TODAY’S SCRIPTURE
FOCUS:
ISAIAH 58:1-14

“MEANING OF TRUE RELIGION”
(Part II)

“If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his own tongue but deceives his own heart, this one’s religion is useless.”

James 1:26

“Pure and undefiled religion before GOD and the FATHER is this: to visit orphans and widows...and to keep oneself unspotted...”

James 1:27

STEWARDSHIP:
#1: Resource Allocation
#2: Tithing
#3: Indebtedness

SERMONIC POINTS:
#1: GOALS
#2: 1ST CONDITION
#3: 2ND CONDITION
#4: 4TH CONDITION
SERMONIC PT. #1: GOALS OF TRUE RELIGION

“Is this not the fast...:
TO loose bonds...wickedness,
TO undo the heavy burdens,
TO let...oppressed go free,
THAT...break every yoke?”
Isaiah 58:6

SERMONIC PT.#2: FIRST CONDITION OF TRUE RELIGION

“Is is not:
TO share your bread with the hungry, and
THAT...you bring to your house the poor who are cast out;”
Isaiah 58:7a

“WHEN you see the naked,
that you cover him, and
NOT hide yourself from your own flesh?”
Isaiah 58:7b

“THEN your light shall break forth like the morning,
your healing shall spring forth speedily, and
your righteousness shall go before you;” (radiation)
Isaiah 58:8a
“(THEN) ...the glory of THE LORD shall be your rear guard.”
(protection)
Isaiah 58:8b

“THEN ...you shall call, and THE LORD will answer;”
(reaction)
...YOU shall cry, and HE will say, ‘Here I am.’”
(location)
Isaiah 58:9

SERMONIC PT.#3: SECOND CONDITION OF TRUE RELIGION

“IF you extend your soul to the hungry AND satisfy the afflicted soul,”
Isaiah 58:10a

“(THEN) ...your light shall dawn in the darkness AND your darkness shall be as the noonday.”
(illumination)
Isaiah 58:10b

“(THEN) THE LORD will guide you continually, (direction) AND satisfy your soul in drought and strengthen your bones;”
(satisfaction)
Isaiah 58:11
“(THEN) Those...among you...build the old waste places;...raise up the foundations...; and...called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to Dwell In.”

(Isaiah 58:12)

“SERMONIC PT.#4: THIRD CONDITION OF TRUE RELIGION

“IF you turn away your foot from the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on MY holy day, AND call the Sabbath a delight…”

(Isaiah 58:13a)

“AND shall honor HIM, not doing your own ways, NOR finding your own pleasure, NOR speaking your own words,”

(Isaiah 58:13b)

“THEN you shall delight yourself in THE LORD; and I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth, and feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father.”

(Isaiah 58:14)

“CRY ALOUD...LIFT UP YOUR VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET; TELL MY PEOPLE...”

(Isaiah 58:1)

“THE MOUTH OF THE LORD HAS SPOKEN...”