*Wednesday, February 5, 2014*

**Secret Society**

Luke 6:36-39 Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful. 37 Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: 38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. 39 And he spoke a parable unto them; Can the blind lead the blind? Shall they not both fall into the ditch? (KJV)

How many times have we heard Luke 6:38 quoted, or rather misquoted? So many false prophets use this verse thinking it only refers to money or tithing, but as we see above the Lord is more interested in things like the self righteous judgments we make on others because of a lack of mercy we are willing to show them. So when you hear all these phony money pitches from so many false prophets you can see in verse 39 they have ditched the truth and are upside down with their wheels spinning idly in circles.

Matthew 7:1-3 Judge not, that ye be not judged. 2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. 3 And why behold thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considers not the beam that is in thine own eye? (KJV)

Is something rubbing you the wrong way? Your brother is having a bit of a struggle, so you chose to turn the high beams on in their direction instead of looking within to see if it is something that you may not have overcome yet. Not something our Lord is pleased with; and what usually happens is the light is shined back on you exposing the truth you’ve been trying to hide.

1 Corinthians 4:3-5 But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. 4 For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judges me is the Lord. 5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God. (KJV)

Given the fact that in the end we will all stand before the judgment seat of Christ, why not let Him take over in that area today? Paul didn’t try to justify himself, but presented himself to God a living sacrifice so that God had someone to work in and through. He kept the line of communication open between Him and God and was willing to make whatever changes God thought were needed. Paul also realized he was saved by grace and not of works, so he left the works up to the Lord.

John 9:39-41 And Jesus said, for judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind. 40 And some of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words, and said unto him, are we blind also? 41 Jesus said unto them, if ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, we see; therefore your sin remains. (KJV)

Man leans more to the outward appearance than the inward which doesn’t quite jive with our Lord. Many religious people today fall in the same category because they judge and compare themselves with others rather than letting the Lord handle it

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John 5:21-22 For as the Father raises up the dead, and quickens them; even so the Son quickens whom he will. 22 For the Father judges no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son: (KJV)

If our Father in heaven is willing to turn all judgment to His Son, shouldn’t that be good enough for the Church also?

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