

HOPE SABBATH SCHOOL

Revival and Reformation – Part 10

Reformation: The Willingness to Grow and Change

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School--an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies entitled Revival and Reformation. Our topic today: Reformation: The Willingness to Grow and Change

Scripture Theme Song: “O Give Thanks to the Lord” – Psalm 105:1-5

Prayer

- 1) A need for growth in grace
 - a) 2 Peter 3:18
 - b) Luke 9:51-56
 - c) Matthew 20:20-28
 - d) 1 John 2:1-11
 - e) What promises in God’s Word encourage you as you consider your need to grow in grace?
- 2) The power to choose
 - a) Philippians 2:12-14
 - b) What encouragement do you find in this combination command and promise?
- 3) The danger of relying on self
 - a) Overly self-confident
 - i) Matthew 26:31-35
 - ii) Luke 22:31-32
 - iii) 1 Corinthians 10:12-13

- b) Filled with doubt
 - i) John 1:45-46
 - ii) John 20:24-29
 - c) Are you more like Peter or Thomas? What lessons can we learn from Peter and Thomas so we don’t repeat their mistakes?
- 4) The conviction to return
- a) Luke 15:11-24
 - i) What memories of his father encouraged the prodigal son to return home?
 - ii) How clearly did he comprehend the depths of his father’s love?
 - iii) What behavior of the prodigal son demonstrated his willingness to accept His father’s mercy and love?
 - iv) Why do some people wait so long before returning to their loving heavenly Father?
 - v) Why do some prodigals never return home?
 - b) How much reformation is necessary before we decide we need to return to our loving heavenly Father?
 - c) What did the father mean when he said, “My son was dead and is alive again”?
 - d) Share a time in your life when you came under conviction that it was time to return home.
- 5) Faith to believe God’s promises and to act upon them
- a) John 5:1-14
 - b) Matthew 9:18-22
 - c) How can we develop a strong faith to believe God’s promises and act upon them?