Pastor's Corner – "Teachings from the Parables of Christ (Part 13)" Parable of the Net

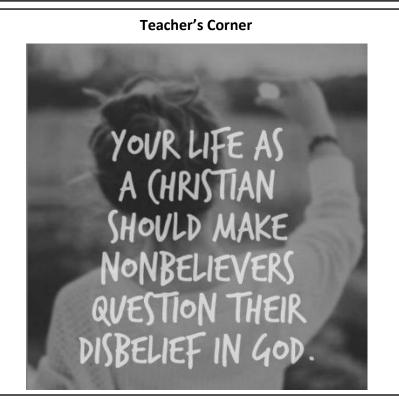
"...the Kingdom of Heaven is like a net that was let down into the lake and caught all kinds of fish." Matthew 13:47 (NIV)

Here is another parable of Jesus' about the Kingdom of Heaven. It is about a fishing net that is thrown into the sea, and it catches all kinds of fish. In this context, the Gospel is proclaimed throughout the world (the sea is a symbol for the world, peoples, nations) and it gathers all kinds of people.

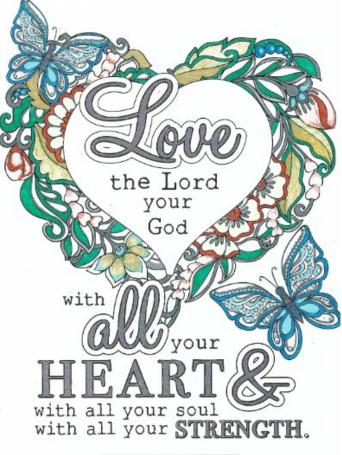
Leviticus 11 tells us about the distinction that God makes between clean and unclean meat. Not everything that water can give us is edible. (Also see Matthew 13:48.) Not all who came to Jesus were sincere. The Bible tells us that there are two categories of believers in the church: true Christians and false Christians. Unlike other parables, we have in this one the interpretation (its explanation) right in the content of the parable... "This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth" (vss. 49-50). There will come a day—the day of final judgment—when God will separate the two existing classes in the church, just as fishermen separate the good fish from the bad.

"Lord, help us to have a sincere faith and a saving relationship with You!"

~Pastor Mihail Baciu



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We welcome all of our visitors today. We are a Christian community that would love to have you join our family. Please join us for Bible study, worship and prayer.

Sabbath Worship

Мау 4, 2024

<u>9:30 - 10:30</u>

Sabbath School

Song Service Call to Worship

Hymn of Praise

Offering Call

Children's Offering

Children's Story

Morning Prayer

Closing Hymn

Benediction

Scripture

Message

<u>10:45</u> Welcome I, Announcements

Deuteronomy 6:4-5 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Church Budget Supporting His School

> 1 John 5:7 The First Family Holy, Holy, Holy

Justin Tobias

Randy Chadwick Ulrick Graham Justin Tobias

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Rodney Ramey Boys L Girls Ulrick Graham Randy Chadwick Celia Ramey Justin Tobias 73 Justin Tobias

Second Readings:

Wayne Hendrickson requests his membership to be transferred from Calhoun SDA Church (Calhoun, GA) to Ellijay SDA Church (Ellijay, GA).

Sheryl A. Hendrickson requests her membership to be transferred from Calhoun SDA Church (Calhoun, GA) to Ellijay SDA Church (Ellijay, GA).

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Budget For April	\$7,000	
Received for April	\$9,255	
Pathfinder Gillette Trip Goal \$45,000, raised as of March \$38,000		
Online giving available: www.ellijaysdachurc	n.org	

<u>Calendar</u>

5-Мау	9:00 AM	VBS Work Bee
5-May	1:30 PM	JECS Constituency Meeting
6-Мау	5:30 PM	Pathfinder Meeting
8-May	5:00 PM	Women's Support Group
8-May	6:00 PM	Prayer Meeting—In Person/YouTube/Zoom (ID 950 7892 5271, Passcode 069095)
16-Мау	7:00 PM	JECS' Graduation and Closing Program

<u>Prayer Request</u>

Current Requests: Jorene Stewart

<u>Birthdays</u>

5/4 Deborah Skaggs

- 5/11 Mallory Bullmer
- 5/17 Ed Bullmer

Continue to Pray for: Graham/Francis Family, Buckingham Family, Pritchett Family, Vanessa Easley Cass, Dena Troup, Vesta Garber L family, Caleb Padgett, Sharon Lombardo, William Cantrell, Nita Fish, Pastor and Viorica Baciu, our parents, children, grandchildren, church, school, L teachers. For prayer requests, call Gyann Holt at 770 -533-3773.

Presiding Elder Elder in Charge Next Sabbath Charge Deacon Deacon in Charge Next Sabbath PA Greeter Deaconess for May Prayer Meeting Host Sunset this Friday 8:24 Sunset n

Randy Chadwick JC Fisher Gerald Anderson JC Fisher Alexis Tobias Gina Teague Viorica Baciu Ulrick Graham Sunset next Friday 8:30