*Friday, October 12, 2012*

**Slice of Life**

Romans 1:15-17 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also. (16) For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. (17) For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith. (KJV)

You won’t have anything to be ashamed of either if you give ear to the gospel of Christ. In fact you will find that the real source of power is in His gospel because it points you away from man and right to the source of life, Christ in you your only hope of glory.

1 Corinthians 9:18-19 What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel. (19) For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more. (KJV)

You know, our Lord never put a price tag on the gospel and neither did Paul. So how can so many today peddle the gospel and think it has anything to do with God? Worse yet, how many let this nonsense go by, and then to add insult to injury support these cheap hucksters in their folly?

Ephesians 4:13-15 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: (14) That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; (15) But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: (KJV)

Haven’t you had enough of the childish things and teachings that man tries to pawn off as truth? Well then, put away these childish things and grow in the knowledge of the Son of God, and see for yourself that the hidden man that was in Jesus of Nazareth is within you also. A perfect mature love and understanding of the Lord and His doctrine is what will cast out all fear; while anything not based on Christ will leave you like a scared little child without their parents.

2John 1:8-11 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. (9) Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. (10) If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: (11) For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. (KJV)

Folks, if the doctrine doesn’t involve a working knowledge of Christ and the revelation of the mystery then it is not of God; and it is not something that you should be embracing with open arms. Oh and when you do put your stamp of approval on this junk you are a partaker of their evil deeds, which means you get the same reward also.

1 Timothy 1:2-6 Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord. (3) As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine, (4) Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do. (5) Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned: (6) From which some having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling; (KJV)

Do you truly desire to make it home to the destination that God has for you? Then quit swerving like some drunk on the highway, and stay on the straight and narrow path which will only be found in Christ. Anything else is just some silly fable with some childish denominational name mankind tries to pin on the doctrine.