

**Scriptures and Doctrine :: The good Samaritan****The good Samaritan - posted by Warrior4Jah (), on: 2005/7/7 17:23**

I've listened to another sermon today and after the sermon was over it just struck me.
A discovery that shows that I have a problem...
Maybe this is not new to you people but it is for me.

Quote:
-----**Luke 10:27** 27 And he answering said, *Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.*

The question the lawyer asked Jesus:

Quote:
-----25 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, **what shall I do to inherit eternal life?** 26 He said unto him, *What is written in the law? how readest thou?*

Did you read the bold text? Jesus said that he was correct. Do we love our neighbour? Do I?

I'm guilty of the sin of not loving my neighbours. Wouldn't I show compassion otherwise? No.. I just walk by like the priest and the Levite continuing with everyday life without compassion. While people are marching into hell.

God have mercy on me!!

Somehow I feel ashamed posting this..

Re: The good Samaritan - posted by ravin, on: 2005/7/7 20:51

confess your sin one to another, yes I believe you just did. their is joy in heaven over one sinner who comes to the Lord. will pray for you and lift you up to the Father of us all.

Re: - posted by Warrior4Jah (), on: 2005/7/8 5:04

Thank you for your prayers!
I had a talk with someone and well I need to grow.
The best way to grow will be to put Jesus in the centre of my life, to read the Bible more.

This will be even more a motivation to stick close to Jesus so He can shape me.
Praise God for His kindness and patience. :-)
I can't control how fast I grow, but I can make sure I don't starve in the progress. :-)

Re: Warrior..., on: 2005/7/8 7:57

...you ask a very important question. Please read Isaiah 58, and Matthew 25:31-46. See if you can find someone in there who is "your neighbor". I'd like to hear what you have to say after you read them, if you don't mind. God bless you as you do. I really believe that God is revealing His heart to you. Open it up to Him as He speaks to you through His Word. We will all be blessed when you come back and tell us what He has spoken to you.

In Him

Lahry

Re: The good Samaritan - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2005/7/8 8:36

Warrior,

I'm struck at your honesty. A man who can understand and admit his fault is fit for use by God. So often we (I) look to deeply at His commands. Your words are humbling. May God lead you and bless you!

You said, "...people are marching into hell."

I've heard John Wesley said the same thing as a child, that the sound of the marching kept him from sleeping.

God resists the proud, and gives grace to the humble. I think we could all learn a lesson from you.

PS Where do you live in Holland? My brother-in-law is from Rotterdam.

Re: - posted by Warrior4Jah (), on: 2005/7/8 17:48

Haven't read Isaiah 58 before I must say, that God really speaks here!

These people who love to know the knowledge of the Lord apparently don't know His heart and they don't seem to realize it!

These so called righteous people seek God without success in finding Him as they are hypocrite.

They are more concerned with other things than the Lords when they are fasting.

God doesn't want them fasting in appearance but in action.

He wants this:

Isaiah 58:6,7 *6 Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?*

the heavy the bundles of the yoke oppressed broken

7 Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest th e naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

When you do this the Lord will hear, He sees past the outward man and right through the hearts of people.

Verse 13 is also very clear... don't forsake the day of the Lord. (I can be improved here)

I we are not serious about God He won't be serious with us.

Matthew 25:31-46

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The others are called the cursed, they probably never did God's will. (Not probably, for sure)

The answer they give is a bit different than you would expect I think.

When the sheep answered they wonder when they saw Jesus hungry, thirsty, etc.

But when the goats replied there was a strange line in their replying:

Matthew 25:44 *44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?*

This made me think of a few other passages..

Matthew 7:22,23; Luke 13:27; John 10:27

No it's certainly not logical that one who ever called upon Jesus name but doesn't follow Him or wants to know Him/His heart will be saved.

I've read Matthew 25:31-46 b4 like last week.. was wondering how it was possible that these goats never did something right. Well now I see that is not the point in this Bibletext..

It's about who listens to God, who have a relationship with Him and who got to know Him.

Who are my neighbours in this text?

Perhaps it was this wicked mentality the 'goats' had that made them end up there. No compassion for other peoples

oul, thinking one is righteous and follows God while blind and def before God.
No desire in fulfilling Gods goals. Even worse then putting your pound on the bank..
Never got to know God personally.

My neighbour is not only my fellow Christian brother or sister...
After reading Isaiah 58 and Matthew I can pretty much conclude that everyon person is your neighbour... isn't all of o
ur own flesh on this planet?

Isaiah 58:7 *7 Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when t
hou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?*

Unless you deny that you are part of the human race it seems perfectly clear to me.. those are my neighbours. Al people

Verse 6 shows that God wants the people with yokes to be freed, if God cares and I need to be more like Jesus then ho
w can I not care?

How can God ever welcome me home if I cared not about all these people who go to hell?
I think its hard, certainly as I feel so unable to do much about it. But I know this:

Knowing more of the Bible gives you less to hide behind. I cannot ever posibly say that I did not know.... God didn't call u
s to be ignorant.

Thank you Lahry for pointing me at Isaiah 58!

@ letsgetbusy

I've had enough years in the past filled with running away from God, and one year where I played for name-christian. I
want the Holy-Spirit to point me at my faults and I don't dare to abandon God, I don't want to get back in that mess.
If I would go back to my old sin I would just die. I don't want God as my enemy I want Him to be able to love me!

You know its strange.. I just know that God must weep about the lost people or His church.
At times I want to feel it but at times I would also rather not, I think I would be unable to carry it. And now I heard some s
ermmons, especially 'A call to anguish'... a few days ago.

I'm thankful that God led me to this site when I found that I was not spending enough time with God as I did promise Hi
m. I want to know, I don't want to be blind and deaf.

If I want to be serious in following the Lord I need to know.

Hopefully God can make a proper use of me at this time and in the near future.

I live in Apeldoorn, that's about 1.5 houre distance by train. #61514;

God bless and thank you for you replies.. I felt really silly and doubted if I should made this thread in the first place.

btw, sorry for the huge texts.. I quickly end up typing alot text.

Re: - posted by ravin, on: 2005/7/8 18:19

Yes brother and "blessed be the Lord my God which strengthens me, and teaches my hands to war and my fingers to fi
ght."

the word says "put on the whole armor of God"

Iron sharpens Iron. the word is the sword.

It say he comes with a sword in his mouth.

and fire in his eye's

Only God can make it again another, you are no longer it, but are made again another!

Go get you some, I'll meet you here are in thee air. God bless

Re: Thanks Warrior...., on: 2005/7/8 20:30

...let us rejoice in Him together, and let us seek His face for our neighbor, be he across the street or around the world.

Hugs in Christ Jesus,

Lahry

Re: - posted by Warrior4Jah (), on: 2005/7/9 16:42

Indeed let us bring these people to God in prayer! That He might use us or someone or by other means to reach them! And Ravin, I've prayed God in the past that He might teach me how to use this armor! :-P Because we are in a war, the earth is like the battlefield. We can't wander around naked, we have to clothe ourselves with the armor God gives us!

Give thanks to the Lord!

Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2005/7/11 22:40

"I've had enough years in the past filled with running away from God, and one year where I played for name-christian. I want the Holy-Spirit to point me at my faults and I don't dare to abandon God, I don't want to get back in that mess."

Amen! Many people give Christ their sins, but never their desires. I think that this was the first thing I did after I was converted. I was converted after listening to a radio sermon, and the next instruction I remember on the station was to ask God to correct me, so I did this. I asked God to correct my ways. It was painful, and uncomfortable, but well worth while.

over the next months, these are things that I changed that I think we can all agree on: stopped pornography, stopped listening to worldly music, stopped drinking alcohol. Learned we are supposed to reach the lost, learned how creation was true and evolution was a lie, and learned that salvation is to be worked out. We are dead to sin, but saved to serve. I also had a friend introduce me to do King James issue, which I know all Christians don't agree on, but I feel I learned much doctrine studying this, regardless of whether you read KJV or not.

Many Christians never take that step to ask God to correct them. Holy means set apart. You said much when you said that the more you read Scripture the less you have to hide behind. The eventual result is that you become as bold as a lion. I pray that God would use you in a mighty way, Warrior.

Also, Warrior, do you know any books in Dutch that would lead my in-laws to Christ. Does "God's Smuggler" have a Dutch version (I've heard the author was Dutch)? I'd love to see my in-laws converted, and I think they would be more open to something from a Dutchman. They are very Dutch (Hup Holland! and so forth). Thx.

Here is a song they taught me, forgive the spelling. See if I get it right.

Op sey, op sey, op sey! veen hebbe onka lova likka haast!

Re: - posted by Warrior4Jah (), on: 2005/7/17 16:42

Yea what sort of convert are you if you don't want to live according to God's standards?

I do drink some alcohol, but not much as I feel that would conflict with how God wants it. I'm not sure what you mean with the KJV thing, but I use both my nKJV (which I got from my mom when I was baptized) and my trusty NBG translation. (the best Dutch Bible translation imho) Thank you for your prayer! I really appreciate it! The prayer of a righteous man is worth alot! ;-)

Well I don't know much good Dutch books, better pm _dezcall_ or Dicile.. I'm afraid I can't be really helpful about "God's smuggler" either..

The book is for sale tho at the dutch opendoors site. But I don't know if its Dutch. (would think it is)

About that song hehe..

"Opzij, opzij, we hebben een ongelofelijke haast."

:-P

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Re: - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2005/7/17 19:41

Quote:
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Isn't this an amazing passage of Scripture? What is astounding to me is that both groups, the sheep and the goats, were unaware of having done(or left undone) these things for their neighbors that the Lord mentions. Both groups answer Jes us with, "when saw we thee...?" This is an incredible picture into how God judges men's hearts.

Our lives are to be so full of Christ's love that it will simply be a natural reaction of our heart to reach out in mercy and co mpassion. Only the power of the indwelling Spirit can accomplish this. We must get on our knees and ask, seek, and kn ock, and trust in the promise of the Lord...

That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man ; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend w ith all saints what the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowle dge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. (Eph 3:16-19)

In Christ,

Ron

Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2005/7/17 22:02

I don't fight other Christians over ordinances (alcohol, Bible version, etc), but I do challenge other Christians to "examine themselves" as Scripture teaches. There are lots of cases of this in the New Testament. Not many seem to be hungering and thirsting after righteousness, today.

What is the address for the Dutch opendoors site?

Man, I really messed those lyrics up.

Re: - posted by Warrior4Jah (), on: 2005/7/18 16:43

(<https://www.opendoors.nl/content/index.php?id7&session&PHPSESSID1e15d9d20c43e7f8e94c3891127d5081&choixlangnl&quelprix&&rowcur10>) Opendoors bookshop

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I agree on that!

Don't worry on the line! It was a good attempt. :-P