

Novemba 19, 2017

Ajabu sana

Nakala: Warumi 16:25-27

"Ilikuwa ni dhambi ambayo ilifanya kifo kuogopa sana na uhalifu wa kisheria ambao uliwapa dhambi upungufu wake, nguvu zake za uharibifu. Lakini sasa katika kiharusi kimoja cha Uzima, wote dhambi tatu, hatia, kifo-zimekwenda, zawadi ya Bwana wetu, Yesu Kristo. Asante Mungu! Pamoja na hayo yote kwa ajili yetu, marafiki zangu wapenzi, simama. Usisimama. Jijisheni wenyewe katika kazi ya Bwana, na hakika kwamba hakuna chochote mnachotendea Yeye ni kupoteza muda au jitihada. “ **1 Wakorintho 15: 56-58** (Ujumbe)

Badala ya kuongeza mahitaji ya kisheria kwa watu ambao mara nyingi wanahisi kuharibiwa na changamoto za maisha ya kila siku, utiifu ambao ni imani unatupatia kuamini ahadi za Mungu, kuimarisha matumaini yetu katika wema wa Mungu, na kumtukua Mungu kwa mioyo iliyojaa furaha. Mtazamo wetu na matendo yetu ya spring-sio tamaa isiyoweza kushindwa kupata kibali cha Mungu-bali kutokana na shukrani kwa neema ya Mungu, upendo na ukombozi, tumepewa (C. Young, 2008).

Hakuna jibu la kibinadamu kwa Mungu linaweza kulinganisha na zawadi ya neema ya Mungu inayowaokoa wanadamu, inatupitisha katika familia ya Mungu, inatuunganisha na Mungu na kwa mwingine, na atoni za dhambi zetu, kutuwezesha na kutuwezesha kwa utii mwaminifu (Donald Musser, 2008).

Utukufu ni kile Mungu anachoonekana kama wakati-kwa muda-kuwa kila unapaswa kumtazama ni macho mawili (Frederick Buechner, 1973).

Wiki ijayo: Waefeso 16:25-27

November 19, 2017

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Text: Romans 16:25-27

“It was sin that made death so frightening and law-code guilt that gave sin its leverage, its destructive power. But now in a single victorious stroke of Life, all three—sin, guilt, death—are gone, the gift of our Master, Jesus Christ. Thank God! With all this going for us, my dear friends, stand your ground. Don’t hold back. Throw yourselves into the work of the Master, confident that nothing you do for Him is a waste of time or effort.”

1 Corinthians 15:56-58 (The Message)

Rather than add legalistic requirements for people who often feel overwhelmed by the challenges of daily living, the obedience that is faith calls us to trust in God’s promises, anchor our hope in God’s goodness, and glorify God with hearts filled with joy. Our attitudes and actions spring—not from an insatiable desire to earn God’s favor—but from gratitude for God’s grace, love, and redemption, we have already been given (C. Young, 2008).

No human response to God can compare to the gift of God’s grace that redeems human beings, adopts us into God’s family, reconciles us to God and one another, and atones for our sin, enabling and empowering us to faithful obedience (Donald Musser, 2008).

Glory is what God looks like when—for the time being—all you have to look at Him is a pair of eyes (Frederick Buechner, 1973).

Next week: Ephesians 16:25-27

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SALA YA KILA SIKU: Tunafurahi katika wokovu wetu, na kuimba sifa zako! Tujaze kwa upendo na upya mioyo yetu. Tutumie, hivyo kazi Yako itakuwa furaha yetu. Hebu tukuone katika watu wote na uwe tayari kutoa dhabihu tunayopenda-kwa ajili ya watu waliopotea. Tupate tamaa ya kuleta majirani zetu kwa wokovu na uhusiano na Wewe. Tusaidie kupenda jumuiya yetu kama tunavyojipenda wenyewe na familia zetu. Nitawahimiza familia yangu ya kanisa kuishi katika wito Wako, kama mimi niishi ndani yangu. Asante kwa kutuita sisi kukutumikia na kubeba jina lako! Katika Jina la Yesu, Amen.

MASOMO YA MAANDIKO YA WIKI HII:

Leo: *Zaburi 50:7-15, Amosi 5:18-24 (Mungu anasema nini?)*

Jumatatu: *Mathayo 25: 1-13*

Jumanne: *Wakolosai 4: 2-18*

Jumatano: *1 Wathesalonike 5*

Alhamisi: *2 Wathesalonike 2*

Ijumaa: *2 Wathesalonike 3*

Jumamosi: *Yohana 4: 31-38*

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DAILY PRAYER: We rejoice in our salvation, and sing Your praise! Fill us with love and renew our hearts. Equip us, so Your work will be our delight. May we see You in all people and be willing to sacrifice what we love—for the sake of lost people. Give us passion to bring our neighbors to salvation and relationship with You. Help us love our community as we love ourselves and our families. I will encourage my church family to live into Your calling, as I live into mine. Thank you for calling us to serve You and bear Your Name! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

Today: *Psalm 50:7-15, Amos 5:18-24 (What is God saying?)*

Monday: *Matthew 25:1-13*

Tuesday: *Colossians 4:2-18*

Wednesday: *1 Thessalonians 5*

Thursday: *2 Thessalonians 2*

Friday: *2 Thessalonians 3*

Saturday: *John 4:31-38*
