



“God Our RESTORER and AVENGER of Justice!”

TWCC Teaching Handout for Wednesday, May 22th, 2019

- *“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that **times of refreshing** may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, whom heaven must receive until the **times of restoration** of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.” - **Acts 3:19-21 NKJV***
- We shared a lot over the past several weeks that our Heavenly Father is a _____ and a MASTER **RESTORER**. We’ve seen that our Father God is famous for turning _____ around.
- **Job 42:10 (AMPC)** – *“And the Lord turned the captivity of Job and restored his fortunes, when he prayed for his friends; also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before.”*
 - We know from our previous studies that Job lost everything! But God in His great love and mercy turned Job’s _____ and _____ his fortunes – not back to what He had, but double, twice as much as he had before.
 - We learned that when God RESTORES, He makes things (1) **BETTER** (2) **IMPROVED** (3) **INCREASED** and (4) **MULTIPLIED** in our lives.
 - God is our _____! He is a TURN-AROUND SPECIALIST! It is one of many wonderful attributes of God’s Divine Nature. He is also our _____! He takes vengeance, meets out justice and avenges us His elect and His children.
- **WHY?** Because He _____ us; and He takes care of children who call and cry out to Him in _____!
- **HOW?** By His grace, His mercy and His justice based upon His _____ PROMISES. Everything God does is legal. He acts and moves on our behalf based on His Covenant with us through our Lord Jesus Christ. Our response and reply of _____, our cry of _____ and our confessions of _____ move, permit and provoke God to act on our behalf to RESTORE or to AVENGE us! God has a _____ system that promises to legally, justifiably, and righteously: (1) **RESTORE** and (2) **AVENGE** His children.
- **RESTORATION and VEGEANCE is WHAT God our Father does for us just as much as He promises to bless us, increase us, reward us, save and deliver us based upon our faith and trust in Him.**
- On one side of our _____ and willing obedience to God our Father and His Word, He saves us, He heals and delivers us, He rewards us, He blesses us, He rewards us and increases us.
- On the other side of our _____ and our faith-filled responses to *devastation* and *demonic attacks* that resulted in things lost, stolen or broken in our lives, our Father God is both our _____ and our _____! God is the first _____ NOT Captain America or Ironman... 😊 The Lord is our one and only _____. *God is WITH us to REWARD and RESTORE! God is FOR us to RESTORE, AVENGE and DEFEND. God makes our enemy and adversary pay!*
 - **Psalm 94:1 (NKJV)** – *“O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongs—O God, to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth.”* - _____ BELONGS TO GOD!
 - **Jeremiah 50:28 (NKJV)** – *“The voice of those who flee and escape from the land of Babylon declares in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of His temple.”* – WE MUST BY FAITH DECLARE, DECREE AND CLAIM _____ and/or _____.
 - **Read Luke 4:17 – 19 (NKJV) and Isaiah 61:1 – 4 (NKJV)**
 - **Ezekiel 25:17 (NKJV)** – *“I will execute great vengeance on them with furious rebukes; and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I lay My vengeance upon them.”* – THIS IS WHY GOD MEETS OUT _____ and _____. GOD _____ FOR US!
 - **Isaiah 63:4 (NKJV)** – *“For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come.”* – GOD HAS DECLARED THIS IS A TIME FOR _____ (JUSTICE).

- **Romans 12:19 (NKJV)** – “Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.” – GOD IS IN CHARGE OF

ARE YOU VICTIMIZED OR VINDICATED?

- We must realize that _____ is God’s way to meet out Justice and Righteousness to you and me when the enemy has brought *devastation* and *destruction* into our lives.
- **VENGEANCE** is God’s way to meet out Justice to us, so we don’t experience *vandalization* by the enemy, or feel, think and sense we are *victimized* by the hand of our adversary; but we are *vindicated* by our God!
- God is our **Father**, by Covenant He is our **Friend**, and He is also our _____. Jesus our Lord is our **ADVOCATE** – which basically means attorney for our defense. In other words, Jesus _____ and advocates *for* us and not *against* us based on His righteousness, His finished work of redemption and His shed Blood of the New Covenant!
- **VENGEANCE IS NOT REVENGE!** Vengeance is biblically defined as:
 - (1) **VINDICATION** = justification against denial or censure: defense; acquittal, clearing; exoneration.
 - (2) _____ = recompense, reward; the dispensing or receiving of reward or punishment; payback; reprisal; retaliation; vengeance.
 - (3) _____ = to take vengeance for or on behalf of; to exact satisfaction for (a wrong) by punishing the wrongdoer.
 - (4) **MEETING OUT OF JUSTICE** = because God is a Righteous Judge and He justifies us His children. **Vengeance is God moving on the heart of and acting on the behalf of the Born-again Believer to meet out JUSTICE!**

STAY QUALIFIED FOR GOD’S RESTORATION AND VENGEANCE!

- There are some DANGERS of disqualifying for RESTORATION and VENGEANCE. Just a track racer starts out in the race before the gun goes off and disqualifies himself in that race. We can temporarily disqualify or delay the work and will of RESTORATION and VENGEANCE by getting out ahead of God or by running away from God. **3 Big Things to Consider:**
- **#1) – DO NOT _____!** Doubt, worry, anxiety, fretting, unrighteous fury and anger are all related to and based in FEAR. We have to _____ fear, _____ to fear and _____ fear with FAITH. (Ref **Isaiah 41:10; Isaiah 26:3-4; Philippians 4:6-8; 2 Timothy 1:7; Hebrews 13:5-6 [AMPC]**)
- **#2) – DON’T _____ YOUR BROTHER/SISTER: Read 1 Thessalonians 4:1 – 8 (NKJV)**
 - **Defraud** = to over-reach; get an advantage; make gain. **Matter** = business; work (personal, partner, professional) – practically this looks like: refusing to “love and honor” others because you’re going through troubling or tense times; becoming bitter and manipulative towards others. Why? Because they *engage* in sexual *immorality*, they *execute* *insidious* and *insolent* behavior and private practices, or they *enjoin* themselves with *immoral* and other *insubordinate* Christians – Immorality defiles the Church (Ref 1 Corinthians 5:1 – 13). This plea for purity gets defiled because one of the deceptions of the enemy is making people resort to other things or relationships which pull them away into pleasure and playing with sin to relieve the pressure and pain of their problems. We’ve seen too much of this on TV, national news, Corporate America and unfortunately in the Church.
 - **Avenger** = carrying justice out; punisher; exacting penalty.
- **#3) – _____ ADD TO YOUR FAITH: Read 2 Peter 1:3 – 11 (NLT).** Notice most of the “faith additives” have to do with your _____. Every Christian, regardless of any specific ministerial assignment or personal responsibility, is called to _____ in godliness and Christlikeness. Development in these vital faith additives are not automatic. They must be _____ diligently!
