



Call Me A Slow Learner

Call me a slow learner. But the more I learn about God, the more I realize that I knew very little about obedience, salvation, judgment, sin etc. I have grown so much more in my faith in recent years that I now pray for my family, friends and country, with tears because most are also unaware of the times we're in or the importance of "paying attention to what God's said."

When I hear others say 'No one is *perfect*' I couldn't agree more, but that doesn't distract me from the real truth here. We are all human – meaning we fail – but it was because we were all hopeless in sin and our own doings that a Marvelous God intervened by sending His Son. It's about His great love!

God says "They deliberately sinned before my very eyes - and chose to do what they know I despise. Is. 66:4LB He is talking to His own people ...*people who know better!* Sinners do what sinners do best. *Sin.* Those who bear His Name today -Christian- know better! Yet many act no differently than worldly people! *God demands more* of His people.

God goes on to say, "They sin openly like the people of Sodom. They're are not one bit ashamed. How terrible it will be for them. They have brought their own destruction. Oh my people, can't you see what fools your rulers are? They lead you down a pretty garden path....to destruction" in the book of Isaiah.

What sins did Sodom commit? Drunkenness, fornication, rebellion against God's word, We live in an era where people are no longer shocked by the immorality that's going on about us Truly, the axiom is true-everybody IS doing it... There's hardly any difference between the church and the world! 'Believers' are part of this immorality. God has not changed. His standards have not been lowered. God still calls immorality a sin and the Bible says God is going to judge it. The NEW Testament says in Heb. 13:4-"Give honor to marriage and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery.

Parents stand idly by when children live together first – some even funding new apartments together - then spend big money of a fancy wedding where the bride goes ahead and wears 'white'. *Anyway.* Will the parents pay for their silence? Worse, their 'blessing' of such deeds? Read about Eli in the Old Testament. He warned his sons who served as priests in the temple of God, but *ineffectually*, for their deeds of fornication in the temple. But not enough for God! He judged Eli and he and his sons all died the same day.

Dishonoring marriage & having sex outside of marriage will be punished – unless it is repented of! This is a serious issue. There is no blessing when we are walking contrary to God's revealed plan for life. If you're living with someone, unmarried, then you have placed your relationship and your home in the place of judgment.....Not good! Finances are no excuse! No outward circumstances ever supercede the word of God. There are always options... Repent *now*.

In the days of Noah where, before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark These were people going about their daily lives, even though Noah had warned of a coming cataclysm. Sometimes when God moves, He moves suddenly! Little warning. It was too late for Noah's generation. Our generation still has time. Some, anyhow.

O Holy Night, the stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of the dear Savior's birth.
Long lay the world in sin & error pining
Til He appeared & the soul felt its worth.

The thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices
For yonder beams a new and glorious morn.
Fall on your knees, O hear the angels' voices.
O Night Divine, O night when Christ was born.
O Night Divine, O Night, O Night Divine...