

Sermon Handout

Restoring the World to Righteousness, Pt. 2
Isaiah 55:8-13

I. The Church: Ministry of the Word

Is 55:13 – restoration of the Edenic state (Gen 3:17-19)

The church, by faithfulness to the Word, crushes Satan
Gen 3:15; Rom 16:17-20 (*cf.* Jer 5:14)

Sound doctrine is essential II Tim 2:15; 3:16-17; II Pet 1:19-21
False interpretation is unprofitable Jer 23:25-32; II Pet 2:1-3
Truth heralds the Kingdom Is 45:22-25 (*cf.* Phil 2:10)

The church is to send forth a certain sound I Cor 14:8; Rev 11:15
The kingdoms of this world have become God's Kingdom
Based on the resurrection of Christ.

This message is to be clearly sent forth.

II. The Role of the Family in building God's Kingdom

Preparing successive generations of faithful people

Eph 6:1-9, especially vv. 4, 6-7, 9
Built upon a foundation laid by the church 4:11-16
The church is to instruct the family in sound doctrine

Children vv. 1-4 instruction & correction (*cf.* II Tim 3:16)

Business and labor vv. 5-9 mutual commitment to Jesus
(*cf.* I Pet 2:18-20)