

You Ought To Be Glad

Now here's a word for our young people; "you ought to be glad that when you go to school that everyone sees a difference in you," because if they don't it's a good chance you didn't get what you needed.

Matthew 5:15-16

15 Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it gives light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Now this scripture young people and you older people alike it's not about you anymore it's about glorifying God.

And if you don't glorify God then you are not being a light to anyone and if you hide your light no one is seeing God in you any way.

When you change, the first one that will notice the change is the world the un-godly, the unbelievers and the god haters.

If you are claiming to have a relationship with God and no one notices a change, go back to the altar repent and then make the changes necessary to glorify God!

John 17:4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.

In this next scripture religious people had just beaten the Apostles:

Acts 5:41-42

41 And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

42 And daily in the temple and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

Matthew 10:32-33

32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

33 But whosoever shall deny me before men him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

You ought to be glad that God has put his Spirit inside of you
And had enough confidence in you to make someone notice, that it isn't
you anymore it is Jesus Christ in you the hope of glory; you ought to be
glad.

Let me say this you didn't mind lying and drinking and smoking and
fornicating and glorifying the devil, because your sinner friends said you
were cool and fun to be around.

Why because sinners glorify who they serve, so why don't you give God
some praise for the difference in your life.

When you get really saved,
No one will have to tell you how to dress,
The pastor won't have to preach on holiness and separation and standards
It will be a part of your life.
No one will have to ask you where you were when prayer meeting was
going on. Or why weren't you in church, How come you didn't pay your
tithes. Or you need to shave.

It will be a part of your life. God will always tell you that it's right to live right and not be a hindrance to revival.

You ought to be glad you have a church and a Pastor that preaches the truth.

It's not up to you to make the rules you just need to follow them and it will be counted unto you as righteousness.

Israel wasn't satisfied with the rules God gave to Moses so they rebelled but they also died.

Rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft.
Stubbornness is iniquity and Idolatry.

You're not going to prison because you dress different, or because you speak in tongues or because you shout.

But get drunk and have a wreck, or get caught with drugs, or get into a fight and you go to jail then you wonder why everyone always picking on you.

You ought to be glad God dragged you out of the pit of sin.
You ought to be glad your Parents dragged you to church.
I'd rather be dragged to church than hooked on drugs or in the penitentiary for 10 years.

Thank God for holiness, thank God for salvation, thank God for a Pastor and his family teaching us the ways of God.

You ought to be glad! You ought to be shouting every-time someone at school criticizes you for the change God has made in your life.

I'd rather be called a Christian and know that I am going to heaven than to live in sin.

Romans 1:16-19

16 For I'm not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes; to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith.

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them.

You ought to make this your theme song when someone asks why you have changed so much.

Just start singing:

I've been delivered, I've been delivered, the hold the devil had on me
he don't have no more you see I've been delivered

Let them know that Jesus is in you and you are a new creature in Christ Jesus.

Old things have passed away and all things have become new.

I refuse to live if all I can do is just exist, I am going to excel and grow and praise and magnify the Lord my God!

You ought to get tired of low living, barely getting by and thinking about quitting everyday... fighting just to hang on; there's no victory in that life!

I must be lifted up, if I intend on going up, so I must stay pumped up, prayed up, powered up...And ready to go up. So you ought to be glad that Christ Jesus died for you!

In the book of Ruth it tells the story of Naomi and her husband and how they left Bethlehem Judah (House of Praise and House of Bread) during a famine and went to Moab and there they lost it all. Naomi lost her husband, she lost her sons and she lost her self-esteem.

I don't care how hungry I get in the house of praise and the house of bread I refuse to go back to the life-style of Moab where there are Idol worshippers, where there is no God of love and mercy,

I'd rather deal with the famine than with the devil; God is the God that never leaves me, never forsakes me.

Psalms 84:10-12

10 For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

12 O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trust in thee. It's harder to come back if you go back, so I suggest you try hard to stay with God