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PRECIOUS CHRISTIAN POSSESSIONS

- Intro.
1. My Lord's most haunting question: LUKE 18:8. or "WHAT HAS MY SACRIFICE BEEN WORTH?"
 2. Scriptures which give me chills up and down my soul: Matt. 20:16, 22:14. Why? and Matt. 7:13-14. Oh, why?
 3. LESSON: POSITIVE !!! ^{about:} Those who DO find the WAY and follow it through the GATE..... and that to ETERNAL HAPPINESS. QUESTION: How do they do that? ONE WORD: Promises!!
 4. QUESTION: WHAT ARE PROMISES? Promises are DOORS of escape from lust, sin, ^{To be used 16 times.} guilt and eternal disappointment with life. * II Pet. 1:2-4.
 5. The Writer, Salter expands on this. * QUOTE. (Edwards. P. 525.) God's part is called GRACE. / * EPH. 2:8-10. Every PROMISE is conditional!!! Faith & Obed. !!

6. WHAT DO PROMISES DO? Two things: INFORM & MOTIVATE.

A. COUPLE OF ILLUSTRATIONS:

a. INFORM: * John 8:30-32. Truth is God's train-tracks to Heaven. A guide.

b. MOTIVATE: Promises connect to either Rewards or Retribution.

(1. MARK 16:16 ^a Informs and motivates: B & B = Saved.....reward! "I promise"
16:16 ^b Informs and motivates: No B & B -damned..retribution.promise"

(2. Acts 2:38 Informs and motivates: R & B = R & H S.

REWARDS: R & H S predicated on DOING. Vs. 37. They understood this!!

** Acts 16:30. Jailer at Philippi understood this: DO? Promise tied to a reward! = Saved. He and his did it!! v. 31-34. SAME AS: MK. 16. ² It's God extends Grace. Man receives Grace.

7. CRUX OF THIS LESSON: The FEW are saved: by REMEMBERING (to life's end) forever Christ's PROMISES.

1st:

A. * Rom. 10:9-10. Crossover from ignorance, sin and silence to FAITH, and Faithfulness to the Great Commission: Confess forever--go teach forever. SAME: Matt. 10:32. Promise with a REWARD.....ACCEPTANCE TO GLORY.
10:33. Promise with a PENALTY.....REJECTION BY THE LORD.

2nd:

B. "I PROMISE YOU---EVERYTHING!" ^{Context: all! II Pet. 1:3. L+9!} * Matt. 6:33. Seek & Receive! As sure as God's promise!!!

3rd:

C. SATAN will oppose your putting the church of Christ first. I Pet. 5:8. NO MATTER: Jesus gave us promises: John 14:27. I Cor. 10:13. Jas. 4:7. Stay free!

4th:

D. "I PROMISE YOU---REST & spiritual relaxation". * Matt. 11:28-30.

Challenge: COME. TAKE. LEARN. Find Why? A reward: REST.

VIZ. Rest and peace IN (not from) your duties and labors in life.

Rest and peace IN (not from) your struggles & problems in life.

* SONG: "If Jesus goes with me, I'll go anywhere. Tis heaven to me, Where e'er I may be, If He is there. I count it a privledge here...His cross to bear. If Jesus goes with me, I'll go anywhere!" WHY?/ Heb. 13:5.

5th:

E. "I PROMISE YOU.....ONE MORE THING!" * JOHN 11:25-26.

Believe in me now, when it's a real challenge and I'll bless your life forever when its a real eternal-ECSTASY...beyond description here. FEW DO!

Inv. WHY DO YOU SUPPOSE SO FEW ARE GOING TO MAKE IT TO HEAVEN?

LACK: of will? knowledge? Caring? Lack of confidence???

Let me tell you about YOU: You CAN make it---regardless of all else-----

if DARRELL RAY TURNER could do what he did !!!!!!! * QUOTE.....

Jesus
Peter
Luke
H.S.
God.