

C & C: They're Coming! Make Room!

Connections and Comparisons is an ongoing weekly series that deals with many scriptures in the Bible, some of which are not commonly addressed. The purpose of this series is to examine the scriptures at hand comparing what is said and looking at the connections within.

Make room in your heart! Make room in your building!

Preparations and Provisions

They're Coming! Make Room! As the body of Christ, the body of believers, **we must** first make room in our hearts for the revival of souls that we are looking for in this end of days revival. **We must** prepare ourselves to receive them. **We must** make the necessary provisions for them.

Matthew 9:36-38

36 But when he saw the multitudes, **he was moved with compassion on them**, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, **The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;**

38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

As the body of Christ, as we begin to prepare our hearts for those that are coming, we are making room for them within ourselves.

1. You must have a love for God and for souls. It can't just be about you! If you have a love for God and for souls then you will have compassion for souls!

Mark 12:29-31

29 And Jesus answered him, **The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:**

30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.

31 And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

When Jesus saw the multitudes He had compassion for them. He recognized that they were "as sheep having no shepherd." **We must** develop a compassion for souls! This compassion for souls should be driven by our desire **to see them saved!** You will not have this desire to see souls saved nor will you have compassion on lost souls if you are selfish, if you don't love God, and if you don't love your neighbor. **You must** begin to see beyond yourself and your own desires.

2. You must begin to pray everyday so that you can develop a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and follow after what He has instructed.

As disciples of Jesus Christ we should already be in the harvest fields working and continually asking “the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest” because “the labourers are few” and we have compassion for lost souls! **You must** cultivate a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ! **You need** to pray and ask the Lord to help you to “love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.” **You need** to be preparing yourself and your Church for the harvest.

3. You must let go of self and follow after love.

1 John 4:7-21

7 Beloved, **let us love one another: for love is of God**; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; **for God is love.**

9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, **that we might live through him.**

10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, **but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, **we ought also to love one another.**

12 No man hath seen God at any time. **If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.**

13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, **because he hath given us of his Spirit.**

14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. **God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.**

17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19 We love him, because he first loved us.

20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, **he is a liar:** for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, **how can he love God whom he hath not seen?**

21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

4. You must have faith that They're Coming! Make Room! “**For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.**” (Lk 19:10) “**But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.**” (Acts 1:8) If you are following after Jesus Christ then you too will be following after **the heartbeat of God** and you too will be seeking to save that which is lost by your witnessing to them of Jesus Christ and the gospel! You will be sharing with them how to be born again correctly of water and of the Spirit!

5. You must be following after the grace and mercy of God! Applying what the grace of God teaches you!

Titus 2:11-15

11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

12 Teaching us that, **denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;**

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, **and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.**

15 **These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority.** Let no man despise thee.

If you are truly following after the grace of God you will be abstaining from sin! “**denying ungodliness and worldly lusts**” and you will “**live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world**”; Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ”.

6. You will be zealous of good works! Knowing that we are called to good works.

Ephesians 2:8-10

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: **it is the gift of God:**

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Being saved by grace through faith doesn't eliminate what the grace of God teaches us, “**denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world**”. If you sin you will die in your sins unless you repent of your sins!

Romans 6:12-18

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: **but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.**

14 **For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.**

15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? **God forbid.**

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; **whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?**

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have **obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.**

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

You are “**the servants of righteousness**”! “**For sin shall not have dominion over you**”! You are not saved by works, however “**we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.**” You are part of a “**peculiar people, zealous of good works**”!

7. There should be no divisions among you!

1 Corinthians 1:10-15

10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be **no divisions** among you; but that ye be **perfectly joined** together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

12 Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.

13 Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?

14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;

15 Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.

Ephesians 5:30

30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

1 Corinthians 3:3-15

3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

4 For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?

5 Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?

6 I have planted, Apollos watered; **but God gave the increase.**

7 So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; **but God that giveth the increase.**

8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.

9 For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.

10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. **But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.**

11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, **which is Jesus Christ.**

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work **of what sort it is.**

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, **he shall receive a reward.**

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: **but he himself shall be saved;** yet so as by fire.

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1. Depending on the size of your Church building and the number of people you have in your Church, you will need to make the necessary provisions to accommodate the end of days revival. Including the possibility of remodeling or expanding your Church building, as well as the

possibilities of a new building or sponsoring a new Church plant! You may find that you will need to do all these things!

Acts 20:28

28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, **over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.**

We are not to sit around idle waiting upon the Lord but we are to occupy until He comes!

Luke 19:12-13

12 He said therefore, **A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.**

13 **And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.**

2. As the Pastor of the Church you will need to have the vision by God and faith in God that He will fill your Church with lost souls that He has entrusted you with. You must prepare your people for the coming of the end of days revival! You are their Pastor and you are leading about sheep! They will follow you if you will follow Jesus Christ!

John 21:15-17

15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, **Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these?** He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my lambs.**

16 He saith to him again the second time, **Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?** He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**

17 He saith unto him the third time, **Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me?** Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**

Proverbs 29:18a

18 Where there is no vision, the people perish:

1 Corinthians 11:1

1 Be ye followers of me, **even as I also am of Christ.**

3. Faithful stewards of the mysteries of God.

1 Corinthians 4:1-2

1 Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and **stewards of the mysteries of God.**

2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

As the Pastor and ministers of the Church you have a responsible by God to be faithful stewards of the mysteries of God. **You should** correctly understand how our God is One and ready to give account to every man that asks a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear;

as well as making sure your congregation also has this understanding. **This prayer should be part of your prayer every day:**

Ephesians 1:17-23 {Pray these scriptures}

17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

You don't want to find yourself teaching false doctrine and perverting the gospel of Jesus Christ so it is better to pray **the above prayer everyday** and allow the Holy Spirit to guide you into all truth even if you are at first confused by what you now discover!

Galatians 1:6-10

6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

7 **Which is not another;** but there be some that trouble you, **and would pervert the gospel of Christ.**

8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, **let him be accursed.**

9 As we said before, so say I now again, **If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.**

10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? **for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.**

1 Peter 3:15-18

15 **But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:**

16 Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

17 For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

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