

Worshipping God by Listening to Him Speak

Gospel Lesson Text: Amos 2:9-12 (p. 769)

Leader: *The Word of the Lord!* Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Lesson: "The Benefits Received
by Being a Believing Member of the Church"

Introduction: While a person's _____ in the Church doesn't _____ eternal life, through one's presence and _____ in the Church, one gets _____, substantive, lasting _____.

1. Benefit #1: God _____ me from the kingdom of the _____ (2:10).

a. The world is a kingdom with a _____ who doesn't care about the member-citizens being _____ (1 Peter 5:8, John 10:10, Job 1-2).

b. When you were in the kingdom of the world, you were a _____ to sin (Romans 6:18, 20).

c. God rescued me from the kingdom of the _____ and made me a citizen of _____—a citizen of _____' kingdom (Colossians 1:12-13, Philippians 3:20).

2. Benefit #2: God _____ me in the wilderness of my _____ (2:10, 11, 2 Peter 2:13-14, 2 Corinthians 5:8).

a. God _____ me by the _____, His Word (11, Genesis 15, Exodus 20-Numbers, Psalm 119:98-106).

1) ~~Please no food or drinks in the room in the Church.~~ Please no food or drinks in the room in the Church with the _____

and through _____ of it (2:11a, Matthew 4:4, Hebrews 5:11-14, Ephesians 4:11-16).

2) _____ and _____ to be taught the Bible (1 Peter 2:2-3).

b. God _____ me by the Holy _____ (Exodus 13:20-22, Numbers 14:14, Nehemiah 9:9-12, 19-21).

1) The Spirit leads us as He gives us _____ of the Bible (1 Corinthians 2:6-14).

2) The Spirit leads us as He gives us the _____ to follow God's commands (Galatians 5:16, 25, Romans 8:12-14).

c. God _____ me by giving me _____ of devotion to Him (elders and other spiritually mature people in the Church) (2:11b, Numbers 6, 1 Peter 5:1-5, 2 Corinthians 11:3).

_____ the _____ of the spiritually _____ in the Church.

Summary: Great _____ are obtained in the _____:

_____ from the kingdom of the world.

_____ for my _____ "in the desert."