

YES LORD!!!

Galatians 1:10 (NIV) - Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.

Giving honor to God, Jesus the Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Giving honor to the men, women, and children of God. To my fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. As we look at today's text in Galatians 1:10, I would like to share from the topic "Yes Lord."

According to the text, the Apostle Paul wants us to prosper with understanding that it is far better to please God, rather than humanity. He teaches the importance of being a servant of Christ and teaching the message of the cross. He shared that the gospel is not from human origin. He didn't receive it from any man, nor was he taught it. He made it clear, that he received it by revelation from Jesus Christ. Paul's old way of life was Judaism and he persecuted the church of God and tried to destroy it. But Praise be to God. Paul had been converted in the faith. He had an experience with Jesus Christ on the road to Damascus. In his conversion experience, Paul said "What would you have me to do?" (Acts 9:6) In essence he was submitting to the will of God for his life and saying "YES LORD." The change was evident in him and others heard about the conversion experience. Paul was personally unknown to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. They only heard the report: "The man who formerly persecuted us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." And they praised God because of him. (Galatians 1:22-24). Yes Lord!!! Today, there is still power in submitting to the will of God for your life. There is still power is simply saying YES LORD. Not my will, but thy will be done. In fact, God's Peace is available to you, as you avoid the traps of life, and seek to truly please God.

God's Peace

The Peace of God is available to you. There is a peace that surpasses all of your understanding, and it is available to you today. It's available at this very moment. Isaiah 26:3 says, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." Keep on trusting in the Lord. He will never leave you or forsake you. There are times where you may feel all alone. You may think that nobody truly understands your sorrows and that you are hopeless in a storm of calamity. My brothers and sisters, trust in the Lord and pray for His peace in the midst of the storms of life. Oftentimes we sing the words 'On the stormy sea, Jesus speaks to me, and the billows cease to roll.' Blessed Quietness, Holy Quietness. What assurance in my soul..." Hallelujah, we are calling on the 'Peace of God.' That Peace surpasseth all of our understanding. (Philippians 4:6-7) This is a peace that will keep your heart and your mind in Christ Jesus. It's a keeping peace.

The Traps

Beloved, don't fall for the traps. Many try to please others. Oftentimes people purchase homes, cars, and other items trying to please somebody else, while being stuck with the costs. Some spend a great deal of time forming and fashioning themselves socially and politically for personal gain and potential promotion, only to be overlooked and underserved. Stop fearing man, because it is a trap. Proverbs 29:25 (KJV) teaches us that the fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe. I don't know about you but when I rose this morning, I didn't have no doubt. I knew the Lord would provide and take care of you and take care of me. Can I get a witness? Can anybody testify "there is safety in trusting in the Lord." Somebody ought to shout "Yes Lord."

Please God

1 Thessalonians 2:4 (ESV) says "but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts." As Disciples of Christ, we must share the gospel message with others. We must preach the word, teach the word, and share the word. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. (Romans 10:17) The more we hear it, the more our faith grows. The more others hear it, the more their faith grows. Tell somebody about salvation through Jesus Christ. The bible serves as a tremendous guide and a blessing to us all. It is essential that we get into God's Word and that God's Word gets in us. Jesus said "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." There is great value in reading and understanding the word of God, (read it daily), so that we can walk in the anointing of the word and apply it to our lives daily. "So, our aim is to please Him always in everything we do, whether we are here in this body or away from this body and with Him in heaven. For we must all stand before Christ to be judged and have our lives laid bare—before Him. Each of us will receive whatever he deserves for the good or bad things he has done in his earthly body." (2 Corinthians 5:9-10) Tell somebody, I'm going to read God's Word, Apply the Word to my life daily, and tell others about Jesus Christ. Yes Lord!!!

In closing, beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness springs is great: He appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory. (1 Tim. 3:16 NIV) To those who have not received salvation... Jesus said, anyone who listens to His message and believes in God who sent Jesus Christ has eternal life, and will never be damned for his sins, but has already passed out of death into life. (John 5:24) Yes Lord!!! When I think about the goodness of Jesus and all that He's done for me, my soul cries out Hallelujah. Thank You for blessing and making a way for us. From the bottom of my heart, from the depths of my soul, Yes Lord. Completely Yes. MY SOUL SAYS YES. Hallelujah Jesus. **Yes LORD!!!**