The Resurrections (38) The Judgment of Seat of Christ (13)

(<u>1 Corinthians 3:10-17</u>) Pastor Eddie Ildefonso Matthew 28:1-10

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The Doctrine of the Resurrections

(1 Corinthians 3:10-17)

A Walk Bearing God's Nature: The Fruit of the Spirit (4) (Galatians 5:22-23)

1. (<u>Galatians 5:22-23</u>) <u>Holy Spirit</u>— <u>Believer, Walk</u>: the believer is to walk bearing God's nature, that is, the fruit of God's Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-23 (NASB)

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

3. There is the fruit of *peace* (*eirēnē*): it *means* "to bind together, to join, to weave together." It means that a person is bound, woven and joined together with himself and with God and others.

The Hebrew word is *shalom*. It means freedom from trouble and much more. It *means* experiencing the highest good, enjoying the very best possible, possessing all the inner good possible. It *means* wholeness and soundness. It *means* prosperity in the widest sense, especially prosperity in the spiritual sense of having a soul that blossoms and flourishes. (See note, <u>Peace</u>—'Ephesians 2:14-15 for more discussion.)

- **a.** There is the peace of the world. This is a peace of escapism, of avoiding trouble, of refusing to face things, of unreality. It is a peace that is sought through pleasure, satisfaction, contentment, the absence of trouble, positive thinking, or the denial of problems.
- b. There is the peace of Christ and of God.
 - **1.** The peace of God is, first, a *bosom peace*, a peace deep within. It is a tranquility of mind, a composure, and a restfulness that is undisturbed by circumstances and situations. It is more than feelings—even more than attitude and thought.
 - **2.** The peace of God is, second, the *peace of conquest* (cp. <u>John 16:33</u>). It is the peace that is independent of conditions and environment; the peace which no sorrow, danger, suffering, or experience can take away.

- **3.** The peace of God is, third, the *peace of assurance* (cp. Romans 8:28). It is the peace of unquestionable confidence; the peace with a sure knowledge that one's life is in the hands of God and that all things will work out for good to those who love God and are called according to His purpose.
- **4.** The peace of God is, fourth, the *peace of intimacy with God* (cp. Philippians 4:6-7). It is the peace of the highest good. It is the peace that settles the mind, strengthens the will, and establishes the heart.
- **c.** There is the source of peace. Peace is always born out of reconciliation. Its source is found only in the reconciliation wrought by Jesus Christ. Peace always has to do with personal relationships: a man's relationship <u>to himself</u>, <u>to God</u>, and <u>to his fellow men</u>.
 - 1. A man must be bound, woven, and joined together with himself in order to have peace.
 - **2.** A man must be bound, woven, and joined together with God in order to have peace.
 - **3.** A man must be bound, woven, and joined together with his fellow man to have peace.

Ephesians 2:13-14 (NASB)

¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

¹⁴ For He Himself is our peace, who made both *groups into* one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, Colossians 1:20-21 (NASB)

²⁰ and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, *I say*, whether things on earth or things in heaven.

²¹ And although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, *engaged* in evil deeds,