

Beliefs

by Norman Grubb

The sermon emphasizes the importance of resting in God, rather than relying on our own works, to experience a life of unending energy and productivity.

Scripture: Exodus 33:14, Psalm 62:1, Isaiah 26:3, Matthew 11:28, Hebrews 4:10

Topics: "Spiritual Rest", "Gods Sovereignty"

Description

Norman Grubb emphasizes the importance of entering into God's rest, highlighting that true rest is found in ceasing from our own works and allowing God to work through us. He points out that many physical ailments and struggles can be traced back to unresolved spiritual turmoil and a lack of entering into God's rest. Grubb explains that God, as a never-ending worker, operates from a place of absolute rest, and works that stem from this rest are sustainable and fruitful, unlike those driven by restlessness. He encourages believers to experience a life where they do not grow weary, as God's life works through them and impacts others.

Transcript

No! No! Praise God I know many of us agree there, it is a present-tense rest. But that bothered me more than it does now because I hadn't a resting life. I didn't rest in my works. Brothers and sisters, I am absolutely sure of this as a missionary secretary: I don't want to be unkind, but I think 75% of those who come home from the mission field don't come home with genuinely physical reasons. I don't think so. Deep down there has been spiritual turmoil which has not been resolved. Deep down you'll find it. I don't want to be uncharitable. There are real physical sicknesses too, but a great many are not that and they are to be traced back to the fact that we have not entered into that rest because, "he that is entered into rest has ceased from works."

Not "ceased from working," because somebody else comes and does the work inside you and He's a much harder worker and that is God Himself. God is a Person of never-ending working unto never-ending resting. The two are combined in Him; they are one. God has an unending centre of absolute rest, and out of that unending centre come unending works. The two have married there. Works which come from restlessness end in a breakdown if not in the asylum. Works which come from rest go on and on and on. You never get tired. That's a fact! There's a life in this relationship where you do not get tired as you used to get tired! I know it. What Paul said is perfectly true, "Yes, I am daily dying but the life of God is manifest in this mortal flesh which is daily dying, and then life works in others."

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