WORD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

GOD'S PATIENCE AND KINDNESS LEADS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE. ROMANS 2:4

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What's Your Response?

As I think about life and love and relationships, I'm reminded that in all of these things, there's a responsibility, there's a partnership.

And it's the same with our walk with Jesus.

Yes, the price has already been paid. The victory has already been won. Jesus paid it all and freedom is right there for the taking.

But we also have a responsibility. A responsibility, and a privilege, to partner with Jesus. To accept His gift of salvation and to do something with it.

So many times in Scripture, we are told to do something with what we've been given, with what we've been offered:

Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Don't allow it. Jesus paid the price for peace, the price for freedom. But we have to grab hold of it, take it for ourselves and live it out.

Be of good cheer.

Choose to be of good cheer. Christ paid the price for joy. Take it, accept it and live it out.

Go and make disciples.

Jesus paid the price for the salvation of all mankind. Go and make disciples. Go and speak the Good News. Go.

Love your neighbor. Forgive your brother. Speak the truth. Rejoice always.

In all of these things, God has already enabled us, already empowered us. He has already given us everything we need to live this life of godliness.

But it is our responsibility, our privilege, to walk it out. God won't force us to not be afraid. God won't force us to be of good cheer. He won't force us to share the Good News, to speak the truth or to rejoice always.

No, in all of these things, we have the choice. God sets before us today, and every day, the choice. The choice to walk out the freedom that He's already given to us, to walk in the victory that He's already purchased. The choice to say *yes*. The choice to say *no*.

Yes, the price has already been paid. The work has already been done. The question is: What's your response?

Are you going to take up the gift? Are you going to partner with Jesus? Are you going to live out the purposeful, exciting life God has intended for you?

What's your response?

I pray that today marks a new chapter for you. That you would accept the grace extended. That you would accept the salvation bought. That you would grab hold of the freedom offered. That you would step into the exciting, purposeful, joy-filled live that God has planned just for you!

By His divine power God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know Him, the One who called us to Himself by means of His marvelous glory and excellence. 2 Peter 1:3

Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in Me. John 14:1

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world. John 16:33

Dates & Times to Remember

<u>January Small Groups:</u> Want to try out a different Small Group or a different night? We encourage everyone to try out different Small Groups during the month of January! Not yet a part of a Small Group? Now's the perfect time to try out our Small Groups! **Want more info?** Check out our website or contact Sandy.

<u>Heaven in Business:</u> Our next *Heaven in Business* meeting will be on January 10 at 9 am! Come early for breakfast and fellowship, beginning at 8:45 am. Mark your calendars now; you won't want to miss being a part!

Want more info? Contact Denise.

January 10 / 9-11am

Community Prayer Walk: Join us as we share the tangible love of Christ with those we meet in the community!

Want more info? Contact Dawn.

January 17 / 9:45am

Annual Business Meeting: If you are part of the Word Fellowship Church family, be sure to be here for this important yearly meeting!

January 19 / 7pm

Other Information

WFC backpacks & totes: \$10 for backpacks, \$5 for totes. Cash only / exact change preferred See Sandy Heubner or your Small Group leader to purchase.

Candlelight Prayer House: The progress is exciting! Check out <u>pictures and videos</u> of the progress!



