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Dear Friends,

*I was humoured; and encouraged in my spirit, all at the same time, when I encountered this **TITLE, STATEMENT, and it's SCRIPTURE REFERENCE**, ~ just recently!*

“CRABAPPLE CHRISTIANS”

How OUR Spiritual IMMATURITY makes us SOUR to God, and to Others! (1 Cor 3:1-3)

1Cor 3:1 HOWEVER, BRETHREN, I could not talk to you as to spiritual [men], but as to nonspiritual [men of the flesh, in whom the carnal nature predominates], as to mere infants [in the new life] in Christ [unable to talk yet!]

1Cor 3:2 I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not yet strong enough [to be ready for it]; but even yet you are not strong enough [to be ready for it],

1Cor 3:3 For you are still [unspiritual, having the nature] of the flesh [under the control of ordinary impulses]. For as long as [there are] envying and jealousy and wrangling and factions among you, are you not unspiritual and of the flesh, behaving yourselves after a human standard and like mere (unchanged) men? (Amp)

Amen and Amen!

WOW! Now that is surely a Selah MOMENT ~ Indeed! (A PAUSE and PONDER moment for you).

It is a VERY REAL ISSUE ~ amongst the body of believers!

The Scripture says to ~ COME OUT FROM AMONG THEM and BE YE SEPARATE! (2 Corinthians 6:17)

Is there ANY WONDER that the Lord would make such a statement ~ CANNON???

For He, SURELY FOREKNEW, the HEART of man!

He KNEW how WILFULL and STUBORN and DISOBEDIENT ~ and DEFIANTLY REBELLIOUS, and JUDGEMENTAL ~ we would be!

Hmmm! Another Selah ~ Pause and Ponder ~ Moment!

He KNEW that the “speck” in our Brothers EYE ~ would totally consume US...
BEFORE ~ we were EVER HUMBLLED ENOUGH ~ OURSELVES (in our OWN spirit), to ...
EVEN NOTICE the “plank” in our OWN EYE!!! WOW!

My own personal disappointment has come in the form of my fellow ‘professing’ servants of the Lord, engaged in Ministry Matters, **BUT** ~ peddling ‘another gospel’... ‘Legalism’, ‘Judgementalism’, and the ‘Spirit of Condemnation’ ~ resulting in some of our Brothers and Sisters journeying on ~ A CYCLIC ~ GUILT TRIP! Wow!

They say... Jesus died to SAVE US ~ **BUT** ~ **BUT** ~ **BUT** ~ we still have to DO ...this, or that, or something else... on their LONG list of COMMANDMENT KEEPING; and ALL of the LONG LIST of OTHER ‘DO GOOD’ activities they gathered from ‘Mr GOOGLE’ and other like-minded ‘finger pointers’ ~ OR ~ reap the ETERNAL DAMNATION of God’s Wrath” ... (The Gospel according to... {***** ...add a Name}... from your OWN... VERY LONG LIST of finger pointers).

And they PROVE the Scripture of (1 Cor 3:3) absolutely CORRECT, when they want to ARGUE their points of view, and then TOTALLY DISMISS you, like you NEVER existed; simply because you quoted the TRUTH of Scripture! And, they didn’t LIKE IT!
(The TRUTH ~ that IS; for it is NOT me, whom they REJECT ~ But Christ). Amen!

Oh Yes... they quote Scripture TOO... to back up their ‘Spirit of Condemnation’... but it is OUT of context, and does NOT wash with the Holy Spirit... our... GUIDE INTO ALL TRUTH!

I am a firm believer in ~ letting the Scripture INTERPRET the Scripture! He (The Holy Spirit) does a way better job of it, than me! And He ALWAYS leaves you with His ‘EVIDENCE’ of the TRUTH... His favourite ‘wrapping paper’ of all time... PEACE!!!

The Lord said... IF YOU LACK WISDOM or UNDERSTANDING... ASK of ME, (NOT ~ Mr Google) and I will GIVE IT TOO YOU... in BUCKET loads... (James 1:5-8).

Jas 1:5 If any of you is deficient in wisdom, let him ask of the giving God [Who gives] to everyone liberally and ungrudgingly, without reproaching or faultfinding, and it will be given him.

Jas 1:6 Only it must be in faith that he asks with no wavering (no hesitating, no doubting). For the one who wavers (hesitates, doubts) is like the billowing surge out at sea that is blown hither and thither and tossed by the wind.

Jas 1:7 For truly, let not such a person imagine that he will receive anything [he asks for] from the Lord,

Jas 1:8 [For being as he is] a man of two minds (hesitating, dubious, irresolute), [he is] unstable and unreliable and uncertain about everything [he thinks, feels, decides]. (Amp) Amen!

NO wonder the Scripture says... we PERISH for LACK of KNOWLEDGE (Hosea 4:6); and LACK of DISCERNMENT and UNDERSTANDING (Proverbs 10:21); and ~ ABOVE ALL ELSE ~ our LACK of LOVE (John 15:12).

SO ~ Here is a “CALL BACK” to you ~ to ask you...

DO YOU CONTINUE to FRUSTRATE the GRACE of God?

ARE YOU...

STILL trying to EARN your stripes, by LAW KEEPING?

COMMANDMENT KEEPING? (Same thing; different dress); or ...

FAULT FINDING and CORRECTION?

Here is another Selah Moment for you to PONDER in your HEART!

YOU ... couldn't KEEP enough 'commandments' ... to SATISFY the devil!!!

Selah! (Pause and Calmly THINK about that).

His favourite weapon of all time, is that of the ~ SPIRIT of CONDEMNATION!

Quit BUYING his LIES!!!

And the LIES of those who are DECEIVED by him, and peddle his CRAP!

It's GROW UP TIME!

It's TIME for you to GROW UP ~ INTO Christ.

It's TIME for you to put away the Baby-Bottle and PUT ON the WHOLE ARMOUR... (the 'Wellie Boots and Overalls' of the MATURE Christian) and ~ get out of the MILK and INTO the MEAT ~ of the Word of God! Selah!

It's TIME for some SPIRITUAL MATURITY to become your "NORMAL" ~ to become SO OBVIOUS to ALL whom you encounter, that CONFUSION ~ NOT BE ~ the elephant in the room!

It's TIME for US ~ to be able to fellowship together in UNITY of Spirit; KNOWING the TRUTH of God's Word; WITHOUT the FACTIONS and WRANGLING that ~ 1 Cor 3:3 talks about! Yes...

It's TIME ~ TO GROW UP!!!

The Holy Spirit was given us for this VERY PURPOSE... To GUIDE US INTO ALL TRUTH!

Amen!

You are running out of TIME!

You will VERY SOON be either, WELCOMED IN to the Marriage Ceremony, or LOCKED OUT, as the FIVE FOOLISH virgins were!

Your CHOICE!

But you don't have much 'TIME' left ~ to GET your ETERNAL HOUSE in ORDER!

It's TIME for you to GROW UP ~ REAL FAST; before He has to say, to you ...

DEPART from Me ~ I NEVER KNEW YOU!

IGNORANCE and ARROGANCE and a PRIDEFUL Spirit, will see you LOCKED OUT!

SAD but TRUE!

What say YOU...?

Heaven will be the POORER ~ without you!

Gal 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ [in Him I have shared His crucifixion]; it is no longer I who live, but Christ (the Messiah) lives in me; and the life I now live in the body I live by faith in (by adherence to and reliance on and complete trust in) the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

Gal 2:21 [Therefore, I do not treat God's gracious gift as something of minor importance and defeat its very purpose]; I do not set aside and invalidate and frustrate and nullify the grace (unmerited favour) of God. For if justification (righteousness, acquittal from guilt) comes through [observing the ritual of] the Law, then Christ (the Messiah) died groundlessly and to no purpose and in vain. [His death was then wholly superfluous.] (Amp). Amen and Amen!

Love ~ what Barnes Commentary has to say about this Scripture...(verse 21). Enjoy!

*****Gal 2:21**

I do not frustrate the grace of God - The word rendered "frustrate" (ἀθετοῦ̄ atheto) means properly to displace, abrogate, abolish; then to make void, to render null; Mar_7:9; Luk_7:30; 1Co_1:19. The phrase "the grace of God," here refers to the favour of God manifested in the plan of salvation by the gospel, and is another name for the gospel. The sense is, that Paul would not take any measures or pursue any course that would render that vain or inefficacious. Neither by his own life, by a course of conduct which would show that it had no influence over the heart and conduct, nor by the observance of Jewish rites and customs, would he do anything to render that inefficacious. The design is to show that he regarded it as a great principle that the gospel was efficacious in renewing and saving man, and he would do nothing that would tend to prevent that impression on mankind. A life of sin, of open depravity and licentiousness, would do that. And in like manner a conformity to the rites of Moses as a ground of justification would tend to frustrate the grace of God, or to render the method of salvation

solely by the Redeemer nugatory. This is to be regarded, therefore as at the same time a reproof of Peter for complying with customs which tended to frustrate the plan of the gospel, and a declaration that he intended that his own course of life should be such as to confirm the plan, and show its efficacy in pardoning the sinner and rendering him alive in the service of God.

For if righteousness come by the law - If justification can be secured by the observance of any law - ceremonial or moral - then there was no need of the death of Christ as an atonement. This is plain. If man by conformity to any law could be justified before God, what need was there of an atonement? The work would then have been wholly in his own power, and the merit would have been his. It follows from this, that man cannot be justified by his own morality, or his alms-deeds, or his forms of religion, or his honesty and integrity. If he can, he needs no Saviour; he can save himself. It follows also that when people depend on their own amiableness, and morality, and good works, they would feel no need of a Saviour; and this is the true reason why the mass of people reject the Lord Jesus. They suppose they do not deserve to be sent to hell. They have no deep sense of guilt. They confide in their own integrity, and feel that God ought to save them. Hence, they feel no need of a Saviour; for why should a person in health employ a physician? And confiding in their own righteousness, they reject the grace of God, and despise the plan of justification through the Redeemer. To feel the need of a Saviour it is necessary to feel that we are lost and ruined sinners; that we have no merit upon which we can rely; and that we are entirely dependent on the mercy of God for salvation. Thus feeling, we shall receive the salvation of the gospel with thankfulness and joy, and show that in regard to us **Christ is not “dead in vain.” *****

I PRAY this “CALL BACK” to you has ENCOURAGED you ~ to rediscover your LOVE for the TRUTH of God’s Word! Curl up on His lap and get yourself INTIMATELY acquainted with Him, in that beautiful spirit of ONENESS and UNITY, and INTIMACY, that ONLY LOVERS understand! And ~ HEAR what The Spirit, has to say to the ‘churches’... YOU and me ~ for... (We ARE the CHURCH, the BRIDE of Christ!) And ~ WE are CALLED to BE a GLORIOUS BRIDE ~ READY and WATCHING for her Bridegroom’s arrival!

NOT LONG to WAIT ~ now, for the RAPTURE of The Bride of Christ! (Luke 21:28) Amen!

IS your Bridal Gown glistening WHITE with HOLINESS; the by-product of your LOVING OBEDIENCE to His still small voice ~ or ~ IS IT polluted and stained, by the LIES of the devil, and the consequences of your IGNORANCE, ARROGANCE, PRIDE and DISOBEDIENCE? Selah! **THANK YOU Jesus for Your WORD ~ our TRUTH! Maranatha!**

Till next month

From my house to yours

Blessings of the abundant kind!

Leila Nord.

