MARANATHA CHAPEL studynotes

SATURDAY & SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 14 &15, 2009

GOD ALONE SATISFIES THE HEART–James 1:12-18

I. OUR FATHER'S DESIRE IS FOR US TO GROW IN OUR WALK

A. THE IMPORTANCE OF FAITH BEING TESTED

- Oh How Happy Is The Man/Woman Who Endures (has victory over) Temptation!

- It Is So Important That My Faith Be Tested

- Deuteronomy 8:2— *"And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not."* [NKJ]

B. DO NOT BE DECEIVED, BELOVED BRETHREN!

- Testing Is A Great Way To Learn About Yourself

- There Is Within All Of Us A Deep Desire For Fulfillment.

C. ONLY THE FATHER GIVES TOTAL FULFILLMENT Verse 17 *(over)*

- The Father Of Lights...

- Job 38:31-32— *"Can you bind the cluster of the Pleiades, Or loose the belt of Orion? Can you bring out Mazzaroth in its season? Or can you guide the Great Bear with its cubs?"*

- Strong's Concordance of Mazzaroth #4216 *The 12 Signs Of The Zodiac*

- Genesis 1:14— *" Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years..."*

- *Yet God Does Not Change*

Malachi 3:6— *"For I am the LORD, I do not change; Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.*

- God Is Light John Tells Us

- 1 John 1:5— "This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

- Hebrews 13:8— "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

D. OF HIS OWN WILL HE BROUGHT US FORTH Verse 18

- John 1:13— *"Who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."*

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