MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH SERMON NOTES - PASTOR MERRITT K. HOLE - 11/13/16 - M.S.

"With Jesus In The School Of Prayer"

Matthew 6:5-13

INTRO: The Disciples watched the Lord praying. When he stopped, the Disciples asked Jesus, "Lord, teach us to pray." They no doubt already prayed, but when they saw Jesus praying, they saw something different in His prayer. They wanted a Jesus-style prayer life. So should we! As He teaches His disciples, He will teach us!!

II. THE RELATIONSHIP FOR CHRIST-LIKE PRAYERS v. 9

- 1. A Relationship With The Immanent God
 - (1) A Personal Relationship
 - (2) A Precious Relationship
 - (3) A Person-specific Relationship
- 2. A Relationship With The Transcendent God
 - (1) In Heaven: A Place Of Power No Earth Restraints
 - (2) In Heaven: A Place Of Purity No Evil Restraints
 - (3) In Heaven: A Place Of Providence No Enemy Restraints

CONCL: Is the ceiling the highest that your prayers reach? Do they even reach that far? Is such a prayer-life satisfying? If not, then join Jesus in His School of Prayer. Learn to pray as He did. Learn to touch heaven, and be touched back!

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"Don't Be Duped!"

A Study Of 2 Peter

INTRO: Paul warned (Acts 20:29-30) that persecution would come upon our church like a pack of ravenous wolves, sparing none. But he also noted that Satan would not only attack the church from without but also from within by perversion of the truth. Men would arise speaking these perverse things seeking disciples and thus seeking to damage, and if possible, destroy our church. We must be vigilant!

I. THE PRACTICES OF FALSE TEACHERS 2 Peter 2:1-22

- 1. The Deceit 2:1-3
 - (1) Their Coming v.1
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CONCL: Peter warns "beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness" (3:17). What Satan cannot accomplish by attack, he will attempt to accomplish by subversion. False teachers <u>will</u> arise, in fact they are abundantly present right now. We must be careful. Don't be duped!!

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