

Outcast

PHIL 3:8-16

Count the cost

Wholes one of

THIS PASSAGE IS ONE OF THE GREATEST INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHTS IN THE ENTIRE BIBLE. IT TALKS ABOUT FORGETTING A FORGIVING AND A FORGIVING SPIRIT CENTERED IN JESUS CHRIST. IN VERSE 8 PAUL SAYS I COUNT EVERYTHING AS LOSS. . . HE HAS WEIGHED HIS LIFE IN THE BALANCE OF GOD AND HAS DISCOVERED THAT IT CANT HOLD WATER IN COMPASSION TO JESUS CHRIST. . . HOW DO I KNOW THAT. . . HE GOES ON TO SAY I HAVE SUFFERED THE LOSS OF (ALL) THINGS FOR CHRIST. . . WHEN PAUL MEET JESUS CHRIST HIS SECULAR WORLD CRUMBLLED INTO SUBMISSION. . . HIS PRIDE ARRORGANCE PRESTIAGE AND MATERIALIZM AND RITUALS WERE REPLACED WITH JESUS CHRUT. . . AND JESUS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE.

Accounting term

Humpty Dumpty

TODAY I SEE XIANS STRUGGLING AN WARRING WHITHIN THEMSELVES STRUGGLING TO FIND ANSWERS TO LIFE AND IM CONVINCED THAT SOME ARENT EVEN IN THE RACE YET. . . OH THEY CLAMI JESUS. . . BUT THEY HAVE REFUSED TO ALLOW HIM TO BECOME LORD OF LIFE THEREFORE HES NOT LORD AT ALL. AND THEY STURGGLE AND WAR IN THEIR OWN STRENGTH. JUST *LIKE THE ARABIAN * AND PAUL HAS GIVEN US ANSWER HERE IN THIS TEXT TO THIS PROBLEM. . . THATS WHY ITS SUCH A GREAT SPIRITUAL MASTER PEICED. . . .

PAUL GIVES US A BRIEF AUTO BIOGRAP:H OF HIS LIFE IN VERSES 4-7. . . ITS HERE THAT HE SHEDS LIGHT ON HIS LIFE BEFORE HE MEET CHRST. . . AS YOU READ IT NO THE DEFEAT, THE FRUSTATION, THE DEFEAT AND THEN NOTICE THE (VICOTRY) IN VERSE 8-9

[IF WE COULD INTERVIEW PAUL ~~THIS MORNING~~ *TODAY* AND ASK HIM TO EXPLAIN THE CHANGE. PAUL YOU WERE ONCE ZEALOUS AGAINST THE XIANS. YOU CARIED OUT A VEDIET TO WIPE THIM OFF THE FACE OF THE EATH. . . THEN YOU BECAME ONE OF THEM. WHY WHAT MADE THE DIFFERENCE.

I BELIEVE HE WOULD LOOK AT US AND SAY.

{ WOULD YOU BE FREE FROM THE BURDEN OF SIN
 WOULD YOU ORE EVIL A VICTORY WIN. . . . THERE IS POWER IN THE BLOOD. . . . }

I STAND Amazed in the presence of Jesus the Naz. He & Worden How he call love me a sinner condemned unclear

POWER IN THE BLOOD WONDER WORKING POWER IN TGHE BLOD OF THE LAMB. . . . OH LISTEN I DONT FOR A MINUTE BELIVE BAUL FORT ABT HIS (CONVERSION EXPE\$IENCE) ON THE DAX P

*Stewer
personification
Pride*

PAUL HAD A LOT TO FORGET ABT... HE HAD ALOST GO PUT BEHIND HIM... BUT PRAISE GOD WHEN HE MEET JESUS CSHRT HE GAVE HIS LEFE TO HIM IN TOTALITY AND HE RALIZED THAT HE WAS (FORGIVEN)... OF PAST SINS... BUT WHAT ABT YOU... MAN THATS THE FIRST STEP... FRIEND YOU CANT RUN THE RACE UNTIL YOU KNOW JESUS AS SAVIOR R SO BE VERY SURE... THAT JESUS XK IS YOUR SAVIOR THIS MORING... THEN SECONDLY DONT BE SATISIFED WITH SIMPLY KNOWING YOUR SAVED... THE BIBL TEACHES US THAT WE MUST CONFOM TO THE IMAGE OF JESUS CHRIST... AND TO REAMIN

JESUS

*Going or towards
perfect*

A XIAN IN NAME ONLY IS A INDIMENT AGAINST THE BLOSSD OF JESUS CHR IST... TO BE MOVED BY THE SPIRIT AND THEN STOP HALF WAY IS A FRUSTRAATION THING... PAUL SAYS

DO MORE FOR Jesus!

IM DISSATISFIED WHERE I AM RITE NOW SPIRITUALLY... I WANT TO PUSH ONWARD

AND DO MORE FOR MY LORD... CAN YOU HEAR THE HEART OF THIS MAN SPEAKING TO US

THIS MORING... HERE WAS A GREAT MAN OF GOD... WHO WAS RESPOBILE FOR EXTABLISHING CHRUCH AFTER CHRUCH A RESPOBILE FOR HALF THE NT... WANTING TO DO MORE FOR JESUS

WERE IS A MAN AFTER GODS HEART... WHO TELLS US THATS NOT ARRIVED... HO LISTEN

MAN WE HAVE NOT ARRRIEVED TODAY... AND ANY TIME WE THINK WE HAVE IN OUR PREACHI

IN OUR TEACHING IN OUR WITNESSING AN STWARDSHIP... AND LIFE ITSELF WERE FINISHED

IN GODS KINDGOMS AT THAT MOMENT... WER WASHED UP GOD CANT USE THAT KIND OF ATTTI

COMPARISON

THERE OUGT TO BE A BERING DESIRE TO BE BETTER THAN WE ARE RITE NOT FOR JESUS X.

BUT OUR PROBLME IS WITH (COMPARSSION)... WEVE LOOKED AROUND AT OTHERS WHO ARE ALITTY

LOWER THAN WE ARE AND BY USING THIER EXAMPLES WE ELEVATE OURSLEVS... LISTEN DONT

COMPARE YOUR LIFE WITH OTHER... DONT COMEARE THIS CHRUCH WITH OTHER COMPARE THEM

WITH JESUS FOR HE IS GODS MEASURING ROD... LESTS NOT USE HMMAN STANDARDS INORDER

TO ELEVATE OUR SPIBITUAL POSITON...

THE BIBLE TEACHES US ABT A CHRUCH IN (SARDI) WHO HAD A (NAME) YET IT WAS DEAD.

THE BIBEE TELL US ABT A CHRUCH WHO THOUGHT THEY WERE (RICH AND WEALTHY) AND GOD SA

THEY WERE POOR... THEN THE BIBLE TELLS US ABT A (POOR CHRUCH) WHO KNEW GOD AND ACKNO

WLEDGED HIM AS LOSRD... AND YET GOD SAID THEY WERE RICH... OH LISTEN PEOPLE THERE

IS SOMETHING (HOLLOW... EMPTY) ABT A ZIAN OR A CHRUCH THINKING IS*HAS*ARRIVED& THE

HAVE ARRIVED... SPIRITUALLY..

Because of pride

Because of past mistakes

GOD FORBIDD.....MAN TOO MANY XIANS WRE SITTING ON THE SIDELINES CONTENT AND EASY
IN ZION.....WKAE UP...WAKE UP GOD IS NOT PLEASED WITH MEDOCIRTY.....WE CAN BE
BETTER THAN WE ARE AND GOD KNOW HE WANTS OUR BEST.....AND TO DO THAT PAUL OUTLIN
TWO IMPOSRTANT PRINCIPLES.....

1. TO FORGET ABT THE PAST.....NOW WHAT HE IS SAYING IS DONT LIVE
IN THE PAST.....DONT DWELL ON THE PAST...ITS OVER ITS GONE..YOU WILL NEVER GET
YESTERDAY BACK.....SO DONT WORRY ABT THE PAST.....

2. CONCENTRATE ON THE FUTURE....

YOU KNOW THERE ARE ALOT OF PEOPLE WHO CANT LIVE BODAY BECASUE OF YESTERDAY

MAN IF YOU DONT FORGET ABT YOUR PAST MASTAKES AND SINS YOUR GOING BE RENDER
POWERLESS TODAY....TOOM MANY XIANS ARE ON THE SIDE LINES SIMPLY BEASUASE THEY
ARE ON SOME KIND OF GUILT TRIP FROM THE PAST....MAN LISTEN THE BLOOD OF JMESUS
CHRIST WASHES AWAY YOUR SINS...JESUS TAKES CARE OF THOSE THINGS FOR YOU...BUT
STILL THERE ARE ZX IANS WHO SAY I CANT WINTESS..CUZ THEY KNOW ME..THEY KNOW
WHAT IVE DONE...THEY KNOW WHAT I AM..AND YET JESUS CHRIS CHANGES LIVES...AND ITS
IN THAT CHANGE OF CHARATER THAT WE ARE ABLE TO WINTESS TO OTHERS.....

WE ARE ALL SINNERS.....(TV SCREEN..)

2. Concentrate on the future

~~AND YET~~ ALL THOSE PAST DEADS ARE FORVIVEN....THEY ARE PLACED UNDER THE BLOOD OF
JESU CHRIS T.....~~AND YOU CAN (FORGET) ABT YESTERDAYS FAILURES...AND YESTERDAYS~~

~~MISTAKES.....DONT BE A FHIRURE TODAY BECASUE OF YESTERDAYS MISTAKES...DONT GIVE~~

UP TODAY BECASUE OF YESTERDAYS SINS..... or even yesterday's success.....

~~MAN~~ LETS NOT LIVE IN THE YESTEDDAYS OF OUR LIVES...THERE ARE PEOPLE ALL OVER
THIS LAND TWHO WILL QUICKLY FEEL YOU WHAT THEY USE TO DO FOR JUEUS....AND THAS
WHERE THEY ARE TODAY.....IN THE YESTERDAYS OF LIVE..BUT FREIND YOU CANT SERVE
JESUS IN PAST...HES INTERESTED IN TODAY....WHAT ARE YOU DOING TODAY FOR JEUSS
PAUL SAYS...IM STRAING FORWARD TO WHAT LIES AHEAD.....HE IS SAYING IVE SENTERED

MY LIFE AROUND ONE THING....NOW FOLKS WHEN YOU CONCERATED ON ONE THING YOU
WILL BECOME AN EXPERT....A SPECIALIST AN I BELIVE WITH AML MY HEART THAT PAUL
SPENT HIS LIFE PROPRATING THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CSHRSIT....HE WAS WILLING TO LOSE

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[Handwritten scribbles]

HIS LIFE IN JESUS SO THAT OTHERS MIGHT FIND THEIR LIVES IN HIM... PAULS HEART
 CRIES OUT FOR HIS OWN PEOPLE IN ROMANS... OH THAT I COULD DIE FOR THEM IF ONLY

THEY WOULD COME TO KNOW JESUS.....

MAN THIS WAS HIS (LIFE)... HIS (PRAYER)... HIS (HOPE)... THIS WAS HIS (GOAL)... IN FACT
 HE WANTED TO SEE THE NAME OF JESUS PSREAD ACROSS THIS ENTIRE WORLD.... PAUL

WANTED THIS SO BADLY THAT HE WAS WILLING TO PUT THE YESTERDAYS OF HIS LIFE BEHIND
 HIM (THE SINS) (THE FAILURES) (THE MISTAKES) (THE MISUNDERSTANDING) (THE SUCCESS) FORGETTING
 THOSE THINGS THAT ARE BEHIND CUZ LAST NITES FOUL SHOT WILL NOT WIN TODAY BALL
 GAME..... YESTERDAYS TOUCHDOWN WILL NOT WILL TODAYS FOOTBALL GAME... AND CERTAINLY
 (YESTERDAYS ACHEIVE) WILL NOT BRING GLORY AN HONOR TO JESUS TODAY... ALL THOSE

(PETTY DIFFERENCE)... (THOSE NEGATIVE) THINGS NEED TO BE PUT BEHIND US TODAY... AS

WE STAND ON A NEW MOMENT ON A NEW FRONTIER FOR JESUS CHRIST.. LET EACH DAYS NEED
 BE MEET IN CONDIFEDNT ASSURACE THAT JESSU IS LORD OF LIFE...

MAN DONT LOOK BACK..... LETS ^{us} AS INDIVIDUALS AS A CHRUCH BEGIN TO CONCERARAT
 ON GETTING INDIVIDUALS SAVED... AND GROWING THE SAINTS IN THE LORD... SO THAT
 THEY MIGHT LEARN TO WIN OTHER TO JESUS... MAN WHEN A CHRUCH BEGINS TO DO THAT
 ONE THING EVERYTHING ELSE WILL FALL INTO PALECE... THATS OUR JOB... THATS OUR
 COMMISSION... AND REGARDLESS OF WHO YOU ARE OR WHAT YOU DO IN THIS CHRUCH IF

YOU DONT SHARE YOUR FAITH IN JESUS WITH OTHERS NOTHING YOUR DOING IS OF ANY
 IMPROTANCE... LIFE IS LIVED WITH ONLY TWO DESTINATIONS..... HEAVEN AN HELL... AND

THE ONLY THING THAT WILL CHANGE A MAND DESTINATION IS JESUS CHRET... AND THERE
 IS NOTHING WORTH KEEPING US FROM DOING THIS ONE THING FOR JESUS... GOD HEOP US
 TO PUT THE OLD THINGS BEHIND US SO THAT WE MACH WILL CONSECTATE ON WINNING SOUL
 FOR JESUS..

How many people (Lost)

HOW MANY DO YOU KNOW AT THIS ~~HERE~~ VERY MOMENT THAT NEEDS JESUS..... HOW MAN
 WILL.... MAN YOU NEED TO GO AND WITNESS TO THEM.... YOU NEED TO TELL THEM ABT
 JESUS... THE HOUR IS BHORT.. THE NEED IS GREAT AND ^{to} BY GOD THAT WE WILL BEING
 PRESSING ~~TOARDS THE MARK~~ FORWARD WITH ONE THING ON OUR MINDS..... WILLING THE
 LOST TO JESUS.. *Heard*

YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN AMATURE AND A PROFESSIONAL... THE AMATE

Playing at it

IS DOING SOMETHING AS A HOBBY...ITS AN ADVOCATION...HWER THE PROFESSIONAL^{make}
WHATEVER HE IS DOING HIS LIFE...HE IS CAUGHT UP IN THE MORMENT...WE HAVE TOO
MANY AMATUR XXIANS TDOAY...GOD WILL GIVE US MEN WOMEN BOY AND GIRLS WHO WILL

Simply PLAYING Religion

GO ALL THE WAY FOR JESUS CHRIST AS XIAMS (COMMITTEED DEDICATED) TO BRING OTHERS
INTO HIS KINGDOM...AND WHEN THAT HAPPEND IN YOUR LIFE AND MINE WE WANT HAVE TO
WONDER WHERE YOU ARE WHEN WE MEET AS (A CHRUCH)...(STWARDSHIP)...(PRAYER)...(BIBLE)..

GOD HELP US TO BE LIKE NEHIMAH...

THINGS OF THE WORLD BEGAN TO DESTRACT HIM..OH NO I CANT COME DOWN...IM DOING A
G\$EAT WORK FOR THE LORD...

IVE PUT EVERYTHIGN BEHIND ME (AND) IM COMMITTED TO FINISHING THIS WORK....

~~OH DEAR PEOPLE GOD IN X HAS STARTED A GEAT WRK IN YOUA AND NOW ITS UP TO YOU
WHAT YOUULL DO WITH IT...~~GOD HAS CALLED YOU TO DO ONE THING AND WHOEVERY YOU AR

WHAT EVERY DYOUODOING GOD HAS STILL CALLED YYOU TO BE AN EFFECTIVE XIAN IN THIS
WORLD....(OH THAT WE MAY SAY NO TO THE STUFF OF THEWORLD NO TO SELF...NO WE

CANT GOD...WE CUZ GOD HAS GIVEN US A GEAT WORK TODO...^{we cant}

stop until its finish - so late

FORGETING WHATS BEHIND...AND STRIVING FORWARDFOR CHR ST..^{begin}