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Baptized in the Sea and the Cloud

I Corinthians 10:1,2 *For I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea; ² and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea;*

Sunday night we looked at God's dealings with the Israelites as Moses led them out of Egypt. We saw that God took them the long way around, helped them avoid trouble, brought them to a point of tension, and made them aware of His presence. What we did not spend much time on was the way He delivered them. He led them through the sea on dry ground in an amazing display of power that they should have never forgotten, and used that sea to destroy the Egyptian army that was pursuing them!

In the verse above Paul mentions this event as the baptism in the cloud and the sea. They passed through the waters with the presence of God, and just as our baptism washes away our sins, their baptism set them free from Egyptian slavery and pointed them toward the promised land. Paul also reminds the Corinthians of the sad fact that most of those who experienced this great deliverance were unable to enter the promised land because of what they did after experiencing the deliverance of the Lord. He encourages them to consider their fall in order to avoid the same pitfalls. He gives the warning ¹² *Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall.* ¹³ *No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.* May we all remember the deliverance we have been given and stay true to our God who has promised us rest with Him one day. See you Sunday!

John

A Deadly Snare

Proverbs 21:6 *A fortune made by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor and a deadly snare.*

When you look at your bank account, can you say that it was achieved in righteous ways? Far too often we read stories in the news where people have accumulated much but by dishonest ways. The dishonest car salesman makes his sales only to find an upset customer once his deceit is discovered. The investment man is discovered to have siphoned off funds only to find himself before a judge and facing prison time. The politician misuses the tax payer's money for his own benefit until the accountant begins to ask questions. The employee withholds receipts and pockets that same amount of money but eventually is found out. The lawyer takes the account of an elderly woman only for relatives to discover the money missing upon her death. Countless stories are told of individuals misusing funds.

Solomon's proverb is causing us to reflect upon our means by which we accumulate our money. Money gained by our lies or by our immoral processes will not last. This income is a fleeting vapor lasting only a short time. It will quickly be spent or when discovered taken away from us. Solomon also refers to it as a deadly snare. A snare is a trap. It is usually designed to go around the neck and choke to death. Money accumulated by dishonest means may very well take our life. Few things in this world make people any more upset than to realize their money that they have worked hard for has been taken from them. There is a strong urge to retaliate against the offender. The Bible gives us much advice about the use of our money. If we follow the Biblical principles then we will be satisfied with our possessions and will rest easy upon our bed at night. More important than this, we will right with our God.

Joe

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WORSHIP LEADERS FEBRUARY 18, 2018

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M

Welcome.....Richard Farris
 Song Leader:Kevin Mick
 Prayer:.....Andrew Sullivan
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Benny Bolton
 Daniel Thomas Lenny Davis
 Ryan Grice Corey Smith
 Lee Winchester Patrick Sullivan
 Barrow Brown Chase Thomason
 Read: Colossians 1:28-29.....Jacob Pollard
 Sermon: Discipling Principles.....John Thomas
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Daniel Thomas
 Prayer.....Charlie Willis
 Read: Exodus 32:7-14.....Tommy Hight
 Sermon: Moses on the Go - Part 2.....John Thomas
 Presiding.....Greg Grey
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Gary Boyd

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A.M.....Teri Wilkins, Jan Thomason
 P.M.....Lisa Kelley

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 21, 6:30 P.M.

Song Leader:Conner Arnett
 Prayer:.....Joe Macer
 Announcements/Speaker:.....Blair Keeling