

Who Do You Say I AM? Part 1

In the hour we are currently living in, it seems truth is not welcomed. Our society has become so "politically correct" that we become so easily offended by the simplest of truths. The truth of who Jesus Christ is has slowly fallen to the wayside. We are not called to follow what any man says about our Lord, Jesus Christ. We are called to follow what God says in His Word and what Holy Spirit reveals to us about Jesus Christ. Then we are to shout it from the rooftops.

God Almighty is not impressed with our theologies or doctrines. He is only concerned about our faith and our relationship with Him. Though He appoints people in leadership roles to help guide His sheep, we are all responsible for going to Him to check the facts with Him by His Spirit. (1 John 4:1-6)

We are living in a strange time. A time not seen before. We have been pre-warned of this time yet some of us are still walking blindly because of what others have said that does not line up with the Word of God.

We have been given many promises through God's Word but we have also been given many warnings. Holy Spirit gave me a phrase recently that some may disagree with and even I questioned it at first. The saying came while in a Sunday service where the Pastor was speaking about intercessory prayer. The saying is, "Intelligence gets in the way of Truth." We have all been guilty of considering ourselves intelligent and an expert in one thing or another but we couldn't be farther from the Truth.

I took time to meditate on this word before presenting it because it is not a "feel good" message as we are used to hearing this day in age. That in itself is an issue. We are not interested in the Truth when it makes us "feel" bad. We are only interested in what makes makes us "feel" happy and good. Have you ever been told you were out of line when you thought you were doing something important? How did it make you feel? Angry? Jealous? Depressed? Did you withdraw into isolation? I have done all those things until I finally went to the Lord for answers. He corrected me by letting me know (every time this has happened) that I was too focused on myself.

Matthew 16:13 - When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"

Jesus did not ask this to know in a prideful way what people were saying about Him. He asked to see who the disciples were paying attention to. Were they listening and following man or were they listening and following the Spirit of God? Their response shows that they were still listening to what man was saying.

Take today to meditate on who you are listening to. Are you believing anything that is not 100% percent truth about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ? Are there falsities that have become part of your belief system thus misdirecting your view of Jesus Christ? If our view of Jesus is clouded then our view of God the Father is clouded. How can I say that? Simple...

John 14:7 - "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

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