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2022 Focus: The Impact of the Gospel

Acts 2:42-47

Gospel Fluency

Proverbs 3:5 & 6

Romans 1:16

- The Gospel cannot be stopped. Its intent is to get results. – **Matthew 16:18, Isaiah 54:17.**
- Is the Church still relevant?
- Does God have a direction for every aspect of my life?
- Why is there a growing number of believers who believe they are better off without the fellowship?
- Why do people, when they have serious problems, shy away from the Scriptures?
- I believe the answer to all the above questions that most believers are not fluent in the Gospel. Most do not see or have not allowed Jesus to be Lord of their lives. **Romans 1:16**
– God’s power has delivered us from the penalty of sin, is delivering from the power of sin, and will deliver from the presence of sin. Total surrenderance to Jesus activates His power – **Philippians 4:13.**
- Gospel fluency has to do with being so impacted by the Gospel that it influences every aspect of our lives – **Acts 17:28.** It is total surrenderance to Jesus and faith in Jesus that makes the Gospel a natural part of our daily lives.

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- **Jackson, MS Trip** – Rev. Doreen Gardner has started this great business making and selling Papa’s Peanut Brittle – two weeks ago, she and six others of us went to Jackson, MS to the National Congress of Christian Education. I went to teach ad, she went as Dean of Chain Lake to assist me. What I noticed is that Papa’s Peanut Brittle was a natural part of everything she did. No one had to ask her to talk about the brittle. No one had to remind her to talk about the brittle. She had peanut brittle with her all the time. She actually used the brittle to talk about the goodness of God. She is brittle fluent. She has spent enough time with the peanut brittle to know enough about it to persuade others to try it. She knows that once a person tries the peanut brittle, they will want more of it. I saw this happen.

- **Lesson from the brittle to apply to the gospel:**

- 1) She thoroughly believes in the brittle because of her relationship with the brittle.
- 2) She has gained success from the brittle.
- 3) She has seen how others, even people who said they did not like brittle, were positively impacted, and their minds changed when they tried it.
- 4) She knows the brittle is good, and if she believes that she can convince you to taste the brittle, and then you will want more of the brittle.

To be fluent in the Gospel:

- 1) You must thoroughly believe in the Gospel because of your relationship with Jesus – **Proverbs 3:5&6.**
- 2) You must have personally gotten success from the Gospel yourself through your obedience – **Isaiah 55:11.**
- 3) You must know how the Gospel has and can impact the lives of others, even the negative ones.
- 4) You must know the Gospel is Good News and believe that you can convince someone to receive the Good News, and then they will want more.

When we become fluent in the Gospel, we can answer all the questions that we asked at the beginning.

- 1) The church is still relevant because it is built on the Gospel and the Gospel addresses all human issues.
- 2) God does have something to say about every aspect of my life because He is directing me and others through the Gospel.
- 3) There is a growing number of believers that feel they are better off without the fellowship of believers because they have not thoroughly surrendered to Jesus.
- 4) People with serious problems shy away from the Scriptures because they have never obeyed long enough to get results from the Scriptures to know that the Gospel gets results – **Matthew 24:25.**