



第 4 周 腓立比書靈修默想

1 月 25 日 (星期一) 經文: 腓三 3-8b

1. (3 節) 真正受割禮者應如何敬拜? 不依靠什麼? 以神的靈敬拜就是順從聖靈敬拜, 來到神面前, 不是靠自己。靠肉體誇口就是靠自己誇口。

2. (5-6 節) 保羅有那些值得誇口的? 這些先前值得誇口的, 現在保羅如何看待? 為什麼? 保羅值得誇口的: 出生第八天受割禮; 以色列族便雅憫支派的人, 家譜清楚; 他是希伯來人所生的希伯來人, 血統純正; 曾是法利賽人, 比常人更嚴格遵守舊約律法; 曾為耶和華大發熱心, 逼迫教會; 遵行律法禮儀, 無可指摘的。這些他以前認為對自己有益的, 現在都當作有損的; 因為這些使他有潛在的驕傲, 無法認識基督。

1 月 26 日 (星期二) 經文: 腓三 8-12

1. (8 節) 保羅以誰為至寶? 萬事與基督相比, 保羅把萬事看作什麼? 基督是至寶。萬事雖有萬事的價值。但在保羅看來, 萬事與至寶基督相比, 都黯然失色, 好像糞土一樣。基督在我心中是寶貝嗎? 是至寶嗎?

2. (9 節) 保羅在基督裡有什麼樣的義? (10 節) 這義使他對基督有什麼認識? 我對基督的認識一天天增加嗎? 保羅能夠在基督裡, 不是因為他遵行律法, 而是他相信基督。他藉著信, 認識基督, 曉得基督復活的大能; 並且甘心與基督一同受苦, 效法基督, 為遵行神旨意而受苦。

1 月 27 日 (星期三) 經文: 腓三 13-16

1. (13-14 節) 用那一種運動形容人生? 向那個方向跑? 如何跑? 希望得著什麼? 保羅一生是奔跑的人生, 耶穌基督是標竿, 他一生認識基督, 效法基督, 以基督為至寶, 希望得著神所賜的獎賞。

2. 為什麼要忘記過去, 努力面前? 過去不能改變。過去的成功容易使人驕傲, 過去的失敗容易使人沮喪, 忘記過去的成敗, 才能專心迎接眼前的挑戰。過去的成敗干擾著我嗎? 過去的交給主, 靠主努力向前奔跑。

1 月 28 日 (星期四) 經文: 腓三 17-19

1. (17 節) 有什麼要求? 也要留意看那些人? 為什麼要求效法保羅和效法保羅的人? 保羅生活有好榜樣, 效法保羅的人也有好榜樣, 為了不被惡人(他們行事是基督十字架的仇敵)引誘, 保羅要求信徒效法自己和跟隨者。我的生活有好榜樣嗎? 我留意周圍的好榜樣或惡人的言行?

2. 有許多人行事是基督十字架的仇敵, 他們以什麼事為念? 以什麼為榮耀? 以什麼作自己的神? 結局如何? 他們只看重今世的享受, 以罪惡享樂等自己的羞辱為榮耀, 是追求身體刺激享受(以肚腹為神)的縱慾主義者, 結局就是沉淪。我遠離引誘? 或容許縱慾者的言論使我的心動搖, 掙扎?

1 月 29 日 (星期五) 經文: 腓三 20-21

1. (20 節) 我們有什麼身份? 等候誰的降臨? 我們雖活在世上, 卻是天上的國民; 不像常人追求今世的享受, 乃是等候主耶穌基督的降臨, 帶給我們新天地。

2. (21 節) 如何形容我們現在的身體? 如何形容主耶穌的身體? 主耶穌再來時, 我們的身體將如何改變? 從永恆靈性的角度看, 我們現在的身體是卑賤的, 這身體會餓、渴、累、病、衰老、死亡。主再來時, 這卑賤的身體要改變形狀和主耶穌榮耀的身體相似。從卑賤變為榮耀, 這是何等榮耀的改變! 我為這榮耀的盼望, 感謝神嗎?



Week 4

DANIEL AND THE KING'S DREAM

Bible Reading: Daniel 2:19-29

How often do we remember to thank God for answering our prayers? We tend to give God our "shopping list" then neglect to thank Him except in very general terms for what He has already done for us. We need to be as specific in our thanks as we are in asking.

Daniel was an exception. His first action when God had revealed both the king's forgotten dream and its interpretation was to thank God for this remarkable display of His power (vv.20-23).

Notice Daniel's description of God's wisdom and powers when he was standing before Nebuchadnezzar. In a heathen court where the king had the power of life and death, Daniel was not afraid to speak of the greater power of his God. "There is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries," he said (v.28). Then he proceeded to outline both the dream and its interpretation.

This strange vision given to Nebuchadnezzar revealed the future for hundreds of years to come. How was this possible? It is simply because God knows the end from the beginning and He is still the same today. He knows our future and can guide us accordingly.

Basically the image Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream was a prophetic picture of successive future world empires. Each of them would rise, then fail and crash until finally Jesus Christ takes over the rulership of the world (v.44).

That event, the second coming of Christ, is the next step in God's plan to bring about the fulfillment of His promise to His Son that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow. How soon will that be? We do not know but Peter reminded us, (2 Pe 3:14) "So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him."

That should be our daily attitude. We need to live as if Jesus is coming today, yet to work as if He will not be coming for another generation. Are you expecting Jesus to come today? Are you ready to meet him?