

The Gospel Herald

“As the truth is in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:21)

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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I Beg Your Pardon Dear Believer

Would you excuse me for a moment dear madam and kind sir? For I would like to ask you as a professing believer in the Holy Writ, called the Bible, a few questions if you don’t mind, please.

Why is it that you as a human being who gives evidence of being of a sound mind and common intelligence, on the most part, have taken this book called the Bible and endorse it as truth?

Why, you were at one time just going along life’s journey, minding your own business and having life as you desired, partaking of habits and a lifestyle just as you wanted weren’t you?

You weren’t looking for some “pie in the sky” religious experience were you? Yet something happened, and you were caused to believe a message from that old, old book, weren’t you? Now you as person would have no problem in believing in something which you would witness with your eyes and see occur would you?

Yet now you are saying you believe in something your natural eyes have never seen?

What is it that would cause a natural born human being with normal intelligence to believe the writings found in this old, old book? This experience of “believing” doesn’t make a bit of sense to the natural mind, does it?

Well, we must conclude that something has happened to CAUSE you to believe the things compiled in that old, old book, wouldn’t you say? It appears to me that a “supernatural” occurrence has happened to you beyond your own initiative and desire, doesn’t it?

How can you say you believe that there is a GOD? Have you seen him? Do you actually believe that Adam’s transgression was passed on to all of mankind and all are sinners?

Why, you weren't that bad of a person were you? Did you kill someone, constantly stealing stuff, an avid liar; did you curse that badly? Yet you have found yourself grieved over the smallest of wrongdoings, haven't you? Isn't this strange, that one as yourself who is not really that bad of a person suddenly becomes sad and grieving over the smallest of things?

Well, my dear friend, while I've got your attention for a few moments, I have some very special good news to share with you as a Bible believer. Jesus Christ has CAUSED you to be brought to a place in your pilgrimage in this time world, to be revealed the miraculous fact that HE has come to SEEK and to SAVE sinners.

And now you have been convinced by this miracle of God's grace in your heart, mind and soul that you are one of those sinners, whom Jesus came to SEEK and to SAVE, by His sacrificial giving of Himself upon that old rugged cross, and that His sinless blood has cleansed you from all unrighteousness, made you holy and acceptable before His Heavenly Father.

Dear believing friend, along with this precious message comes the fact that you didn't have ANYTHING to do with this so great salvation experience that GOD has brought about in your soul, causing you to be a NEW CREATURE; for the proof of this is that old things have passed away and all things became NEW.

I leave our brief visitation and conversation with this thought: If, in fact, GOD the Almighty has brought about such a gracious work of love, and it is ALL of grace and not of any works whereby a man can boast, then who is deserving of ALL the praise, honor and glory? I think it be none less than Jesus Christ, the believers' Intercessor, Advocate, Mediator, Righteousness, Sanctification, Wisdom, Redeemer, Propitiation, and Saviour; He has made ALL who have been caused to believe to be witnesses of this saving work of grace. ONLY these have been chosen in Christ to be His remnant bride before the foundation of the world, per those things written in that old, old book.

Thank you, dear believing friend, for giving me your ear for a short season. I hope I didn't bore you or cause any inconvenience in our little visit. May the Lord God omniscient be always the source of your faith, hope and charity, is my humble prayer in your behalf.

Respectfully submitted,

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