WHAT DOES HIS GOODNESS TASTE LIKE?

INTRODUCTION

Art Sandler - The Jewish community asked me to speak out against Jewish hate and antisemitism in our region and our state. AS A REP OF JESUS CHRIST I WILL ALWAYS STAND UP FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE HATED BECAUSE OF THEIR ETHNICITY. I HONOR THE LEGACY OF DR KING AND MY SAVIOR BY PLEDGING TO DEFEND THE MEMBERS OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY.

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Psalms 34:6 In my desperation I prayed, and the lord listened; he saved me from all my troubles.

Psalms 34:7 For the angel of the lord is a guard;

he surrounds and defends all who fear him.

Psalms 34:8 Taste and see that the lord is good.

Oh, the joys of those who take refuge in him!

Psalms 34:9 Fear the lord, you his godly people,

for those who fear him will have all they need.

Psalms 34:10 Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry,

but those who trust in the lord will lack no good thing.

CONTEXT WAS DESPERATION.....

1 Sam 21:10-15

SLIDE: Three types of fasts

1. Absolute

Moses- Exodus 34:28 Moses remained there on the mountain with the lord forty days and forty nights. In all that time he ate no bread and drank no water. And the lord wrote the terms of the covenant—the Ten Commandments—on the stone tablets.

2. Normal

Jesus- Matthew 4:1-3

3. Partial

Daniel- Daniel 10:2 When this vision came to me, I, Daniel, had been in mourning for three whole weeks.

Daniel 10:3 All that time I had eaten no rich food. No meat or wine crossed my lips, and I used no fragrant lotions until those three weeks had passed.

SLIDE: FASTING HELPS TO RESET YOUR SPIRITUAL TASTE BUDS.

SORBET AT A MEAL OR COFFEE BEANS AT A COLOGNE STORE. YOU CANT APPRECIATE THE TASTE OF THE NEW WITHOUT A CLEARING OF THE OLD,

SLIDE: FOOD REPRESENTS HUMAN ATTEMPTS TO SATISFY HUNGER!

PSALM 34

BECAUSE I HAVE TASTED I ALREADY LONG FOR PRAYER. BECAUSE I HAVE SEEN HIM ANSWER PRAYER. I HAVE SEEN HIS AMAZING PROVISION.

1. NEW PICTURE

EXPECT TO TASTE THE CLARITY OF VISION.

EXPECT TO SEE WHAT YOU HAVE NOT SEEN IN THE PAST

Habakkuk 2:1 I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the lord says and how he will answer my complaint.

Habakkuk 2:2 Then the lord said to me,

"Write my answer plainly on tablets,

so that a runner can carry the correct message to others.

2. NEW PROVISION

EXPECT TO GAIN NEW UNDERSTANDING OF PROVISION

Philippians 4:18 At the moment I have all I need—and more! I am generously supplied with the gifts you sent me with Epaphroditus. They are a sweet-smelling sacrifice that is acceptable and pleasing to God.

Philippians 4:19 And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.

EXPECT TO TASTE PROVISION IN HUGE PORTIONS

Psalms 34:10 Even strong young lions sometimes go hungry, but those who trust in the lord will lack no good thing.

3. NEW POWER

EXPECT TO BE RE-INTRODUCED TO CHRIST

Acts of the Apostles 2:1 On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place.

Acts of the Apostles 2:2 Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting.

Acts of the Apostles 2:3 Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them.

EXPECT TO TASTE AN OUTPOURING OF HIS POWER

Psalms 34:9 Fear the lord, you his godly people, for those who fear him will have all they need.

MY ADDITIONAL NOTES

The future is already here; it is just very unevenly distributed'

-- Wm Gibson, Neuromancer @greatdismal