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GOD HAS A CONTROVERSY - WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME?

WELCOME – and thank you for the opportunity to share a word from the Lord. Our Lord is soon coming and we must do all we can to talk, walk and live for Jesus so others will seek Him as Savior and Lord.

We began last month with the question, WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME? We want you to just take a moment and imagine standing in the presence of Jesus Christ in all of His glory and giving your answer to that question.

The question infers that while on our earthly journey, we had walked outside of the will of God and was not in a right relationship with him when death called us by name.

The fact that you are reading this letter means you have this moment to review where you stand and just you and Jesus know the truth. If you are living in the will of God and know that when your soul shall leave this limited, decaying, earthly body that you will stand before our Savior and hear him say, “WELL DONE,” then continue on until He calls.

However, if this is not the case and you have left the joy of that intimate relationship with Jesus, this is your moment to confess your sins and ask Him into your life (Walk the Romans Road - Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; Romans 5:8; Romans 10:13; Romans 10:9; and Romans 12:1-2)

Perhaps you have accepted Christ as your Savior but you have detoured from the plan that Jesus designed for your life. This is your moment to ask for His forgiveness and start yielding to His will in your daily life.

The question: WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME? has various answers depending on who I talk to. Many of the answers begin with “I” and express the individual’s opinion about their life and their future plans. Some feel the Bible limits their ability to have

fun. Others, "I pray every day but with my schedule, I don't have time for the church stuff right now." "Sunday school is too early and the kids like to sleep in one day of the week, they need a break." "The Bible is boring and I don't understand how it fits my life today." "I think at the end, I'll be alright." "I just can't believe in a God that would allow war, death and children to be sick." "I prayed and I never got what I asked for."

Today allow me to provoke your thinking. JESUS IS... I don't have enough paper and ink to finish the list, but whatever we need, when, and where, Jesus is there and can supply all that I need. I AM/WE ARE physically and mentally limited to the here and now with only limited knowledge of the past and the present. The outcome of our future dreams and desires are beyond our comprehension. Our scope of true understanding of our life existence on a scale of 1-5 is zero and the long-term effect of our decisions is beyond our capability of reasoning.

Yet we stand in our decaying bodies as if we have full authority, and make decisions based on our limited knowledge that impact our eternal destination and our future generations.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Let's think in the future. Your earthly example has been observed by members of your family and friends and they follow your leadership in their everyday life. You have based your life on how you feel and perhaps it has not lined up with the Word of God, but you feel you pray every day and in the end it will be alright.

Your example is lived out in your children and friends and passed on to their generations who become even less attentive to the love of Jesus.

There is a final call and all must stand before the King of Kings. WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME? I offered you eternal life. WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME? I died for you. WHY DID YOU LEAVE ME? I loved you. We watch as your family and friends' names are called. They stand before the King of Kings and their name is not written in the book. (Revelation 20:15) For a moment their eyes meet yours and then they are cast into the lake of fire. There to be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Your name is called and you know now that you lived your life your way. If you could just go back it would be different. You, your family and friends would be different, live different, follow Jesus and live for him.

*****Great News – You have this moment

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