

ASSIGNMENT 14

NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

Assignment 14-1

1. How does Philippians 2:1 relate to Philippians 2:5-11
2. Philippians 2 provides motivational foundation the [why] while Philippians 2-5 to 11 provides the ultimate example for Christians and the pattern of how should Christian's humility and unity that is expected of them.
3. In chapter 2 it starts with a conjunction in other versions it would be [so] or [if] [or [therefore] so with this version it starts with [If] then there is any encouragement in Christ if any consolation of love if any fellowship with a spirit if any affection and mercy to Fulfill my joy by thinking the same way having the same love, Sharing the same love, and sharing the same feeling focusing on one goal.³ Do nothing out of rivalry But in humility and consider others as more important than yourself .⁴ Everyone Should not look only for his own interest but also for interest of others .
4. We see that if has been repeated 3x in verse 1 showing the importance love, fellowship, humility and unity
5. This tells us that the chapter flow from verse 1 then challenges or rather encourage the Christians to be like minded having the same love, being of one accord or one mind we do find the same flow in chapter 1;27-30.
6. Chapter 2;5-11 show us Jesus as the model and example of humanity and the deity of Jesus, verse 5-8 an example of submission of everyone unto judgement to Jesus as Lord.
7. Jesus did nothing through selfish ambition or conceit but in lowliness of mind, let the same mind that was in Christ be in us Christians as well.
8. [Let] also emphasize the importance of us doing the same

ASSIGNMENT 14;2

Connection between Ephesians 5:15-21 and Ephesians 5:22-6:9

Ephesians 5;6-9 show us how flow of thought shows how a transformed life by the Holy Spirit e.g. [walking in the light] practically expresses itself in everyday relationships starting with marriage.

Ephesians 5:6-9 Paul warns Christians not to be deceived by fruitless deeds of darkness, instead they must walk as children of light producing goodness, righteousness and truth

Ephesians 5:15-21 the connections show that being filled with the Holy Spirit practical daily wisdom Paul tells believers to look carefully as to how they walk not as wise making not as unwise but as wise making the most of time.

He contrasts drunkenness being filled the Holy Spirit verse 21] highlights the result of a spirit filled life is a community marked by worship thankfulness and crucially Submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Ephesians 5:22 Paul immediately takes the general principle of mutual submission [verse] and applies it to specific social spheres starting with marriage” wives submit to your own husbands as to your Lords “

While the verse calls wives to submit to their husbands to radical self-sacrificial love modeled after Christ laying down His life for the church in verse [25]

Relational verse [5:22] Paul urges believers to live the Spirit empowered submission and love inside our own family’s relationship first

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Summary

Truth and light [5:6-9] believers are urged to reject darkness live out moral reality of who we are in Christ.

Assignment 14:1;3

What role does 1Corinthians 13 play in the larger unit of 1Corinthians 12-14?

1st Corinthians 13 serves as vital text and a spiritual heart of chapter’s 12-14 as the test or measure and motivation for how spiritual gift must be used in the church

A] chapter 12-14 addresses disorder and pride within Corinthians church regarding spiritual gifts especially speaking in tongues over other gift like prophecy.

Chapter 12 introduces unity and diversity using the human body analogy to show that every member and gifts is needed

B] Chapter 14 Regulates how gifts should be incorporated in worship to build up and edify the community rather than the cause of confusion.

The role of chapter 13 and between two chapters governs the entire discussion.

C] the prerequisites for gifts 1 Corinthians [13;1-3] Pull up edges the extraordinary abilities such as speaking in tongues profound prophecy deep knowledge of radical sacrifice is completely worthless if they lack love for love is vital it gives life to the gifts for actual abilities and its utility.

D] The character of love in chapter 13 uh four to seven Paul compares the arrogant competitive spirit of the Corinthians with practical selfless love that is patient kind seeks good of others rather than personal status.

E] The permanence of love 13;8-13 The permanence of love spiritual gifts like prophecies turns a temporal tool suited for this age but love is eternal.

Without chapter 13 chapter 12 and 14 Would just be a cold instruction manual which is but with love it shows the true signs of the holy spirit's present that portrays self-giving love that build up the body of Christ

Every part having equal value that is in 1st Corinthians 12;12-14

All believers are unified as a single body of Christ.

Assignment 14;2;1

Hebrew 4;12-13 For the word of God a living and effective and sharper than any double edged sword penetrating as far as the aspiration of soul and spirit joins in marrow it is able to judge the ideas and the thoughts of the heart no creature is hidden from him but all things are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give an account [

HCSB Holman Christian Standard Bible]

The scripture uses anatomy imagery to show that God's word reaches the innermost, hidden parts of a person. Just as the sacrificial animal was skinned and split for any hidden blemish or disease.

God's grace inspects human motives

"Living in an image driven culture" the bible seminary.

The original text in the first century Jewish Christian audience served as an urgent warning not to abandon their faith pressure. Made the example of ancient Israelites in

the wilderness. That generation rebelled against God lacked trust and missed entering the promised land. God Himself is alive and active written warning was in Psalm 95 they were told that Gods spoken and written word is still alive and active and powerful.

Step 2 the difference between the biblical audience and us

We live in an image driven culture that focuses heavily on appearances unlike the biblical audience they relied on God and His word. He spoke through the prophets they had faith hence miracles happened during their era.

God alone speaks through His word as He sees beyond what others see and the only whom we live for every day.

The truth invites us to live sincerely before Him cultivating true holiness, kindness, love and faithfulness

Step3 What is the theological principle in the text

The framework and the goal is to move from the specific ancient context to a universal theological truth that is timeless.

This principle states the position of creation is naked and exposed to Gods sight

This text is timeless and not culturally bound this text is not confined to the 1st century Jewish Christians under Roman pressure the active power of God's truth is for all humanity His absolute omniscient applies to all human across the era.

Step 4 biblical map.

How does our theological principle fit with the rest of the bible.

The theological principle should correspond to the rest of the bible. It should align perfectly with other biblical maps such as psalms 139;1-3 God searching and knowing us as intimately knowing and understanding our thoughts.

Jeremiah 17;10 I Yahweh, examine the mind and test the heart

1Thessalonians 2-13.....the word of God which is out and working in you as believers.

Ephesians 6;7 sword of the spirit which is the word of God.

Isaiah 55:10-11describe the effectiveness of the word of God

Romans 9:20-21 the creative power of God

Revelation 1:16 double edged sword coming from His mouth which is the word of God and 19:15. These two scriptures depicts authority judgement and truth.

Step 5 How should individual Christians today live out the theological principle

As we know that the original audience was warned not to mimic the wilderness generation 'who rebelled against because of their unbelief and disobedience.

Today contemporary believers face the same reality we cannot hide our true spiritual condition or half-hearted faith from God by hiding behind religious routines and becoming busy bodies in things that do not please God knowing that they are as filthy rags. But being the doers of the word obeying is better than sacrifice.

Trusting the Lord with His word will give such a great wisdom and transformation is inevitable,

God's word is still alive and active and working in us to confront sin in our lives. His word is still in the process of transforming us but ultimately judgement is inescapable.

PASTORAL LETTER

"Harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few," Matthew 9:37 and Luke 10:2

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I your beloved sister in Christ Veronica Loko. Greet you faithful brethren of Woodville 7th Day Church of God in Adelaide.

I would like to express my gratitude to all that the Lord has done in my life through the church as I am a witness of Gods faithfulness and His grace.

We have also seen the saints that got saved and got baptized in this church. My lament is that everything seems to be stalling or got stuck somewhere.

That is why I thought of encouraging us to remember that the God that we serve is still the lord of the harvest who in His word told to lift our eyes up and see that the harvest is ready. People are spiritually ready to receive the Lord.

I would like to encourage both young and old to be diligent in practising evangelistic tools to proclaim the gospel of the Lord according to the Gospel of Mathew the great commission 28;19-20 and mark 16:15 -18 “Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.....

-Be bold Be obliged to scriptures like Romans 1:16 1st Corinthians 9:16 and Acts 1;8 they highlight the power of the message spiritual calling and bearing witness without shame

-Readiness and Gentleness: -1st Peter 3;15 Romans 10:14-15 and Ephesians reminds us to be prepared and equipped with peace of the gospel and gentle in sharing our faith.

All these preparations require prayer of the saints to the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers to help with harvest as they are few.

Therefore, I exhort you brethren that we should dedicate a week of prayer for a breakthrough in harvesting for the Lord. As we are known that the effectual fervent prayer of the righteous availed much.

Preferred week of prayer would be 1st November to 7th 2026 from 6 to 8pm

Meeting via zoom link will be sent to the brethren

Scripture to meditate upon Mathew 9;37 and Luke 10;2

May this letter find you in a favourable healthy state. May we all be encouraged to pray and have compassion to the lost during these perilous times. People are tired discouraged and are like sheep without a shepherd.

Greetings to all the brethren in Woodville 7th day church of God.

Take courage

Your beloved sister in Christ

Veronica Loko

