

The Gospel Herald

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

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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The Sun and Rain shall not always be made available to the Unjust

*“for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just
and on the unjust” (Matt.5:45).*

This scripture posted above was brought to mind this Lord’s Day morning as I ponder the Almighty character of the God of the Bible. I was brought to think how God in his infinite mercy has MADE the sun to rise upon ALL men, whether they be a Christ believing follower of our saviour or an unregenerate sinner living a life of ungodliness and wickedness. The God of the Holy Writ also sends the rain to fall upon the God honoring elect child of grace as well as the God cursing rebellious Christ rejecter.

Yet, in the consideration of this scripture, I am persuaded that there is coming a time when the sun and the rain SHALL NOT be made available to the unjust, ungodly, Christ rejecting sinner. Neither shall ANY benefits of God’s people in this time world be made available to the “unjust” characters of this mortal realm and that which is to come as well. We find that two Farmer’s owning large partials of ground of which they have worked for years planting and reaping their crops as a livelihood. Each had experienced the SAME amount of sun and rainfall during their life times. Yet, one was a man that beheld the Lord God of the Bible as his means of creations substance. He sought the blessings of Christ daily to allow his efforts of planting to come to a bountiful harvest. He knew where ALL his provisions were coming from, and the provider of ALL things and gave the loving saviour due praise and honor.

But, on the other hand, there was the unregenerate neighbor who labored as well in his fields. This man’s success was of adequate sun and rain to provide as well a bountiful crop. Yet, he gloried in “Mother Nature” for the sun and rain, and gloated in his efforts as the reason his crops were in abundance. He spent his profits on bigger barns and whiskey for merriment.

Our Lord’s comment’s regarding the Wheat & Tares shall come to fruition in time.

The Wheat are those that are chosen of God to become the heirs of grace by divine election which was determined before the foundation of the world (Ephesians 1:4-5). The Tares are those unprofitable weeds that grow among the fields of Wheat. They are the non-elect, passed over, children of wrath chosen and fit for destruction (Romans 9-22-23).

The truth of the matter is, the unregenerate sinner fit for destruction made by the divine Potter, has skipped along mortal life enjoying the blessings of God's divine provisions of the sun and rain. YET, THERE IS COMING A RECKONING DAY!!! With their barns full of the abundance of harvest, and their Bank accounts filled with money, then shall their souls be required from them, and mortal life shall end in with their final heartbeat. And the grave shall be their dark and desolate place until that great general resurrection day. Then the WHEAT & TARES, the GOATS & SHEEP shall stand before the presence of the Almighty God of eternal glory and the LAMB of God, yea, even Christ Jesus, the ONLY saviour of sinners. At which time, the Wheat & Sheep shall be beckoned to our Lord's right hand, and the Tares & Goats be called to the place at the left hand of the Almighty. Those at the left hand of God the Almighty shall be told "depart from me into the lake of fire which is the second death fit for the devil and his angels." To those on the right hand of the Almighty, our God shall say, "Enter into the joys of heaven which has been prepared for you by LAMB according to his predestined promise, yea, even the bliss of eternal joy with the saints chosen in Christ Jesus from the foundation of the world."

THERE IS COMING THAT RECKONING DAY, when the unjust SHALL NOT be graced with the benefits as has the people of God, called the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

No, No, dear friend, the unregenerate sinner's sun shall eternally set, their rain shall cease to fall, as their ground shall be a flaming inferno with the smoke of their torment ascending upward forever and ever (Rev. 14:11).

God's people shall not ride along on another's experience and or blessings and automatically inherit sins forgiven and eternal life. This may be the thinking of the Christ rejecting sinner but let me warn you; NONE share the experience of the salvation of God by the blessing or inheritance from another. Mother and Daddy's experience of God's grace is NOT ENOUGH to get you favor with God. Being an active faithful Church member and attendee does NOT cause one to merit salvation!! You may have been riding along on your parent's devotion and religion, but Jesus said, "YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN!" Salvation is a personal, individual experience that must be brought about by the sovereign, predestined, determined, choice of God himself, CAUSING you to see yourself as an unworthy wretch of a sinner. Granting you divine repentance and Godly sorrow, causing you to see Jesus Christ as your ONLY MEANS, HELP and HOPE of salvation.

You may have enjoyed the sweetness of God's people along life's way, and sang the songs of Zion in the assembly of the saints and went to the old meeting house where

your past family four generations have gone, and yet BUST HELL WIDE OPEN in that RECKONING DAY!

NEVER settle for mere religion or the blessings of the sun and rain which shall fall upon the JUST and the UNJUST in this mortal life. May God's amazing and redeeming grace be the HOPE of your heart, the PEACE of your soul, and the theme of your song, is my humble prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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