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Oasis Sunday School Class

BIBLICAL REMINDERS BROUGHT BY THE CORONAVIRUS

EVERYONE WHO HEARS THES WORDS OF MINE AND ACTS ON THEM, MAY BE COMPARED TO A WISE MAN WHO BUILT HIS HOUSE ON THE ROCK. AND THE RAIN FELL, AND THE FLOODS CAME, AND THE WINDS BLEW AND SLAMMED AGAINST THAT HOUSE; AND YET IT DID NOT FALL, FOR IT HAD BEEN FOUNDED ON THE ROCK. MATT. 7:24-25

CONSIDER IT ALL JOY, MY BRETHREN, WHEN YOU ENCOUNTER VARIOUS TRIALS, KNOWING THAT THE TESTING OF YOUR FAITH PRODUCES ENDURANCE. AND LET ENDURANCE HAVE ITS PERFECT RESULT, SO THAT YOU MAY BE PERFECT COMPLETE, LACKING IN NOTHING. JAMES 1:2-4

TESTING OF YOUR FAITH	=	<u>Endurance</u> (TRIALS)	RESULTS N YOU BEING:	1. <u>Perfect</u> 2. <u>Complete</u> 3. LACKING IN <u>Nothing</u>	CAUSING YOU GREAT	<u>Joy</u>
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TRUTHS TO REMIND OURSELVES OF AS WE GO THROUGH TRIALS:

1. THE CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US OF OUR OWN mortality

LUKE 13:4-5 AND JESUS SAID TO THEM, "DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT THESE GALILEANS WERE GREATER SINNERS THAN ALL OTHER GALILEANS BECAUSE THEY SUFFERED THIS FATE? I TELL YOU, NO BUT UNLESS YOU REPENT, YOU WILL ALL LIKEWISE PERISH."

OR DO YOU SUPPOSE THAT THOSE EIGHTEEN ON WHOM THE TOWER IN SILOAM FELL AND KILLED THEM WERE WORSE CULPRITS THAN ALL THE MEN WHO LIVE IN JERUSALEM? I TELL YOU, NO, BUT UNLESS YOU REPENT, YOU WILL ALL LIKEWISE PERISH."

PSALM 139:16 IN YOUR BOOK WERE ALL WRITTEN THE DAYS THAT WERE ORDAINED FOR ME, WHEN AS YET THERE WAS NOT ONE OF THEM.

MATT. 6:27 AND WHICH OF YOU BY BEING ANXIOUS CAN ADD A SINGLE HOUR TO HIS SPAN OF LIFE?

2. THE CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US THAT THIS IS NOT OUR ETERNAL home.

JAMES 4:14 WHAT IS YOUR LIFE? FOR YOU ARE A MIST THAT APPEARS FOR A LITTLE TIME AND THEN VANISHES AWAY

HEBREWS 11:10 FOR HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CITY THAT HAS FOUNDATIONS, WHO DESIGNER AND BUILDER IS GOD
→ Abraham

HEBREWS 13:14 FOR HERE WE HAVE NO LASTING CITY, BUT WE SEEK THE CITY THAT IS TO COME

HEBREWS 11:13-16 ALL THESE DIED IN FAITH, WITHOUT RECEIVING THE PROMISES, BUT HAVING SEEN THEM AND HAVING WELCOMED THEM FROM A DISTANCE, AND HAVING CONFESSED THAT THEY WERE STRANGERS AND EXILES ON THE EARTH. FOR THOSE WHO SAY SUCH THINGS MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THEY ARE SEEKING A COUNTRY OF THEIR OWN. AND INDEED IF THEY HAD BEEN THINKING OF THAT COUNTRY FROM WHICH THEY WENT OUT, THEY WOULD HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN. BUT AS IT IS, THEY DESIRE A BETTER COUNTRY, THAT IS, A HEAVENLY ONE. THEREFORE GOD IS NOT ASHAMED TO BE CALLED THEIR GOD; FOR HE HAS PREPARED A CITY FOR THEM.

3. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US NOT TO STORE UP earthly TREASURES

MATT. 6:19-21 DO NOT STORE UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES ON EARTH, WHERE MOTH AND RUST DESTROY, AND WHERE THIEVES BREAK IN AND STEAL BUT STORE UP FOR YOURSELVES TREASURES IN HEAVEN, WHERE NEITHER MOTH NOR RUST DESTROYS, AND WHERE THIEVES DO NOT BREAK IN OR STEAL. FOR WHERE YOU TREASURE IS, THERE YOUR HEART WILL BE ALSO.

4. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US OF GOD'S PROMISE TO PROVIDE FOR OUR Needs EACH DAY.

PHIL 4:19 AND MY GOD WILL SUPPLY EVERY NEED OF YOURS ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES IN GLORY IN CHRIST JESUS

MATT. 6:25-33 FOR THIS REASON I SAY TO YOU, DO NOT BE WORRIED ABOUT YOUR LIFE, AS TO WHAT YOU WILL EAT OR WHAT YOU WILL DRINK, NOR FOR YOUR BODY, AS TO WHAT YOU WILL PUT ON. IS NOT LIFE MORE THAN FOOD, AND THE BODY MORE THAN CLOTHING? LOOK AT THE BIRDS OF THE AIR, THAT THEY DO NOT SOW, NOR REAP NOR GATHER INTO BARN, AND YET YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER FEEDS THEM. ARE YOU NOT WORTH MUCH MORE THAN THEY? AND WHO OF YOU BY BEING WORRIED CAN ADD A SINGLE HOUR TO HIS LIFE? AND WHY ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT CLOTHING? OBSERVE HOW THE LILIES OF THE FIELD GROW; THEY DO NOT TOIL NOR DO THEY SPIN, YET I SAY TO YOU THAT NOT EVEN SOLOMON IN ALL HIS GLORY CLOTHED HIMSELF LIKE ONE OF THESE. BUT IF GOD SO CLOTHES THE GRASS OF THE FIELD, WHICH IS ALIVE TODAY AND TOMORROW IS THROWN INTO THE FURNACE, WILL HE NOT MUCH MORE CLOTHE YOU? YOU OF LITTLE FAITH! DO NOT WORRY THEN, SAYING, 'WHAT WILL WE EAT?' OR 'WHAT WILL WE WEAR FOR CLOTHING?' FOR THE FATHER KNOWS THAT YOU NEED ALL THESE THINGS. BUT SEEK FIRST HIS KINGDOM AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND ALL THESE THINGS WILL BE ADDED UNTO YOU.

5. THE CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US TO REDEEM THE time

EP. 5:15-16 THEREFORE BE CAREFUL HOW YOU WALK, NOT AS UNWISE MEN BUT AS WISE, MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR TIME, BECAUSE THE DAYS ARE EVIL.

6. THE CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US TO BE risk TAKERS.

JUDE:3 I FELT THE NECESSITY TO WRITE TO YOU APPEALING THAT YOU CONTEND EARNESTLY FOR THE FAITH

NUMBERS 13:27-14:10 AND THEY TOLD HIM, "WE CAME TO THE LAND TO WHICH YOU SENT US. IT FLOWS WITH MILK AND HONEY, AND THIS IS ITS FRUIT. HOWEVER, THE PEOPLE WHO DWELL IN THE LAND ARE STRONG, AND THE CITIES ARE FORTIFIED AND VERY LARGE. AND BESIDES, WE SAW THE DESCENDANTS OF ANAK THERE. THE AMALEKITES DWELL IN THE LAND OF THE NEGEB. THE HITTITES, THE JEBUSITES, AND THE AMORITES DWELL IN THE HILL COUNTRY AND THE CANAANITES DWELL BY THE SEA AND ALONG THE JORDAN." BUT CALEB QUIETED THE PEOPLE BEFORE MOSES AND SAID, "LET US GO UP AT ONCE AND OCCUPY IT, FOR WE ARE WELL ABLE TO OVERCOME IT." THEN THE MEN WHO HAD GONE UP WITH HIM SAID, "WE ARE NOT ABLE TO GO UP AGAINST THE PEOPLE, FOR THEY ARE STRONGER THAN WE ARE." THEN ALL THE CONGREGATIONS RAISED A LOUD CRY, AND THE PEOPLE WEPT THAT NIGHT AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL GRUMBLED AGAINST MOSES AND AARON... THEN MOSES AND AARON FELL ON THEIR FACES BEFORE ALL THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CONGREGATION OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL. AND JOSHUA THE SON OF NUN AND CALEB THE SON OF JEPHUNNEH, WHO WERE AMONG THOSE WHO HAD SPIED OUT THE LAND, TORE THEIR CLOTHES AND SAID TO ALL THE CONGREGATION OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL. "THE LAND, WHICH WE PASSED THROUGH TO SPY IT OUT, IS AN EXCEEDINGLY GOOD LAND. IF THE LORD DELIGHTS IN US, HE WILL BRING US INTO THIS LAND AND GIVE IT TO US, A LAND THAT FLOWS WITH MILK AND HONEY. ONLY DO NOT REBEL AGAINST THE LORD. AND DO NOT FEAR THE PEOPLE OF THE LAND, FOR THEY ARE BREAD FOR US. THEIR PROTECTION IS REMOVED FROM THEM AND THE LORD IS WITH US; DO NOT FEAR THEM." THEN ALL THE CONGREGATION SAID TO STONE THEM WITH STONES BUT THE GLORY OF THE LORD APPEARED AT THE TENT OF MEETING TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL.

7. VIRUS REMINDS US OF WHAT trust REALLY MEANS

DANIEL 3:16-18 SHADRACH, MESHACH AND ABEDNEGO ANSWERED AND SAID TO THE KING, "O NEBUCHADNEZZAR, WE HAVE NO NEED TO ANSWER YOU IN THIS MATTER. IF THIS BE SO, OUR GOD WHOM WE SERVE IS ABLE TO DELIVER US FROM THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE, AND HE WILL DELIVER US OUT OF YOUR HAND, O KING, BUT IF NOT, BE IT KNOWN TO YOU, O KING, THAT WE WILL NOT SERVE YOUR GODS OR WORSHIP THE GOLDEN IMAGE THAT YOU HAVE SET US.

8. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US THAT GOD HAS A RIGHT TO BRING Judgement ON THE NATIONS.

JEREMIAH 18:3-10 SO I WENT DOWN TO THE POTTER'S HOUSE, AND THERE HE WAS WORKING AT HIS WHEEL. AND THE VESSEL HE WAS MAKING OF CLAY WAS SPOILED IN THE POTTER'S HAND, AND HE WORKED IT INTO ANOTHER VESSEL, AS IT SEEMED GOOD TO THE POTTER TO DO. THEN THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO ME: "O HOUSE OF ISRAEL, CAN I NOT DO WITH YOU AS THIS POTTER HAS DONE?" DECLARES THE LORD. "BEHOLD, LIKE THE CLAY IN THE POTTER'S HAND, SO ARE YOU IN MY HAND, O HOUSE OF ISRAEL. IF AT ANY TIME I DECLARE CONCERNING A NATION OR A KINGDOM, THAT I WILL PLUCK UP AND BREAK DOWN AND DESTROY IT, AND IF THAT NATION, CONCERNING WHICH I HAVE SPOKEN TURNS FROM ITS EVIL. I WILL RELENT OF THE DISASTER THAT I INTENDED TO DO TO IT. AND IF AT ANY TIME I DECLARE CONCERNING A NATION OR A KINGDOM THAT I WILL BUILD AND PLANT IT, AND IF IT DOES EVIL IN MY SIGHT, NOT LISTENING TO MY VOICE, THEN I WILL RELENT OF THE GOOD THAT I HAD INTENDED TO DO TO IT."

9. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US THAT GOD HAS A right IN OUR LIVES TO DO WITH IT AS HE WANTS

10. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US THAT GOD ISNT FINISHED WITH OUR Nation.

GEN. 41:56 SO WHEN THE FAMINE HAD SPREAD OVER ALL THE LAND, JOSEPH OPENED ALL THE STOREHOUSES AND SOLD TO THE EGYPTIANS, FOR THE FAMINE WAS SEVERE IN THE LAND OF EGYPT

11. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US OF WHAT OUR response SHOULD BE.

JOB. 42:2-6 THEN JOB ANSWERED THE LORD AND SAID, "I KNOW THAT YOU CAN DO ALL THINGS, AND THAT NO PURPOSE OF YOURS CAN BE THWARTED. 'WHO IS THIS THAT HIDES COUNSEL WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE?' THEREFORE I HAVE UTTERED WHAT I DID NOT UNDERSTAND, THINGS TOO WONDERFUL FOR ME, WHICH I DID NOT KNOW. 'HEAR, AND I WILL SPEAK; I WILL QUESTION YOU, AND YOU MAKE IT KNOWN TO ME.' I HAD HEARD OF YOU BY THE HEARING OF THE EAR, BUT NOW MY EYE SEES YOU; THEREFORE, I DESPISE MYSELF, AND REPENT IN DUST AND ASHES."

12. CORONA VIRUS REMINDS US TO NEVER FORGET WHAT GOD HAS Commanded US TO DO.

MARK 16:15 GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL TO THE WHOLE CREATION