Entering In (Luke 11:52)

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INTRODUCTION

- Woe to you, lawyers, for you have taken away the key of knowledge.
- We must work diligently. Consider our motives. Consider our activity in the kingdom to make sure that we are not as they were. Hindrances to others rather than facilitators.

1 By Grace Through Faith: Faith Is the Driving Force

Ephesians 2:8; Ephesians 2:10; 2 Corinthians 5:20–21

- We could not enter in without Him. But thanks be to God. Because He has provided a means of entering.
- The faith step in particular is the fuel for everything that follows. You don't do repentance without faith. You don't do confession without faith. You don't do baptism without faith.
- For by grace have you been saved through faith, that's really it. There's God's part. Grace.
- He who knew no sin became sin on your behalf that you might become the righteousness of God. And that's what the faith part is designed to do.

2 Entering In Through the Grace Portal

John 10:9; Romans 5:1–5

- I am the door. I'm the door. I'm the way. I am your access, your portal to entering in.
- Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace. We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Our introduction by faith into this grace. There it is. Grace by faith. We have been introduced by faith into this grace.
- Faith is where all of this started, and that's why it's the key of all the steps, because it is what continues after we enter in faith. It drives our behavior.

3 Coming to Him as to a Living Stone

1 Peter 1:3; 1 Peter 1:22; 1 Peter 2:4–5

- And coming to him. There you go. That's entering in.
- This is my desire for you. I don't want to stand in the way of that. Like the Pharisees and the lawyers did. I want to facilitate that.
- You also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

4 Spiritual Perception Is Everything

1 Peter 2:4; 1 Peter 2:7–8

- Number one, spiritual perception is everything.
- You have got to realize that in the spiritual realm, Jesus reigns. He is King of kings and Lord of Lords.
- The house that we're a part of when we enter in is a solid and enduring house.
- The stone which the builders rejected, this became the very cornerstone. It doesn't change a thing. Because men reject Jesus.

5 Response to the Word Is Everything

1 Peter 2:9; 1 Peter 2:11

- Spiritual perception and response to the word go hand in hand.
- My whole life now is about responding to the word.
- You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession.
- That you may proclaim the excellencies of him who has called you out of darkness and into his marvelous light. We have entered in.

6 It's Not All About Me

1 Peter 2:12

- The devil will oppose our mission every step of the way. But we are called to be holy to the Lord.
- It's not all about me. It's all about him.
- It's not about me. It is about glorifying him. It's always about that.
- We must get the focus off ourselves and place it upon the one who deserves such focus.

THE CHALLENGE

Are you noted as a person of influence in your allegiance to the Lord? And are you day of visitation ready? It's coming. Have you entered in through the portal? Have you come to him who is the living stone?

MY NOTES