



Daily Devotional

Note for 20251023 - Mat 9:37-38 - The Harvest - (Leon)

1. Opening

We are to receive the Word of GOD by the Spirit, so I strongly urge you to pray before you receive the Devotional. Let Christ take the lead in your Spiritual Development.

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Introduction

Shalom, labourers of Jesus Christ. Peace be with you, may you know His rest.

2. Scripture Text

Matthew 9:37-38 KJV

“[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.”
<https://bible.com/bible/1/mat.9.37-38.KJV>

3. Devotional Reflection

This morning, I speak from a place that so many are familiar with. That place, where I stand at the edge of that final farewell to a loved one. I can acknowledge that the same emotions run through me, but it is carried on a bed of hope in Jesus Christ unto the eternal life promise we have from our Father in Jesus name. The eye of man sees one way, but the truth of the moment of our final breath meets each one based on a life of choices left behind. So, while the heart is pulling in all directions, the mind run wild from thought too though, considering every person involved, we must remember that no flesh can enter into the Kingdom of GOD, so I remind you of the transition that awaits those in Jesus Christ at the end of what we know here in the flesh as life.

But, while we stand in the flesh, we follow the Spirit. We stand in agreement with the Will of GOD in all things, making intercession for one another, appealing to the Merciful Kindness of our Father, the Almighty Creator of the Heavens and the Earth and all that is in it, that has been placed in its cycles and it's seasons for the pleasure of our GOD. He knows better. He knows more, even the secret movements of the mind and heart. He is in all our moments, especially when we are vulnerable. Oh, this simple man I am, with movements in my heart in compassion for the very same ones our Lord Jesus Christ prayed for, that they know not what they do. May the LORD forgive those and reveal Himself to them for the Glory of His Name.

Brothers and sisters, when we greet those among us who are ready to move on, we are not like those of the world. Our Hope remains in the promise of Life in Jesus Christ, whether it continues here longer, like the LORD did for King Hezekiah or whether it continues with Him, where He is.

Our hope thus remains that His Will be done, even for those matters which are still unseen by us, that escapes our understanding in the shortfall of our knowledge. At some point in our existence, we pass through that passage that only leads to the Throne of GOD, in reward, and sadly, for some, to judgment.

But still remains this hope above all understanding, that the most High GOD will meet us in the desire of our heart in mercy, for the sake of heart and mind, and those who depend on those who may be ready to move on. When the harvesting is done, the field is empty that our souls may remain standing, strong in our Hope and Faith in Jesus Christ. When that field is empty, where once loved ones stood, we are afforded in mercy the opportunity to evaluate the life we have lived in the sight of GOD. When the final harvest is brought in, that field remains bare, and the wheat is in the store house of the LORD.

I have never really been the obvious person to speak on these matters, always at risk to offend someone in some way, because I see the far side of this life as the start of the fulfillment of GOD'S promises to man about the Life we are promised in Christ, where there will be no more tears, and the wicked will be no more. The end, to what we have here, then the conclusion of it and a transition to the summation of our life's choices, met by the Mercy and Grace of GOD, by what Jesus Christ have done for us upon that Cross.

For those who have moved on, there is nothing left that can be done. I investigate my moments with them, considering whether I have done all that I could have done, with this Greater Hope in me, that where I may have failed, GOD didn't. But it is also vital to let that be. To leave it in the hands of Him we Trust in, and to remain focused on those that remain behind, for the harvest blade comes for each stem standing in the field.

For now, I remain standing, waiting for the day that I too might be harvested and stored up in the treasure room of GOD. For now, I stand, in support of those that stand with me in this field of life on Earth, still in this form, until we reach the moment of perfection in our redemption. I look at you, through eyes of flesh, but more so in the Spirit, reciting the Words of our Lord Jesus Christ, that the Kingdom of GOD is near. When I shed a tear, it is for the unrepentant walking in a delusional view of life. I weep for the souls of mankind.

4. Closing Paragraph

Remain standing, friends. Endure unto the end with your eyes fixed on the Only Begotten Son of GOD Almighty, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, the Word made Flesh. Remain standing, endure all things in long-suffering, covering a multitude of sin by the Love of GOD. His charity to us ward unto deliverance from all evil. Endure to the End, remain standing, bending only the knee in prayer to Him who holds creation in His Hand. For all of us are held in what is His, ourselves belonging to Him too. We are mankind, and He is GOD.

Selah, Shalom

(In living remembrance of Leon Russouw, my Father-in-Law. May GOD have mercy upon his soul, His will be done, for Leon too.)

5. Resources

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