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*“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: **Fear God**, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.” (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14)*

*“The **fear of the LORD** is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.” (Psalms 111:10)*

*“The **fear of the LORD** is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.” (Proverbs 1:7)*

*“The **fear of the LORD** is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.” (Proverbs 9:10)*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I appreciate all you who have labored alongside International Bible Association in our mission to help any and all to have their names inscribed in God’s Book of Life; to keep their names inscribed in the Book of Life. Having a reverent fear of God is not only the beginning but the conclusion of the whole matter of Salvation! If you have met God you first were confronted with conviction (fear) and then His merciful love and forgiveness. True wisdom and understanding of God will lead a surrendered soul on the path of keeping His commandments to the finish. **“And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.”** (Hebrews 9:27-28)

On December 17<sup>th</sup> 2023 I had open heart surgery and had opportunity to share the above Scripture with some at the hospital. I expressed to them that I was not as fearful to die as I was to face God in judgment after death. I will reach 80 this year and my time is near to face my Savior and Judge. I am careful to repent at any and each infraction that I fall into temptation by. None of us are any better than others no matter who or what position we hold in life. God made the provision called repentance and one must use this great provision throughout ones walk with God if He finds somewhat against us. *“Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.”* (Revelation 2:4-5) It is so sad that churches don’t preach the fear of God to all in their congregation. I just received the following letter from one of our supports.

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Dear Brother Skinner,

I want to thank you for Miracles & Mission Digest; it is a great blessing to me. I love to read it & share it with my Sunday school class. It is all from the Word of God. It is so true that the church is now condoning worldliness in church today. Love the article on Truly Sincere But sincerely wrong. It still takes the power of the Holy Ghost working in our services to draw souls to Christ, without the power there is no hope for souls to be saved. Please pray that God will use me to stand for Holiness & reach souls for Him. I need a fresh anointing of the Holy Ghost in my life. It is hard to reach people that think they are going to heaven & live like the world. Sin has to have a name to it from the pulpits today. Preachers are afraid of hurting people's feelings. Feelings has nothing to do with it; God's word still cuts out sin if obeyed. Keep sending your digest; it is the truth of God's word that will set you free.

Thank you & may the Lord bless you!

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I am not sure who God has to take over International Bible Association before my departure arrives. *“And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. 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. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.”* (Matthew 9:35-38) God is not looking for human talent but laborers! An individual who will get into the filthy ditches of life to attempt to rescue some lost wayward soul. A certain Samaritan stopped and stooped to rescue a stranger in need. He not only cared enough to detour his journey but committed himself for further assistance if needed. *“But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.”* (Luke 10:33-37)

Thieves are seemingly multiplying in our society and many victims are in need of help when clergy pass by on the other side. Too busy building a human religious structure worth millions. I remember hearing about a Bible School instructor asking several students to preach a message on the certain Samaritan during chapel services. Then he instructed other students to approach each speaker for desperate urgent help while they were on their way to speak but ALL replied: “I cannot help you now I don't have time as I have to preach in chapel today!” *“And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.”* (Luke 14:18)

Thank you for your prayers for me; but I beseech you to pray for laborers to be sent out into life's mission field while it is still day. It doesn't matter how terrible the world becomes; it gives more opportunity to let the Light shine in the darkness. Repent yourselves and then proclaim both the fear of God and repentance to both the lost and the saved.

*“Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that **work iniquity.**”* (Matthew 7:22-23)

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