

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. **Colossians 3:1**

Store In My Heart

Hebrews 11:9-10

By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

The faith of Abraham caused him to leave the comfort of his family home to live the life of a wanderer. Abraham was satisfied with this life for he knew that his position in life was of no real consequence because something greater than he could find here was prepared for eternity.

We would do well to emulate the attitude and faith of Abraham. Too often we get caught in the web of life here on Earth and lose focus on our goal. There is nothing we can gain here that is worth missing Heaven. True faith in God will prompt us to keep looking to His Home, not ours.



Spiritual Reality

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“By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible” (**Hebrews 11:24-27**).

It is important to recognize that there are two realms of reality, the Spiritual and the Temporal, and that neither of these is any more real than the other.

The willingness to deal responsibly with spiritual realities is what is called “faith” in the Scriptures. It is a virtue powerfully illustrated in the life of a person like Moses, who not only recognized spiritual reality but also was willing to ACT on that recognition. The invisibility of God to Moses’ physical eye did not keep him from dealing responsibly with God, and he is only one of many biblical examples of people who acted with a courageous confidence in the spiritual realm.

Today, however, we tend to see the faith of a Moses as little more than a relic of the pre-scientific age. As far as our own decisions are concerned, we are reluctant to trust anything that can’t be examined by empirical science. We

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For Our Information

Ruben Keisler is scheduled for knee surgery on August 18.

Joyce Venable has been dealing with stomach issues this past week.

Clifton Hurst has been feeling better.

The Simpson Family is in Star City this weekend.

John Jackson is working.

Have you spent any time in 1Corinthians or Judges lately? I hope we will resume those classes soon.

Pray for safety, courage & healing.

tend to think that if anything of a spiritual nature exists at all, it is somehow less “real” than the visible things that surround us. And this tendency has two results: (1) we refuse to allow any sense of the word “knowledge” to be applied to religious or spiritual truth, and (2) we take a somewhat condescending view of people who are dedicated to the spiritual life, as if they were wasting their time on idealistic things that are less practical than those of the “real world.

Well, if the God of the Scriptures does not “really” exist, then we’d be better off to dispense with the pretense that He does. Yet if He **does** exist then we need to take Him with all the seriousness that our minds can muster. There is no need to relegate spiritual truths to a secondary status. To be people of faith does not mean that we’re making things up. It means that we’re committed to the massive continents of truth that lie beyond our present horizons.

(Many refuse to accept that God exists because they cannot see or feel Him. Yet, often the same individual has no problem accepting the existence of black holes, deep sea creatures, or even the subatomic elements that make up our world. This seems strange at first glance, but when we consider what is required of those who believe it is easy to understand.

Believing in black holes, sea creatures and elements only requires that we acknowledge their existence. They don’t really ask anything more of us and they don’t really cause much interference in our daily life. One who believes in such things can continue to go about life in what ever manner he prefers with no concern for consequence. On the other hand, to believe in the God of Scripture would require a great deal and have a major impact on how we go about our daily life.

The God of Scripture requires a change from exalting self to humility. He gives us instructions with the expectation that we will obey or are willing to suffer the consequences. He requires us to consider our relationship with the rest of humanity. If one truly believes in God he will need to take control of emotions and desires such that he keeps himself from violating the Law of God. The consequence of failure is eternal. Pray, Study, Apply DLH)



We seek only to serve God according to His Will!