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We as servants of Christ and ambassadors of his Kingdom would like to remind you of our ministry here at Church Built of Living Stones. It is a ministry of reconciliation given to us by our Father. Our instruction is not to teach you the things of God in rules and regulations, but to encourage you that the only one who can teach you of the Father is Jesus Christ and he will do this by the power of his word and Spirit. Our teaching ministry towards you is for you to trust that you can be taught of the Lord and that you need no man to mediate between God and yourself except the man Christ Jesus.

This may be daunting to you at the beginning, but it will eventually release you into God's Holy Kingdom from which you will never wish to depart.

The attacks and slanders will be immense and will continue until the last enemy is overcome.

But fear not the Lord will be on your side. (Read Psalm 124).

The Kingdom of God is like leaven or yeast in a lump of dough and it is growing and advancing throughout the earth and will bear fruit to God's glory. We are saying that Christ is building his Kingdom and its inhabitants are as living stones built up to be a holy habitation for God. We will never have a bricks and mortar building. We do not solicit money to spread the good news. At the same time, we encourage giving to the poor in spirit, by this we mean give your whole life to Christ and his Kingdom and you will see the salvation of God in effect. Our endeavour is to see God's people go forth and proclaim Jesus and Christ's Kingdom without the restrictions of denominational power overriding them.

Everyman in the body of Christ Jesus has a purpose and can go forth in the power of God's Spirit with a new tongue and prophecy. The new tongue is the Gospel and the Spirit of Prophecy is the Lord Jesus Christ. They tell the world that God the Father is not holding their sins and lawlessness against them and that he grants them the Holy Spirit to guide and lead them into all truth.

The Holy Spirit leads them to Jesus and Jesus teaches them all things of the Father.

May His Kingdom come

We cry out in the wilderness of this present evil age amid the hindering religions of this world to the seeker, the broken hearted, the captives, the bound, the sick, the down trodden, the voiceless and those that live in darkness who see a great light – look up for your King comes. His name is Jesus and he brings a Kingdom which encompasses all the glories of the coming age. Seek and you shall find, ask and it will be given you, knock and it will be opened unto you. He will grant those that seek first his Kingdom riches of glory that this world knows nothing about. He comes not for the righteous but the sinner and he will receive you with open arms and give you a vision of hope that has its origins from the heart of God. Obey his calling - come into the light, don't hover on the edge of the light, come into the light, all your prayers will be answered in the light.

Fear not, do not be afraid

In the world you will have trouble and tribulation from which none of us who belong to Jesus are exempt, as it is the arena of redemption for the faithful. Jesus' own words reverberate and echo in our minds "I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world".

And in (1 John 4: 4) You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

We have warned for many months that men are going to be tried and to be found wanting because their trust is in the arm of the flesh which cannot save. It is abominable to see so called men of God fawning over leaders in the political sphere. It is paramount that prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone – for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all Godliness and Holiness. We must pray for these men, but not put our trust in them. There will be earthquakes, famines and pestilence in various places and fearful events and great signs from heaven and men's hearts will fail them through fear of the events coming on the earth. The only true peace comes from Christ who is our life, who is abiding in our hearts. Get ready for greater upheavals in the financial realm, where gold and silver will not be able to save as it corrodes. The corrosion will eat your flesh like fire.

These are not my words they are the words of the apostle James (5: 3).

The warning to us all is not what do we trust in – but whom do we trust.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your path.

Every man's work will be tried by fire and it will not be the evil one's purpose (though he may be an instrument). It will be Jesus' coming as the John the Baptist has prophesied in (Luke 3: 16-18).

¹⁶ John answered them all, "I baptise you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." ¹⁸ And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them.

You may think these words troubling, but in essence they are the truth, and the truth is good news and will set you free.

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The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God for Salvation

2 Corinthians 6: 16-18 - 7: 1

¹⁶ What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of God. As God has said: "I will live with them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."

17 "Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord.
Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you."

18 I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

^{7:1} Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.

Dear Friends,

This Gospel has the power to transform "a hell bent" soul out of darkness into the glorious light of the truth.

This gospel message is so unique, this gospel power is so unique that it can minister to any individual's heart and mind and bring them to the same conclusion – that a crucified Galilean man is the Son of God and that this man Jesus is the Lord of all.

It is an accepted fact that every human being is a unique "one off" individual amongst billions of people, yet retaining among this multitude an individuality that they may be identified as a singular person. An individual can be identified amongst billions of people of the same human kind by their DNA, finger prints or facial recognition making them unique.

These amazing distinctions lead to a conclusion that we are unique individuals amongst many. With this point made about our own individuality in a "sea of humanity", God in his wisdom is able to reach down into the deep recesses of an individual's heart and affect their conscience with the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Jesus himself was unique, yet he identifies with every other person born into this earth in our humanity.

To not receive Jesus as a man is not the gospel. To deny Jesus came in the flesh is not from God. To say that our temptations were not experienced by Jesus is not the truth either. Jesus experienced every temptation that is common to man, but through faith he endured all temptation without sinning.

On the other hand, to say that Jesus was not the only unique Son of God is not the truth either. Jesus laid down his heavenly powers of glory and he humbly walked in meekness as any other person who was born into the earth.

The lesson we can learn from this is that we as a unique human being can draw upon the powers of Christ and walk in the flesh without falling to the temptations of evil. Although we live in a body of flesh we can by faith in the power of the gospel of Christ overcome all temptations if we trust in Jesus.

The gospel of Jesus Christ from his birth, through his lifetime, in his ministry, to his obedience of death on a cross, to his resurrection, to his ascension to the Father's right hand and enthronement is a gospel of good news that is unique and yet, has the power through love to minister life and true knowledge to any other unique soul.

God our Father created us as individually unique beings and uses our uniqueness to minister his manifold riches of grace. God as a Creator, created you with a unique character of individuality and as God the Redeemer, he recreates you into the image of his own unique Son – Jesus. But, through his divine power, he does not make you into a clone of Jesus – he makes you into a unique person, a true son of God with all the personality traits of his own unique precious Son. Every part of your personality that has been warped and twisted by the enemy of men's souls, God redeems and makes anew. This is the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ, to renew our minds and to write upon the fleshly tablets of our hearts the love commands of his only begotten (unique) Son.

Throughout eternity you will be "you", throughout eternity you will be alive in Christ, throughout eternity you will be a brand new "you" that will manifest the manifold grace of God. You, as a unique creation of God, will love the "you" that you call "I am", that you will always live in gratefulness that God recreated you and redeemed you into his own likeness. The new image and likeness will manifest as the

likeness of the Son of God, yet retaining the uniqueness which God gave to you as an inheritance through your obedience to the gospel of Christ.

If any man, or any institution, or any religion tries to mould you into their image through rules, regulations or worldly wisdom, fear, guilt or lies, shake the dust from your feet and look to Jesus who is the author and finisher of your faith.

The gospel is the power of God unto salvation and the truth of it is retained in its truth and sincerity. If we stray from the truth of the gospel, the discipline of the Lord will be what we encounter. This road we travel down is something that we have never known before and has many encounters of temptation. These temptations will be aimed at our heart and mind to draw us onto the "easy road". We must examine ourselves to see whether we are in the faith.

What does this mean – to examine ourselves to see whether we are in the faith?

The road of faith is always into the realm of what we cannot see with the naked eye. We will be tempted to not put all our trust in Jesus, and to trust in what we can see and feel. Jesus was presented with all these temptations both "inner and outer" seemly realities. His method to overcome was to go to his Father in prayer and only do and say what the Father does. You and I as individuals are presented with these same dilemmas and we are encouraged to go to Jesus in prayer and only say and do what Jesus does. We have the Holy Spirit in our heart to help and guide us — we have the scriptures to enlighten us — we have Jesus as the author and finisher of our faith. Jesus is the only one who has walked this road of life and overcome all the temptations encountered on the road. He has gone and prepared a place for us and he promised he would come back and take us to the place where he is. Jesus is, at this very moment waiting for you, to bring you into the place of refuge where sin does not molest, a place near to the heart of God. This place is the Kingdom of Christ or the Kingdom of God, the only place of true rest that a human being can encounter whilst living in the flesh.

This place of quiet rest is only found in the bosom of Jesus. Come unto me you that are heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Only the Lamb of God can take away the sin of the world, all other methods are temporary and have no eternal power to sustain you. Without this power you will relapse into natural methods and ideas of the traditions of men.

Unless we rightly divide the love letters that God has enscripted through the power of the Holy Spirit and obey what is said – the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ remains just another "good will" story that nullifies our entrance into God's kingdom.

The apostles and writers of the new testament stood on the cutting edge between darkness and light by unravelling the mystery of truth revealed in the gospel that Jesus was the Christ. The one sent by God who was the fulfilment of all God's laws and prophecy. These men accepted the fact that Jesus was the Lamb of God that was crucified and suffered for their sins and had risen from the dead. He had appeared to them and many witnesses that God had chosen.

The only begotten (unique) Son of God had come in the flesh and bore the penalty for their sin. But until the Holy Spirit came from heaven it remained a mystery to them that the servant was not above the master. They were yet to be taught by the Lord that the disciple of Jesus Christ must suffer with him to inherit the glory that would follow. There is no other way than the way of the cross. The way of the cross is to lay down your life in the world for the world.

None of us accept with relish the way the cross tears the world from our heart. We do not feel comfortable when being a follower of Christ and his gospel we are made an object of derision and ostracism. We feel more at home in the quiet confines of men's traditions and institutions and listening to things that soothe our natural instincts, rather than believing the gospel of Jesus Christ is an ever changing power that "rattles our cages" and causes us to live by faith and not by sight.

We are not to live in glorious dreams of pathetic megalomania, but to live in this present evil world challenging the powers that call evil good and good evil. But to do this in our own strength is foolish, but to do it in the power of the wisdom of humility, truth and meekness is the product or fruit of a recreated life of godliness in Jesus.

This is a new and living way of life.

We should mourn and wail and cry out to God that in our uniqueness we are not living as true sons of God. We can cry out and ask God the Father to fill our hearts with true repentance, a repentance not to be repented of. The spirit of cult or institution is identifiable when people have their personality damaged by false teachers and shepherds who treat people with herd mentality and not as individuals who belong to God.

When you are defined by your religion such as Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian, Baptist, Pentecostal, Moslem, Hindi etc., you are in a form of subtle bondage. True freedom is when you as an individual are defined by the commands of Jesus and live in humility, meekness and gentleness in the Spirit of Christ. Only in obedience to Jesus Christ who is the way, the truth and the life.

Christ is your salvation;

Christ is your life;

Christ is what defines you.

This is to be like Jesus with the God given personality that makes you, YOU!

We now live not according to this present evil world, but live in God's unseen kingdom of promise which lives and breathes eternal love. Not being swayed by what the world dictates, but living in the sweet presence of Jesus on a daily or hourly basis, where perfect love casts out all fear.

This is the unseen, invisible Kingdom of God and no earthly church can give this to you.

Not until we can sincerely say in our heart that our lives are defined by Christ and his commands alone, can we truly say "I come in the name of the Lord".

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