

The World's Lullaby

In Greek mythology, the Sirens are creatures with the head of a female and the body of a bird. They lived on an island (Sirenum scopuli; three small rocky islands) and with the irresistible charm of their song they lured mariners to their destruction on the rocks surrounding their island (Virgil V, 846; Ovid XIV, 88).

The Argonauts escaped them because when he heard their song, Orpheus immediately realized the peril they were in. He took out his lyre and sang a song so clear and ringing that it drowned the sound of those lovely fatal voices. When on another journey, Odysseus' ship passed the Sirens, he had the sailors stuff their ears with wax. He had himself tied to the mast for he wanted to hear their beautiful voices. The Sirens sang when they approached, their words even more enticing than the melody. They would give knowledge to every man who came to them, they said, ripe wisdom and a quickening of the spirit. Odysseus' heart ran with longing but the ropes held him and the ship quickly sailed to safer waters (*Odyssey XII*, 39).

Prov 6:9

9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

Prov 19:15

15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger

Ps 13:3

3 Consider and hear me, O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death;

Acts 20:9

9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

Rom 13:11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

It is high time the church becomes the church that God called it to be. We have so long took a back seat to everything the church once stood for. We have let the world sing us to sleep with the sleep of death or the lullaby of the world if you will. Too long we have gave ear to the naysayers. The ones that proclaim you don't have to do it like that anymore. But I am here to tell you that we had better get back to an old fashion moving of the Holy Ghost and there is only one way to do that and that is to get back to the basics of what works. We can do without music if we have to and we can do without this high tech stuff, but we can't do without holiness, or prayer, or baptism in the name of Jesus, or worship.

We have been sung to sleep for too long and it's time to wake up.

Wake up!

Prov 6:9

9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

We want to come to church and have our egos fed and for so long that is the way it is been and I am telling you tonight I didn't come hear to feed egos, I came to preach about the king of kings and the lord of lords! Awake thou sluggard. You have been asleep too long. You need the Holy Ghost. If you don't have the Holy Ghost you are lost and going to hell. Don't listen to the lullaby and don't be drawn into the sleep of death. The world can't give you the rest or peace it promises. Don't believe the lies of the world. Don't be sung to sleep. Awake, awake, awake!

Rev 17:6

6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

If the world could have John wondering with such great admiration, what more could she do to you and I? Are we as close to God as John? Do we have the will power to resist the world's lullaby? Don't let her sing you to sleep! Don't let her soothe you into that sleep of death.