

N.C.B.C "Why are you here?"

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In the Gospel as Recorded
by John - Chapter 18 Verse 4
Jesus asks a Question - Knowing
the Answer before hand / But
The Question was: "Whom seek ye?"

The Question was directed to Jesus
and to those who had come to
arrest Jesus -

The Question could just as
well have been "Why are you
here?" And Jesus would have
already known that Answer also -

I believe Verse 4 is John's way of
saying - "Jesus & God are one and
the same"

Who else could know
before hand "All things that
should come upon Him" ~~but the~~
~~Creator~~ who but the Creator?
Jesus had already said "I and
the Father are one / or "One
and the same" John 10:30

Later, on the Spoke of the Holy Spirit, Jesus would acknowledge Him as "One knowing all things"
"One who had all the answers, before a question was asked"

A Reference to the Trinity

Having said all that, let me ask a question: Why are you here? / Who do you seek? / What do you seek? / (We are all here for a purpose) (And very possibly already know why)

{ My prayer is that every one of us has come, wanting & expecting to be here from God

{ That ~~people~~ ^{all} have come, wanting to know Jesus as Son, or wanting a more personal Relationship with Him -

{ I pray that every one here has come, seeking to know the will of God for ^{their} ~~their~~ lives -
But not simply knowing the will of God but desiring the ability to do the will of God

2/ There have been many things
happening of late that say to
my heart "The devil is still
on the job" He's still
seeking to destroy that which
is most precious to us -

That's his job - or his business
& he works real hard at it -

With that in mind,

I want you to think about this: "What
would happen if every one who
claims to be a believer, were
just half as dedicated to the
Cause of "Reaching Souls" for
Christ, as the devil & his sons
are at "Destroying Souls & Lives"?"

(Think About It)

We know the Devil's Business, But
What is "Our Business" ? / It's the
same as Our FATHER'S Business /

The Father's Business is
saving souls from a literal
burning hell - And our
Business is telling folks how
it may be done -

That's what I have from Now 'Tis"

Benny handed at the "Father's
business". / Showing the Good News
In John Chapt. 15 Verse 14 Jesus said:
"People will know, (without asking)
what your business is "If" you
do whatever I command you"

And
In Verse 16 of that same chapter, Jesus
said: "I have chosen you and
have ordained you",

Do you know what that means? Do you
want to know? (well I won't
tell you anyway)

"Chosen" means "Hand Picked" / Carefully
Selected // Given the Privilege

Jesus is saying: I have made the choice
(exercised the option) to extend to all
my friends, a wonderful Privilege /
"to take up, where I left off"

The Privilege to:

- ① Show the Good News
- ② To be exonerated
- ③ To have my mind
- ④ To walk, even as I have walked"

2/ The word "Ordained" means:
Appointed // Made you Responsible //
Set before you // Set you apart
for a purpose // Designated you
As the Recipient

Oh My Lord, did you hear that? ✓

Let me Ask: "Believer/Loved person
where is the Option we so often
exercise? There Ain't one (now)

But people hurry to say: Wait, wait, Jesus
was only speaking to people in His
day

was John 3:16 - Romans 10:13

And Ephesians 2:8 & 9

Just for people in that day?

(Think about that)

You know, I believe I know the Answer
Father only choose to apply what
they feel is best committing

I'm convinced that John 15 was written
for/And applies to all
who received the Gospel

Then & Now & all Between & after

In John 17:20 Jesus prayed
for Believers - Listen to who
was included - "Neither pray
I for these alone (present believers)
but for them also who SHALL believe
on me through the word"

Who are: "Them also who shall believe?"
"I am one of them!" Are you one?"

Jesus said: "I am not praying for these
only/who believe now// but for ALL
WHO WILL EVER BELIEVE"

Praying that they'll do what? "That
they would go, and bring
forth fruit" "He prayed that
you & I would do that, which
He made us responsible for"

"That which He has set before us"
"That which He designated as Our work"

Oh My, Father, "Gone & Bringing Forth"
is the business we've been called
to " It's the business we're responsible for"

we weren't saved to sit / we were saved
 to serve — oh but did you notice,
 there's more to the job than
 reaching the people — we're not
 to be satisfied with their being
 saved — we are to teach them
 the truth so when the evil one
 comes, they will be able to stand"

Jesus said it / Not me " Teach them to
 observe ALL things, whatever I have
 commanded you" Matt. 28:20
 { But father, they'll never learn,
 unless we give an example } ~~more~~

Paul wrote: "Be Not Weary in well doing
 for in due seasons, you'll reap if
 you faint not" Gal. 6:9

Be truthful: Do you ever get weary in
 the Lord's work?

Wouldn't it be wonderful if the zeal
 we had when first we were saved
 would go on & on & on

① What a joy it was to have about
Jesus saved me -

② Even Angier to tell them how
worst of good

If it's not still good // Somethings wrong

① Could it be worse grows weary

② Could it be the joy of salvation
has waned somewhat -

Oh listen folks, Once saved, always saved
Ought to be reason enough to "Keep us
Keeping on" Amos.

"Be Not Weary in Well Doing", it's necessary
Business Jesus left me to do ^{the one to do the}

I believe am choosing and
am continuing in for life

I've never found when Jesus called
anyone for a day - a week, or a
month -

It would seem to me that
this in Paul's message is
Galatians 6:9

5/ we don't become weary — the
calling is a life time one — when
one Enlists in God's Army, he
or she is only mustered out when
"this life ends" But even that's a
promotion — Amen.

The promise is "We shall Reap, if
we faint Not" oh what a
magnificent promise = one that
you brood is brood with Acts
1:8 "The power is there" // we
simply must tap the source"

Could it be that we've become weary
because we have tried to do it
alone — we've not allowed the Holy
Spirit to come down & empower us —

Paul wrote: "I can do All things thru
Christ which strengtheneth me"
Phil 4:13

- ① I can be strong & not grow weary
- ② I can be bold in my witness
- ③ I can be faithful & obedient in my
calling —

"I ~~am~~ be successful in the job
He has chosen me to do"

Oh my Soul, "Have we allowed the
Job to go undone? Have we
forfeited the Blessing of "Being
about the Father's Business" simply
because we've allowed the devil
to convince us, "It's Not an Job"

The Bible is James 4 Verse 3 About
"Asking Amiss", "And I wonder if
this includes, "Asking God to show
us His will, when we already know
His will, and aren't doing it"

Or maybe praying: "Oh God, fill the
field up with workers" or "Show
old Pete what you want that Reveal
to do — when we should be praying!

Oh God, it's me who needs
to hear from you — Sure
I need to pray for "old Pete" to
find & do God's will. But I also
need to pray that old Wayne will
find & do God's will —

6/ Jesus said what He did, so we
would be reminded of "why we are here"
& what we should be doing while we
are here"

And in Dorsey - Can joy might
be full -

In John 15:11 Jesus said: "I have things
here & speak unto you, that my
joy might remain in you, and that
your joy might be full"

It was a joy for Jesus to be about the
Father's Business // It's a joy for
Jesus to see His Friends About
the Father's Business"

Oh dear hearts there is "joy unspeakable"
that awaits there: "Faithful to the End"

Jesus said: Be Faithful // Be Obedient // Be
Not Weary & you'll know what I
Speak of -

Have you ever led a soul to Jesus?
"It's a joy unspeakable"

Do You know the joy of the conditional surrender
The joy of surrender: Not my will but thy will"

Do You know the joy that comes from "Here
Am I, use me"

Oh Dear Hearts: It truly is
Joy is describable =

Why are you here? I pray to find I do the
will of God - To say to God: I'll
be faithful, no matter what -

Oh hearts don't be afraid to "Give it all to Jesus"
He'll never demand more from you
than you are able to do with His help -

Are You About the Father's Business? As Believers
we best be.

Are you here lost? You'll never know
"Joy Unsearchable" until you accept Jesus as
Savior & "Allow Him to be your Lord"

You are here for a purpose - You know that
God knows "Take care of it before you
leave - Let's pray -