Each One! Bless One!

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The Church is to have no family members who are in want of food, clothing, shelter, peace, education, love, happiness, and a future.

"44And all that believed were together, and had all things common; 45And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. 46And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, 47Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved."

ACTS 2

Lust of the Flesh Series, Part 8, Lust of Material Gain. (continued) Father God make Your children, those called Christians to be more like Christ in every way—less carnal and more spiritual—seeking the miraculous nature of Jesus. In the name of Christ Jesus, King Emmanuel, I am asking and thanking You Father Eloah for blessing your children, both now and forevermore. Amen.

Our Saviour Jesus Christ of Nazareth did not live a life a material abundance, earthly abundance, or carnal abundance; nor did the early Christians. King Jesus lived a life of spiritual abundance. Immanuel brought from Heaven to earth, for you and I and all humankind—eternal life, spiritual abundance, the righteousness of Christ, and Heaven on earth. Jesus did His job and it is now done. He was/is the "A" team. We are the "B" team. We have to finish what He started and finished, and gave to use to experience. (In all actuality, we and He are the "A" team because the mystery is we all in Him are ONE—one team. "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." John 17:21 I will write a devotional series on that.)

Material gain makes you a steward over the material. It also positions you to believe you have ownership in something which you do not truly own—you only steward over it. You manage your material gain—your stuff. And it makes you talk about your stuff---stuff you want to buy---stuff you already have—stuff other people have that you now want, especially stuff you see on what?—television!

"Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." Hebrews 13:5 Conversation should be without what I own or will own or should own.

If you covet or desire things outside of necessity, this is what will happen: "And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not." 2 Peter 2:3 People who sell things will use fictitious words and make a mockery of you by selling you things you do not need--they will be judged (along with you) quickly and shall be damned sooner than later.

King Jesus could have had riches and wealth beyond imagination. But He chose not to have the opulent life style. But you will say, "But the Scriptures say that abundant life is mine." And yes it is, but the Kingdom of Heaven is yours and the Kingdom of God is yours. If you, young man, could do miracles, signs, and wonders, the Kingdom of Heaven would come to bear upon the earth. But nooooooooo, you want money. Yeah money and the stuff that money can purchase. But I ask, "What about the rest of your Christian brothers and sisters who do not have abundance or wealth or enough to go around for all their family members?"

Oh, I know what you are going to say, "The Bible says, the poor will be with you always." Yes, Jesus did say that, but that was because He understood how greedy, selfish, and avaricious people can be. Jesus cared for the poor and instructed you to do so as well. He never, ever told you to hoard money, wealth and material gain---NEVER! Those things, which fill your heart and mind with thoughts of obtaining or doing, become in essence your idols—your energy serves the attainment thereof. Follow the actions of the Apostles and the early Christian community before the money-focused church establishments came of the scene. (TO BE CONTINUED)

THE LUST OF MATERIAL GAIN LEADS TO IDOLATRY



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