

"Do We Really Care" 2/16/92 AM

~~Jesus 19~~ Praise God,
What a marvelous faith / "It is
finished" // Never have so few words
had so marvelous a message of hope
for all mankind // Amen

Everybody Jesus spoke / deserves our
attention, // But these words could
very well eclipse them all. //
For had he not finished the work, we'd not
have hope //

These 3 words are found in John's
Chapter 19: ~~19:30~~ // And if you recall
they were included in a message
we shared a short while back. //

But ~~many~~ many do not know the message
those words have for them, because
some have never heard or seen the
Gospel // No one has come enough to
sell them // And they are lost

Just this week Spring Notes LOANED
me a little booklet to read // And
it touched my heart more than
I can say //

The title of that little book was
"You didn't tell me"

It begins with the true story
of a 16 year old boy who was
involved in a terrible automobile
accident. The young man was
injured very severely, and much
of his body was burned —
and the pain was almost unbearable.

One of the first people on the scene
was his Sunday School teacher, and
when she saw the lad she began
to call out for someone to get a
doctor and an ambulance.

Yet as terrible as the pain was
the lad cried out, "Don't call
anyone teacher, I know I'm dying
and I'm lost — please, please, tell
me how to be saved"

But the teacher cried out, "I'm sorry,
but I don't know how to tell
you how to be saved." By the
time the ambulance arrived, almost
300 people had gathered —

2/ And in His terrible agony the young
Lord cried out, "I am lost, and I am
dying, would someone please come
tell me how to be saved" // But no
one stepped forward to tell Him
how to be saved, and He died, lost //
doomed to eternity separated from God //

Now Who Was Guilt ? // Who Would Have To
Give Account for His Dying Lost ? //

1st. Who Would Because He Had
Been a Regular Attendee in Sunday
School // He Had been regular in
attendance at church. And if only
once He had heard John 3:16 or
from 10:9-10 & 13 He would
be held accountable - // And so will
many others //

oh but listen, "Every saved person in
that crowd of 300 people will have
to answer to God also" // because
None had stepped forward, even
to tell Him how to be
saved // To tell Him how to escape
hell fire //

New someone may say, "But teachers,
maybe they just don't know how"

Will let me say this ^{base on} ~~And~~ ^{question}, "If they
were saved, they could have told
this how they got saved" ~~And~~

Let me Ask Do you know how you got
saved? You better / or it
could be that you've never
been saved ~~///~~ I know how I got
saved, because I was there when it happened ~~///~~

Oh but I believe what I heard just
was about or bad or anything I could
read: "The Sunday School teacher went
to her pastor and resigned after
telling her story" And on the pastor
related the story to the church he
said: "I'm just as guilty" ~~///~~ I'm just
as guilty as she." ~~///~~ He went on to
say, "Jim had asked me ^{as number} ~~several~~
of times to come to his home and
tell him how to be saved, also
to tell his mother & Dad, how
to be saved, but I was ^{Always} too busy" ~~///~~

3/ The Boston Went on to say, "I was
out playing Golf the day the accident
occurred, but I let Jim die without
Jesus" because I had ^{had} the opportunity
but never took it to tell him about ^{God's} ~~love~~

Oh listers, this is reported to be a
true story, happening in Sheffield
Alabama - // But it ~~could~~ have
happened in Low County just
as well // In fact It MAY have
happened in Low County already - //

Oh listers, Jesus said: "It is finished" //

- ① Pain had been fulfilled //
- ② Jesus had won a victory for that
you and I could have a victory - //
- ③ Jesus, who had come to seek the
lost, had paid a debt incurred of
God - // There was no need for this
16 yr. old to die lost - //

When Jesus said "It is finished"
"Divine Justice had been and for
all been satisfied" now

Jesus died thru, so that "People like you and me / who could have no righteousness at all ~~and~~ on our own / might be made Righteous in Him"

^{Now} Why did Jesus do it? // "Because all have sinned and all come short of the Glory of God" (Romans 3:23)
~~He did it because He loved.~~

^{Now} Paul the Apostle had been telling all who would listen that "Works were Insufficient" // He had been telling all who would listen that "The Law was Insufficient" // ^{that} Neither would some people // would you please listen ^{As we read} Romans 3:20 ^{thru} 26 (read it)

Here's what Paul is saying: "Jesus died it for us" // "Jesus made it possible for everyone who would believe on Him to be Justified" // ^{Because we could not}

Beloved you are not justified by works, But rather by Faith //

Read it for yourself vs 1-28
Oh to God it shall be preached everywhere //

4/ Are you Confused by the word
Justify or Justification? Here's
what it means:

"Justification is a Divine Act/
whereby and infinitely Holy God
declares a Believing Sinner to
be Righteous and Acceptable before
Him because His Son Jesus had
borne our sins on the Cross"

"Justification comes on the
basis of Faith, Not of works"
(Read it in Eph. 2:8 & 9)

Justification is possible because
Jesus did all God asked Him
to do on the Cross ^{at the cost} Are you Appreciative?

^{Alas} Paul reminds us that Jesus became
an obscuration or an offering that
would produce obscuration — Not
of God to man, but of man to God

You see God has never ignored man,
but man so often ignores God —
Man very often ignores his greatest
Need also //

New what are we trying to say?
what message are we trying to
get across — Simply this: /
As Jewish people,

- ① We have a message the world needs //
- ② We have a Savior who needs to be
lifted up — // If you remember,
Jesus said: "And I, if I be lifted
up will draw all men unto me" Jn 12:32
(That's our Bible Verse)

The message we're trying to get across
today is this:

- ① Jesus was obedient in doing all
the Father had asked him to do //
- ② He had given his life as a
substitute / a ransom if
you please for you and me //

And when Jesus said "It is finished" /
all that was necessary for the
lost to be saved had "been done"

Death would no longer be able
to claim the victory — nor would
the grave //

5/ And someone takes the time // or
Cared enough about the soul of the
16 year old Boy from Sheffield
Alabama, he would not have
died without Jesus // He would not
Be Enduring all the Agony that
hell has for one who dies
lost

And if you wonder
about that ~~Agony~~ Read Luke 16 Verses 19
 thru 21 // Also Read Revelations
 20, Verses 14 & 15 It tells the awfulness
 of hell

Well/Now we know what God did //
And it would seem that since
God did all THAT, we'd not
have to do anything -

oh But let me tell you, "The devil
would have us believe that," // He
would have us neglect our
part - And many do

you see beloved, God has left
the choice up to us Personally
As Individuals, we are responsible

He has left the great decisions
to you and me / And He will
hold us responsible for the decision
we make. after the Holy Spirit
has done His work in causing us
to see we are lost without Jesus //

Now I beg you to listen very
carefully / I don't want anyone
to leave this place today, being
able to say Dr. Wayne's words
fell in how to be loved // He
must not care //

^{Beloved I do care //}
^{Perhaps many things you know}
① ^{definitely} If you're loved, you need to listen
~~for~~ you pray for any who may be
here lost today / If you listen
carefully, you'll be able to tell
a lost person how to be loved,
and if you care enough, you will.

1st off, a lost person must see them-
selves as God does - lost // Facing
the most terrible of all eternity //
They must acknowledge that lostness
and seek help - //

4/ That persons must respond to the working of God's Holy Spirit / ^{the above process}
God's Word says "They must believe in Jesus" / "Believe that Jesus coming was an expression of the love God had for his creation" And it was //

^{The word}

Believe means Trust / Rely on and depend on // Acts 16:31 says this: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved" // Believe also means Accept //

You see a lost person must believe they are a sinner // That there is a sin debt they owe // But they must also believe that Jesus died on the cross to pay that debt for them //

a lost person must come to the place where they completely trust Jesus or their savior // They must put themselves in His hands - / believing that He will do all He's promised to do //

Romans 10:9 tells us that "Confessing
with our mouth the Lord Jesus, and
believing in their heart that Jesus
died and was raised from the dead
makes it possible for one to be saved

And Romans 10:10 says: "For with the heart
man believeth unto righteousness,
and with the mouth, Confession is
made unto salvation. // This is why
we ask people to come forward and
share publicly what has happened //

And finally Romans 10:13 says, (And
this is God's promise) "whosoever
will call on the Name of the Lord
shall be saved" //

If you need to know God is sincere,
let me share this word with you
(1 John 5:13) "These things have been
written unto you that believe on
the Name of the Son of God, that
you might know that ye have
eternal life, and that ye may believe
on the Name of the Son of God" God will be
with you

77 Would you bow your heads & close your eyes - Are you here last today? If you are, you have heard how to be loved - And you are now responsible to God

(I've told you again because I love you / ^{because} I care
Oh but ~~the~~ God wants to love you // And He will if you'll do what He asks - And we've told you what that is - Will you come to Jesus / asking Him to love you? / Would you ask Him now / then come share your salvation experience with us -

are you here "loved" / but had your heart convicted about some "Jim's" you've had opportunity to share Jesus with / maybe you've felt too timid to do so - Would you come / committing yourself to witnessing to the best - perhaps coming to say, "I want God to use me to reach the best - I want them to know I care

Wouldn't it be terrible to have someone say, "I thought you really cared, but you never told me how to be loved" - perhaps a husband or wife / a son or daughter

R perhaps you feel led of the Lord
to join hands of hearts with us as
we reach out to those about us
if God leads - you come - And let
God use you as a member of North Creek
Worship Community Group then bring a
A song of invitation - you know in
your heart what God would have
you do - And you need to do it also

Prayer -

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