10-02-*2016*  Spread the Aroma of Christ Pastor Raymond

 II Corinthians 2:14-17

But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ’s triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere. 15For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. 16To the one we are an aroma that brings death; to the other, an aroma that brings life. And who is equal to such a task? 17Unlike so many, we do not peddle the word of God for profit. On the contrary, in Christ we speak before God with sincerity, as those sent from God.

Spread the Aroma of Christ in three areas:

1. Walk in the Way of Love.

Ephesians 5: 1-2 Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children 2and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

1. Spread the Good News Under Christ’s Leadership

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1. Give Willingly and cheerfully.

 Philippians 4:15-20 Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of

 your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one

 church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only;

 16for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when

 I was in need. 17Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be

 credited to your account. 18I have received full payment and have more than

 enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the

 gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing

 to God. 19And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his

 glory in Christ Jesus. 20To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever.

Malachi 3:7-12 Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,” says the Lord Almighty. “But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’ 8“Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ “In tithes and offerings. 9You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. 10Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. 11I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the Lord Almighty. 12“Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the Lord Almighty.

Haggai 1:7-11 This is what the Lord Almighty says: “Give careful thought to your ways. 8Go up into the mountains and bring down timber and build my house, so that I may take pleasure in it and be honored,” says the Lord. 9“You expected much, but see, it turned out to be little. What you brought home, I blew away. Why?” declares the Lord Almighty. “Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with your own house. 10Therefore, because of you the heavens have withheld their dew and the earth its crops. 11I called for a drought on the fields and the mountains, on the grain, the new wine, the olive oil and everything else the ground produces, on people and livestock, and on all the labor of your hands.”

10-02-2016 傳揚基督的香氣 周修强牧師

 哥林多後書 2:14-17

感謝神！常帥領我們在基督裡誇勝，並藉著我們在各處顯揚那因認識基督而有的香氣。15因為我們在神面前，無論在得救的人身上或滅亡的人身上，都有基督馨香之氣。16在這等人，就作了死 的香氣叫他死；在那等人，就作了活的香氣叫他活。這事誰能當得起呢？17我們不像那許多人，為利混亂神的道；乃是由於誠實， 由於神，在神面前憑著基督講道。

三方面傳揚基督的香氣：

1. 憑愛心行事。

 以弗所書 5:1-2 所以，你們該效法神，好像蒙慈愛的兒一樣

 2也要憑愛心行事，正如基督愛我們，為我們捨了自己當

 作馨香的供物和祭物，獻與神。

2. 在主師領下傳福音。

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3. 甘心樂意的奉献。

 腓立比書 4:15-20 腓立比人哪，你們也知道我初傳福音離了馬

其頓的時候，論到授受的事，除了你們以外，並沒有別的教會

供給我。16就是我在帖撒羅尼迦，你們也一次兩次的打發人供

給我的需用。17我並不求甚麼餽送，所求的就是你們的果子漸

漸增多，歸在你們的賬上。18但我樣樣都有，並且有餘。我已

經充足，因我從以巴弗提受了你們的餽送，當作極美的香氣，

為神所收納、所喜悅的祭物。19我的神必照他榮耀的豐富，在

基督耶穌裡，使你們一切所需用的都充足。20願榮耀歸給我們

的父神，直到永永遠遠。阿們！

 瑪拉基書 3:7-12萬軍之耶和華說：從你們列祖的日子以來，你

 們常常偏離我的典章而不遵守。現在你們要轉向我，我就轉向

 你們。你們卻問說：我們如何才是轉向呢？8人豈可奪取神之物

 呢？你們竟奪取我的供物。你們卻說：我們在何事上奪取你的

 供物呢？就是你們在當納的十分之一和當獻的供物上。9因你們

 通國的人都奪取我的供物，咒詛就臨到你們身上。10萬軍之耶和

 華說：你們要將當納的十分之一全然送入倉庫，使我家有糧 以

 此試試我，是否為你們敞開天上的窗戶，傾福與你們，甚至無處

 可容。11萬軍之耶和華說：我必為你們斥責蝗蟲，不容他毀壞

 你們的土產。你們田間的葡萄樹在未熟之先也不掉果子。12萬

 軍之耶和華說：萬國必稱你們為有福的，因你們的地必成為喜

 樂之地。

 哈該書 1:7-11萬軍之耶和華如此說：你們要省察自己的行為。

 8你們要上山取木料，建造這殿，我就因此喜樂，且得榮耀。這

 是耶和華說的。9你們盼望多得，所得的卻少；你們收到家中，

 我就吹去。這是為甚麼呢？因為我的殿荒涼，你們各人卻顧

 自己的房屋。這是萬軍之耶和華說的。10所以為你們的緣故，天

 就不降甘露，地也不出土產。11我命乾旱臨到地土、山岡、五

 穀、新酒，和油，並地上的出產、人民、牲畜，以及人手一切

 勞碌得來的。