

The Divine Provision For A Successful Christian life

Introduction

- A. God never develops a plan for His people but what He makes an adequate provision so that His plan may be fulfilled with success.
- C. It is God's express will that you know His plan* how you fit into the plan of God, and how you may live the Christian life successfully.

I. His Divine Provision of a Person.

- A. Jesus Christ, as our High Priest, has the office and ability to represent God to us and to represent us to God, Hebrews 2:17,16.

Wherefore in all things it behoved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself hath Suffered being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted.

- B. As our High Priest, Jesus Christ offered Himself to God as our sacrifice and thereby made reconciliation for our sins, Hebrews 10:9,10.

Then said He, Lo, I come to do Thy will, O God. He taketh away the first that He may establish the second. By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

- C. As our High Priest, Jesus Christ Is our Forerunner, to represent us before God, to prepare a place for us, and to assure us that we will follow Him, Hebrews 6:19,20.

Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; whither the Forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an High Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

- D. As our High Priest, Jesus Christ is our Surety, the Guarantor that we will receive all the benefits of the New Covenant, Hebrews 7:22.

By so much was Jesus made a Surety of a better testament.

- E. As our High Priest, Jesus Christ is our Mediator, the source and means whereby we receive all the benefits of the New Covenant, Hebrews 8:6.

But now hath He obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also He is the Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises.

- F. As our High Priest, Jesus Christ is our Advocate, He sustains the believer in his salvation by the continual application of His sacrifice through intercession I John 2:1 (Hebrews 7:25).

My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous.

II. The Divine Provision of His Work

<u>The Divine Provision</u>	<u>The Divine Promise</u>	<u>The Divine Command</u>
The Crucifixion Romans 6:6	Continual Cleaning from the deeds of the Old Man	Put off the deeds of the Old Man. Eph. 4:22
The Resurrection Romans 6:4	Continual enablement to live virtuously	Put on the deeds of the New Man Eph. 4:24
The Ascension Eph. 1:19-23	Continual freedom from uncertainty and Satan	Give no place to the Devil. Ephesians 4:27
The Day of Pentecost Acts 1:8 I Cor. 2:12	Continual anointing to live for and serve God	Be filled with the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 5:18

III. The Divine Provision of His Word.

A. The Word of God as a Basis for Fellowship, I John 1:3,4.

That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full.

B. The Word of God as a Basis of Growth, I Peter 2:2.

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word, that ye may grow thereby.

C. The Word of God as a Basis of Sanctification, John 17:17.

Sanctify them through Thy Truth, Thy Word is Truth.

D. The Word of God as a Basis for Faith, Romans 10:17.

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

E. The Word of God as a Basis for Protection, Psalm 91:4.

He shall cover thee with His feathers and under His wings shalt thou trust, His truth is thy shield and buckler.

F. The Word of God as a Basis of Attack, Ephesians 6:17.

And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.

Conclusion

A. Every believer has all of the provision of God - legally, Ephesians 1:3.

B. We receive the grace of God in daily experience to the degree we practice, by decisions of faith and love, the truth, John 1:14; Phil. 2:12,13.