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"Steps to Revival" #74.. "TOMORROW LIES IN TODAY!"
Scrip. Reading:- II Cor. 6:1-10.

Intro:- (1). Today want talk about the thing we hate most of all. Sin? Partly so..but too often we love it..or excuse..or tolerate (in selves!) Thing we hate most is REPROOF of our sin. True? How we squirm..How resentment flames..How we colour (blood pressure!) Hepzibah Hurteasy!
(2). That's the devil in us! Devil of pride. Scares lead in church half to death..bec knows if rebukes evil almost certain be battle, storm, sulks. c/f Gen. 4:5...I K. 20:42-3
Why do we get like that? I know..bec. we are babies..but beyond that..let's label it..WE GIVE PLACE TO THE DEVIL. And not one of us here..in this church..not thor. guilty. Hardest hing in all world..thing we hate most. Rebuke of sin Unnumbered times we excuse selves..hate one who rebukes....

I. Why Satan so insistent on this recurring temptation?

(a). Bec. so smart. He knows some of great facts of life we forget. He knows philos. of this fact.."TOMORROW LIES IN TODAY". Prov. 27:6 "Faithful are the wounds of a friend". Why? Bec. tomorrow's success depends on the correction of today. What I am today I shall be more so tomorrow. The weed will be taller, stronger. Judas was a devil on earth before became devil in hell. The child is father of the man. Correct him! Agree? Yet kick when God corrects us! Listen to this:- Par. of Tares..Jesus said "Let both grow together" Wheat in tares..among the wicked..tested, tried, troubled.. Why? Matt. 13:43. God preparing us for "the AGES"..aft. Mill We shall nev. learn patience in heaven..or faith..longsuff.
(b). Tomorrow lies in today. Thus the devil in us HATES CORRECTION..resents..gets hurt..touchy..REFUSES IT. May God deliver us from this awful power!

II. Look at this further with me..because tremend. issues invo

(a). If were to ask..What God's chief purpose with and for me in 1955..what ans? NOT REVIVAL...?? Secondary. Byproduct. To do great works? Byproduct. Prayer-life? Dependant on I. Illus:- (clipping 1). GOD'S PRIME PURPOSE..MAKE US GOOD. That we might be good for something! Prayer, works, revival Do you see why devil in us resists every shade of correction?
(b). God puts this FIRST..ESSENTIAL to all else. Purpose. Einstein expressed this conviction: "God is not playing dice with the universe". Not chance..but purpose. Goal for life See this:- Josh. 3:5 Tomorrow lies in today! Sanctify today Wonders tomorrow! Andrew Murray said: "Every revival has had its roots in a deep confession of sin". Tomorrow in today. Josh. 7:13. Tomorrow..get ready for tomorrow..ready today.

(c). How get ready? "Sanctify yourselves"...Purify...purge self. If God can bring us to place of purity..chief goal realized. THIS IS THE GREAT ESSENTIAL..our PURIFICATION. Devil in us hate ESSENTIAL! Give first priority. 1. Essen. to revival..Psalm 24:4. c/f Hebrides. 2. To prayer..II Tim. 2:22. Pure heart 3. In order set example..I Tim. 4:12 4. For good works..Titus 2:14. 5. Fruit bearing as pleasing to God..John 15:2. Purification is the today that leads to tomorrow's power.

The devil hates it..and thereby confounds our life as resented. (d). What is it? Both "purge" and "purify" have same roots.. "Clean, pure, polished, scoured, modest, chaste..saintly".

And when we willing have that purpose worked out..we become priest who has been to laver..and ready to go to golden altar of incense (prayer)..and vessel God can fill, use..II Tim.2:21. Sinless? Well, let me read (clipping 2).

Conclus:- 1. Last word is HOW? Amazing thing is that God says "You do it"! Yes, God does it in that He washes us from our sins..and has provided all means..But for daily purifying of life..we are to apply the means..c/f Jas. 4:8..You do it!

(2). What are means? I see three chief ones. a. Inward condition Phil. 4:8 Guard thoughts..take to X for review..see if fit to entertain. b. Outward response..I Pet. 1:22..Obed to truth of God's Word, thru X, that prod. real love for brethren. It will purify heart and life..washing of the water of the Word.

c. The Upward Vision. I John 3:3. Preparing for His appearing any moment. Need preach that today. Being forgotten..growing dim. We wait for HIM..then judg. seat..and then the Ages to Come

(3). Tomorrow lies in today. God knows it. Devil knows it. And fight is on..to keep us from PURIFIED LIFE..that is God's goal for us..key to ev' thing else. God grant it into our hearts take means He has provided..use them to purify ourselves..daily.

⊗ Not only sins of flesh - but disposition - great - greed - covetous - backbit - lovelessness - jealousy - envy - selfishness - bitterness

not on schedule

CHRIST DOES not bring us into a position where it is impossible to sin, but where it is possible not to sin. Sin in the case of a true believer should be only analogous to a railway accident and never according to time table.

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HERALD OF HIS COMING

ALEXIS de Tocqueville about a century ago said of America, "Not until I went to the churches of America and found her pulpits aflame for righteousness, did I understand the greatness and genius of America. America is great because America is good. When America ceases to be good, America will cease to be great."

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