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Text: Hebrews 12:18-24
Topic: Sanctification. Perspective.
Study: Hebrews
Week: 65
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part 7
Our Fight with Sin
Motivated by Heaven's Perspective



1. Remember _____ (vv.18-21)

2. Joyfully _____ (vv.22-23a)

3. Soberly _____ (vv.23b-24)

Hebrews 12:18-24

¹⁸You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; ¹⁹to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, ²⁰because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned." ²¹The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear." ²²But you have come to Mount Zion, to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, ²³to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the judge of all men, to the spirits of righteous men made perfect, ²⁴to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. (NIV)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Isaiah 59:2 & Romans 3:20**. Describe in your own words the problem that sin created for the human race.

How can a biblical reminder about the theological ramifications of sin change your perspective on temptation?

2. If you were describing the reason we worship God to a new Christian, what would you say?

What is the role of your mind during musical worship?

3. How does a focus on the high cost of redemption and the dramatic reality of reconciliation affect the way you pray?

4. When you are tempted to compromise, what prompts can you put in place to remember the sacrifice of Christ on your behalf?

5. Write out a prayer that expresses your desire to live your daily life with more gratitude for your salvation and more thoughtfulness regarding what it cost.

Read Through the Bible in a Year

Here's this week's schedule:

October 21st

Jer. 41-42 & 1Th.4.

October 22nd

Jer. 43-44 & 1Th.5

October 23rd

Jer. 45-46 & 2Th.1

October 24th

Jer. 47-48 & 2Th.2

October 25th

Jer. 49-50 & 2Th.3

October 26th

Jer. 51-52 & 1Tim.1

October 27th

Lam. 1-2 & 1Tim.2

October 28th

Lam. 3-4 & 1Tim.3

Here is a list of other CDs available from past sermons which may assist you in your further study of today's message.

CD # 0763 – **A Really Good Friday: The Day God Nailed Our Sins to the Cross**

CD # 0505 – **The Gospel: Embracing the Lamb of God**

CD # 0667 – **In Your Own Defense? Being Totally Honest About Your Sin**

CD # 0663 – **The Sin Problem: And Our Problem with Sin**

CD # 0665 – **Without Excuse: God's Grace Against the Backdrop of Inexcusable Sin**

CD # 0568 – **Kindness & Repentance: God's Strategic Use of His Incredible Grace**

Here are some resources that will assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in this week's sermon.

(To see other recommendations by Pastor Mike related to this and other topics go to www.CompassBooks.org.)

Bridges, Jerry. **The Pursuit of Holiness**. NavPress, 1996.

Burroughs, Jeremiah. **Gospel Reconciliation: Christ's Trumpet of Peace to the World**. Reprint. Soli Deo Gloria, 2006.

Carson, D. A. **A Call to Spiritual Reformation: Priorities from Paul and His Prayers**. Baker Books, 1992.

Chapell, Bryan. **Holiness by Grace: Delighting in the Joy That Is Our Strength**. Crossway Books, 2001.

Morris, Leon. **The Atonement: Its Meaning and Significance**. InterVarsity, 1984.

Murray, John. **Redemption Accomplished and Applied**. Eerdmans, 1984.

Plantinga, Cornelius. **Not the Way It's Supposed to Be: A Breviary of Sin**. Eerdmans Publishing, 1995.

Roberts, Richard Owen. **Repentance: The First Word of the Gospel**. Crossway Books, 2002.

Stott, John R.W. **The Cross of Christ**. InterVarsity Press, 1986.

Venning, Ralph. **The Sinfulness of Sin**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1997.

Watson, Thomas. **The Doctrine of Repentance**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1987.