said evil things about Christ, it is Christ they are speaking of, and that is the end of it.
- 10) It doesn't matter what people do or how they do it, God has the power to use everything in them for His purposes. When such incidents arise, people can never do anything with their will or might. Even now, no matter how many people deny Christ and curse God, in the end, everything works out according to God's plan.
- 11) So Paul concludes that nothing mattered to him as long as he did his best to share this gospel, and that's it. May you come to this conclusion, and receive an answer worth a thousand years like the Apostle Paul.

2. The person who prays

1) Paul was a man of prayer worth a 1000 years of answers. Ephesians 6:18 "Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints." 1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing." Pray without ceasing. Not only that, but Philippians 1:4 "Always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy." Philippians 1:5 "Because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."

- 2) Mark 9:29 "And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer." This was spoken after Jesus had healed the boy with unclean spirits. It means that those who have the covenant should pray, and because they have the covenant, their prayers are answered. One of the words given for this year is the year of prayer.
- 3) When God gives you His Word, it comes with a command to do it and a promise that He will answer if you do it. The church had an important training last week on what biblical evangelism is and how it can take place.
- 4) Paul received a 1,000 years worth of answer for evangelism. to his evangelism. You can receive the same answer as well. God's standard is the gospel, and you have the same gospel that Apostle Paul delivered in the field. There is a possibility that it can take place. If you renew the American church with a biblical gospel and biblical evangelism, it will be an answer worth a thousand years.
- 5) There is no space to sit back anymore. We will start to gather the evangelism disciples for the sake of this work, who are praying for this. We're going to recruit people who are willing to pray over the field for the rest of their lives, people who are willing to go to the field at least once a week and report back to the church. We will gather the ones who have this resolution and pray in their hearts.
- 6) We have to do it until it takes place. You have the complete content, so what is left is for you to go to the field. The Bible states that none of this will happen without prayer. In this sense, the Word is to be a year of prayer. May it be a year to reaffirm this in your heart. May you be those who have the heart of Jesus Christ to join in and leave behind an answer worth a thousand years.