*Wednesday, April 10, 2013*

**Faith**

John 10:10-11 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. 11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd gives his life for the sheep. (KJV)

Why, at times, is there so much noise and opposition? Well, there is an enemy of our Lord that goes about seeking who he can devour; and he will do all he can to try and distract you from hearing the Lord on how to walk in this new life He made available to you, and to all mankind. The way things look; many are not partaking of this new life in Christ, and have let the enemy rob them blind.

Galatians 2:20-21 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me. 21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain. (KJV)

The same Christ that was living in Paul is living in you as well. You have this new life in you, and it will only come to fruition when you give more attention to the inward man and less to the outward one. In order to resurrect into the new life there has to be a death first; and that would be to our old man and its deceitful lusts which will never bring peace. If the spirit of Christ is not alive and well and working in your life it is not because He wasn’t willing; it’s because you became weak, which simply put, means you leaned back to your own understanding.

Hebrews 12:1-3 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, 2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. (KJV)

You are surrounded with a heavenly cheering section, seated above because they gave ear to the Author who not only showed them how to begin in faith, but to finish as well. Jesus Christ died to the things of this life so that you could have access to a new one.

I John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. (KJV)

Our own carnal mind and ways of trying to reason can be our worst enemies at times. With so much more life available for you today why not look to someone so much greater? This abundant life will not be found in the outward, but will manifest only by giving ear to the Spirit of Christ within.

God bless dearly loved, and have a prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord.