

AGAPE HOUSE OF WORSHIP

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY

TOPIC: THE JOURNEY OF SONSHIP

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MAIN TEXT: Romans 8:19; Mark 6:1-6

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Romans 8:19(KJV)- *For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.*

Mark 6:1-3- *Jesus left there and went to his hometown, accompanied by his disciples. ² When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were amazed. "Where did this man get these things?" they asked. "What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? ³ Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.*

The word of God for AHOWFC for this year is 2023 is my year of manifestation of sonship. In essence it is the year in which we are revealed as the sons of God that we are! Manifestation as sons of God is a journey as we shall soon see that Jesus the only begotten Son of God modelled perfectly for us to follow as our forerunner. If we follow in His footsteps we too will be revealed and manifested to the dying world, that is eagerly waiting in expectation, as sons of God!

IDENTITY

The journey of sonship starts here. If you are a born again, you are born of the Spirit, you are born of God!

John 1:12-13- *Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.*

John 3:5-7- *Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit^[a] gives birth to spirit. ⁷ You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You^[b] must be born again.'*

Galatians 4:4-7- *But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.^[a] ⁶ Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba,^[b] Father."⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.*

Question: How do you know or how can you be sure that you are a son of God?

APPRENTICESHIP

Luke 2:46-47,49,51-52- *After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁹ "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?"*

⁵¹ Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

Everyone who wants to be manifested/revealed as a son of God must choose to learn and grow.

1 Peter 2:2. Hebrews 5:11-14.

Luke 6:39-40. Jesus and the 12 apostles; Elijah and Elisha; Moses and Joshua; Paul and Timothy

Question: Who is discipling you and who are you discipling?

IMPARTATION

Luke 3:21-22- *When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."*

The lifestyle of sonship in God is impossible without the Holy Spirit! It is powered by Him.

Luke 24:49; Acts 1:8; Acts 19:1-6; Acts 2:4; Acts 4:31-33;

Question: How many times can one be filled with the Holy Spirit?

FASTING AND PRAYER

Matthew 4:1-2- *Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted^[a] by the devil. ² After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry.*

Hebrews 5:7-9- *During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered ⁹ and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.*

Question- Why did Jesus fast?

TESTING/TRIALS/TRIBULATIONS/HARDSHIP

Luke 4:1-3- *Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted^[a] by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.³ The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."*

Question- why do trials, temptations, tribulations, hardships happen?

Question- where is God when these things are happening??

Acts 14:21-23; James 1:2-4; Hebrews 2:18; 1 Corinthians 10:13

MANIFESTATION

Luke 4:14- *Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.*

Luke 4:14-21. Hebrews 5:8-9.