

**General Topics :: It is not all about Jesus****It is not all about Jesus - posted by HeartSong, on: 2014/7/1 3:19**

It is also about us.

If we do not go forth, manifesting His presence, do we not indeed leave Him hanging on the cross in the hearts and minds of a dead and dying world?

If we do not go forth, as His hands and His feet, do we not indeed keep His hands and His feet nailed to that cruel cross in the lives of countless millions that are suffering at the hands of the enemy? People gripped by death and despair, helpless and lost, totally unaware that the price of their salvation has been paid by the shed blood of Jesus Christ?

Is anyone else willing to lay down their life that others might be set free?

Re: It is not all about Jesus - posted by MaryJane, on: 2014/7/1 10:02

greetings heartsong

I get the jest of what your saying we do need to lay down our lives and take up our cross to follow HIM, but the title to this thread is wrong. It is absolutely all about JESUS! Yes we have a part to play and yes we were given a commission but GOD's plan would play out even if I did nothing. The only thing that can motivate me to do anything, even live in obedience and submission to HIM is not by my own strength at all, Its all about JESUS and HIM working through us!

As I said I do get the heart of what your saying but words matter. It is all about JESUS, by HIM we go out into the dying world and share the truth that HE has a plan for the lost. Its really all about HIM, that HE be lifted up and glorified. Its all done through HIS strength and might,

Everything we do is about HIM, if we are living unto HIM and walking with HIM daily. There is no "us" any longer, the mind, heart, spirit, all looks to JESUS. Its all about HIM....

God bless
mj

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2014/7/1 10:56

Matthew 5:14-16 New International Version (NIV)

14 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

But it is the "light of jesus" within that is shining through us.

Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2014/7/1 19:58

MJ, too bad there is no 'like' button to push....

Re: It is not all about Jesus - posted by HeartSong, on: 2014/7/2 16:59

When thou goest, thy way shall be opened up before thee step by step (Proverbs 4:12, free translation).

The Lord never builds a bridge of faith except under the feet of the faith-filled traveler. If He builds the bridge a rod ahead, it would not be a bridge of faith. That which is of sight is not of faith.

There is a self-opening gate which is sometimes used in country roads. It stands fast and firm across the road as a traveler approaches it. If he stops before he gets to it, it will not open. But if he will drive right at it, his wagon wheels press the springs below the roadway, and the gate swings back to let him through. He must push right on at the closed gate, or it will continue to be closed.

This illustrates the way to pass every barrier on the road of duty. Whether it is a river, a gate, or a mountain, all the child of Jesus has to do is to go for it. If it is a river, it will dry up when you put your feet in its waters. If it is a gate, it will fly open when you are near enough to it, and are still pushing on. If it is a mountain, it will be lifted up and cast into a sea when you come squarely up, without flinching, to where you thought it was.

Is there a great barrier across your path of duty just now? Just go for it, in the name of the Lord, and it won't be there.

--Henry Clay Trumbull

Source: Streams in the Desert, with Mrs. Chas. E. Cowman - July 2

Re: It is not all about Jesus - posted by leftbehind, on: 2014/7/2 21:48

It IS all about Jesus. The Godhead. Jesus dwelling in a willing vessel. It is absolutely and completely all about Jesus. God is our Source, our Sun. He is our all in all. He is not the best of many ways; Jesus is the only way. Seems like there's a lack of absolute truth today.

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
All my being's ransomed powers;
All my thoughts and words and doings,
All my days and all my hours.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
All my days and all my hours.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
All my days and all my hours.

2

Let my hands perform His bidding;
Let my feet run in His ways;
Let mine eyes see Jesus only;
Let my lips speak forth His praise.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Let my lips speak forth His praise.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Let my lips speak forth His praise.

3

Worldlings prize their gems of beauty,
Cling to gilded toys of dust;
Boast of wealth, and fame, and pleasure;
Only Jesus will I trust.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Only Jesus will I trust.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Only Jesus will I trust.

4

Since mine eyes were fixed on Jesus,
I've lost sight of all beside
So enchained my spirit's vision,
Looking at the Crucified.

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Looking at the Crucified.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Looking at the Crucified.

5

Oh, what wonder! how amazing!
Jesus, glorious King of kings,
Deigns to call me His beloved,
Lets me rest beneath His wings.

All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Resting now beneath His wings.
All for Jesus! All for Jesus!
Resting now beneath His wings.

Oh, the bitter pain and sorrow
That a time could ever be,
When I proudly said to Jesus,
"All of self, and none of Thee."
All of self, and none of Thee,
All of self, and none of Thee,
When I proudly said to Jesus,
"All of self, and none of Thee."
Yet He found me; I beheld Him
Bleeding on that accursed tree,
And my wistful heart said faintly,
"Some of self, and some of Thee."
Some of self, and some of Thee,
Some of self, and some of Thee,
And my wistful heart said faintly,
"Some of self, and some of Thee."
Day by day His tender mercy,
Healing, helping, full and free,
Brought me lower while I whispered,
"Less of self, and more of Thee."
Less of self, and more of Thee,
Less of self, and more of Thee,
Brought me lower while I whispered,
"Less of self, and more of Thee."
Higher than the highest heaven,
Deeper than the deepest sea,
Lord, Thy love at last has conquered:
"None of self, and all of Thee."
None of self, and all of Thee,
None of self, and all of Thee,
Lord, Thy love at last has conquered:
"None of self, and all of Thee."

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
*Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in endless praise.
Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.

Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.
Take my voice and let me sing,
Always, only for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use
Every power as Thou shalt choose.
Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

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You have longed for sweet peace,
And for faith to increase,
And have earnestly, fervently prayed;
But you cannot have rest,
Or be perfectly blest,
Until all on the altar is laid.
Refrain:
Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?
Your heart does the Spirit control?
You can only be blest,
And have peace and sweet rest,
As you yield Him your body and soul.
Would you walk with the Lord,
In the light of His word,

And have peace and contentment always?
You must do His sweet will,
To be free from all ill,
On the altar your all you must lay.
Oh, we never can know
What the Lord will bestow
Of the blessings for which we have prayed,
Till our body and soul
He doth fully control,
And our all on the altar is laid.
Who can tell all the love
He will send from above,
And how happy our hearts will be made;
Of the fellowship sweet
We shall share at His feet,
When our all on the altar is laid.

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word,
What a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will, He abides with us still,
And with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Trust and obey, for there's no other way
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies,
But His smile quickly drives it away;
Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh or a tear,
Can abide while we trust and obey.

Refrain

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
But our toil He doth richly repay;
Not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
But is blessed if we trust and obey.

Refrain

But we never can prove the delights of His love
Until all on the altar we lay;
For the favor He shows, for the joy He bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet.
Or we'll walk by His side in the way.
What He says we will do, where He sends we will go;
Never fear, only trust and obey.

Refrain

I can hear my Savior calling,
I can hear my Savior calling,
I can hear my Savior calling,

☪ Take thy cross and follow, follow Me. ☪

Refrain:

Where He leads me I will follow,

Where He leads me I will follow,

Where He leads me I will follow,

☪ I will go with Him, with Him all the way.

☪ I will go with Him through the waters,

☪ I will go with Him through the waters,

☪ I will go with Him through the waters,

☪ I will go with Him, with Him all the way.

☪ I will go with Him through the garden,

☪ I will go with Him through the garden,

☪ I will go with Him through the garden,

☪ I will go with Him, with Him all the way.

☪ I will go with Him to dark Calvary,

☪ I will go with Him to dark Calvary,

☪ I will go with Him to dark Calvary,

☪ I will go with Him, with Him all the way.

☪ I will go with Him to the judgment,

☪ I will go with Him to the judgment,

☪ I will go with Him to the judgment,

☪ I will go with Him, with Him all the way.

He will give me grace and glory,

He will give me grace and glory,

He will give me grace and glory,

And go with me, with me all the way.

Re: - posted by UntoBabes (), on: 2014/7/2 23:21

I have had a negative reaction for a while to some expressions professing believers use to justify an attitude of complacency, among which is this one. The Lord detests such pretense of devotion. But the problem is not in the expression itself and the truth it contains, but the hypocritical lips that utters such truth. Jesus said, these people draw near to me with their mouths but their hearts are far from me.

In the OT, the people did the same thing, saying, the temple of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, thinking that God would be pleased with lip service.

Sister, if you had a negative experience like mine, please do not let that discourage you from truth itself. It is indeed all about Jesus. Repeat it to yourself. Repeat it day and night. Believe it and live it. It is the only thing that will keep you on the path of duty.

Re: Great marketing - posted by Sidewalk (), on: 2014/7/3 11:32

Great thread title! People are busy and skip over the boring stuff!

In Heaven, it is all about the bride being prepared for the Son! Everything is secondary to bringing together this rag-tag gaggle of undeserving, unloving, rebellious human racers to a place of eternal honor and beauty, fit to be eternally joined to His Son!

Thus He did make equality with God something not to be grasped but emptied Himself and became obedient, even unto the death on the cross. For Him it was all about us.

If we can muster any wisdom, we will be all about Him!

All points here are well taken beloved brothers and sisters, fellow worshippers of the Son of God!

Re: It is not all about Jesus, on: 2014/7/3 12:34

When I make it "all about Jesus"...in His grace and mercy He makes me a part of Him and includes me in His plans.

"...you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

I pray that I will be like that and that I will find the ONE thing that is necessary...to make it ALL ABOUT HIM!!!

Re: It is not all about Jesus - posted by HeartSong, on: 2014/7/3 17:52

"Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

And this will we do, if God permit. For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God: But that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned." - Hebrews 6:1-8

Re: - posted by brothagary, on: 2014/7/4 2:34

with all due respect sis ,, this is talking about the principles of the doctrine of Christ,,,,not the person of jesus ,,lets mature he is saying ,,paul is not saying its not all about the person of christ ,,the principals of christs teaching is repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment

Re: - posted by ZekeO (), on: 2014/7/4 4:20

With these issues of Jesus Christ, many folk start building a high rise building starting at the third floor.

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2014/7/4 9:46

This thread points up the reason that I go out of my way to avoid using the phrase "all about". Nothing can be simplified to the point of singleness and completeness with full understanding. There is always an aspect of an idea that someone will leave out of their snappy "all about" wrap up and it will be an essential aspect.