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Lesson 51 – November 17, 2013

**/Welcome To
BARAH MINISTRIES
a Christian Church
Rory Clark
Pastor-Teacher**

Good Morning! Welcome to Barah Ministries...a Christian Church.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our afflictions... so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

My name is Rory Clark. My spiritual gift is Pastor-Teacher...a spiritual gift given to me by God for your blessing and for your benefit...I salute the Deacons of Barah Ministries in the opening moments of this lesson for fulfilling their office with distinction...First Peter, Chapter 5, Verse 5 says...

/1PE 5:5

You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.

In our Deacons, we have a humble group of servants who know how to put the needs of others before their own needs. Thank you men for your loyal weekly service.

The spiritual gift of Pastor-Teacher affords me the privilege of leadership... of telling unbelievers the good news of the gospel message, concerning God the Father's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ...and His saving work on the Cross...Acts, Chapter 2, Verse 21 says...

/ACT 2:21

'AND IT SHALL BE THAT EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD (JESUS CHRIST) WILL BE SAVED.

The spiritual gift of Pastor-Teacher also affords me the privilege of providing believers in the Lord Jesus Christ with a place to hear the Word of God accurately taught so that they might use its truths to handle the

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circumstances of their lives...whether in tribulation, or in rejoicing, or in that special time when we walk through our very own death shadowed valley to be face-to-face with the Lord forever. James, Chapter 1, Verses 5 to 8 say...

/JAM 1:5

But if (1) any of you lacks wisdom (and of course we do), let him (keep on) ask(ing) of God (the Father for wisdom in prayer), (the Father) who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it (wisdom) will be given to him.

/JAM 1:6

But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

/JAM 1:7-8

For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord, //being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Doubting creates instability in the soul.

One thing we must never do, if we are to be spiritual, is to underestimate the importance of the Christ...the Messiah...The Lord...to doubt who He is... He is the One whom we gather here to worship...and He is the One and Only Sovereign God. What is the most important decision of our lives? Matthew, Chapter 22, Verse 42...

/MAT 22:42

“What do you think about the Christ (the Messiah)?”

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ or not?

The Lord knows how important it is for us to see Him...and so He made Himself visible so that we could behold Him...John, Chapter 1, Verse 14 says...

/JOH 1:14

And the Word (God the Son...the Lord) became flesh (Jesus Christ...true humanity), and dwelt (tabernacled) among us, and we saw (beheld) His

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glory, glory as of the only begotten (uniquely born One) from (God) the Father, full of grace and (full of) truth.

He keeps on making Himself visible in our souls to this very day.

<WHERE IS YOUR SOUL TUNED?>

Bible study is a time for the refreshment that comes from RENEWING our thoughts...it's a time to reinvigorate our souls and to nourish our senses... it's a time to turn our bodies over to God as living and holy sacrifices...it's a time to see God with the eyes of our souls...it's a time to allow God the Holy Spirit to lead us into the truths of the Word of God, so we can learn how to be a reflection of our Savior's thoughts to a lost and dying world. Romans, Chapter 12, Verse 2 says...

/ROM 12:2

And do not be conformed to this world, but (keep on) be(ing) transformed by (God in) the RENEWING of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Bible study encourages you to turn away from the world's viewpoint, and to adopt God's viewpoint, taking God's attitude into the world as a powerful influence. Welcome to the place where God the Holy Spirit prepares you to "in humility receive the Word of God implanted, which is able to deliver your souls."

/MUSIC AND REFLECTION

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

You Don't Have to Beg\

As God prepares you for the RENEWING of your mind, let's worship our Lord in song. The opening song is...YOU DON'T HAVE TO BEG.

/OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray...\

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We're grateful Heavenly Father for the privilege of studying the absolute truth...the Word of God...

Guide us with Your wisdom...lead us to the destiny You have planned for us...

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

/TODAY'S STUDY

Romans Chapter 1 – Prayer is For Guidance

We begin with a few announcements.

/TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 17, 2013

/Mark Your Calendars!

The next Lord's Supper Celebration is December 15, 2013\

Deacon Caleb Alburn will deliver the Lord's Supper Message that day.

/Mark Your Calendars!

No Face-to-Face Bible Study

December 8

December 29\

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/HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
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November 17\

/HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
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Now let's take the offering. Welcome up Deacon Denny Goodall.

/TODAY'S OFFERING
Deacon Denny Goodall\

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/OFFERING VERSE

GAL 6:10

So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

/Remember to give with the motivation suggested in Scripture

2CO 9:7

Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful (grace oriented) giver.

/OFFERING

Father I Adore You

/TODAY'S STUDY

Romans Chapter 1 – Prayer is For Guidance

We continue our study of prayer...the only requirement of prayer, the only requirement for the Christian, is BELIEVE, the expenditure of the gift of faith that we received from God. Matthew, Chapter 21, Verse 22 says...

/MAT 21:22

“And all things you ask in prayer, BELIEVING, you will receive.”

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How is your prayer life? Is it intentional? Is it regular? Prayer is a key component of the Zoe life, the eternal life, the resurrection life given to every believer in the Lord Jesus Christ at the moment of salvation. What is prayer?

/PRAYER

A private, intimate talk between you and God which gives you access to the same divine omnipotence that sustained the Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross...which gives you access to the same power that raised the Lord Jesus Christ from the dead...a privilege which allows you to invoke divine power for yourself and for others in circumstances that have no human solution.\

When is the last time you had a talk with God?

When you have a talk with God, what do you pray for? We pray for guidance...turn in your bibles to Ephesians, Chapter 1, Verse 18... a prayer for guidance...

<READ THE PASSAGE...Ephesians, Chapter 1, Verses 18 to 21>

Take a five-minute break and we'll look at this passage and another passage in detail.

/BREAK

*Better Than One Day
When I Think About Home*

Welcome back! Ephesians, Chapter 1, beginning at Verse 18...

/EPH 1:18

*I (Paul) pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His (God the Father's) calling, what are the riches of the glory (the glorious riches) of His inheritance in the (person of the) saints... *

We are God the Father's inheritance!

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/EPH 1:19

*...and what is the surpassing greatness of His (God the Father's) power toward us who believe. These (glorious riches) are in accordance with the working of the strength of His (God the Father's) might... *

/EPH 1:20

*...which He (God the Father) brought about in (our union with) Christ, when He (God the Father) raised Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) from the dead and seated Him (the Lord Jesus Christ) at His (God the Father's) right hand in the heavenly places... *

/EPH 1:21

*...far above all rule and (all) authority and (all) power and (all) dominion, and (above) every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one (the age) to come. *

Knowing these things we are indeed enlightened concerning the magnificent destiny our Father has planned for us through Jesus Christ our Lord.

What do we pray for? We pray for strength...turn in your bibles to Ephesians, Chapter 3, Verse 14...

<READ THE PASSAGE...Ephesians, Chapter 3, Verses 14 to 21>

/EPH 3:14

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

/EPH 3:15

*...from whom every family in heaven (angelic creatures) and on earth (human creatures) derives its name... *

/EPH 3:16

*...that He (God the Father) would grant you, according to the riches of His (God the Father's) glory (out of His glorious riches), to be strengthened with (divine) power through His (God the Father's Holy) Spirit in the inner man... *

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Becoming strengthened is Paul's prayer that we might overcome resistance through the divine power that is given to us by God the Holy Spirit. Philippians, Chapter 4, Verse 13 says...

/PHI 4:13

I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

Therefore, Paul's prayer is answered...believers in Christ do have the power to resist in the evil day...First Peter, Chapter 5, Verses 8 and 9...we believers are to use that divine power to...

/1PE 5:8

Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

/1PE 5:9

But resist him, firm (stabilized) in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.

Back to Ephesians, Chapter 3, Verse 17...

/EPH 3:17a

...so that (the Lord Jesus) Christ may (in) dwell in your hearts through faith...

We have a power indwelling us...Colossians, Chapter 1, Verse 27...says you, believers in Christ...

/COL 1:27

...to whom God (the Father) willed to make known what is the riches of the glory (the glorious riches) of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in(dwelling) you, the hope of glory.

Back to Ephesians, Chapter 3, Verse 17...

/EPH 3:17b-18

...and that you, being (having been) rooted (by God like a plant) and grounded (by God like the foundation of a building) in (the sphere of

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unconditional) love (in the past and from that point on forever)...//may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth (how wide) and length (how long) and height (how high) and depth (how deep God's unconditional love for us is)...

Can you comprehend? Are you enlightened?

/EPH 3:19

...and to know (through experience) the (unconditional) love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God.

When we know Christ, we know His unconditional love for us, and we are amazed, for this unconditional love is the SOURCE of our strength, and we are the intended RECIPIENTS!

What is it that we are to expect as a result of our prayers? Ephesians, Chapter 3, verses 20 and 21...

/EPH 3:20

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

/EPH 3:21

...to Him (God the Father) be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

When we pray for guidance...for enlightenment...God responds with enabling divine power that cannot be defeated...First John, Chapter 4, Verse 4 says...

/1JO 4:4

You are from God, little children (believers in Christ), and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in(dwelling) you than he who is in the world.

Why is God so interested in your victory and your deliverance? Here's a final song to tell you why.

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/CLOSING SONG

God's Property\

CLOSING VERSES

/JER 29:11

“For I know the plans that I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.”

/1PE 5:6-7

Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, // casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.

/JUD 1:24-25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, // to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

/CLOSING PRAYER

Let us pray...\

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And we pray that You continue to shape the messages from this pulpit that are an accurate reflection of Your unconditional love, Your person, Your thinking, Your work, and Your essence...we ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit, in Christ's name, Amen.

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