

## **Lesson 12: The Law of Truth [18 October 2020]**

### ➤ **Malachi 2:6-7**

- Levites: Jesus is in the Levitical order: The Priesthood
- We are IN Christ: in the same Priesthood order – Revelation 1:5-6
- There are two things we need to understand about God's Words of Truth:
  - It is Integrity
  - It is Power (Authority)

### I. **Keep the Word of Truth by Speaking it**

- a. 2 Corinthians 4:13
- b. Romans 10:6-10
  - b.i. Verse 6-7: Christ is the core, center, heart of the born-again believer
  - b.ii. Verse 8: we have the Word of God
  - b.iii. When we have the Word of God on something, we have the Answer

### II. **The Sower Sows the Word**

- a. Mark 4:14 [Luke 8:11] = the theme of this parable: The Word of God
  - a.i. Verse 13: Tells us of the importance of this Parable
  - a.ii. The reborn human spirit is compared to 4 types of ground:
    - a.ii.1. Wayside = occasional hearers, but not doers
    - a.ii.2. Stony = refusal to believe the Truth
    - a.ii.3. Thorney = natural, physical things are 1<sup>st</sup> & foremost
      - a.ii.3.a. Cares of this world
      - a.ii.3.b. Deceitfulness of riches
      - a.ii.3.c. Lust for other things
      - a.ii.3.c.i. Weeds choke the Words ability to breathe life into your spirit (heart of man)
    - a.ii.4. Good Ground = hear, believe and do
- b. Mark 4:30-32
  - b.i. Verse 32: "it" = the Word of God
  - b.ii. Verse 32: "when it is SOWN, it GROWS" – it's a living thing and it must be fed: The Word feeds the Word
    - b.ii.1. All of this is True of any area we are Believing God
    - b.ii.2. The Principle is always the same:
      - b.ii.2.a. Sow the Word
      - b.ii.2.b. Develop Hope (Expectation)
      - b.ii.2.c. Faith Comes: Romans 10:17
      - b.ii.2.d. Confession of Faith builds Expectation
      - b.ii.2.e. Confession by Faith brings Substance: Hebrews 11:1
- c. Hebrews 4:12

### III. **The Word is Powerful, Alive & Sharp**

- a. Moffat's Translation: "For the Word of God is a Living thing ..."
- b. New Living Testament: "it exposes the innermost thought and desires"
- c. (Heb 4:12) [Amplified Classic Version] For the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [*making it active, operative, energizing, and effective*]; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating to the dividing line of the breath of life (soul) and [*the immortal*] spirit, and of joints and marrow [*of the deepest parts of our nature*], exposing *and* sifting *and* analyzing *and* judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart.
  - c.i. The Word will work for us just as it does for God
  - d. Integrity = wholeness, an unbroken state, entire, morally sound
    - d.i. The written Word of God is a copy of what God has already used to release His Faith – to create His desires

### IV. **We must hear Sound Doctrine: Titus 2:1-5**

- a. Sound = healthy, safe, well, whole, uncorrupt
- b. Uncorrupt = not perverted, not tainted with wickedness
- c. (Tit 2:1) [Amplified Classic Version] BUT [*as for*] you, teach what is fitting *and* becoming to sound (wholesome) doctrine [*the character and right living that identify true Christians*].
  - c.i. Teach = proclaim and illustrate Truth
  - c.ii. Verse 2: sensible and sound in Faith
  - c.iii. Verses 7-10:
    - c.iii.1. Verse 10: purloining = divide, to appropriate for one's own use, to set apart
    - c.iii.2. Some denominations teach that it is only the priests who are able to understand the Word: Revelation 1:6 (we're all Priests)
    - c.iii.3. I once walked into a Church carrying my Bible and everyone was staring at me because I wasn't wearing Priestly Robes and therefore, I had no right to carry God's Word into the Church
- d. 2 Timothy 2:15 is for everyone who comes to Christ in Faith
  - d.i. Approved = no cause to be ashamed
  - d.ii. Romans 1:15-17