Beulah Missionary Baptist Church Noon Day Prayer – Bible Study Rev. Jerry D. Black, Pastor



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Lesson #31 Beware of False Teachers

Scripture: 2^{nd} John 1:1-13

Emphasis: 2nd John 1:6

"And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it."

Subject: "Walking in Love and Obedience to the Word of God"

The Apostle John was one of the first Disciples **Background:** who Jesus personally invited and hand pick to follow him in His Ministry. John and his brother James, the sons of Zebedee. John in his writings often referred to himself as the Disciple who Jesus loved, or he would write and the other Disciple. John along with eleven other Disciples out of the many who followed Jesus became designated as Jesus' Twelve Disciples who were set aside and spent intimate time alone with the Master. John along with Peter and James also were part of Jesus' most inner circle and shared some experiences with Jesus no other men would. John was probably one of the youngest of the Apostles and Jesus may have had special affections toward John. John was the only Apostle who stood near the Cross when Jesus was Crucified and by request of Jesus committed to take care of Jesus' mother. John was one of 1st witnesses to see and speak to our Risen Saviour.

Introduction: In this 31st Lesson of the 2nd Epistle from John to the Christians, we continue our study in 2nd John Chapter 1. There are Four Major Topics: 1). Abiding in Love and showing Love 2). Abiding in Truth of God's Word 3). Abiding in Obedience to the Lord's Word 4). Avoiding all False Teaching, especially things that contradict the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Not giving any Encouragement to False Teachers nor associating with them

Lesson Topic #1 2nd John 1:1 – 4

"The elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth; 2 For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever. 3 Grace be with you, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love. 4 I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father."

- For Truth's Sake
 - o Fact #1 We have received the Truth and it Abides in us
 - Once we have received of Truth and we acknowledge Christ as Truth, through the Holy Spirit, we have Truth that Dwells in us
 - When we understand the Truth, we understand that we also have Love of the Father and also Love of the Bretheren
 - The Truth that we have is of the Father, Son and sealed in us through the Holy Spirit
 - o Fact #2 Grace Mercy Peace
 - Grace allows us to Receive the Mercy of God
 - Mercy allows us to Recognize the Grace of God
 - Mercy allows us to Experience Grace and Peace of God
 - o Fact #3 Watching Others Walking in the Truth
 - There is a certain Glow that abounds those who Walk in the Truth
 - What great Harmony we experience when we connect with other believers who are Walking in the Truth
 - When should Rejoice and also Encourage others that we see who are Walking in the Truth
 - Abraham learned how to Walk in the Truth of God and he prospered in Grace, Mercy and in Truth

Lesson Topic #2 2nd John 1:5 – 9

"And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another. 6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it. 7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. 8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. 9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son."

- Abide and Walk in Love
 - o Realities #1 The Pursuit of Acting in True Love
 - For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life (Joh 3:16)
 - And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. (Matt 3:16-17)
 - While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. (Matt 17:5)
 - God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. (Acts 13:33)
 - I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. (Psalms 2:7)
 - o Realities #2 The Commandment of Love
 - Love is not a Commandment that is only found in the New Testament
 - Love has always been a Commandment, even from the beginning
 - o Realities #3 Abiding in the Doctrine of Christ
 - Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God
 - He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son

Lesson Topic #3 2^{nd} John 1:10-13

"If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: 11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. 12 Having many things to write unto you, I would not write with paper and ink: but I trust to come unto you, and speak face to face, that our joy may be full. 13 The children of thy elect sister greet thee. Amen."

- Stick to the Doctrine that you have been Taught
 - o Truths #1 How to Deal with False Teachers and Doctrine
 - Do not Encourage anyone who Teaches or Walks in False Doctrine

- Don't laugh at their jokes or say Amen to anyone who Teaches or Walks in a Doctrine that differs from what you are taught
- o Truths #2 The Audience of False Teachers
 - Don't invite them to your gatherings or Fellowships
 - Don't accept invitations to their gatherings or Fellowships
- Truths #3 Hospitality to False Teachers
 - Don't accept them into your home nor let it appear that you agree with their doctrine
 - You can not Trust them or their tactics
 - Avoid debate with them because it could be seen as if you are in agreement with them

"If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:"

Conclusion: Avoid anyone who Teaches a doctrine that opposes what you have been taught, - Flee and do not Encourage

Exercise our **Faith** and **Act** on our **Faith** accordingly. The Bible says that we are to be **Doers** of God's **Word** and not just **Hearers** only.

Let us Pray Acknowledgements