



Way of the Eagle

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Crave No Human Honor

I receive not glory from men [I crave no human honour, I look for no mortal fame], But I know you and recognize and understand that you have not the love of God in you." John 5:41-42 (AMP)

Jesus sought no glory for himself, but only the glory and the will of His Father.

Many make a great profession of religion. By seeking glory for themselves they neglect God's will for their lives. It is the submission to the Holy Spirit living in us, bringing us to act in Father's perfect will which God will accept. Pharisees slighted and undervalued Christ, because they admired and overvalued themselves. How can those believe, who make the praise and applause of men their main goal?

There are many ministers who lead sheep away as their ambition is to make a show in the flesh to bring honor and glory to themselves!

Many trust in some form of doctrine or some person or organization and therefore they don't experience the power of God in their lives, leaving no testimony behind, just works of the flesh.

In **John 5: 43-44** Jesus talks about the Jewish unbelief: "I have come in My Father's name and with His power, and you do not receive Me [your hearts are not open to Me, you give Me no welcome]; but if another comes in his own name and his own power and with no other authority but himself, you will receive him and give him your approval. How is it possible for you to believe [how can you learn to believe], you who [are content to seek and] receive praise and honour and glory from one another, and yet do not seek the praise and honour and glory which come from Him Who alone is God?"

Here we find that the Jews that they don't believe Moses and the prophets, in reference to the Messiah, but they believe in an unknown self centered god. Till they see and acknowledge, from the law and the prophets, that Christ must have come, they will never believe the Gospel.

Paul says in **2 Corinthians 3:15**, that even until this day, when Moses is read, the Veil is upon their hearts: - so that they see not to the end of that which is abolished: **2 Corinthians 3:13**. Nor will this veil be taken away, till they turn from worldly gain and atheism (which appears to be their general system) to the Lord, **2 Corinthians 3:16**; and then the light of the glory of God shall shine on them in the face of Jesus Christ.

It appears that this discourse of our Lord in **John 5** had effectually confounded these Jews, for they went away without replying - a manifest proof they had nothing to say.

When people, through prejudice, narrow-mindedness, or wickedness, are determined to disbelieve, both evidence and demonstration are lost upon them: they are incapable of conviction, because they are determined not to yield to faith.

This was, this is, the case with the Jews and many gentiles today- there are facts before their eyes sufficient to convince and confound them; but they have made a covenant with unbelief, and therefore they continue blind, ignorant, and wicked; obstinately closing their eyes against the light; seeking their own pleasure, their own glory, their own lustful desires, and thus the wrath of God is coming upon them to the very uttermost.

Should a rebellious and wicked Christian be judged worthy of more punishment than one who doesn't know the truth?

Certainly: for one who knows and professes the truth of the gospel and Jesus Christ is trifling with the Gospel and showing unbelief when they operate in their own will and they seek their own glory, fame and fortune from it!

Unbelief is the opposite of faith.

UNBELIEF IS...

SIN- John 16:9 “concerning sin, because they believe not on me.” Titus 1:15 “Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.”

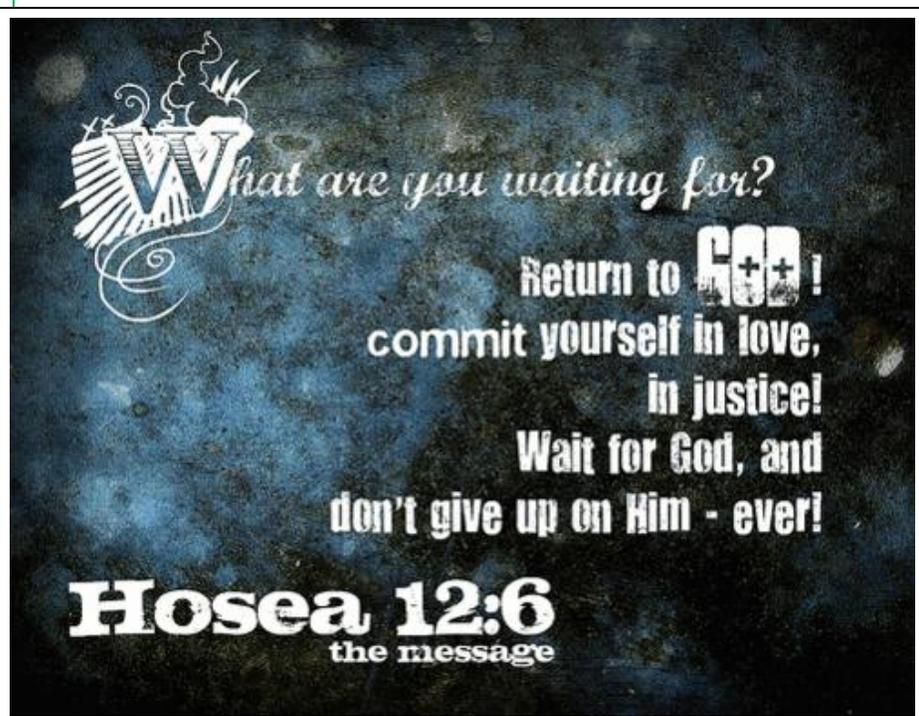
AN EVIL HEART- Hebrews 3:12 “Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.”

HARDNESS OF HEART- Mark 16:14 “Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.”

OPPOSITION TO THE TRUTH- John 8:45-46 “And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not. Which of you convinced me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?”

JUDICIAL BLINDNESS- John 12:39-40 “Therefore they could not believe, because that Isaiah said again, He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.”

NOT BEING CHRIST’S SHEEP (Jn. 10:26), THE DEVIL BLINDING THE MIND (2 Cor. 4:4), THE DEVIL TAKING THE WORD OUT OF THE HEART (Lk. 8:12), SEEKING HONOR FROM MEN (Jn. 5:44), CRITICIZING THE HONESTY OF GOD (1 Jn. 5:10), REJECTING CHRIST (Jn. 16:9), REJECTING THE WORD OF GOD (Ps. 106:24), REJECTING THE GOSPEL (Is. 53:1, Jn. 12:38), REJECTING EVIDENCE OF MIRACLES (Jn. 12:37), QUESTIONING THE POWER OF GOD (2 Kg. 7:2, Ps. 78:19-20)



God is pure, jealous, and holy. Come unto Him and implore forgiveness of past sins of craving self-honor and disbelief in His will and His Word, that you may have eternal life.

Let's believe with all of our heart and have faith just like Jesus said in [Matthew 21:21](#) “And Jesus answered them, Truly I say to you, if you have faith (a firm relying trust) and do not doubt, you will not only do what has been done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, Be taken up and cast into the sea, it will be done.”