MESSAGE NOTES



Sunday, Sept 24th, 2023

Message Title:

"BLESSED TO REBUILD, RESTORE & RENEW!"

Theme: "Mighty Oaks - Nuture, Outreach & Worship" - Part 2

Scripture:

- Isaiah 61:3-7 NIV
- Psalm 1:1-3 NIV
- Psalm 133:1-3

#1) ONCE WE ARE PLANTED, WE ARE CALLED TO THE LEADERSHIP OF REBUILDING, RESTORING & RENEWING TO DISPLAY HIS SPLENDOR.

Isaiah 61:3-6

vineyards.

- "...They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.
- 4 They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations. 5 Strangers will shepherd your flocks; foreigners will work your fields and
- 6 And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast."
- #2) WE MUST LOVE & EMBRACE GOD'S WORD IF WANT TO SEE OUR FRUIT PROSPER IN REBUILDING, RESTORING & RENEWING OUR MISSION/VISION.

Psalm 1:1-3 NIV

- 1 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,
- 2 but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.
- 3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.

#3) IF WE FAST, MOURN & PRAY, GOD'S HAND WILL BE UPON US AS WE REBUILD, RESTORE & RENEW.

Nehemiah 1:4, 11NIV

4 When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven. 11 Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man." I was cupbearer to the king".

Nehemiah 2:17-18 NIV

17 Then I said to them, "You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace." 18 I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me. They replied, "Let us start rebuilding." So they began this good work...

#4) UNITY WITH THE EMPOWERMENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL ENABLE US TO REBUILD, RESTORE & RENEW OUR MISSION/VISION.

Psalm 133:1-3

1 How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!
2 It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

3 It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore. #5) OUR EFFECTIVENESS TO REBUILD, RESTORE & RENEW WILL BE MULTIPLIED BECAUSE OF GOD'S "DOUBLE PORTION" BLESSING!

Isaiah 61:7 NIV

"Instead of your shame you will receive a double portion, and instead of disgrace you will rejoice in your inheritance. And so you will inherit a double portion in your land, and everlasting joy will be yours."