

RESURRECTION BIBLE STUDY MINISTRY



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Topic:

THE HARD TEACHING

Bible Text: John 6:60

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Prayer

Father, we thank You for the privilege given to us to be here today, let Your name be forever glorified in Jesus name. Father, as we about to learn at Your feet tonight, please teach us from above and let Your word dwell in our Hearts, let Your word be our guide and at the end of it all let Your name be forever glorified, for in Jesus mighty name. Amen

Study

I welcome everyone once again to today's study in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ. We would be treating a very sensitive topic tonight, that has to do with those who handle the gospel of Christ and even to Christians generally. I would like us all to be open minded, even as the Lord opens our understanding by Himself. I give honour to the God who created the Heavens and the earth, He whom at the blast of His nostrils the whole earth is consumed. Amen.

It is not a news to us that we are in the end-time and alot of things are happening currently, the Lord Jesus Christ who is God Almighty had spoken about all what is happening and because He is a faithful God and wants all to be saved, and not only to be saved but to get to heaven, He then puts up the five fold ministries. Which are the

Apostles, Prophets, Pastors, Teachers and Evangelists for the building up of the body. But these ministries has been polluted currently by the devil, making it difficult for believers to know which is which except through the Spirit of discernment. We were all born into this world as novices, there is no one that entered the world with a pre-knowledge of what the world entails, in fact our default states places us as God's enemies with a devoid understanding of what the things of the Spirit of God are all about, until the light of the gospel pierces through the hearts of men, men would continue to live in ignorance.

John 6:60 KJV

Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this, said, This is an hard saying; who can hear it?

In the previous verses before verse 60, we can see that Jesus Christ just finished giving a very serious teaching about his identity and personality to the people. He was teaching about Himself being the bread of life saying that those who feeds on His flesh and drinks His blood has eternal life, and that He would raise him up from the dead on the last day. What the Lord was talking about here is that we have to feed on Him who is the Word of God and if one continues to feed on Him by taking Him as his food and is nourished by Him, he shall in turn live through Him and because of Him. So he explained clearer in verse 58. John 6:58 KJV This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.

Yet they did not understand because they were still living carnally, beloved, carnality is the sole enemy of spirituality because it blocks the sense of spiritual reasoning. When a man is being controlled by the flesh, there is no matter the level of the things of the Spirit said to him, he will not understand, in fact they will be foolishness to him. Hence, 1 Corinthians 2:14 says "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

The people whom Jesus was explaining to could not understand because all they were concerned about was to satisfy their hunger, because Jesus Christ fed them with loaves of bread and fishes so they believed they will continue to get free food neglecting the major purpose of Jesus' coming to them which is to give them a food that will not lead to eternal death. Their sense of reasoning had been clouded, and their flesh was seriously at work because of misplaced priority. But the time came and the Lord explained the words of life to them but they could not take it, the spirit of the flesh in them started kicking against the truth of God's word and their hardened heart could not receive, just because what they heard from Jesus was different from what they had always known, they read it that a Saviour would come and when He finally came they could not cope. Of course they confessed that what Jesus was saying was indeed hard. The truth about the gospel of Christ is that it is hard! Yes it is hard to follow or abide by,

although a times sweet to hear or talk about which is why the Lord warned us in several scriptures not to be the hearer of His words only but the **doer** too. He knew that the doing aspect is where humans would find it hard which is part of why the Lord categorically told us in Matthew 7:14 **For the gate is narrow and THE WAY IS HARD THAT LEADS TO LIFE, and those who find it are few.**

That is to tell you that you have to be careful of the gospel of comfortability, the gospel of it doesn't matter. Listen beloved, it is *few* that finds the gate to eternal life, *only few*. There are some sermons that makes people convenient in their sins, these are easy gospels. Although the Holy Spirit can make the journey to heaven easier, but not without challenges. Jesus told these multitudes the truth that He is the Living Bread, and the most painful part of it is that Jesus said these in the synagogue(church) yet many did not understand Him. The church is not a club house that might have made us to be thinking that it's because the place was filled with unbelievers, but those who profess to be keepers of the Law, and that obey God got offended by the words of Christ because they lack the Spirit, and what finally was the outcome of the truth Jesus taught them. John 6:66 AMP **After this, many of His disciples drew back (returned to their old associations) and no longer accompanied Him.** Now listen, O Man of God!... Read in between the lines, **MANY of His disciples DREW BACK** the bible did not say only few drew back, but MANY. That is to tell you that this can be part of the price you must pay for speaking the truth of the gospel even in this end-time. People don't want the truth, so if you as a servant of God is concerned with tithes and offerings, you are concerned with crowd. I'm sorry to disappoint you that you will not be able to preach the true gospel of Christ because you will always want to tell your members what they want to hear in other to please them and not God.

Learn from Jesus Christ O servants of the Most High God, learn from Him. The scriptures did not tell us that He then changed His messages because people were leaving Him. No! He continued! They spoke against Him, even insulted Him yet he continued preaching the truth, I know that it's not easy to stand on the truth especially when you are into full time ministry, but I assure you that the One who called you into full time will feed you, it's wrong to start twisting the scriptures so as to please anyone, let them go if they want to go, those whom God has chosen to hear the truth amongst them would stay. The fact that you have one member does not change the title of your calling.

Sometime ago, a pastor went to God and started complaining that members are leaving his church because he was preaching the truth. And God answered him by asking him a question, "if there is a man pastoring a member, and there is another man pastoring one thousand members and the both of them are to be referred to by people. What would they both be called?" The man answered and said, the both of them would be called pastors, then God told him that, "why wouldn't they call the one with one thousand members pastor pastor pastor pastor... one thousand times before they mention his name." then the man said that it does not make sense, so God told him that then people leaving his church does not unmake him from being a pastor, that he should continue

preaching the truth what message have you twisted to accommodate people, therefore turning yourself to God's enemy O you servant of God?

The message Jesus taught these people was regarded as strange, difficult and hard in fact they said it is offensive and unbearable and they concluded that nobody is able to withstand it. But Jesus confirms to them that His words are what gives life and the flesh through which they are controlled do not profit anything, and why the teaching was so hard for them was because they did not believe, trust nor have faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. This should have been the bases of their understanding, no man without the proper foundation of trust laid in Christ can believe the words of the Lord because they would be too hard to follow for him and would see it as unattainable because the flesh profits nothing, which means it cannot sustain the things of the Spirit. Just as we have people who said what Jesus was saying is too hard to understand, that is how we have people these days who claim that what is written in the scriptures is too hard and they are not important, the Lord said that no one can come to Him except the Father draws him near. Therefore, when those people were leaving the synagogue, Jesus Christ did not stop them, He left them to go. Man of God! Stop begging members to stay in your church because they are offended by the truth. Look at what Jesus did after those people left. John 6:67 **Jesus said to the Twelve, Will you also go away? [And do you too desire to leave Me?]** He faced the twelve disciples and asked that simple question. He did not say, since these people have left, please don't leave me too. Although His intentions for asking those questions can not be concluded at easily, but the truth remains that Christ will not twist His truth to accommodate a lie.

And Peter's reply to Jesus gave a clear and distinctive difference between the twelve and those who left Jesus. John 6:68 **Simon Peter answered, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words (the message) of eternal life. [69] And we have learned to believe and trust, and [more] we have come to know [surely] that You are the Holy One of God, the Christ (the Anointed One), the Son of the living God.** these statements alone has differentiated serious believers from the hypocrites among Jesus congregation(followers) through what Peter said we can see that those who left were those who did not really believe that the words of eternal life is in Jesus, they were also those who did not learn to believe and trust, nor have come to know [surely] that Jesus Christ is the Holy One of God, the Christ (the Anointed One), the Son of the living God. You see now? It means that those who behave irrationally to the true gospel of Christ are not saved, they are still controlled by the flesh and want to still patch godliness with worldliness.

The truth remains that everyone cannot shy away from the truth, even if majority goes against it, those whom the Father hath chosen would stick around, though they might be few. Another truth is that, for the fact that a person did not leave your church does not mean that he agrees with the truth you preach, or is comfortable with it. Judas was among the twelve who did not leave but at the end we saw that his motives were not right. Do not trust anyone or believe that a particular person cannot betray you. Open your spiritual eyes to see and ears to hear what the Spirit of God is saying to you per

time as His servant so that when some things finally happens it will not be a shock to you. The bible says in Jeremiah 5:26 **For among my people are found wicked men : they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.** Man of God always be at alert physically and spiritually, there are wicked people among God's people these days, be watchful.

Something happened sometime ago when this forum started. Those times was when we taught about tribulations before rapture. Serious disagreements and misunderstandings came up among members because many were unable to drop their former believes of rapture before tribulation, and constant uproar was coming up despite that the word of God was opened and clearly explained they chose to hold on to their church's doctrine and because everything started looking dis-organised then I came to realizing that we had packed those whom do not want to hear the truth amongst the ready ones because they were ready to confuse those who wanted to learn. So this particular forum we are currently was created with a stricter rule and that links would no longer be sent out generally anymore for people to join. Many people refused to join because of the rules, and those who came with us to this forum were not up to 10 out of 100+ members. What happened during those period troubled the coordinators of this forum, that we started suggesting going back to the forum. So we decided to consult the Lord concerning the matter and He revealed that we should not go back there, so we made the forum a conference hall and maintained the new one. To the glory of God here is the forum today with 100+ serious heavenly minded christians, despite that many people have been removed. Those who came with us to this place should still be able to remember vividly.

It really pays to listen to the voice of the Lord and stay on the truth of the gospel as God's servants. If you must be able to present your members to God in holiness and righteousness on the last day, don't bend because of anyone, discouragements, disappointments, sufferings, rejections, difficulties, dejections would certainly come your way but you'd surely come out strong because the Lord will always be with you, remain loyal to the One Who has called you, He is the Rewarder of your efforts not men. He will sustain you in every facet of life don't let anything shake your commitment.

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