

Sermon Notes – March 31, 2019

Perfect Churches Don't Exist (*Acts 5:1-11*)

- I. There are no perfect people.
 - A. All have sinned. (*Romans 3:23*)
 - 1. Born with a sin nature. (*Romans 5:12*)
 - 2. Born with a proclivity to sin. (*Ephesians 2:1-3*)
 - B. All want significance.
 - 1. The power of temptation. (*Genesis 3:4-6*)
 - 2. The impulse to be noticed. (*Matthew 6:1-6*)
 - 3. The desire to be praised. (*Barnabas/Ananias*)

- II. There is spiritual warfare. (*Ephesians 6:10-13*)
 - A. Satan is our adversary. (*I Peter 5:8*)
 - 1. First time “church” is mentioned in Acts. (*ekklesia*)
 - 2. First time Satan enters the community of believers.
 - B. The flesh is our enemy.
 - 1. Our hearts cannot be trusted. (*Jeremiah 17:9*)
 - 2. Our sin nature still exists. (*Romans 7*) (*Galatians 5*)

- III. Therefore, judgment is necessary.
 - A. Beginning in the church. (*I Peter 4:17*)
 - B. For the purity of the church. (*Matthew 18; I Corinthians 5; I Timothy 5:19-20*)
 - C. To teach the consequences of sin. (*Romans 6:23; I Corinthians 11:30-32; I John 5:12*)
 - D. To end in a godly result. (*Vss. 5, 11*) (*Proverbs 1:7*)