

## 4th Ecclesiastical ENY Jurisdiction

*Interim-Prelate Bishop A. White  
& Emeritus John P. Lee, Sr.*

## 26th Annual Women Convention

*Mother Lola Stinson Department of Women, Supervisor*

Thursday & Friday

October 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>, 2018

7:15 pm – 8:00 pm

## 26th Women Convention Power Session

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## **Women's Effectiveness**

**Main Text: Acts 28:16-31;  
1 Corinthians 9:16-27**

### **Key Terms:**

**Witness** - one who bears an account by his/her own 5 senses and knows; those who lives testifies to the worth and effect of faith received. (1Pet.5:1) A declaration of facts (Acts 4:33)

**Confident** – assurance (Eph.3:12) boldness (Acts 28:31) to be of good courage (2 Cor. 5:6; 7:16)

### **Reference Religions of the World**

**Ramakrishna** – “Many faiths are but different paths leading to one reality, God.”

**Hindus** – submits to karma as through a series of reincarnations to live ethically and submerge self in the divine.

**Buddhists** – seek to extinguish desire and achieve the nothingness of Nirvana as the end of countless reincarnated lives.

**Muslims** – performs the duties of the Five Pillars of Islam: pray 5xper/day, fast, give alms, and go to Mecca.

**Judaism** – observe the Law of Moses and pursue an ethical life.

**Note:** Four great world religions are alike in that they point out spiritual paths along which men and women try to reach God by earning His acceptance.

**Questions:** *Do you know your religion?  
Which Christian Denomination doesn't adhere?*

**Christianity** – is distinct. It teaches that people cannot reach God by their efforts. Instead, God entered human history through Jesus Christ and provided the sacrifice that makes salvation available as a non-strings-attached gift. (Eph. 2:8-9)

### **Introduction:**

Proverbs 21 King James Version (KJV)

**21** <sup>2</sup>Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

<sup>3</sup>To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

<sup>4</sup>An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin.

<sup>5</sup>The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.

<sup>21</sup>He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour.

<sup>23</sup>Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

Proverbs 22 King James Version (KJV)

**22** A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.

<sup>2</sup>The rich and poor meet together: the LORD is the maker of them all.

### **Discussion:**

Main Texts Acts 28:16-31; 1 Corinthians 9:16-27

1 Corinthians 9 King James Version (KJV)

**9** <sup>16</sup>For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!

<sup>17</sup>For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation of the gospel is committed unto me.

<sup>18</sup>What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more.

<sup>20</sup>And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;

<sup>21</sup>To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.

<sup>22</sup>To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.

<sup>23</sup>And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you.

<sup>24</sup>Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.

<sup>25</sup>And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

<sup>26</sup>I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

<sup>27</sup>But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

### ***Application:***

Ephesians 3 King James Version (KJV)

**3** <sup>6</sup>That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

<sup>9</sup>And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

<sup>10</sup>To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

<sup>11</sup>According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

<sup>12</sup>In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

**Conclusion:**

2 Thessalonians 3 King James Version (KJV)

**3** Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you:

<sup>2</sup>And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith.

<sup>3</sup>But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil.

<sup>4</sup>And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things which we command you.

<sup>5</sup>And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.

Hebrews 3:14 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>14</sup>For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;

Hebrews 10:35 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>35</sup>Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.

1 John 2:28 King James Version (KJV)

**2** <sup>28</sup>And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

1 John 3:21 King James Version (KJV)

**3** <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

1 John 5 King James Version (KJV)

**5** <sup>14</sup>And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

<sup>15</sup>And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

Revelation 2:5 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>5</sup>Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

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