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**Slice of Life**

Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. (KJV)

You know, there was more than just one that showed up in a manger some two thousand years ago, and it was this second man from heaven that was able to strengthen and show the first man how to live a life without sin. It is the duty of every preacher and teacher to deliver a complete message of salvation which involves the Son of God, Christ in you the only hope of glory. Most are just pointing mankind to the outward man and miss the truth which was within Jesus of Nazareth.

Ephesians 4:17-20 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, (18) Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: (19) Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. (20) But ye have not so learned Christ; (KJV)

This is where a true man of God will experience the most opposition, when you point people beyond the realm of the flesh and into the Spirit. Again we see illustrated, that by not learning who they are in Christ, well they are kept in the dark, just the place the enemy desires to see them in.

Ephesians 4:21-24 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: (22) That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; (23) And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; (24) And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. (KJV)

Here is the game changer folks, when you start pointing the people to someone greater which is within and not on the outside, that is when the real change and transformation takes place. Oh but how the enemy will fight and fuss, and so will all the fickle, carnal people that would rather have their ears tickled instead of ingesting some doctrine that has some real meat and Spiritual protein in it.

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)

Sometimes we are our own worst enemy because like Peter we don’t desire to hear that stuff about dying to self and crucifying our own lusts and desires. Sometimes we would rather hold to our own carnal son of man desires rather than pleasing the Son of God within.

Colossians 1:26-29 Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: (27) To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: (28) Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: (29) Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily. (KJV)

It’s still a mystery to many who don’t go beyond the realm of the Son of man and into the realm of the Son of God as well. Do you know someone greater today; where He is located and how to please Him more than a fallen mankind?