

## RCMI L-Path Teaching

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**TITLE:** HEAVEN INVADING EARTH

**TEXT:** Isaiah 55: 6-11; Matthew 6:9-10

**BIG IDEA:** Words that originated from heaven will be accomplished here on earth.

**INTRO:** 2020 is the Year of Manifested Word!

- The Bible says God created man in His own image, to reflect His character, to be like Him so that we could commune and fellowship together. God wants an eternal relationship with us as His children. And the way to strengthen this relationship is through prayer and fellowship.
- And the backbone of prayer is in this phrase, *'your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.'* [Matt. 6:9-10] God's world impacting our world.
- God designed you in fellowship with Him to move His heart and bring about His invasion; of heaven invading earth!
- God desires you to partner with the Holy Spirit and bring heaven here on earth.

**FOR HEAVEN TO INVADE EARTH WE MUST...**

**I. SEEK THE SUPERVISION OF GOD.** [vv. 6-7]

- **God's will is for His plan and purpose be accomplished here on earth.**
- God created man in His own image and commissioned them to be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it.
- God gave the keys of authority to Adam and Eve for their purpose on planet Earth. However, when Adam and Eve sinned, they gave up their rights of authority over to Satan.
- Jesus came down on earth and fulfilled His mission. Jesus recovered the keys of authority through His death and resurrection.
- Jesus imparts the keys of authority back to the disciples and gave them the Great Commission to subdue the earth with the Gospel of the Kingdom of Heaven.
- **Q: How do we find out what His specific plan and purpose for us are?**
- A: "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near." V.6
- **Q: How does one seek the Lord and call upon Him?**
- V.7 partly provides the answer. <sup>7</sup>"Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the Lord, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon."
- The N.T. has a single term for v.7 and the word is 'REPENT.'

**II. SUBMIT TO THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD.** [vv.8-9]

**A. Our Predicament**

- In verse 7 God says that the wicked person should forsake his ways and that the unrighteous man should forsake his thoughts. Our predicament is that our ways and our thoughts are getting us in trouble. Why? Why do they need to be forsaken?

- In verse 8 God says that the reason we need to forsake our thoughts and our ways is that they fall so far short of His thoughts and ways. God's thoughts are pure and ours are impure. God's ways are righteous and ours are unrighteous.
- The biblical doctrine is that God is high and holy but that man has sinned and fallen short of this high God.
- That is where we are when verse 9 ends. He is in a holy heaven and we are on a sinful earth and the chasm between is infinite.

#### **B. Repent From Dead Works And Have Faith Towards God**

- Two of the foundational doctrines of the church mentioned in Hebrews 6 are the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God.
- Repentance is this, it is an absolute deep remorse over sin that produces a transformation in perspective on life. It is not visible until there is a change in thinking.
- The Lord says, '*Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*' From dead works towards God. When He says kingdom, 'king's dominion,' He is talking about God's world of absolute perfect order that exists in heaven that He meant to exist here on earth.

#### **III. STAND BY THE STEADFASTNESS OF GOD. [vv. 10-11]**

- Steadfast means firmly loyal or constant.
- The Word of God is Sovereign and Triumphant. V.11
- God says, "My word shall accomplish that which I purpose and prosper in the thing for which I send it!"
- How do I know this? That is what verse 11 says!
- This is a call for reason and faith. I ask you, what else could God say if he is truly God? Read Isaiah 46: 9-10.
- The Word of God is sovereign because God is God and there is no other. Isa. 40:8

**CHALLENGE:** Words that originated from heaven will be accomplished here on earth. It will happen because God will make it happen. And what will happen will be the fulfillment of His Word.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

- What have you learned from the message this morning? Share
- Are you excited to partner with the Holy Spirit and bring heaven to earth? Share.