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CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The fullness of his love and grace, and power, and holiness can come to dwell in you; but this is not all that the verse speaks of, it is written, "filled with all the fullness of God." What a transcendent expression! Here we have not only an indwelling God, but that God in the utmost fullness of his Godhead filling and overflowing the whole soul with his fullness. I cannot help borrowing an illustration from a friend who took up a bottle by the seashore, filled it full of sea-water, corked it down, and then threw it into the sea. "Now," said he, "there it is, there is the sea in the bottle, and there is the bottle in the sea." It is full to fullness, and then in a still greater fullness. There is my soul with God in it, and my soul in God; the fullness of God in me as much as I can hold, and then myself in the fullness of God. The illustration gives one as much of the text as one knows how to convey; ourselves swallowed up in the all-absorbing abyss of the love of God, and that same love of God flowing into all the parts and powers of our soul till we are as full of God as man can hold. Then shall we show that love in our lives, in our prayers, in our preaching, in everything that we do; we shall manifest not only that we have been with Jesus, but that we have Jesus dwelling in us, filling us right full with his loving, sanctifying, elevating presence.

Charles H. Spurgeon

"Heavenly Geometry" Ephesians 3:16-19

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Sunday Evening Service - 6:00 p.m.

To Be a Pilgrim Too (children) - Gospel According to Genesis (adults)

Overcoming Temptations

And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. Luke 4:1-2

I. EXPOSITION FOR CONTEXT

Luke 3:23-4:13

A. Jesus Begins His Ministry, Luke 3:23

1. *"about" thirty years of age*
 - a. Num 4:3, 23, 30, 35, 39, 43, 47

B. Jesus Being Tempted of the Devil, Luke 4:1-13

1. time in wilderness - 40 days, vv1-2
 - a. compare with Matt 4:1-11
2. temptations in wilderness, vv3-12
 - a. *command this stone*, vv3-4; Deut 8:3
 - b. *come worship me*, vv5-8; Deut 6:13
 - c. *cast yourself down*, vv9-12; Psa 91:11-12; Deut 6:16; Psa 138:2
3. tempted in all points, v13
 - a. considering Heb 4:15

II. EXHORTATION FROM THE TEXT

Luke 4:1-13

A. Devilish Occupation

1. his strategy, 1 Jn 2:16; Gen 3:6
2. his methods, Gen 3:1-5
 - a. comes to the weakest vessel, Gen 3:1-3
 - b. create doubt about God's Word, Gen 3:4
 - c. cast accusations upon God's character, Gen 3:5

B. Divine Sanctification

1. holy perspective in temptations, Jas 1:13-16
2. holy purpose for temptations, 1 Cor 10:13

C. Diligent Application (How to Overcome Temptation)

1. habitual assurance in Christ, Isa 53:5
2. happy activity for Christ, Phil 2:12-13
3. humble atonement from Christ, 1 Jn 1:9

IS YOUR CHRISTIANITY BLESSED OR CURSED?

“Cursed is he who does the work of the LORD with slackness, and cursed is he who keeps back his sword from bloodshed.” Jeremiah 48:10

Moab was the son of Lot, born after the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (Gen 19:37). His name means “from father.” The Moabites lived in the mountainous region east of the Dead Sea in what is known as modern Jordan today. Jeremiah tells of Moab’s destruction for its idolatry (Jer 48:1-7), and in v10, he pronounces a curse upon the nation (Jer 48:8) who does not have faith (*does the work of the LORD with slackness*), and who restrains judgment by withholding the sword and its resultant bloodshed (*keeps back his sword from bloodshed*). Idolaters (Babylon) were appointed to capture the cities of Moab for its idolatrous sins. This passage tells us every living soul is subject and responsible to a sovereign God. Deceitfully or negligently carrying out God’s will results in a curse.

How much more serious would be the curse for those who are called by God’s grace? to not carry out God’s will according to His kingdom plan? Certainly, the curse would not be unto our total destruction. For nothing can “*separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord*” (Rom 8:39). Yet, there are areas of our lives which would be cursed of God if our gospel call or our Christian walk lacked faith (*with slackness*)— in other words, the blessing of Christ’s presence would not be manifested in our lives, the Holy Spirit would be grieved, and the heavenly Father would not be pleased.

It would be even more serious if this behavior existed among those called to minister gospel truth to God’s people. Faithless preaching is doing the work “*deceitfully*” (KJV) or “*with slackness*” (ESV). Preaching the Word without Christ’s shed blood, without Christ’s suffering God’s wrath, or apart from Christ’s atoning death is keeping “*back his sword from bloodshed.*”

The gospel is the central truth
To which our souls must cling;
Yet, if we stray, may we be mute,
The reason’s gone to sing.

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This Week's Bible Portions from Robert Murray McCheyne's "Daily Bread"

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FAMILY READINGS			PRIVATE READINGS	
1 Samuel 11	Romans 9	19	Jeremiah 48	Psalms 25
1 Samuel 12	Romans 10	20	Jeremiah 49	Psalms 26-27
1 Samuel 13	Romans 11	21	Jeremiah 50	Psalms 28-29
1 Samuel 14	Romans 12	22	Jeremiah 51	Psalms 30
1 Samuel 15	Romans 13	23	Jeremiah 52	Psalms 31
1 Samuel 16	Romans 14	24	Lament. 1	Psalms 32
1 Samuel 17	Romans 15	25	Lament. 2	Psalms 33
1 Samuel 18	Romans 16	26	Lament. 3	Psalms 34

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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:00 pm

Morning Prayer (Monday-Friday) 6:30-8:30 am

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