

Great Peace from Great Teaching

Isa 54:13 All your children shall be taught by the Lord, and great shall be the peace of your children.

In our study thus far we have come to understand that the woman that was barren and the enlarged tent that is decked in precious stone is clearly a description of the church. The children spoken of here then are her children and are thus the children of God and are therefore members of this glorious church. In the message this morning I trust that you will see what a blessing it is that we who were, by nature, children of the bond woman, who, by the grace and mercies provide for us in Christ Jesus, have now become children of the free woman. And since the church is described as children of the barren woman we are made aware that our new birth being of that barren woman is therefore a miraculous work of God, our salvation then, is none of our doing for we are told that “. . . as *many as received Him, to them He gave the **right to become children of God**, to those who believe in His name: who were born, **not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God**.* (John 1:10-13) Let us understand then that our birth into His church is all of God. Now there are two great blessing mentioned here that belong to her children; First, they shall be taught of God and secondly great shall be their peace. Now I spoke of that first privilege last Sunday but I desire to enlarge on that thought that we might better understand the greatness of the peace that is ours as her children. So let us consider these two thoughts this morning. 1. Her children shall be taught of God, and 2. Great shall be her children's peace.

A. All her children shall be taught by the Lord.

1. The context here is the church and therefore all her children would be those that are members of the Church invisible
2. Having been taught of God there are certain things that are received by those of true faith that are not received by the natural man.
 - a. That the God of Holy Scripture is the only true God.

Deut 4:39 Therefore know this day, and consider it in your heart, that the Lord Himself is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

*Isa 45:21-22 And there is no other God besides Me, a just God and a Savior; there is none besides Me. "Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth! **For I am God, and there is no other.***

- b. That Holy Scripture is given by God and is infallible in its teachings regarding the person and work of God, and is the only foundation for faith.

*2 Tim 3:16-17 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, **thoroughly equipped** for every good work.*

- c. That the whole of creation proclaims God in all His glory.

Ps 19:1-2 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork. Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge.

3. All those of true faith have been taught of God in His written Word
 - a. This is the only means of knowing God for . . . *faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. Rom. 10:17*
 - b. Thus we understand the necessity of the church to preach the Word

B. Result of being taught of God is we are now at peace with God - *and great shall be the peace of your children.*

1. Before becoming children of God we were by nature at war with God. - *There is no peace says my God to the wicked.*
 - a. Previously we hated Him because His law condemned us

*Rom 8:7 Because the carnal mind is **enmity against God**; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.*

- b. We were therefore under the wrath of God even as others.

*Eph 2:3 “. . . among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and **were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.***

2. We now have peace with God because Jesus has removed the curse of the law.

*Rom 5:1-2 Therefore, having been justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ**, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.*

- a. You now love His law
 - b. You love the Law Giver

3. But this perfect and complete peace is not the result of our keeping the law, but it is the result of trusting in God.

Isa 26:3 You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You.

- a. Prior to our redemption we had a certain dread of God.
 - (1) By nature we had a natural dread of the presence of God, because He is the Judge of the whole world.
 - (2) Because we were guilty before Him deserving death and hell
 - (3) It is that dread that makes men shun God as much as they can.
 - b. But now we have full assurance in the person and work of Christ.

CONCLUSION: What have we learned this morning?

First - we know God because we have been taught of God

We trust in His written revelation for we have been taught of God

Because we have been taught of God we have great peace

For that instruction has brought us to repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ.

This is true for we are loved with a perfect love, and His love casts out fear and gives us great peace.

1 John 4:17-18 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment.

And this great peace will give boldness in the day of judgment when we hear from the lips of our Savior “*Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.*” (Matt 25:21-22)

Truly what a blessing it is as children of God to be taught of God