



Heaven

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WELCOME

Session-7

November 6th

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- *Service to the Lord*

[never like “Nico-Laitans”]

- *God is opposed to the proud but gives grace to the humble*
- *Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord*
- *Satan literally “prowls” EARTH*
- *Silvanus, John-Mark, “Babylon”?*

1st Peter 5:1-4 *Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the Glory that is to be Revealed*

- *Shepherd the flock of God among you*
- *Exercising oversight not under compulsion [but voluntarily according to the will of God]*
- *Not for sordid gain*
- *But with eagerness*
- *Not lording it over those allotted to your charge but rather proving to be examples to the flock*

1st Peter 5:1-4 *Not LORDING it over those allotted to your charge but proving to be examples to the flock*

Rev. 2:6 *Jesus 'hates' [abhors] the works of the Nicolaitans, same as the church body in Ephesus does not hate the Nicolaitans, but hated the works [deeds] of them*
Nico Laity = subduing + average people

Acts 6:1-15 Seven men chosen as first deacons to serve the Jerusalem church body
Stephen Philip Prochorus Nicanor Timon Parmenas and
Nicolas proselyte from Antioch. he 'converted' from paganism to Judaism now Christianity

Irenaeus and Hippolytus BOTH write 'Nicolaitans' descend from how Nicolas functioned in Jerusalem
Nicolas sought the prestige-power-high ranking authority and 'Lorded himself over others'
Like the Jewish priests, Pharisees, Sadducees who enjoyed their "positions over the people"

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James 4:6 *God is opposed to the proud but gives grace to the humble*

Matt. 20:26 *if you want to be great be a servant to others*

20:28 *Son of Man did not come to be served - but to serve*

Mark 9:35 *you want to be first? Be last and be servant to all others*

Mark 10:42 *high officials exercise authority over others*

John 13:12-17 *Jesus washed the feet of the disciples*

Philippians 2:3 *do nothing out of selfish ambition, vain conceit, but in humility
value others as more important than yourself*

1st Peter 5:1-4 *Then when the Chief Shepherd appears*
you will receive the unfading Crown of glory

στέφανος δόξα = *stephanos doxa* [round-wrapped wreath-garland]

James 1:12 Rev. 2:10 **Crown of Life** στέφανος ζωή = *stephanos zoa*

1 Corinthians 9:25 **Imperishable-Incorruptible Crown** = *stephanos wreath*

2nd Timothy 4:8 **Crown of Righteousness** = *stephanos wreath*

1 Thess. 2:19 Philippians 4:1 **Crown of Rejoicing-Exultation** = *stephanos*

ALL are the 'prize' or 'award' for finishing the race well

Rev. 12, 13, 19 are διάδημα *diadema* = *diadem* King-Royalty crown

Stephanos are ALL related to the βῆμα *bema* for reward/award

1st Peter 5:5-7 *You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders
and all of you clothe yourselves with humility toward one another
for God is opposed to the proud but gives grace to the humble*

REMINDS ME OF Titus 2:1-13 how shall the older men behave [watched by younger guys]

v6 *young guys need to be sensible*

v7 *an example of good deeds, pure doctrine, dignified*

v13 *looking for our Blessed Hope - the appearing of our
great God and Savior Christ Jesus*

1st Peter 3:8 *be harmonious . . . And humble in spirit*

1st Peter 5:5-7

*Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God
that He may exalt you at the proper time*

Maranatha! Music [1978 Bob Hudson]

Casting all your anxiety [cares] on Him, because He cares for you

Psalm 55:22 Cast all your burdens on the Lord

Philippians 4:6 Be anxious for nothing

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart don't lean on your own understanding

Matthew 11:28 Come to Me all you heaven-laden and I will give you rest

1st Peter 5:8-9 *Be of sober spirit - Be on the alert*

Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion seeking someone to devour
but resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering
are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world

James 4:6-7 *God opposes the proud, gives grace to humble - resist the devil and he will flee*

Lucifer = Φωσφόρος phosphoros = *light bringer* and Ἑωσφόρος hesphoros = *dawn bringer*

Ancient Greeks used these to refer to Venus in the morning sky [adopted '*angel of light*']

Satan = שָׂטָן Hebrew = *adversary-opposer*

Devil διάβολος diabolos = *slanderer false accuser*

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Ezekiel 28 *the shining one* “*corrupted his wisdom by reason of his splendor*”

he is a created being, limited in location, power, knowledge

Genesis 3 *nahesh shining one*

Rev. 12:9 *drakon dragon the serpent of old who is called the devil*

Job 1:7 *Satan presents himself to God “roaming on Earth, walking around on it”*

2nd Corinth. 11:14 *Satan also disguises himself as an angel of light*

FALSE Christ Jesus is the Lion of the tribe of Judah

Satan presents himself as Lion but to DEVOUR [Acts 20:29 *wolves come to devour sheep*]

1st Peter 5:10-11 *After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself*

1) perfect 2) confirm 3) strengthen and 4) establish you

repair what is broken stabilize make strong lay a foundation

This is what awaits you on the other side of “suffering for a little while” **EARTH TIME**

Consider *the results of sanctification on EARTH as preparation for what’s to come*

Inherently ‘spiritual’ people involved temporarily in EARTHLY experiences

to Him be dominion forever and ever . . . Amen!

1st Peter 5:12-14 Through Silvanus *our faithful brother [for so I regard him]*

I have written to you *briefly*

Amanuensis takes dictation - writes down what is spoken

No impact on inspiration of Bible **2nd Tim. 3:16-17** *all God-breathed* θεό-πνευστος

Other Examples:

both letters to Thessalonica Paul, Silvanus, Timothy

Saul's letter to Rome I, Tertius, who write this letter greets you also

1st letter to Corinth Paul and Sosthenes 2nd letter to Corinth Paul and Timothy

to Philippi Colossae Philemon Paul and Timothy [beloved physician Luke sends greetings]

Saul references Timothy as he signs-off to Hebrews [*clearly Pauline in content and style*]

1st Peter 5:12-14 ... *exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God*
Stand firm in it! [“it” is the grace of God vs. ‘false grace’?]

She who is in Babylon chosen together with you, sends you greetings and my son John-Mark
congregation code for “Rome” Rev. 14:8, 16:19, 17:5-9, 18:2, 10, 21 spiritual not literal son
Colossians 4:10 *cousin of Bar-Nabas*

Greet one another with a kiss of love
Peace be to you all who are in Christ SIMILAR sign-off to Saul’s letters

SUMMARY COMMENTARY

- **True service to the Lord *is servant-leadership***

Not like the Nicolaitans YES like the Chief Shepherd

- ***Instead: SHOW your love in all things***

- ***And be prepared to SHARE in SUFFERINGS of Jesus Christ***

- ***Clear understanding of Lucifer-Satan-Devil-Red Dragon***

- ***the Amanuensis partners in spreading the Gospel***

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Next Monday

Session-8

November 13th

2nd Peter 1:1-21

Growing in Grace – Sanctification

Exiting Earthly body is imminent

Confirming Eyewitnesses

Remembering the Transfiguration

Defining Sound Prophecy