1st Timothy Lesson

1-29-17

- 1. As is our custom let's begin our study time by using 1Jo 1:9.
- 2. Last week I began the exeges s of 1Ti 5:20 and when time expired we were about to analyze the phrase $\epsilon \chi \omega$ $\phi o \beta o \sigma$ translated "may fear."
- 3. Let's see how 1Ti 5:18-19 look by way of an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

1Ti 5:18 For you see the Scripture in Deu 25:4 says, "Do not muzzle the ox while it is treading out the grain, for the worker deserves his wage."
1Ti 5:19 You must never receive, entertain or convey an accusation against a pastor-teacher, except and unless, it is corroborated by and delivered with two or more witnesses.

- 4. So far we have exegeted that portion of 1Ti 5:20 which in the KJV has been translated "Them that sin rebuke before all, that others ... noting it might better be rendered "Those who openly reject the pastor-teacher's authority are to be rebuked publicly, so that the rest ..."
- 5. The entire verse has been translated in the KJV:

KJV-New Sentence

1Ti 5:20 Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

6. Now let's see what we can learn from our last phrase "may fear."

may fear εχω φοβοσ

- 1. **Echo Phobos** is better translated "may fear exposure."
- 2. **Echo** is a verb parsed as 3rd person plural, present active subjunctive followed by the noun **Phobos** declined as an accusative singular.
- 3. Christians without doctrine are anxious and fearful, as over against the mature believer who is confident and courageous.

Pro 28:1 The wicked man flees though no one pursues, but the righteous are as bold as a lion.

3.1 Though there is a place for fearing establishment, and there is a place for the fleeting emotion of fear; those who do the will of God have no reason to fear.

- 3.2 Fear is a legitimate response to a real danger; it is built into our souls to allow an appropriate response. For example: fleeing a wild animal, avoiding a poisonous snake, etc.
- 3.3 Paul uses fear in a figurative sense, when he speaks of his concern that there is rampant reversionism among the Corinthians.
- 1Co 2:3 I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling.

2Co 11:3 But I **am afraid** that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.

2Co 12:20 For **I** am afraid that when I come I may not find you as I want you to be, and you may not find me as you want me to be. I fear that there may be quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, factions, slander, gossip, arrogance and disorder. 2Co 12:21 I am afraid that when I come again my God will humble me before you, and I will be grieved over many who have sinned earlier and have not repented of the impurity, sexual sin and debauchery in which they have indulged.

4. Cowardice or timidity, as in "a spirit of fear" is to be avoided.

2Ti 1:7 For God hath not given us the **spirit of fear**; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Joh 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be **afraid**. Joh 14:28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

Mat 8:26 He replied, "You of little faith, **why are you so afraid**?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.

5. Fear can be a mental attitude sin; a sin that creates an anxious dread in our soul. The faith rest mechanics are designed to counter the effects of both "abnormal" and "normal fear."

1Pe 5:6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

1Pe 5:7 **Cast all your anxiety on him** because he cares for you.

6. Overcoming fear as a dominating force in ones life comes from Bible doctrine metabolized in the soul of the believer.

Psa 23:4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Psa 56:3 When I am afraid, I will trust in you.

Psa 56:11 In God I trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?

Heb 11:27 By faith he forsook Egypt, **not fearing** the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

6.1 Fear should never be the motivation for our choices, but rather obedience to informed wisdom i.e., doctrine.

7. Satan wants us to fear death; accordingly, God has provided many Scriptures urging courage.

Heb 2:14 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death--that is, the devil--Heb 2:15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their **fear of death.**

7.1 The dissolution of our life on earth (death) should never be feared. John Bunyan said it this way:

"Let dissolution come when it will, it can do the Christian no harm, for it will be but a passage out of a prison into a palace, out of a sea of troubles into a haven of rest; out of a crowd of enemies to an innumerable company of true, loving, and faithful friends; out of shame, and reproach, and contempt into exceeding great and eternal glory."

7.2 This should be our attitude, even if or when, we are blessed to serve our country in battle. When it is your time, you will die, and not a minute before then!

Jos 8:1 And the LORD said unto Joshua, **Fear not**, neither be thou dismayed: take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land:

Exo 14:13 And Moses said unto the people, **Fear ye not**, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more forever.

Exo 14:14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

Deu 31:8 And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, **neither be dismayed**. Deu 31:9 And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark ... of the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel.

Isa 41:10 **Fear thou not**; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Isa 41:11 Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.

8. The promise of Psa 4:8 helps to overcome unhealthy fear and anxiety. Fears are often magnified in the closet of the night. Nocturnal fears, however shrink at dawns first light.

Psa 4:8 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.

Psa 34:4 I sought the Lord and He heard me and delivered me from all my fears.

9. Solomon in his old age said "old folks" often lose their usefulness, for they are full of fear.

Ecc 12:1 Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them"-- Ecc 12:2 before the sun and the light and the moon and the stars grow dark, and the clouds return after the rain;

Ecc 12:3 when the keepers of the house tremble, and the strong men stoop, when the grinders cease because they are few, and those looking through the windows grow dim; Ecc 12:4 when the doors to the street are closed and the sound of grinding fades; when men rise up at the sound of birds, but all their songs grow faint;

Ecc 12:5 when men are afraid of heights and of dangers in the streets; when the almond tree blossoms and the grasshopper drags himself along and desire no longer is stirred. Then man goes to his eternal home ...

10. For the child of God, whether young or old, we must remember there is joy in the morning, for in His service there is life abundant.

Psa 30:5 For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but **joy** cometh in the **morning**.

11. Let's see how the entire verse looks by way of an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

1Ti 5:20 Those who openly reject the pastor-teacher's authority are to be rebuked publicly, so that the rest might learn from the public rebuke of others.

Summary Points

1. A godly man when so admonished publicly will take the lesson to heart.

Pro 9:8 Do not rebuke a mocker or he will hate you; rebuke a wise man and he will love you.

Pro 9:9 Instruct a wise man and he will be wiser still; teach a righteous man and he will add to his learning.

Pro 9:10 "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

2. Them that sin in the Greek implies "those who persist in sin." The phrase "Rebuke before all," reminds me of Paul himself who severely rebuked Peter. (Gal 2:14-21).

Gal 2:14 When I saw that they were not acting in line with the truth of the gospel, I said to Peter in front of them all, "You are a Jew, yet you live like a Gentile and not like a Jew. How is it, then, that you force Gentiles to follow Jewish customs?

Gal 2:15 "We who are Jews by birth and not 'Gentile sinners'

Gal 2:16 know that a man is not justified by observing the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by observing the law, because by observing the law no one will be justified.

Gal 2:17 "If, while we seek to be justified in Christ, it becomes evident that we ourselves are sinners, does that mean that Christ promotes sin? Absolutely not!

Gal 2:18 If I rebuild what I destroyed, I prove that I am a lawbreaker.

Gal 2:19 For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God.

Gal 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me.

The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Gal 2:21 I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!"

3. Let me take one last shot at an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

1Ti 5:20 Those who choose to reject authority must be publicly rebuked in order that the rest of his congregates may fear a like exposure and thus either attend, sit down, shut-up and listen or leave.

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