

Follow After Me

"He that takes not his Cross and Follows after ME is Not Worthy of ME"^{Matt 10:38}

Many years ago this scripture got our Full Attention:

One Saturday morning in early 1990's I was washing dishes at the sink and heard Ray Brubaker on TV holding a book up to the screen saying "every Christian needs to read this book. "I was interested immediately and ordered it. The title of the book is "The Coming Spiritual Earthquake" by Jim Harman. The contents changed my life forever... Because it was a Confirmation of the writings of other Great men of Faith, I have read all my Christian Life.

Ever since we were Born into GOD'S Family, it can only be The LORD that put the following Author's books into our hands: A.B. Simson, Founder of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church we attended for 40 years; Richard Owen Roberts, G.H.Lang, D.M. Panton, G.D.Watson, Watchman Nee, F.J. Huegel and others..... who taught us the necessity of Crucifying our Self Life...IF.. we mean business with GOD. All of them believed the same as Jim Harman. "The Church is not The Bride of CHRIST but Called Out of the Body of CHRIST".....only those who have Totally Surrendered their Life on Earth and have Spiritually 'Fallen in Love' with our Magnificent SAVIOR are... in Truth...The Spiritual, Heavenly Bride of CHRIST. The most Beautiful and Blessed Wedding Ceremony is an *Earthly Picture* of The "Bridehood Saints" of CHRIST.

When we found CHRIST, in our thirties, we knew there was more to the Christian Life than getting into the Door of Heaven. Having found "The Pearl of great Price" we have desired to share this Amazing Truth with all we Love and know. This is the reason we've been compelled to write our many letters these past many years. The LORD has eased the pain we have felt at times thinking some of you might feel we were preaching "down" to you.... that we were prideful in thinking we knew Truth no one else knew; and did we not know that every Christian knows and believes these things??? That's why this newsletter is in your hands, because you deserve to know the Motivation behind all of this.

Of this one thing we're certain the bulk of Christianity are Saved and Satisfied with just their Salvation experience and getting to Heaven some day. The most Honored in Heaven will be The Bridehood Saints of JESUS because they were the most Faithful on Earth. There will be different groups of Christians in Heaven "...every man in his own order" 1cor.15:23 Our FATHER'S HEART is Wide Open to ALL HIS Redeemed and HE desires The Very Best in Heaven for ALL HIS Childrenbut as HIS Children, we all decide on Earth what we will be in Heaven. We must realize that Man has a Free Will (since Calvary) to choose the Life he desires. Yes, "it is GOD that works in us both to will and to do HIS good pleasure." Phil.2:13 But, even so, Our GOD does not force HIMSELF on anyone for Salvation or for The Genuine SPIRIT Filled Life. **What man on Earth would or could ever want to force the woman he loves to marry him???**

Our "self life" is our old condemned nature for which CHRIST Died..... but it *was not Eradicated* when we were Born into GOD'S FAMILY. When The HOLY SPIRIT gave LIFE to our dead Spirit (which died at the Fall of Adam and Eve) our Soul (our Life) was not Redeemed. At our Spiritual Birth The HOLY SPIRIT within begins Teaching our Soul the TRUTH of our GOD through HIS Word. That is why it's sooooo important that we ourselves are daily in GOD'S WORD with Open Heart, Mind and Will to LOVE and Obey HIM.

Getting second-hand teaching in Church is not enough to make us Godly in Spirit and in Truth. HE wants a One on one Relationship with us. Church is wonderful for exhortation and Fellowship; but we believe most churches today do not preach much past Salvation...that there is a LIFE to be Lived AFTER our Salvation and unspeakable Rewards for those "who live by HIS WORD daily and take up their CROSS and become a LIVING SACRIFICE For JESUS" Romans12:1 It's ALL in GOD'S WORD but "how can they know without a preacher" ?Rom.10:14 Our Soul can only be liberated by taking up OUR Cross Daily, and by Faith, HANG our SELF-LIFE on it. How can we recognize the prominence of Self-life in us??? By how much we love the things of this World.... material things that will be burned up soon..comforts, entertainment, pleasure, TV, etc..... young ladies.... our choice in our Clothing Reveals much about our Spiritual Life. Our Body is Sacred because CHRIST Lives in us.... we are not to dress like the World revealing our Bodies; And multiplied

other things our 'eye gates' Behold. We must "Keep our eyes on JESUS" so we won't be seduced by the World, our Flesh and The devil.

Our GOD wants to Welcome HIS Redeemed HOME with a Hugh Hug and a Smile for Living our Life down here as HIS True and Faithful Sons and Daughters. He can only make us like CHRIST if we take up our CROSS and Follow HIM Daily. We believe this takes a Lifetime to overcome our self-centered Life.....Thankfully HE says "in the End Days HE will do a Quick Work" Rom.9:28 **It's never too late** if we see the need of change in our life....HE knows our Heart's Desire. When CHRIST Entered our Life The Battle of Eternity began for WHO will we choose to Rule in our Eternal Redeemed Soul...our LOVING CREATOR,SAVIOR and Magnificent KING OF KINGS???..... OR The Great deceiver and god of this World???

HE wants a FAMILY in Heaven to Shower HIS LOVE upon. It is only by The HOLY SPIRIT speaking to us that we can desire GOD'S Best in our lives. In these latter days, I believe Jim Harman at www.ProphecyCountdown.com Is a GOD Sent Prophet of Enlightenment and LOVE to all of us who have Ears to Hear and a Heart to Respond. That's what we're trying to do in writing our Faith letters.

We cannot help writing, nor we can keep Glorious Things to ourselves...
We would explode.

Can we See and Understand WHY We Are Not Worthy of JESUS if we live for ourselves and Fail to Take Up OUR CROSS and Wholly Follow HIM??? Not for Rewards in Heaven..... but for what they Represent.

HIS Beautiful SMILE and Tight HUG.

May the LOVE of Our Magnificent GOD and SAVIOR Give Each of Us HIS HEART
in Exchange For Our Own. And We Will WORSHIP
YOUR MAJESTY Though Out
ALL THE ENDLESS AGES Of ETERNITY

By Ray and Joan Olsen – February 2015

We are grateful to Ray and Joan, who have been on the Prophecy Countdown mailing list since we began back in 1989. We received this wonderful synopsis of what it means to be part of the Bridehood Saints and we asked if we could share it with those who visit our website: www.ProphecyCountdown.com Thank for sending us this inspiring summary that captures the essence of what being the bride of Christ truly is.