



يا رب إسمع صلاتي

القداصات :

الأحد : 08:30 - 6:00 ص
الأربعاء : 11:30 - 8:30 ص
الجمعة : 11:30 - 9:00 ص
السبت : 10:00 - 7:30 ص

الاجتماعات :

الثلاثاء
7:30 - 8:30 م إجتماع الصلاة
الإسبوعي

الأربعاء

7:00 - 8:30 م درس الألحان
7:00 - 8:30 م إجتماع السيدات

الجمعة

6:30 - 8:15 م درس الكتاب
بالإنجليزية للأطفال
7:00 - 8:00 م درس الكتاب
بالعربية

8:00 - 9:30 م إجتماع الشباب
بالإنجليزية

8:00 - 9:30 م إجتماع الرجال

السبت

4:30 - 5:00 م تسبحة عشية
5:00 - 5:30 م عشية

5:30 - 7:00 م مدارس الأحد

5:30 - 7:00 م درس الكتاب
بالعربية

7:00 - 9:00 م تسبحة نصف
الليل

إجتماع أسرة القديس يوسف
النجار للمسنين السبت
1 سبتمبر عقب القداست الإلهي.

الاعترافات :

الجمعة والسبت مساءً
وعقب القداست
الإسبوعية.

ونحن في نهاية العام القبطي منتظرين إحتفالات الكنيسة بالعام القبطي الجديد، أفضل ما يمكننا أن نختم به العام هو أن نراجع حياتنا ونجدد توبتنا وعهودنا مع الرب ونطلب مراحمة ؛ ومن أعرق الكلمات التي سجلها الكتاب المقدس عن التوبة هي كلمات معلمنا داود النبي والملك لأنه إختبر أوجاع الخطية وموارثها، وإختبر أيضاً مراحم الرب الغنية وغفرانه وقبوله. لذلك تعتبر الكنيسة أن مزامير التوبة هي من أغني إختبارات الكتاب المقدس التي تسجل مشاعر التوبة الحية التي يمكننا أن نخبرها جميعاً. ونتحدث اليوم عن آخر مزامير التوبة وهو المزمور 143 وهو آخر مزامير صلاة باكر في الأجيبة وبحسب رأي المفسرين فإن المزمور كتبه معلمنا داود النبي عندما قام عليه ابنه أبشالوم، لذلك فكلمات المزمور تحمل نغمة مرارة وحزن عميق، والمزمور أيضاً تتكرر فيه جمل التوبة وطلب المعونة والغفران وهذا يؤكد أن عمل التوبة هو إحتياج متجدد ومتكرر في حياتنا طالما نحن في الجسد.

المزمور يحمل لنا عدة إختبارات روحية تخص حياة التوبة، وهذه بعض الإختبارات:

1- نغمة الحزن والمرارة في المزمور تؤكد علي حقيقة هامة وهي أن الضيق في مرات كثيرة يدفعنا أن نقرب من الله أكثر، ونفحص طرقنا ونقدم توبة عن كل تعديتنا تجاه الرب.

2- بأمانتك إستجب لي بعدلك وهي عبارة عميقة توضح أن الله دائماً أمين في وعوده للبشر، وأن كل من يقبل إليه لا يخرج منه خارجاً فهو يقبل كل الراجعين إليه بسبب أمانته؛ وهذا هو رجاء الإنسان المغلوب من ضعفه، إلا أن الله أيضاً لا يتخلي عن عدله فهو لا يحب الإثم بل يكره الشر، وهذا ما يجعلنا نحرص ألا نتمادي في الشر.

3- لا تدخل في المحاكمة مع عبدك، فإنه لن يتبرر قدامك حي فإدراك الإنسان لضعفه وخطيته وأنه دائماً في الموازين إلي فوق هو أكثر ما يحث قلب الله علي الخاطئ، فنحن نحتاج أن نعلم أننا لا يمكننا أن نتبرر قدام الله لكن من أجل إنسحاقنا هو يقبلنا.

4- لأن العدو قد يضطهد نفسي وأذل في الأرض حياتي ففي مرات كثيرة يسلمنا الرب للتأديب بسبب خطايانا سواء للأعداء الروحيين أو الجسديين لكن قيام الأعداء كثيراً ما يدفعنا إلي التوبة.

5- تذكرت أيام القدم. لهجت بكل أعمالك تذكر داود غلبته للأسد، والرب ونصرته علي جليات ومعونة الرب له في قيام شاول

قداست ودورة عيد الصليب
الخميس 27 سبتمبر
7:00 - 11 ص

عشية عيد الصليب
الأربعاء 26 سبتمبر
6:30 - 7:30 م

قداست عيد النيروز
الثلاثاء 11 سبتمبر
7:30 - 10:00 ص

عشية عيد النيروز
الاثنين 10 سبتمبر
6:30 - 7:30 م



Lord hear my prayer



As we approach the end of the Coptic year and waiting for the new Coptic New year celebrations in the church, it is best to sit back and reflect back on our entire lives while renewing our the promises and repentance to God asking the Lord for His mercies. Some of the deepest words in the Holy Bible that refers to repentance were written by David the prophet and king as he tasted the pain of sin, its bitterness but also tasted the sweetness, acceptance, remission of sins and mercies of the Lord. Therefore, our church considers the repentance psalms as the richest psalms in the Holy Bible as it recorded emotions of true repentance that we all are able to discover and taste. Today, we are discussing the last of the repentance psalms, Psalm 143, which is the last of the 1st hour psalms in the Agpeya. Many commentators agree that this psalm was written by David the prophet when Absalom was pursuing him. This is why you may find that this psalm is filled with a tone of bitterness and deep sadness. There are many sentences found in this psalm about repentance and asking for the forgiveness which simply confirms that the act of repentance is a continuous and constant need in our lives as we continue to live in this world.

There are many spiritual lessons that are learned from this Psalm about the life of repentance which includes:

1. Tone of sadness and bitterness in the psalm confirms a very important fact that hardships pushes us to get closer to God, examine our ways and start the process of repentance from all iniquities that we have committed against the Lord.

2. "In your faithfulness answer me, And in Your righteousness": this is a very profound and deep sentence that shows that the righteousness of the Lord in all his promises to us. Everyone who asks Him will never leave empty. Due to the Lord's faithfulness, He accepts all those who return to Him. Knowing this, any person who is weak against sin should increase in hope as God is always righteous and won't go back on his promises. Not only does God dislikes iniquities, He truly hates every evil. This should be a reason behind us not wanting to continue to pursue sin.

3. "Do not enter into judgment with Your servant, For in Your sight no one living is , righteous": As a person acknowledges the weakness, sins while remembering that Lord is compassionate with sinners but we will not find favor in the sight of the Lord if we do not repent.

4. "For the enemy has persecuted my soul; He has crushed my life to the ground": Many times, God .allows for the enemy to persecute us, whether it's a spiritual or non-spiritual enemy but this motivates us to repent.

5. "I remember the days of old; I meditate on all your works": As David remembered his victory over the lion, the Lord's help in the victory over Goliath and God's hand with him in the rebellion of Saul against him, he was no longer bitter. Us too, when we recognize and remember God's intervention in our lives, we would increase in hope in our repentance as we know that the Lord will help us just like He did in every

hardship.

6. I spread out my hands to You; My soul longs for You like a thirsty land": As we sin, we may remember the day of judgment but we are not comforted, have dry thoughts and losing hope. David the prophet announced to us that spreading out our hands is the best possible solution even if we feel completely powerless. We just need to lift up our hands crying out to the Lord with a heart full of repentance. May the Lord give you the strength to lift your hands up towards Him during hardships and tribulations. In the midst of hardships we should not be distant from the Lord. Instead of looking for friends or entertainment or anything worldly to relieve us, as they will not, we should return to the Lord with a heart full of repentance starting by lifting up our hands.

7- "Answer me speedily....Cause me to hear Your lovingkindness": The life of repentance in many cases helps push us to experience the true relationship with the Lord having a conversation with Him without ceasing. This helps us increase in having a true relationship with Him to truly know who He is while our lives is being enriched knowing that He hears us, answers us and we can listen to Him too.

8- "For I lift up my soul to You": In many cases, sin causes us to be weary but we must not give up or allow ourselves to be weary. We must but resist those thoughts and increase in hope as we repent. We should also continue to push ourselves to come to church, pray and partake of the communion and learn from the Holy bible. This is the life and process of repentance.

Weekly Divine Liturgies

Sunday: 6:00 – 8:30 AM
: 8:30 – 11:30 AM
Wed. : 9:00 –11:30 AM
Friday : 7:30 – 10:00 AM
Sat. : 7:30 – 10:00 AM

Weekly Meetings

Tuesday

7:30 - 8:30 PM Weekly Prayer

Wednesday

7:00 - 8:30 PM Hymns class
7:00 - 8:30 PM Women's Meeting

Friday

6:30 - 8:00 PM children Bible study
7:00 - 8:00 PM Bible study (Arabic)
8:00 - 9:30 PM H.S. Youth Meeting
8:30 - 10:00 PM Young adult fellowship meeting
8:00 - 9:30 PM Men's Meeting

Saturday

4:30 - 5:00 PM Vesper Praises
5:00 - 5:30 PM Raising of Incense
5:30 - 7:00 PM Sunday school
5:30 - 7:00 PM Bible study (Arabic)
7:00 - 9:00 PM Midnight Praises

Fellowship of St. Joseph the Elder Saturday, Sep. 1st after the Liturgy.

CONFESSIONS :

Friday & Saturday Evening & after weekly Liturgies.

Vespers for Nayroz
Monday, Sep. 10th
6:30 - 7:30 PM

Liturgy for Nayroz
Tus, Sep. 11th
7:30 - 10:00 AM

Vespers for the Feast of the Cross
Wed, Sep. 26th
6:30 - 7:30 PM

Liturgy for the Feast of the Cross
Thu, Sep. 27th
7:00 - 11:00 AM

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