Afflict Your Souls and Do No Work

Leviticus 16:29-31

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"...The Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, **7** keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin..." (Ex 34:6-7)

Big Idea: A proper response to mercy and grace is humble <u>self-denial</u> and faithful submission.

1.) The When and the Who

"This shall be a statute forever for you..." (v. 29)

2.) The What

A.) A Mandate- You Shall Afflict Your Souls

"**6** So they gathered together at Mizpah, drew water, and poured it out before the Lord. And they fasted that day, and said there, "We have sinned against the Lord..." (1 Sam 7:6)

Jonah 3:5-9

- i.) This Cleansing was Accomplished <u>For</u> Them Not <u>By</u> Them
- ii.) The Idea Was Not Thinking of Themselves <u>Less</u>, but Thinking of Themselves <u>Rightly.</u>

Matthew 5:3-4

Luke 18:9-14

iii.) Jesus was the Quintessential, Preeminent, Soul-Humbling, <u>Covenant</u> Servant.

B.) A Prohibition- You Shall Do No Work

- i.) If Humble Self-Denial is the Result of Thinking Rightly About One's <u>Self</u>, Faithful Submission is the Result of Thinking Rightly About the Lord,
- ii.) The Ultimate Demonstration of Faithful Submission is the <u>Passion</u> of Christ.
- iii.) Because of Jesus' Faithful Submission, It is Finished.

"For we who have believed do enter that rest..." (Heb 4:3)

"I tell you, this man went down to his house justified..." (Luke 18:14)

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