Patiently Untangling A Mess

Helping Others Untangle a Mess we All Inherit

Once upon a time my pretty bride asked me to fix a problem she had with three of her finely chained necklaces. Three separate neckless that were so twisted and knotted and crossed linked together that none of them could be worn... not even as one. What did it take to get them around her neck again? Time and patience...

Patience upon patience... that's what it took to UNTANGLE these badly tangled, necklaces. Did I say, patience? It was the only way possible... some things cannot be untangled in a hurry. It was one chain, one knot, one link at a time... weaving them, in and out and in and out, until the tangled mess became a beautiful prize to hang around her neck once again.

People are the same way... we often find ourselves entangled in a web of messed up relationships, that are tangled up with problems

We don't have to understand all of God's word to understand that IT IS the word of God. Just because we can't explain it all doesn't diminish its value for today and forever.

And ANYONE who disclaims its current and eternal value, as God's word, is not in a position to equip me or anyone else on its purpose, priority and practice. It's a tactic all false teachers and false leaders use to introduce their understanding of life and love.

There is an exclusivity with God and His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. And to do away with this narrow way God has given... men and women must disregard the word of God. Therefore, they must diminish or remove the validity of the word of God to introduce a new and fresh approach to their understanding of love and life. When they remove or reduce the authority of God's word, they then make an attempt to abolish the exclusivity of Christ and His redeeming grace, so they can introduce and open the door to other ways to heaven. God's love always rejoices in the truth. Man's love rejoices in what makes them feel best... even when it's for someone else, it's still more about themselves, regardless of how honest they are. Man, apart from grace, is fallen... and so is there love.

For them to reduce God down to someone that fits into what fallen humanity needs or wants Him to be for them... they MUST cast doubt on the priceless and precious word of God and offer alternative paths, placing the matter in mans hands and the new god they've fashioned submits to what each individual person wants. Hogwash... Don't fall for the gimmick or trick... no matter how

well it's written, worded, revealed or how it makes you feel. Fallen things make fallen people feel good about being fallen... so fallen people can thrive in their dysfunction and fallen condition.

Grace has another agenda... (Titus 2:11-14) and Jesus, who was filled with grace and truth, can set a person free to follow hard after Him. Whether it's cloaked in universalism or all paths lead to God or any other reworded falsehood that opposes the exclusivity of Christ Jesus, His sacrificial life, substitutionary death and the demand of His gospel, I'd give it to the hogs and dogs and let them eat upon it's slop.

Go to the place of origin... if a universalist wrote it and backs its content and context, it's a message that may lead you to God but it will lead you to Him in the end, at the wrong time and for wrong reason, and there will be no mercy, because you chose a path He never gave. And you nor I want to meet God without Jesus being our life and righteousness. And He, and He alone, is God's only answer, today and forever, for this fallen man and world. And He must be yours before you meet Him face to face. Eternity is too long to be wrong... give me Jesus!

Think about it...

If our time, left on earth, was equaled to the amount of God's word hidden within our hearts, how much time would we have left to live?

Would it be enough... to live on for a while or would you be finished?

Hypothetical questions? On one hand, YES, but on the other, NO!

Is [it] enough to live by today?

Well that would depend on if we have a relationship with Him or not. Jesus said His words are spirit and life... and He came to give us life and plenty of it.

Let's apply this thought to the natural and see how it fits spiritually. Like oxygen (which is spirit/breath) to the physical body, which is carried throught the body by our blood (which is life to all flesh), so are the words of Christ to the new man. His words are spirit and life, the "oxygen and blood" to spiritual life in the kingdom, without them there is no life (John 6:63). His word is the lifeline to what sustains and feeds the new man living within the disciples of Jesus.

Think about it... what are you living on now? Who are you living for today?

If you really think about it, right now is the only time you have to bless Him. Yesterday is spent... tomorrow is not here, today is the only time you have. And right now is the only current time you possess to honor and bless him, with your trust and obedience.

So, back to our question, how long would you live? It's paramount that you know.

#nestingwithjesus #genesis #genesis45 #genesis46 #thinkaboutit #itsparamount
#paramount #seriously #howlongwouldyoulive #equatingtimewithGodsword #john10 #john6and63
#Hiswordsarespiritandlife #oxygencarriedbybloodtothesoul
#guardyourheart #fightforthetruth #Hedoesnothingaccidentally
#itsimpossibletopleaseGodwithoutFaith #nosuchthingasaccidentalobedience #faithcomesbyhearing
#understandingitisGodsword #Godswordistruth #restyourlifeuponit #notfeelings #notfacts
#buttruth #Jesuswasfilledwithgraceandtruth #tactics #gimmicks #stealtheword