



Rehoboth Reformed Church

Thoroughly Equipped Radio Program Outline

June 2, 2013

Title: God Is My Salvation, I Will Trust And Not Be Afraid

Introduction: How often do you get angry? Have you ever stopped and asked yourself why? Is it because something wrong was done or said to you? Is God ever angry? If so, why?

Main Point. The Apostle Paul declared that "*the Holy Scriptures*" are "*able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus*" (2 Timothy 3:15). The "*the Holy Scriptures*" that he was referring to is what we today call the Old Testament. Today we will look at one example of this truth as found in chapter 12 of the book of Isaiah.

I. God is love and He loves righteousness and holiness and hates rebellion and wickedness.

As the righteous Judge of all the earth (Genesis 18:25), He is faithful to uphold the right and to punish wrong. Isaiah described this in terms of God's anger or wrath (Isaiah 12:1). You can explore this truth in greater detail in the Apostle Paul's letter to the Romans (Romans 1:16-3:20). Here is an important question that must be answered - Do you know and confess that you are a sinner that has violated God's revealed will (the Law) and must be punished for your sin and rebellion ("*the wages of sin is death*" ((Romans 3:23)?

II. God is indeed just, but He is likewise merciful and in mercy He has turned away His wrath from sinners. He has done this while at the same time preserving His justice and the standard of righteousness, namely His holy law by turning that wrath (anger) to one who gave himself as a substitute in the place of guilty sinners. Do you know and trust His gracious provision found in the person and work of Jesus Christ (John 3:16-18)?

III. Those who trust in Christ alone for salvation find comfort both in this life and forever through His grace that is provided through the sacrifice of Christ. Thus we rejoice that "*God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid*" (verse 2). In the rest of Isaiah chapter 12 (verses 3-6) **we find a number of ways to express our gratitude to God for the great salvation that He has wrought for us in Christ.**

Conclusion: The Holy Scriptures are able to make us wise to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. That salvation includes both the justice and the mercy of God toward those who don't deserve it. Where do you stand in relations to this great message of salvation?

Preparations for next Sunday's program: We begin a study in one of the most fascinating books of the Bible that record God's dealing with a rebellious prophet and how He showed His mercy to many who didn't deserve it. In preparation, please read Jonah chapter one.

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