

Exhortation
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Today's Exhortation

God's Plague Upon Humanity

Introduction

We are reading from the Book of Exodus 7-8 and Romans 12.

Before everything else, brothers and sisters, together with our friends in this faith of Christadelphians, I greet you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

May peace and love be with us all.

I thank God the Father, the Creator of heaven and earth, in the name of His Son, Jesus Christ, for waking me up this morning in good health together with my family. Let us also continue praying for our brothers and sisters who are facing illnesses and various challenges. Let us remember them in our prayers. Let us always give thanks to Almighty God for all He does for us in everything.

Exodus 7 and 8

Moses Became Like God Before Pharaoh

In the book of Exodus, chapters seven (7) and eight (8), it tells us that God told Moses, "I will make you like God before Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet. I will harden Pharaoh's heart so that my name may be glorified throughout all of Egypt."

"I will strike Egypt with ten (10) plagues, and they will know that I am God, the God of their fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. I am God above all, who cannot be defeated by anything."

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Onyo la Leo

Pigo la Mungu kwa Wanadamu

Utangulizi

Tuna soma kitabu cha Kutoka ya (7) na ya (8) na Warumi sura ya (12).

Kabla ya yote, wandugu na wadada pamoja na marafiki watu wa imani hii ya Christadelphia, nawasalimu wote katika jina la Bwana wetu Yesu Kristo.

Amani na upendo uwe pamoja nasi sote.

Namshukuru Baba Mungu, Muumba wa mbingu na nchi, katika jina la Mwanaye Yesu Kristo, kwa kuniamsha asubuhi ya leo nikiwa mzima pamoja na familia yangu. Pia tuzidi waombea wandugu na dada zetu walio na matatizo ya magonjwa na shida mbalimbali. Tuwakumbuke kwenye maombi. Tuzidi kumshukuru Mwenyezi Mungu kwa yote anayo tutendea na kwa kila jambo.

Kutoka (7) na (8)

Musa Nikawa Mungu mbele ya Farao

Katika kitabu cha kutoka sura ya saba (7) na ya nane (8) inatuamba kwamba, baba Mungu alimwambia Musa kwamba nitakufanya kuwa kama Mungu mbele ya Farao. Na ndugu yako Haruni nitamuweka kuwa nabii wako. Ila nitafanya moyo wa Farao kuwa mgumu, ili jina langu litukuzwe katika nchi yote ya Misri.

Nami nitawapiga wa Misri, kwa mapigo kumi (10). Na wajue kama mimi Mungu wa baba yako; Mungu wa Ibrahim, Mungu wa Isaka, na Mungu wa Yakobo. Mimi Mungu niliye juu ya yote ashiye shindwa na chochote ndiye Mungu.

Truly, my brothers and sisters, along with our fellow believers—our friends in this faith of Christadelphians (brothers and sisters in Christ).

Father God struck Egypt with those ten (10) plagues—the Pharaoh and all the people of Egypt. And Pharaoh, along with the Egyptians, recognized the power of Moses and Aaron. Then Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, together with all the Egyptians, allowed Moses and Aaron to lead the Israelites so they could go and worship their God—the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

But Pharaoh refused to listen to the voice of the Almighty God through His servants, and he failed to obey the words of God that were given to Moses, the servant of God.

And that is how it will be on the last day when the Son of God comes to judge mankind—those who refused to listen to the word of God and rejected obeying His commandments and laws. Those who loved the pleasures of the world and its glory will be struck by God with the plague of eternal death.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, and all those in this faith, let us be aware and very cautious in this world we are living in. This world has many things, so let not the world and its glory deceive us. Let the world not lead us astray, my brothers and sisters. Let us abandon worldly matters so that we may escape God's wrath and punishment.

Pharaoh and all the people of Egypt were struck by God's wrath because of their arrogance, contempt, conflicts, and anger.

If you read the book of 1 Corinthians 6:9-11:

9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

Kwa kweli, ndugu zangu na dada zangu, pamoja na marafiki zetu wa imani hili la Christadelphian (ndugu na dada katika Kristo).

Baba Mungu aliwapiga wa Misri kwa hizo pigo kumi (10) mfalme Farao na watu wote wa Misri; nao Farao na wa Misri wakajuta mbele ya Musa na Haruni. Na Farao mfalme wa Misri pamoja na Wamisri wote waka waruuusu Musa na Haruni: na Waisraeli wote waende kumwabudu Mungu wao. Mungu wa baba zao, Mungu wa Ibrahimu, Mungu wa Isaka na Mungu wa Yakobo.

Mfalme Farao alikataa kusikiliza sauti ya Mwenyezi Mungu kuitia watumishi wake, tena alikosa kutii maneno ya Mungu alioambiwa na Musa mtumishi wa Mungu.

Na hivyo ndivyo itakovyokuwa siku ya mwisho pindi atakopo kuja mwana wa Mungu kuja kuhukumu wanadamu wale waliyo kataa kusikiya neno la Mungu na kukataa kutii maagizo na amri za Mungu. Watu waliyo penda anasa ya dunia na fahari yake ndiyo watakao pigwa na Mungu pigo la mauti ya milele.

Kwa hiyo ndugu zangu na dada zangu, pia na watu wote wa imani hii, tunaombwa kwamba tujiazari sana katika dunia hii tunaohishi. Dunia hii inamambo mengi sana, kwa hiyo dunia na fahari yake isitudanganye. Dunia isitupeleke pabaya ndugu zangu. Tuachane na mambo ya dunia, ili tuepukana na pigo au gazabu ya Mungu.

Mfalme Farao na watu wote wa Misri, walipatwa na gazabu ya Mungu ya kiburi, zarau, fitina, hasira.

Ukisoma kitabu cha: 1 Wakorintho 6:9-11:

9 Au hamjui ya kuwa wadhalimu hawataurithi ufalme wa Mungu? Msidanganyike; waasherati hawataurithi ufalme wa Mungu, wala waabudu sanamu, wala wazinzi, wala wafiraji, wala walawiti, 10 wala wevi, wala watamanio, wala walevi, wala watukanaji, wala wanyang'anyi. 11 Na baadhi yenu mlikuwa watu wa namna hii; lakini mlioshwa, lakini mlitakaswa, lakini mlihesabiwa haki katika jina la Bwana Yesu Kristo, na katika Roho wa Mungu wetu.

Therefore, my brothers and my sisters, let us understand that the wrath of God will come upon people with such behaviors, attitudes, and evil thoughts.

Romans 12

Our second (2) reading is Romans 12.

Paul earnestly urges us to offer our bodies as a pure and holy sacrifice that is pleasing before God—this is the true and meaningful worship before the Almighty God. We should not conform to the ways of the world, but instead, we should be transformed by the renewal of our minds so that we may discern the true will of God—what is good, pleasing, and perfect according to the faith within our lives.

We should understand that we are one body in Christ. Therefore, let us accept, believe, and hold firmly to the word and voice of God through the Holy Scriptures.

Let us be diligent, not lazy, but passionate in spirit as we serve the Lord. We should be helpful people, showing kindness that is deeply rooted in our hearts. Let us make an effort to welcome guests into our homes. Abraham welcomed angels into his house, so let us not curse others but rejoice with them.

If there is a time to weep, let us weep together, but let us not be people who boast in our own wisdom. Instead, let us humble ourselves by holding firmly to the word of God, believing in it, and accepting it.

With love, let us live in peace with everyone. My brothers and sisters, let us not seek revenge, but instead, let us keep ourselves from the wrath of God—acknowledging that our Lord Jesus Christ is in control.

Conclusion

My brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, our Lord, to conclude our message today, it is that we should not be those who ignore or disregard the voice of God or the word of God in our lives.

Kwa hiyo ndugu zangu na dada zangu, tujue kwamba gazabu ya Mungu itakuwa kwa watu wania kama hizo na tabia na hali pamoja na mawazo mabaya.

Warumi 12

Kitabu chetu cha pili (2) ni cha Warumi 12.

Paulo anatusihi sana kwamba, tutoe miili yetu kuwa dhabihu iliyo safi na takatifu na yenyé kupendeza mbele za Mungu—ndiyo ibada yenyé maana mbele ye Mwenyezi Mungu. Wala tusifuate mambo ya dunia bali tugeuzwe na kufanywa upya nia zetu tupate kujua hakika mapenzi ya Mungu, yaliyo mema na ya kumpendeza Mungu na ukamilifu wa imani uliyo ndani ya maisha yetu.

Tujue kwamba tuko mwili mmoja katika Kristo, kwa hiyo tukubali na kuamini na kulishika neno au sauti ya Mungu kupitia Maandiko Matakatifu ya Mungu.

Tuwe na bidii, bali tusiwe na ulegevu, tuwe na juhudhi katika roho zetu, katika kumtumikia Bwana. Tudumu katika kusali, ukarimu usiokose ndani ya roho zetu, tujitahidi kuwakaribisha wageni katika nyumbani kwetu. Ibrahim alikaribisha wa malaika nyumbani kwake, tusiwalaani wenzenzu bali tufurahi pamoja na waho.

Kama ni kulia tuliyie pamoja, ila tusiwe watu wa kujivunia akili zetu, bali tujivunie kwa kulishika neno la Mungu, kuliamini na kulikubali.

Kwa upendo wetu, tukae katika amani na watu wote. Wandugu zangu na wadada zangu, tusijilipishe kisasi, bali tujiepushe na gazabu yu Mungu—kuwa Bwana wetu Yesu Kristo.

Mwisho

Ndugu zangu na dada zangu katika Yesu Kristo Bwana wetu, kwa kuitimisha neno letu la leo, ni kwamba tusiwe wenye kupuuzia, na kuzarahu sauti ya Mungu, au neno la Mungu katika maisha yetu.

Furthermore, we should strive to live in peace with every person.

Let us not repay evil with evil because a Christian is like salt and a lamp that shines everywhere.

Therefore, today's message is that, my brothers and sisters, we should listen to the voice of God and obey His voice through the Holy Scriptures.

If we are obedient to God, we will enter the Kingdom of God when Jesus Christ returns to establish God's Kingdom here on earth.

May the Lord bless His word.

Amen

Tena tujitaida sana kabisa katika maisha yetu kuwa na amani na kila mwanadamu.

Tusirudishane ubaya kwa ubaya, kwa sababu Mkristo ni chumvi, tena ni taa inayoangaza kila mahali.

Kwa hiyo hagizo letu la leo nikwamba ndugu zangu na dada zangu. Tusikilize sauti ya Mungu na tutii sauti ya yake kupitia Mahandiko Matakatifu.

Tukiwa wa tihifu kwa Mungu, tutaingia katika Ufalme wa Mungu pindi Yesu Kristo atakapo kuja kusimika Ufalme wa Mungu hapa duniani.

Na Bwana abariki neno lake.

Amen