*Monday, April 23, 2012*

**Slice of Life**

1 Corinthians 13:8-10 Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. (9) For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. (10) But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. (KJV)

In every Christian’s life there is a part of us that needs to be discarded and done away if one is truly going to continue in the faith grounded and settled and not moved away, enduring unto the end. As we go along this week we will discuss the part that needs to be done away, and then look at what part we need to replace it with. I have heard a lot of things from a lot of so called men of God which failed to come to pass, because it was not coming from above rather it was spoken through their own limited carnal interpretations of the Word. The same holds true with many tongues of men who spoke out of the abundance of their heart, speaking only from a partial perspective rather than from the knowledge above.

Colossians 2:2-4 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; (3) In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. (4) And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words. (KJV)

What or who I should say is missing from the equation is Christ, because hid within the revelation of this mystery is all the riches of God’s wisdom and knowledge. Without this knowledge you end up back in the realm of partial, where one is incomplete and walking in a dark or obscured realm. Again we see the warning in verse 4 concerning many of the tongues and so called knowledge of men that is falling short of what our Lord intended for His people to operate in.

Colossians 2:5-8 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ. (6) As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: (7) Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. (8) Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. (KJV)

It’s really not that hard to spot those that are still in the realm of partial, or like the old commercial years ago “not exactly”. Rather than coming out and being separate from the world they are just like the world when it comes to the traditions of men, they just throw a few scriptures into the mix and end up mixing things up worse, deceiving and being deceived.

Romans 10:2-4 For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. (3) For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. (4) For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth. (KJV)

These verses seem to sum it up as well concerning those that are in the partial realm and not operating according to what our Lord provided to make them complete in Christ. Remember what our Lord said concerning the wisdom of this world? Foolish I believe is the term He used to describe not only the partial realm of mankind, but those that choose to continue in it as well.