

Sermon Notes from Pastor Cornelius Schelling 6-14-09

Stay at the Helm

Some time in the last year Paul Popwich shared with us "Don't Quit" and Wednesday evening he shared with us "Do it God's Way". This Sunday we are sharing Stay steady and Stay at the helm of the ship.

Mark 12:30-31 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment. (31) And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

Love the Father and walk in love.

James 3:4-6 Behold also the ships, which though *they be* so great, and *are* driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth. (5) Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! (6) And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

Keep Jesus at the head of your life. Don't let anything or anyone move you from that position.

Hold fast to your confession of faith in Christ. Hebrews 10:23 Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;) Hebrews 10:35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.

Hebrews 11:1,3,6 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. ... (3) Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. (6) But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

I heard someone say the other day I wish someone *would* have told me their was a storm coming; I would have prepared for it.

The Bible says the world will go into gross darkness and sin will get full and this world will come to an end and I'm prepared for it how about you.

Isaiah 48:17 Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I *am* the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldest go.

Profit here does not just mean financially it also means spiritually, mentally, socially, physically.

It is Christ that causes us to profit in life and he leads us by the Holy Spirit.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Remember III John 2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. and Matthew 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Isa 53:3-12 Tells us of what Jesus is going to do for the world.

Isaiah 54:10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

God's kindness shall never be removed.

The covenant of peace shall never be removed.

Verse 14 In righteousness you shall be established that establishment shall keep you from oppression and terror and you will not fear.

Verse 15 The enemy who makes plans for you fail, why shall he fail because you are established in righteousness.

Righteousness means you are placed in right standing with God through Christ. The fruit of righteousness means to believe right, think right, speak right and to live right before God.

Then verse 17 takes place, No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper and every tongue that rises against you in judgment thou shalt condemn. Romans 8:31-39 What shall we then say to these things? If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us? (32) He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? (33) Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth. (34) Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. (35) Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? (36) As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. (37) Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. (38) For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, (39) Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Isaiah 55:3,6-13 **Isa 55:3** Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, *even* the sure mercies of David. vv 6-13 Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: (7) Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. (8) For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD. (9) For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (10) For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: (11) So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it. (12) For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap *their* hands. (13) Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign *that* shall not be cut off.

When you come into covenant relationship with Christ and seek him, call upon him, forsake wickedness, change your worldly thinking he will have mercy on you and he will abundant pardon.

His word will prosper in you, you will have joy you will be led by peace, you will sing, clap your hands, it will be an everlasting sign and you will never be cut off from the blessings of the Lord.

Isaiah 60:1-5, 7 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. (2) For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. (3) And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. (4) Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at *thy* side. (5) Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee. (7) All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory.

Arise means change positions and shine means to be put on display so that the Gentiles the lost and dieing world might come to the light so that kings people of leadership position might come to the light.

Matthew 5:13-16 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. (14) Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. (15) Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. (16) Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord *GOD is* upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *them that are* bound;

The coming Christ was anointed to set men free.

Romans 5:17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

Reign in life as king.

Your receiving is not based on your works or efforts it is based upon his grace. Eph 2:8-9.

All of God's blessings, all of God's miracle working power already belongs to you if you have believed and received his son Jesus as Savior.

The enemy will bring circumstances to your life to steal the word, your joy, your peace and he will use people, places or things, even the weather.

They will either make you bitter or better. You will either rise above the circumstances or you will be taken down with it and the choice is yours. Deuteronomy 30:18-20 (18) I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.* (19) I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:* (20) That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, *and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.*

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Heb 10:12,14 Jesus offered one sacrifice for sin forever and sat down at the right hand of the father.

For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

When a person receives Christ as his Lord and Savior he is perfected forever by the cleansing blood of Jesus.

Ephesians 2:4-6 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, (5) Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) (6) And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:

We are seated with him.

Ephesians 1:3,13 (3) Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ: (13) In whom *ye* also *trusted*, after that *ye* heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that *ye* believed, *ye* were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

We are blessed with all spiritual blessings in Christ and if we have received Christ we are sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.

John 3:16 Romans 10:13 Jesus came so you might have life. Because of the blood of Jesus you have been perfected forever, placed in right standing with God there for you can receive Jesus as your Lord and savior, you can be filled with the holy ghost and speak in other tongues, you can be healed, delivered because Jesus has made you right with God.