CALL TO WORSHIP

A Shelter In The Time Of Storm # 263

SCRIPTURE READING

Sun- Kevin T. Wed- Bob M.

HYMN

I Am Thine, O Lord # 314

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- My family and I would like to thank each of you for the special day we had yesterday! I look forward to many more "get togethers" in the years to come.

-Next Sunday, we plan to observe the Lord's table. There **will not be** a meal following service.

CLOSING HYMN

How Great Thou Art # 37

WHY I TELL YOU BEFORE

"Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am he." - John 13:19

The natural man reads the word of God to figure out what is going on and what may soon happen. But the Lord gives his word to his children for them to know who brings it to pass. <u>And</u> that he is all our comfort. That "*ye may believe that I am he*".

- Pastor Eric Lutter (Nixa, MO)

THE EASY PART

In a conversation with a brother, he made this statement: "I always figured going to church was the easy part of being a Christian". I immediately understood what he meant.

It is the "**Easy Part**" of our Christian profession. It is in attending the services where we get ready to live the rest of our lives. It is where we get our spiritual food, our spiritual strength, to be enabled to live to God's Glory when we go out into the world.

"How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts!" (Ps. 84:1) The gathering of the saints to worship and hear the word preached, the songs of Zion sung, prayers prayed, is the most enjoyable part of our lives. To gather with the dear children of God, and escape the world for an hour or two, to leave our cares, our worries, our problems, for A WORD from Our Heavenly Father. What a delightful easy thing to do!

There is nothing more needful than the public gathering of the worship of God. It is this way that God has ordained that we learn Of Christ, that we obtain faith, that we gather our Manna, the True Bread from heaven. It is the means He has ordained that we grow in grace, that we learn and feel our need of Him, of Him to be our strength, of Him to be our shield, our buckler, and our Hiding place.

Going to the church services is The Easy Part; this is where we get what we need for the hard part. The living as Christians in the world, on the job, in our homes, in dealing with just living in a world that is against our God and our Lord Jesus. If you are finding life too difficult, and even the simple things of life to be hard to deal with, it is because you are leaving off the Easy Part.

- Pastor Donnie Bell (Crossville, TN)

OUR ATTITUDE AND CONDUCT AS BELIEVERS

Nothing reveals the true state of my heart, my relationship with God, and my understanding of the gospel quite like my daily, general ATTITUDE toward others, toward God's providence, and toward my lot in life. It is one thing to be discouraged occasionally, to get upset, to disagree with someone, to feel neglected, or even to withdraw for a time to reflect on the matters at hand. But it is quite another thing to CONTINUE in a negative attitude, pouting and feeling sorry for myself, neglecting to exhort and encourage others, and showing by my countenance and conduct that I am not happy with the way things are.

"Let not the sun go down on thy wrath," clearly teaches that we are NOT to allow wrath, misunderstanding, nor bad feelings to continue! Let it be over when the day is over. Forgive as you are forgiven and give of yourself to make this difficult journey easier for others. The church of the Lord Jesus Christ is a family working together, living together, and functioning as one body for the glory of God and the good of the whole. It is very important that every member of that body be in harmony. I believe if a member is in harmony with the HEAD, he will certainly be in harmony with the rest of the body. Christ is not divided! "He that hath ears to hear, LET HIM HEAR."

- Henry T. Mahan

THE CALL TO PREACH

Those whom God calls to the work (of preaching) He usually so strips and empties, so pulls down, humbles, and abases, so shows them what the ministry is, and their own unfitness for it - that they shrink back from so arduous and important a work, and can scarcely be persuaded that they are called to it. We need hardly remark how different this is from the forward, pushing, bold, if not presuming spirit which the many false prophets manifest in their ambitious aim almost to force their way into the pulpit.

- J.C. Philpot

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"But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God." 1Cor 1v23-24

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Sunday - 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Wednesday - 6:30 PM

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