

"13 Things a Lost Person Cannot Do" Conclusion

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Paul wrote concerning true children of God, ". . . We . . . worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh." (Philippians 3:3). To trust in anything done in the flesh (human nature and strength) is to have "confidence in the flesh." To trust in your prayer, your baptism, your goodness, your faith or any experience you may have had is to have confidence in the flesh and not to trust in Christ. The faith and confidence of the true believer is in Christ! Those born of God trust not in rituals, sacraments, good works, their own repentance or their faith in Christ, but rather in Christ alone!

"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith . . ." (2 Corinthians 13:5). Are you trusting in your faith or are you trusting in Christ? What is the object of your faith? Do you really see that all your "righteousnesses are as filthy rags"? (Isaiah 64:6). Have you seen that you deserve Hell? Are you willing to take your place as a sinner and if God sends you to Hell will you say He is just, fair, and righteous to do so? Or do you think yourself unworthy of eternal punishment? Consider these words from the old English Baptist Gadsby Hymnal.

O beware of trust ill-grounded;
'Tis but fancied faith at most,
To be cured, and not be wounded:
To be saved before you're lost.

Have you never been wounded by the Word of God so that your sins have been laid bare? Have you never been lost--that is, have you seen yourself as hopelessly lost and a Hell-deserving sinner? How can you think yourself saved if you have never been lost? Jesus said, ". . . I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance" (Mark 2:17). If you are a sinner, surely the Scriptures cited in this tract have shown that you are helpless to do anything about your terrible lost condition! Salvation is free and comes, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us . . ." (Titus 3:5). Look to Jesus Christ, who has done all things necessary and possible, "for he shall save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).

May God give you grace to see yourself as He does, and may He give you the twin gifts of ". . . repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21) so that you are ". . . not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul" (Hebrews 10:39).

*...as for me and my house,
we will serve the Lord.
-Joshua 24.15*

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"Our Prayer List"

"Pray without ceasing." 1 Thess. 5:17

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"Pray For Our Church Supported Mission Works"

*"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you:
and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea,
and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8*

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"A Message from Pastor Johnson"

*"Feed the flock of God which is among you,
taking the oversight thereof..."*

1st Peter 5:2

"Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men..."

Romans 8:38 - 39 *"For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, (39) Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

Preachers, pastors, churches, and Christians alike have mostly stopped witnessing about "the terror of the Lord". The word "terror" means - to be put in fear of the Lord. It means to put the fear of God into people's heart; however, this is impossible when impostors who are imitating real God called preachers and assemblies who are imitating real God assembled churches are preaching lies about God and the bible. Hell is a real place; people really die every day and open their eyes to see the terror of sin. God really does punish sin and bad things happen because people fail to serve God. Being a servant of God is telling people the truth about God, sin, death, and hell flames. It is not about lying to people about God, sin, death, and hells flames for money. It is not about lying to people to build mega church buildings that know no truth of God's word. The qualification of both Pastors and deacons is to not be about "filthy lucre" but to be about the truth of God. The truth of God is putting "the terror of the Lord" in their hearts, both saved and lost people. People, whether saved or lost need to know that we are to fear God because without fearing God, we will never respect Him enough to walk a righteous path in life. Lost people will not think about dying and going to hell if they do not believe they could go there. Christians will stop worshipping God, both in their life and in the churches if they stop fearing God. Job wrote these words, *"And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding."* Job 28:28 If Christians lose that fear of God, then they will refuse to depart from sin and will never understand the truth about God's chastisements. Why would a lost soul ever concern themselves with God's punishments in hell's flames if they believe everyone is going to heaven. God warned us in Prov. 1:7 *"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction."* It is our fear of God's terror that causes us to thing about what God said and puts the fear in our hearts to obey the Lord. How many people talk about the Tribulation period, when Jesus Christ begins to open the seven sealed

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book and the wrath of God starts to fall on this earth. The word "wrath" means the anger of God. The anger He said He had before He flooded the earth and killed every living soul on the earth except the eight souls He had grace on in the Ark. God said, *"The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth. And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die."* Genesis 6:11, 12, 17 However, this time God will slowly destroy mankind, He will punish them for their sins, He will make them wish they were dead, He will make them beg to die before He destroys them. People need to be reminded about the terror of God, they need to hear the truth because without it, we will not fear God. It is true that God is a God of love, but He is also a Father of chastisement, He is also a God of judgment and the punisher of sinfulness. It matters not if they listen to us, or if they call us liars, or if they leave the churches, or even persecute us, we must warn them, both saved and lost, about the consequences of sin. We must let them hear about the terror of God, and if we do not then we have failed in our calling.

"Church Announcements and Upcoming Events"

- Please remember to pray daily for one another and our church. It is important that we (as a church) pray without ceasing and work for church unity with much love.

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you're here!