



"And this is the commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also." 1 John 4: 21

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Heart to Heart...

As John ended the book of Revelation, he spoke these words, "***Come, Lord Jesus.***" Can you say those words and mean it? Are you ready for the Lord Jesus to come? If He came yesterday, where would you be right now eternally?

Some 2000 years ago, Jesus died for our transgressions and all who would humbly yield under His Lordship would find complete forgiveness. No sin will ever be brought up from their past as they live in the present for Him. Walking in the Light keeps our present lives sinless before Him because we depend on His blood (I John 1:5-10).

Many years have passed since Jesus died and was raised from the dead on our behalf. Many live their lives under His Lordship showing their love toward Him but many more have ignored the grace of God extended through Jesus and turned to the world. They once cared but something has happened. They no longer see their lives in His guidance of grace and mercy. In their minds, they have corrupted the truth and teachings to make their choices acceptable both in their minds and to others around them. Others live in their guilt of failure and it has them captive so they make no moves. They know they need to do something but sin has them trapped so they do nothing while continuing to hurt.

Life can be difficult. The cultures, psychology, philosophies, religions and pleasures create sounds and ideas that can confuse our minds. Living a faithful life while living in a world of sin and death is a challenge but that's what a child of God does. We are in this world for one purpose and that is to show to others the grand glory of the Christ and His gospel while God is glorified with our lives. We listen to His clear and wise directions found from His word because we understand the way is narrow. There is too much talk about how everybody who believes in God is going to be saved and little talk of holding to Jesus as Lord and His gospel! That commitment to our Lord and Savior is what makes us rejoice in our lives, listening carefully to His word because ignoring Him will lead us to doom.

Let me encourage you...follow Jesus with all your heart! Don't let go of Him. Worship Him! Thank Him! Don't allow anyone to corrupt His teachings, distort His will and compromise His truth. Don't let your love and attention be diverted somewhere else. There is one of two things that is going to happen to you: (1) You are going to die. (2) Jesus is coming back. In either case, living humbly under His Lordship guarantees our salvation. Eternity is coming for us...Come, Lord Jesus! Think about it!!!

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