

GRACE AMBASSADORS

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Living like there's no tomorrow

Taking a lesson from the book of Acts

Purpose:

Teaching us that Israel is fallen as well as their status, their advantages, their prophecy, etc.

Outline:

“See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil.”

- Eph 5:15-16

1. “Living like there’s no tomorrow”
 - a. Living for today, not planning ahead, ‘taking no thought for tomorrow’
 - b. ‘Take no thought’ - Luke 12:11,22-33; Matt 6:25,31,34;
 - i. Don’t worry about clothes, food, studying, preparing, etc
 - ii. ‘the nations seek after’ – 12:30
 - iii. ‘give you the kingdom’ – 12:32
 - c. ‘sold their possessions’ - Acts 2:42-46
 - d. ‘they had all things in common’ – Acts 4:32-37
2. The lesson: Israel is fallen.
 - a. Salvation goes to the Gentiles - Acts 1:6-8 – Acts 28:28
 - b. Their fall and blindness - Romans 11:11, 25
 - c. ‘One new man’ - Eph 2:12-14, 2 Cor 5:17, Gal 6:15
3. The advantage of the Jew is lost
 - a. Romans 9:1-5 – adoption, glory, covenants, giving of the law, service of God, promises, whose are the fathers, and concerning the flesh Christ came
 - b. ‘We know no man after the flesh’ - 2 Cor 5:16
4. We do not look for signs of the times – Matt 24:3
 - a. Today is the subject of what was kept secret – Romans 16:25
 - b. The world is at peace with God – 2 Cor 5:19, Romans 5:1
 - c. We are not children of darkness - 1 Thess 5:1-10
5. How we live and operate. Col 1:9-10
 - a. We dare not live like there is no tomorrow, because there will be...
 - b. We provide - 1 Tim 5:8
 - c. ‘lack of nothing’ – Eph 5:15-16, Col 4:5 , 1 Thess 4:10-12
 - d. ‘food and raiment’ - 1 Tim 6:8
 - e. ‘eat their own bread’ – 2 Thess 3:10-12
 - f. ‘good works for necessary uses’ – Titus 3:14
6. Redeem the time - Eph 5:15-16
 - a. We are given instructions on how to make our decisions.
 - b. We need purposeful wise decisions according to the will of God. 1 Cor 9:25-26
 - c. We need to number our days, and walk in wisdom – Psalm 90:12