*Tuesday, April 19, 2016*

**In Between**

Mark 4:3-4 Hearken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow: 4 And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the air came and devoured it up. (KJV)

The enemy has conjured up many doctrines in an attempt to get mankind to fall for a lie. As soon as one hears truth, the enemy will come along and try to talk you out of it, stealing it from your heart; many times he will use people close to you, so you can try and be reasonable concerning salvation and not get so carried away. Well, unless this Word stays in your heart and becomes a way of life you will not truly experience the power of salvation and all that our Lord was dying to give to his people.

Revelation 3:15-16 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. 16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth. (KJV)

The Bible is written to us so that we can avoid the pitfalls of this fallen world. Many times people think these verses apply to those outside the Lord’s realm and not those that currently are or may have at one time been in good standing with Him. As you see when something doesn’t pass the taste test with our Lord He considers it fowl, and spews it out immediately. At a time when many desire to hear their named confessed before our Father and His angels, they will find it leaves a bad taste in our Lord’s mouth.

Revelation 3:17-19 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: 18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou may be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eye salve, that thou mayest see. 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. (KJV)

These are what can be described as carnal Christians who are more interested in getting their belly filled than in feeding the spirit. These are people that appear outwardly to have it together, however, in a time of trial they are easy prey. I have seen many who are all in and on board when it comes time for the blessings. I have also seen many who jump ship in a time of trial. Oh they may still attend religious organizations and profess Christianity, however, they will find out some day that heaven has a strict dress code and our own righteousness is as filthy rags.

Matthew 6:22-24 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. 23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! 24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. (KJV)

If you think the light at the end of the tunnel is more riches, then you have allowed something fowl to get past your spiritual radar. As we see clearly illustrated above, no man can hover between heaven and earth; professing to know God, but having more of a love for the things of this life. Another example of lukewarm Christianity.