*Monday, July 4, 2011*

**Flesh And Blood**

1 Corinthians 15:48-50 As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. (49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. (50) Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. (KJV)

It will take more than an earthly or flesh and blood resume to gain entrance into the kingdom of God. You’re so called good works and attendance in some religious organization is not and will not be enough to get you home. Some day there will be a total transformation from this earthly temple to a new heavenly one. However, in the mean time you don’t have to wait until you depart this earth before you start bearing the image of your heavenly Father.

John 4:21-24 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. (22) Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. (23) But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. (24) God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. (KJV)

You know, not much has really changed over the years, carnal people keep pointing others to places and ways they have heard to worship a heavenly Father. Worship involves so much more than emotions, rather it is what takes place the rest of the week once you leave your buildings and go back out into the real world. God is not going to lower Himself to our level to get our attention, rather He expects us to rise up to His realm which is Spirit, and will bring life to those that look above this fallen realm for salvation.

Galatians 5:16-18 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. (17) For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. (18) But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. (KJV)

There is a big difference between the flesh and the Spirit, and it is up to you personally to discern what is of God and what is more pleasing to the carnal man. If you really choose to be led by the Spirit then you are no longer under or in bondage to the law of sin and death which kept man separated from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 14:10-12 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. (11) For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. (12) So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

(KJV)

So did you decide to take over as judge, and tell the Lord that all your issues are someone else’s fault? How about today, did you make it a priority to stand before our Lord and hear His message of faith, or did you already know what He thought of your walk?

2 Corinthians 5:9-10 Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. (10) For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. (KJV)

You know, God knew what He was doing when He assigned our Lord to be the judge of His people. So why not take the time today to stand before our Lord and let Him tell you where you really stand with Him, so that there will be no surprises when seeking your eternal inheritance.