*Monday, April 4, 2011*

**Just Off Broadway**

Matthew 7:13-14 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: (14) Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. (KJV)

Have you ever had someone come up to you and ask for directions, someone who may have been new to your area and wasn’t familiar with it? Our Lord had many come to Him asking for Spiritual directions to a place that is much better than what they had been dealing with. If you notice, our Lord narrowed it down to a simple direction on a path not heavily traveled. Despite many denominations and other titles, and directions man has invented, it is up to you personally to come out from all this nonsense and junk, and be separate from the world and its fallen way of thinking; and find out for yourself which path our Lord ordained for you to walk so that you can enter into His eternal joy.

Proverbs 4:18-22 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. (19) The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble. (20) My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. (21) Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. (22) For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. (KJV)

Hey, look what happens when you get on the right path, the one and only escape route that our Lord provided from this present evil world. That light shining on the path is a Spiritual enlightenment, which is why many are missing it because they are still following a carnal path instead. You know, we see in America today that many are unhealthy, which is a result of following a path of least resistance rather than exercising their Spiritual senses and getting themselves fit and ready for the Lord and His task. Do take note of the fact that once you start wandering off the narrow and strait path of our Lord you become open season to the enemy and any of his fiery darts that get launched your way.

2 Timothy 2:19-21 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity. (20) But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour. (21) If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. (KJV)

The Lord knows who His people are; because they are the ones who are walking the path that He ordained for them to walk, and not the one that is trying to please or appease people. You are considered to be a vessel of God, and one hopefully that is fit and ready for use. There are many pretenders out there who are not of much use as far as our Lord is concerned, and who are not of any use for His people to be associating with either. It’s not until you come out and separate yourself from these deadbeats that our Lord will use you, or even consider you fit for His work.

Proverbs 12:13-14 The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble. (14) A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him. (KJV)

You know what, when you start down the wrong path and tell a lie, yeah it is like a snare, because you are not able to move forward in your walk and proceed on the path of life. When one decides to be open and honest, then the truth sets them free to continue their journey home. Remember this day, what goes into the heart is what will be coming from the mouth and will keep you on a straight course just off broadway.