*Tuesday, April 8, 2014*

**Living Sacrifice**

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (KJV)

It’s amazing how much our Lord can do, and what He can accomplish through His people if only we, the Church, would let Him have His way. We have been so influenced by the outward carnal man and his way of thinking that for many anything outside the box is just too hard to comprehend. However, you have to present yourself to the Lord as a living being, alive in the Spirit because you have chosen to die to self. Not an easy task, yet it is the only way that will work if you are going to walk in any depth spiritually.

Matthew 16:16-19 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. 17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. 18 And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (KJV)

The majority of the world will tell you a church is a building, a place where people congregate on Sundays. However, in our Lord’s realm the Church is the people, and the foundation they build upon is spiritual. Having said that, many still spend the majority of their lives being influenced by what they have learned from man and not by what they are hearing first hand from God. Thus the reason why even though many are called, only a few are chosen. Only a few are really willing to look beyond the flesh into the Spirit to see where our Lord is operating today.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, works for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; 18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. (KJV)

What if the Lord really desired to do something different in your life, would you let Him? Each and every day that we are here on this earth should be one of dying to the outward way of thinking so that Christ within can come to life. So are you dying to hear what the Lord has for you today?

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