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**OUR MAIN INHERITANCE**

**Text: Matthew 25: 31-46**

* Mat 25:31 "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.
* Mat 25:32 "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides [his] sheep from the goats.
* Mat 25:33 "And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.
* Mat 25:34"Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
* Mat 25:35 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in;
* Mat 25:36 'I [was] naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'
* Mat 25:37 "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed [You], or thirsty and give [You] drink?
* Mat 25:38 'When did we see You a stranger and take [You] in, or naked and clothe [You]?
* Mat 25:39'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'
* Mat 25:40 "And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did [it] to one of the least of these My brethren, you did [it] to Me.'
* Mat 25:41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:
* Mat 25:42 'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink;
* Mat 25:43 'I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.
* Mat 25:44 "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?'
* Mat 25:45 "Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do [it] to one of the least of these, you did not do [it] to Me.'
* Mat 25:46 "And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

**INTRO:**

* To inherit (verb) means to receive (property or a title, for example) from an ancestor by legal succession or will.
* Inheritance (Noun) is the one we receive
* What are we going to receive?

**AIM:**

* **FOR US TO BE ABLE TO MINISTER JESUS THROUGH THE LEAST OF OUR BRETHREN**

**I. JUDGMENTS**

**A. IMMEDIATE & ETERNAL**

* Immediate is right after death
* Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:
* Rev 20:13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.
* Mat 27:52 and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised;
* Mat 27:53 and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many.
* Eternal
* Rev 20:13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.
* Rev 20:14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
* Rev 20:15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

**B. BEMA OR GEAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT**

* Bema-judgments of the nations
* John 5:28"Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice
* John 5:29 "and come forth--those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.
* Great White Throne-judgments for saved re: rewards
* 2 Cr 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things [done] in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.
* Time-is given for us to prepare for eternity (beyond time).
* Now is the time for sowing and life eternal is the season of harvest.

**II. KINGDOM-OUR MAIN INHERITANCE**

* Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world-V 34
* Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth…
* Mat 5:5 Blessed [are] the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.
* Psalm 37:9 For evildoers shall be cut off; But those who wait on the LORD, They shall inherit the earth.
* Rev 21:1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.
* Rev 21:2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
* Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God [is] with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them [and be] their God.

**III. THERE WILL BE THOSE WHO WON’T INHERIT THE KINGDOM**

* 1Cor 6:9 Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,
* 1Cor 6:10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.
* Drunkard-a person who is frequently or habitually drunk.
* Ephesians 5:18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit.
* Mat 11:18 "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.'
* Mat 11:19 "The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a winebibber, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' But wisdom is justified by her children.
* Lev 10:9 "Do not drink wine or intoxicating drink, you, nor your sons with you, when you go into the tabernacle of meeting, lest you die.
* [It shall be] a statute forever throughout your generations,
* Ezekiel 44:21 "No priest shall drink wine
* when he enters the inner court.
* Gal 5:19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,
* Gal 5:20 idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,
* Gal 5:21 envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told [you] in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
* Revelry-a situation in which people celebrate or enjoy themselves in a lively and noisy way, especially by singing, dancing, and drinking alcohol
* Mat 7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.
* Mat 7:22"Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'
* Mat 7:23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!‘

**IV. WHAT DETERMINES WHO WILL INHERIT THE KINGDOM AND WHO WON’T?**

* Mat 7:20 "Therefore by their fruits you will know them.
* 1John 2:3 Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments.
* 1John 2:4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
* 1John 2:5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him.
* Reason of inheriting the kingdom
* He was hungry, you gave Him food
* He was thirsty, you gave Him drink
* He was a stranger, and you took Him in
* He was naked and you clothed Him
* He was sick and you visited Him
* He was in prison and you visited Him
* Ministering to the needs of others.
* Are we doing it?
* Ex. We have a member here in church, who have no job due to her illness, paying a rent, eating as well…
* HAVE YOU MINISTERED UNTO HER?
* You might say you don’t know (hindi mo alam), because the truth is you don’t care at all (wala kang pakialam).
* 1Jo 3:17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?
* 1Jo 3:18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

**V. EMPHASIS GIVEN BY JESUS-V 40**

* When asked when did they saw Him hungry…
* He said, INASMUCH as you did [it] to one of the least of these My brethren, you did [it] to Me.'
* If you can’t see Him in the needy people, there’s something wrong with you.
* Gal 6:9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.
* Gal 6:10Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

**VI. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN TO THOSE WHO WILL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM?**

* They will be commanded to depart from Him
* They are cursed and will be casted out into the everlasting fire
* For what reason?
* Jesus was hungry but they did not gave Him food…

**VII. EVERLASTING FIRE WAS PREPARED FOR THE DEVIL AND HIS ANGELS-V 42**

* It was never meant for humans and will never be.
* It was for this reason that God saved us.
* John 3:16
* But guess what? If you don’t know how to minister to others in need, everlasting fire will be your destiny.

**APPLICATION:**

* How many times have we ignored somebody esp. fellow believers in need?
* Are we willing to go to everlasting fire just because we cannot live in faith that God will bless us in return when we bless others?
* Can you work now an extra shift for those in need?

**CONCLUSION:**

* Mat 25:34 "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: