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Lesson 390–November 26, 2017

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a Christian Church
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Good Morning!

Welcome to Barah Ministries...a Christian Church with worldwide impact based in Mesa, AZ...my name is Pastor Rory Clark. At Barah Ministries, our God is the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In John, Chapter 6, Verses 35 to 39...

/JOHN 6:35

Jesus said to the crowd, “I am the bread of life (the resurrection life...the ZOE life...eternal life)...he who comes to Me will (ouk) not no way not no how ever hunger...and he who believes in Me will (ouk) not no way not no how ever thirst.”

The Great I AM is the only way...the bread referred to here is a Person...it is not a food staple... a great analogy used here by the Lord to highlight His sovereignty.

/JOHN 6:36

“But I (the Lord Jesus Christ) said to you that you have seen Me...and yet do not believe.”

Seeing is NOT believing for unbelievers...

/JOHN 6:37

“All that God the Father gives Me (the elect...believers in Christ) will come to Me...and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out (into the outer darkness...the Lake of Fire).”

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved!

/JOHN 6:38

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“For I (the Lord Jesus Christ) have come down from heaven (like manna... as 100% God and 100% man in one person forever...to tabernacle among you and within you)...not to do My own will, but to do the will of God the Father who sent Me.”

/JOHN 6:39

“This is the will of God the Father who sent Me...that of all those that He has given Me (the elect...believers in Christ) I lose nothing (they are eternally secure)...and I will raise them up (in resurrection from the dead) on the last day.”

/JOHN 6:40

“For this is the will of My God and Father...that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life (the resurrection life)...and I Myself (the Lord Jesus Christ) will raise him up (in resurrection from the dead) on the last day.”

/TODAY’S BIBLE LESSON

The Renewed Soul is Tuned to God’s Channel

It’s a choice you can make every minute of every day. Romans, Chapter 12, Verse 2, says...

/ROMANS 12:2

...keep on being transformed by God the Holy Spirit through the RENEWING OF YOUR MIND (by studying the Word of God)...

In this lesson, we’ll learn that you can’t have your mind renewed if you’re choosing not to tune to the Lord’s channel...KGOD. Believers in Christ, are you tuned to the Lord’s channel? We’ll also learn that if you are not tuned to the Lord’s channel, you’re tuning into a channel that is destined to fade away...Satan’s channel...WCON...a complete wasting your time.

/MUSIC AND REFLECTION

Be Occupied with the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ
Enjoy the Singing of His Praises

WORD OF GOD SPEAK

Mercy Me

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Allowing God the Holy Spirit to renew your mind means you are willing to tune your soul ONLY to His channel...KGOD...and you are willing to hear ONLY what He has to say to you. Revelation, Chapter 2, Verse 7 says...

/REVELATION 2:7

He who has an ear...let him hear what God the Holy Spirit says to the churches.

In Proverbs 1, Verses 20 to 22, wisdom (the building blocks of mind renewal) is personified as a woman...because wisdom is something we all do well to respond to...God the Holy Spirit initiates by broadcasting truth, and just like amazing women, motivated believers in Christ respond to the broadcast initiated by the one they love...

/PROVERBS 1:20

Wisdom shouts in the street...she lifts her voice in the square...

The wisdom broadcast on God's channel is completely available to the public...it is not hidden...it is manifest!

/PROVERBS 1:21

At the head of the noisy streets she cries out...at the entrance of the gates in the city she utters her sayings...

What does wisdom say?

/PROVERBS 1:22

“How long, O naive ones, will you love being simple-minded? And scoffers (mockers)...how long will you delight yourselves in scoffing? And fools (those who reject wisdom)...how long will you hate knowledge?

Are you tuning your soul to God's channel on a daily basis? Here's Mercy Me to sing a song about wisdom...WORD OF GOD SPEAK. The Word of God IS speaking all the time...are you listening?

/OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray...

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Almighty Father...there are many things we gravitate to in this life... the people...the places...the things...the situations...thank you for making Your Son one of the People we believers in Christ gravitate to...thank you for the wisdom of His mind, initiated by You and communicated in the Word of God, and poured into us by the enabling power of God the Holy Spirit...

Help us to keep growing in the sphere of Your grace...and help us to apply the knowledge You give us as wisdom...so that as we grow spiritually we keep on pouring Your gospel message and Your Word into everyone we meet, one person at a time...so we continue to view life from Your point of view...and let us be aware of the simplicity of this wisdom...that anything that is not of your Son, you have already destined to annihilation...

We ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit...in Christ's name...Amen.

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We're studying Romans, Chapter 12. Here's the first passage...Verse 1...

/ROMANS 12:1

Therefore...I (Paul)...urge (...beg... beseech) you...brethren (believers in Christ)...as you keep on being persuaded because of the many, and multi-faceted mercies of God...TO PRESENT YOUR BODIES (by choice, not by command...as) A LIVING SACRIFICE...holy and acceptable to God the Father...which is your spiritual service...worship.

God wants us to shut up, to show up, and to grow up...so that He can use us for His purpose...are you showing up in your life, reporting for duty to Christ, or are you hiding from Him? You can run...but you can't hide! The current passage under study is Romans, Chapter 12, Verse 2...

/ROMANS 12:2a

*And do not be conformed to this world (by Satan, by his cosmic system of thought, and by the flesh)...instead, keep on being transformed by (God the Holy Spirit)...through the renewing of your mind (by studying the Word of God)... *

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Satan is broadcasting his deception filled world view on WCON...the cosmic broadcasting network...with a philosophy that seeks to conform us...to make us similar in form...in nature...and in character to him...but the Lord commands you to keep on being transformed by God instead...

/ROMANS 12:2b

...so that you may see clearly...through testing...what the will of God is...and the will of God is that which is good and that which is acceptable and that which is perfect.\

At the moment of salvation, God turned us into gold...and He is refining us as gold is refined...by fire...the fire of tribulation. God is renewing your mind. When? When you make yourself available to study His Word. How do you know your mind is being renewed? You begin to see everything from God's perspective. You see God from God's perspective...you see yourself from God's perspective...and you see others from God's perspective...First Corinthians, Chapter 13, Verse 13...

/FIRST CORINTHIANS 13:13

But now faith (in God), now hope (in yourself), and now unconditional love (for others)...abide in the sphere of these three...but the greatest of these is unconditional love (for others).\

When you see things from God's perspective, you don't worry...you're happy...you don't fear...you're courageous...you don't serve two masters...because for you, there is only One Master...the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. You are not conformed. God keeps on transforming you from the innermost being by filling your innermost being with truth...blacking out the lies...and replacing them with more and more truth.

Keeping your soul tuned to God's channel (call letters KGOD), renews your mind and fills you with His divine power so you can transmit His good news to everyone you meet.

As a believer in Christ, you are an antenna...with the call letters XYOU.

/<ANTENNA SLIDE>\

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Your antenna is a transponder, equipped to receive and to transmit broadcast signals. Your antenna is owned by God...yet for now you are equipped to receive broadcasts from two networks. By free will choice, you can tune your soul to WCON...the kingdom of death broadcast network of Satan, the enemy of God and the ruler of this world...and you can be conformed by His programming.

/<THE DARK SATELLITE SLIDE>\

Or you can tune your soul to KGOD...the eternity broadcast network of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the Sovereign God of the Universe...and He can transform you with His programming.

/<THE LIGHT SATELLITE SLIDE>\

Where is your soul tuned? What broadcast do you choose to listen to? There is a simple and inescapable fact that we must orient to, as believers in Christ...**anything in our lives that is not of Christ has to go.**

You may receive two broadcasts for now, but it is only because God allows it. One day, **God will black out Satan's broadcast to believers in Christ.** We will no longer be able to hear his conforming propaganda, nor will we be influenced by it. We hear people talking about how the world is getting worse and worse...it is becoming more and more evil...and this is true. But Matthew, Chapter 24, Verse 25 tells the truth about the world...

/MATTHEW 24:25

Heaven and earth will pass away...but My words (the broadcasts of KGOD) will NOT pass away.

Revelation, Chapter 21, Verses 1 to 5...

/REVELATION 21:1

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth...for the first heaven and the first earth (the one with broadcasts from WCON) passed away (died)...and there is no longer any sea.

This is not a renovated heaven and earth...it is a completely new one...just as you are made new in union with Christ.

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/REVELATION 21:2

And I saw the holy city...the new Jerusalem...coming down out of heaven from God...made ready as a bride is adorned for her husband.

Our deep, intimate and personal relationship with God will be unencumbered by Satan's conforming rants.

/REVELATION 21:3

And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men...and He will dwell among them...and they shall be His people...and God the Father Himself will be among them..."

/REVELATION 21:4

...and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes...and there will no longer be any death...there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain...the first things have passed away."

The new heavens and the new earth will not have the things that characterize the current heavens and earth...death and crying and pain...

/REVELATION 21:5

And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."

It is our God who transforms the heavens and the earth just as He transforms us. And NOTHING that is not of Christ will survive. There will only be truth and wisdom present in the new place.

God wants you to have the same experience now in preparation for the new heaven and the new earth. James, Chapter 1, Verse 5...

/JAMES 1:5

But if any of you lacks wisdom, and of course you do, let him ask of God the Father, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

Let's take a music break...God called us out from the grave so we can live like we've been changed...or so says Jeremy Camp in his song WORD OF LIFE. Let's listen...

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/MUSIC BREAK
WORD OF LIFE
Jeremy Camp

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Let’s begin the next portion of our lesson by giving you a chance to make an offering...we need and we value your financial support to continue the work of this ministry...please welcome up Deacon Denny Goodall with the offering message.

/THE OFFERING
Deacon Denny Goodall\

/OFFERING VERSE

EPHESIANS 2:10

For we believers in Christ are His workmanship, created in union with Christ Jesus for good works, which works God the Father prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

/OFFERING
FLIGHT OF THE EAGLE
Dave McClure, Instrumental

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...so that you may see clearly...through testing...what the will of God is...and the will of God is that which is good and that which is acceptable and that which is perfect.

Keeping your soul tuned to God's channel, KGOD, renews your mind and fills you with His divine power so you can transmit His good news to everyone you meet.

God is not only broadcasting His network to your antenna from the outside...**He is broadcasting to you from the inside as well.** Colossians, Chapter 1, Verse 24 to 28...

/COLOSSIANS 1:24

Now I (Paul) rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I do my share on behalf of His body, which is the church, in filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions.

We are made by Christ to serve.

/COLOSSIANS 1:25

Of this church I (Paul) was made a minister according to the stewardship from God bestowed on me for your benefit, so that I might fully carry out the preaching of the Word of God...

/COLOSSIANS 1:26

...that is, the preaching about the mystery which has been hidden from the past ages and generations, but has now been manifested (made clearly visible) to His (Church Age) saints...

/COLOSSIANS 1:27

...to whom God the Father willed to make known what are the glorious riches of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is CHRIST INDWELLING YOU, the hope of glory.

God is working on us from the inside out, pouring His divine power into us, just as He said He would in Jeremiah, Chapter 31, Verse 33 when He spoke of Israel and The Jewish Race...

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/JEREMIAH 31:33

“I will put My law within them and on their heart I will write it...and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.”

The Lord owns your antenna. With Christ in us, we become light. Matthew, Chapter 5, Verses 13 to 16...

/MATTHEW 5:13

“You are the salt of the earth...but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men.”

/MATTHEW 5:14

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden...”

/MATTHEW 5:15

“...nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but the light is placed on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.”

/MATTHEW 5:16

“Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.”

We are called to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which we have been called, by letting our light shine before men. But God cautions us in this way...Galatians, Chapter 2, Verse 20...

/GALATIANS 2:20

I (Paul) have been crucified with Christ...and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives indwelling me...and the resurrection life that I now live in the flesh (this earthly body) I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me unconditionally, and who gave Himself up for me.

God purchased you with a price...His own blood...and we are to glorify Him in return, not in our own strength, but empowered by His. Galatians, Chapter 2, Verse 20...

/GALATIANS 2:20 (A Different Translation)

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The “I-life” has been crucified with Christ...and it is no longer the “I-life” that lives, but the “Christ-life” lives indwelling me...and the resurrection life that I now live in this earthly body of flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God (placing all my confidence in Him)...the One who loved me unconditionally, and who gave Himself up for me.

There is a simple and inescapable fact that we must orient to, as believers in Christ...**anything in our lives that is not of Christ has to go.**

Best of all, God is transmitting breaking news about Himself and His kingdom through you, to everyone you meet.

In Ephesians, Chapter 3, Verses 8 to 10, the apostle Paul says...

/EPHESIANS 3:8

To me (Paul), the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ...

/EPHESIANS 3:9

...and to bring to light what is the dispensation of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in the God who created all things (the Lord Jesus Christ)...

/EPHESIANS 3:10

...so that the manifold wisdom of God the Father might now be made known through the church to the rulers and to the authorities in the heavenly places.

In Second Corinthians, Chapter 3, Verses 2 and 3, Paul says...

/SECOND CORINTHIANS 3:2

You believers in Christ are our letter, written in our hearts, known and read by all men...

/SECOND CORINTHIANS 3:3

...and it is being manifested that you are a letter of Christ, cared for by us, written not with ink but with the Holy Spirit of the living God...not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

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When people see you, and when your renewed mind is reflecting Christ, people in this world use terms like...“you’re special”...”you’re different”...because they see Christ reflected in you. You are in the world but not of the world, and it is obvious. Ephesians, Chapter 3, Verses 14 to 21...

/EPHESIANS 3:14

*For this reason I (Paul) bow my knees before God the Father... *

/EPHESIANS 3:15

*...from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name... *

/EPHESIANS 3:16

*...that He would grant you, according to His glorious riches, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man... *

/EPHESIANS 3:17

*...so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith...and that you, being rooted and grounded in love... *

/EPHESIANS 3:18

*...may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth (how wide) and length (how long) and height (how tall) and depth (how deep)... *

/EPHESIANS 3:19

*...the unconditional love of Christ goes...a love which surpasses knowledge...that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God. *

/EPHESIANS 3:20

*Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us... *

/EPHESIANS 3:21

*...to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen. *

We are to reflect our God as Christ reflected His Father...Hebrews, Chapter 1, Verses 3 and 4...

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/HEBREWS 1:3

*And the Lord Jesus Christ is the radiance of God the Father's glory and the Lord is exact representation of God the Father's nature, and the Lord upholds all things by the Word of His power. When the Lord Jesus Christ had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of His Majesty (God the Father) on high... *

/HEBREWS 1:4

*...having become as much better than the angels...and He has inherited a more excellent name than they. *

The renewed soul is tuned to God's channel...KGOD. Are you? Are you a reflection of the Christ indwelling you? Do you realize that God is doing away with all that is not Christ? So if there is anything in you that is not Christ, enjoy it while you can. It is finished. Only why would we, as believers in Christ, want or enjoy anything that is not from the Lord?

There is a simple and inescapable fact that we must orient to, as believers in Christ...**anything in our lives that is not of Christ has to go.**

Keep your souled tuned to KGOD.

/GOD WANTS YOU!

Make the Most Important Decision of Your Life\

There's only one way to get to heaven...in John, Chapter 14, Verse 6, the Lord Jesus Christ said...

/JOHN 14:6

*...to Thomas, the doubting apostle, "I am the way (to salvation), and (I am) the truth (the Word of God)...and (I am) the (resurrection) life (eternal life)...and no one comes to God the Father but through believing in Me." *

In John, Chapter 3, Verse 3, the Lord Jesus Christ Himself gives instruction on how to be saved to Nicodemus...a religious Pharisee...

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/JOHN 3:3

Jesus said to Nicodemus, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a person is born again (the spiritual birth) he cannot see the kingdom of God the Father.”

/JOHN 3:4

Nicodemus said to the Lord Jesus Christ, “How can a man be born again when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born, can he?”

/JOHN 3:5

Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of the water of the Word (the gospel message) and the (baptism by God the Holy) Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.”

/JOHN 3:6

That which is born of the flesh is flesh (in other words, that which comes from mortals is mortal), and that which is born (again) of the (baptism of God the Holy) Spirit is spirit.”

/JOHN 3:7

“Do not be amazed (Nicodemus) that I (the Lord Jesus Christ) said to you, ‘You must be born again.’”

So if you want to be born again...if you want to move from spiritual death to spiritual life, you can follow the apostle Paul’s advice in Acts, Chapter 16, Verse 31...

/ACTS 16:31

“Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and everyone in your household who also believes.”

John, Chapter 3, Verse 17 says...

/JOHN 3:17

God the Father did not send the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ) into the world to judge the world, but God the Father sent the Son in to the world that the world might be saved through union with Him.

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Thank you Father for providing a single, crystal clear way to get to heaven that requires no work on our part.

/CLOSING SONG
YOUR WORD TAKES ME
June Murphy

/CLOSING PRAYER
*Let us pray... *

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