

Sound the Jubilee IV

How to have the faith of Abraham

It's Jubilee – experience the Power of **Rest** – superna harvest

Leviticus 25:19-22

19 Then the land will yield its fruit, and you will eat your fill and live there in safety. 20 You may ask, "What will we eat in the seventh year if we do not plant or harvest our crops?" 21 I will send you such a blessing in the sixth year that the land will yield enough for three years. 22 While you plant during the eighth year, you will eat from the old crop and will continue to eat from it until the harvest...

Land rest – **productive**

No 1 fruit exporter to Europe – key – practise – allow land to rest – productive

Sol – riches man – ever.

Crowning success

Today, Bill Gate 56b; Warren Buffet 52b;

Sol – 1000b- I trillion

Crowning success – build one of – books – feel heavy - stress Best – God **OWN** commentary

1 Chronicles 22:8-9

8 But this word of the LORD came to me: 'You have ... fought many wars. You are not to build a house for my Name ...

9 But you will have a son who will be a man of peace and rest, and I will give him rest from all his enemies on every side.

If no rest – can't **build** – full of internal stress can't build the vision

– God has for you

Doesn't mean – don't work

Don't work w **stress** but rest

Part of blessing of **A Cov**:

Wine fig olive – just pick

Galic, leek – gound – back breaking labor

1. Rest and God's **life** flows

Notice area **least** worried – most **blessed** – **unexpected blessings**

Building Fund – 5 yrs never push – walking vision – mission – building people – SMS – **Dev Fund**

w good heart – great motive – T

shirts – letters to big guys –

express my appreciation

While – flowing and resting –

God's vision – SMS from Ps Elisa

Development fund – same – relax - 50

– for fut purchase of building,

land, car parks and others that

build God's people and house

Relax m- not push – 3 yrs – result

of Ju – abundance — cash

purchase – 50 – 5 (grace) x 10

(multi – new beginning –

completion, perfection like 3, 7)

Same with earlier building fund –

we didn't push – last 5 yrs – never

mention much – but God touched

the heart of kings **when** we focus

on:

FOCUS building people and

missions

Rest – your **children** fut – Pas: I have **no worry** – **concern** – make him **target**

Watch and pray – not watch and **do** –

(we tend to do wrong thing – out of anger or anxiety – sword – live by sword - die by word – wrong action kills)

Watch and pray – **will do right thing**

Watch and pray – not mean **ignorant**

Spirit of **Anti Christ** – TV net movies – wrong **thinking** and **picture** - **Eden**

Yet don't **expose you know** – watch and pray

End of day – **rest** – best

environment – best parent – Adam – rebell –

Parents, **don't be guilty** too, as kids – tre hormonal changes – exposed to influ – 36 26 36

are *exposed* to influences *beyond* your control, must have a certain size, otherwise, feel inferior

Mal 4 – God on your side – multi prong approach

Chris Gaborit

– God will raise up youth w a banner of holiness – take on the air waves.

2. Rest and

you look younger and more **attractive**!

Sarah – key to her

attractiveness

90 – 2 kings after her

1 Peter 3:3-7

Not main attraction – if – skin

deep – not last

Hidden person of heart

Gentle and quiet restful spirit

4 But let it be the inward adorning and beauty of the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible and unfading charm of a gentle and peaceful (restful) spirit, which [is not anxious or wrought up, but] is very precious in the sight of God.

Sarah – **not** that **attractive** in beginning – **God treats** – she **sees**

God **treated** Sarah like a princess – she became one

God **wants** Abraham to treat wife as princess – want **treated** as kings?

– she turns from being Bulldog to Princess

Man – want to be **treated** as **kings** – treat wife as queen

Teenagers They must **see** - treated

themselves as precious – **treated** as precious Princess

mum and dad do love, but the kids think they don't – esp Asian background – w are not so expressive

Value – wont gave up – boys – attentive – feel princess – **prove** - **say**

Studies - root cause

Studies after studies have shown that premarital sex is the main reason for **broken** marriages in the west

They will then **value** themselves and not give up their sanctity and virginity easily

Boys, sometimes, can be very **persuasive**, making girls to **feel** like a princess by their *attentiveness* while you treat your own girls as “Ah Moi”

But **keep** on treating them as precious

If a boy say – you **proof** your love by letting me touch you

Tell kid to say – if you really love me, you will respect my body – not object of your wild uncontrollable **animal** instinct

Boys need to learn to **behave** as a **prince**

Tell kid – they gave a **great** future. Act wisely

Ju: **Hope**: even if your kids have sinned – not end

Man men of God – colourful past – yet God used

there is hope. Don't let **guilt** control. Devil will tempt them to sin more as they feel dirty, so they got to do more dirty things

It's jubilee – new beginnings Catherine Kuthman – divorced – ma a married man, etc. yet ...

See princess – righteous – not

dirty

Exp grace – relax - laugh

learn to rest – relax

– **Now** Sarah is different – when God again remind her - promise – laugh !? Issac - imagine

Imagine laughing herself to delivery room instead of groaning in birth pangs
Issac (laughter) – born of laughter - imagine

Contrast - **earlier** – dominating, controlling, scheming, bitter – sensitive

Seen such people – one word

– frozen one week

Hard to talk w such – watch every word

Some wo analyse and exegeses their husb's words or action for days

Rest – get over – don't get stuck – one word – one week silence

Dominating – you marry Hagar
Controlling and scheming – it's all your fault

Want to see great things –

major radical changes in people – rest more

Smile more, relax more, laugh more

NOW Sarah learn to take things easy

Learnt to take things easy – not taking words to heart

Learn where to draw the line

Say in no uncertain term – calmly, but firmly - you will not tolerant and give in – loosed **morals – sake of family and children**

Alcoholic father → alcoholic child

What if you are dealing with a **abusive** husband?

How to have the faith of Abraham

When physically abusive – endanger kids and you

Romans 13 1-5 officers of the states instituted by God to bring law and order

Make clear you will make a police report

Romans 4:13

13 It was not through law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith.

HEIR of world – property?

– bad time or good time – ch – worst time in terms of \$ - great time - harvest

Even when money failed – yet

God puts them in Goshen –

best of the land Genesis 47:6

6 and the land of Egypt is before you; settle your father and your brothers in the best part of the land. Let them live in Goshen.

Health? Way beyond menopause

JP – hit 40 – sharp pain tip of spine

– doc – ageing – no cure – get worst – such doc – don't need d – remember Moses – eyes not dim

Money? **Seed** of A – Goldberg, Spielberg, ice berg

Amazingly creative – impacted everyday life

Fraction - Laser eyes (Lasik Baruch Blumberg) - cataract surgery – endoscopy –

microscope – antibiotics – anesthesia - gasoline engine – telephone - Micro cips

D kill 6 mill – many potential discovery gone

Gen 13 – very wealthy – stocks, silver and gold

We - seeds

Galatians 3:29

29 If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Pros gospel? NO but –

everywhere – **result** in health and wealth –

How receive blessing of A?

– r that come by faith

Rom 4:13-15

13 It was not through law ... but through the righteousness that comes by faith.

Not self effort

Why does the blessing come not through the law but through grace?
15 ... because law brings wrath. ...

And where there is no law there is no transgression.

Law – perfect – but – Book on $E=mc^2$

You can have a book on the theory of relativity, If you don't have the mental capacity – can't understand – great sci theory

Law – limits blessings to those – can fulfil it

16 Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring-- not only to those who are of the law but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all.

Grace – so that all experience it.

Genesis 15:8-18

"O Sovereign LORD, how can I know that I will gain possession of it?"

9 So the LORD said to him, "Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon."

Heifer(young cow-not given birth - vrgin), **goat, ram**(male sheep not castrated), **dove, pigeon**

All these pict of Jesus - Why 5 - shadows

– Jesus so great – not one fully bring out his greatness

All 5 combined – only shadows!

Vultures came – take away sacrifices
D want us focus on our own sacrifices

12 As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him.

17 When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking brazier with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces.

Smoking firepot, blazing torch

– Jesus(burnt offering) – God(torch - divine presence)

NC – est not bet you and God – not my blood

Bet God and Jesus

NC in **my** blood – all God's part – our part

NC – **all** God's part

Our part – believe - HE will

Not faith in faith – faith in God's promises

Genesis 15:5-21

5 He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars-- if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

6 Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

Result:

What is the result of being credited with the righteousness of God?

Gen 15: 7 He also said to him, "I am the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it."

When you – believe – R of faith – I

AM at your disposal!

What is deepest truth?

Discipleship? Worship?

Hebrews 5:12-13

12 In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again.

You need milk, not solid food! 13 Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness.

A. RIGHTEOUSNESS IS A GIFT

Rom 5:17

For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who **receive** God's abundant provision of grace and of the **gift** of righteousness **REIGN** in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Gift - God didn't make you as r as Abraham, Moses, David – think heroes

God looks at you – see you as most important, previous, ... think of all heroes – Billy, Reinhard, Cho

God made us as righteous as Himself
Romans 5:19

19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

2 Cor 5:21

Had no sin – did he do any sin – but he **received** our sins - **curse**

Story of prodigal son

Luke 15:13-24

13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth (*wasted his substance KJV*) in wild living.

Does the teaching on grace mean we take sins lightly?

No – see the result of sins

Wasted himself in wild living

Teaching grace – not mean – easy on sins

Found himself in a pig sty – baby

Baby born – cannot be unborn – easy way – abortion – stigma and guilt for life -

God hates sins - WHY? - face

Sometimes, we are angry when our kids sinned because we lost our face

Does God hate sin because he lost his face, his name dishonoured? No

He hates sins because he loves us – he knows sin will destroy us

– see what sins does – on Jesus on cross

Movie – ch oppressive – lie – don't touch hot stove – oppressive?

14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need.

15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs.

16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no-one gave him anything.

17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have food to spare, and here I am starving to death!'

18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.'

19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired men.'

Come home expect a piece of bread – slap – slave

What are the unexpected blessings of grace?

Grace enables us to receive the most unexpected

20 So he got up and went to his father. "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was

filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

Expect slap – kisses all over

How can you **run** away from a God like that

21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet.'

Best robe

- all paid by the father – his effort fail

Zechariah 3:4

4 The angel said to those who were standing before him, "Take off his filthy clothes."

Then he said to Joshua, "See, I have taken away your sin, and I will put rich garments on you."

Isaiah 61:10

... For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness,

Ring – seal – power of attorney.

Seal legal doc – signature
Auth to do business, seems crazy but it is God's way

Auth of the throne, power of resurrection

Expect be a **slave** – made a son

Shoe – sonship not slaves

Treated as a prince again

Fatten calf – abundance –

Jesus

23 *Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate.*

24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

Kobe beef – melts in mouth – abundance - **unexpected**
World – sinned -

hopelessness –

God can do – **despite**

Even Rahab – whole life –

entertaining men – every time – a bit of life taken out – lost self

respect - fut

One day – spies – faith arises - believe

Joshua 2:8-11

8 Before the spies lay down for the night, she went up on the roof 9 and said to them, "I know that the LORD has given this land to you and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you. 10 We have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea for you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two kings of the Amorites east of the Jordan, whom you completely destroyed. 11 When we heard of it, our hearts melted and everyone's courage failed because of you, for the LORD your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below. (from New International Version)

Hebrews 11:31

31 By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

– given scarlet(red) tread

New beginning – human ancestor of Jesus

B. RIGHTEOUSNESS IS A FRUIT

Isa 61:3-5

3 To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified."

4 And they shall rebuild the old ruins, They shall raise up the former desolations, And they shall repair the ruined cities. NKJV

The desolations of many generations. NKJV

Why are we called trees of righteousness?

RFV: Mango tree → mango
If plant today – will it prod
mango tomorrow? No
But it is still a mango tree
Our obedience is result of
faith

I obey or give not because God
will accept me or bless but
because He has already accepted
me, he has already blessed me.

Gratitude produces greatest
givers

I obey because of the **new**
nature.

I obey because he **first** love me.
Isa 10:27-28

27 And it shall come to pass in
that day, that his burden shall
be taken away from off thy
shoulder, and his yoke from off
thy neck, and the yoke shall be
destroyed because of the
anointing. KJV

A lot of time – **think** –

consecrate – holy - then
anointing or blessing come

Process is **opposite**. God
gave righteousness, his
commitment, his sacri

That is the legal basis to
anoint –

Pour his spirit. Power of spirit
that gives power

Go on sinning – fact: God still
love!

Does not meant wont

discipline – kids

Love my kids - I spank – how
discipline

Proverbs 20:30

Sometimes it takes a painful
situation to make us change our
ways. GN

God not send pain – use pain -
speak

Primary way – Word

John 15:3

3 You are already clean because
of the word I have spoken to you.

Deuteronomy 31:12-13

12 Assemble the people-- men,
women and children, and the aliens
living in your towns-- so that they
can listen and learn to fear the
LORD your God and follow
carefully all the words of this law.

13 Their children, who do not
know this law, must hear it and learn
to fear the LORD your God as long
as you live in the land you are
crossing the Jordan to possess."

Luke 5:17

Now it happened on a certain day,
as He was teaching, ... And the
power of the Lord was present to
heal them. NKJV

How – experience – greater
presence of God

Some place all they do – sing –
dance, worship – no word
May end up – worship wrong
picture of God

Now it happened on a certain day,
as He was teaching,

Word – set free

Reformation goes

– creative mind released

Countries touched by
reformation – creative mind,
technology and dev.

Heaven opened

Next message: How to have the
power of A