

# Get Your House in Order

What does that mean? I keep my house picked up and in order, vacuumed and the dishes done. I'm not talking about that house.

In the OT God used to dwell in the temple among the people. (Ex:25:8)

Now He dwells inside the believer. (I Cor.:3:16)

I have been hearing people saying you better get your house in order. They are saying this because of the soon return of Jesus. I even had someone say, well what does that mean? How do you do that?

Like the vision I shared with you, it is about getting ready and being prepared for a special guest to come. That special guest is Jesus!

## **Luke 21:29-31**

So let's figure out how to get our houses in order.

## **John 3:3 Born again**

## **Mark 16:16 Baptized**

You have to repent which means to turn away from your sin and stop doing it. If you cannot do this by yourself, Jesus will help you.

**We are to obey.** Jesus said in John 14:16 If you love Me, keep My commandments. Jesus' commandments are different than the 10 commandments but yet His commands encompass the 10 commandments. The 10 commandments did not just get scratched.

## **Matt.:22:37-40**

**I Sam.:15:22** and **listen** / Luke 11:28 – faith comes by hearing – are you **hearing**??

How are you going to know what to obey? It is all written in the Bible. You have to open it up and read it. James 1:22 tells us not just to hear but to do the Word or else you are deceiving yourself.

**Pray**, that's when you talk to God. The Bible says in I Thess.: 5:17 to pray without ceasing.

**Read your Bible**, that is one sure way that God will speak to you. This is His written Word to us. Acts 17:11 (searching the scriptures), **Prov.:13:13** , Ps.:1:1-2 (delight in God's Word and meditate on it), Ps: 119:9 (heed His Word).

**Heb.:10:25** assemble / exhort in the last day

**Tithes**, oh yes you are supposed to pay these. It is part of obedience to God, He expects you to support His kingdom. He has given all and only expects 10% back. Mal.3:16 This is not discussed in the new testament because it was not an issue, they were already doing this.

We are to help widows and orphans (James 1:27) and the poor and needy (**Ezekiel 16:49**). **Prov.: 3:27-29** God is love, and when you serve Him, He places love inside you. You should have a desire to help those in need. If you don't, you need to examine your walk because something is off. Did you know God is a giver? He has given us everything, Jesus, life, and gifts and promises and hope, without Him we are nothing. He expects us to serve one another. Just like Jesus when He washed the disciples feet. This is also considered offerings to God. Ex.:25:2 God wants you to give willingly and cheerfully – otherwise you might as well not have done anything at all.

**Sacrifice** to Him. **Heb.:13:15-16** praise & doing good to others (time) / our body Rom.:12:1 / faith Phil.:2:17/material things given to servants of God Phil.:4:18/I Pet.:2:5 – Jesus is a Spiritual Sacrifice, interceding for others

**Be fruitful**. Matt.:13:8 talks about 100/60/30 fold. Strive for the most and best. **John 15:5** - **Abide**

**Worship** – John 4:24

**Praise & Thanksgiving** **Ps:100:4** / In all things give thanks (I Thess.:5:18)

**I Thess.:5:9-23** long list to obey

**Forgive** – Matt.:6:14-15

**Submit to leadership in the church** Heb.13:17

**Wives** – submit to your husbands Eph.:5:22

**Husbands** – love your wives Eph.: 5:25

**Submit to one another** Eph.:5:21

**Obey your boss** Col.3:22 **Obey your government & speak evil of no man**– Titus 3:1-2

**7 things God hates: Prov.:6:16-19**- Do not do these things! If you have – repent.

**Gal. 5:19-21** – list

**Col. 3:8-9** – list

**Disciple others just as Jesus disciplined** – John 8:31-21

**Be attitudes – Matt.:5:3-12** – desire these things

Matt.:6:19-21 Lay up treasures in heaven where there is no corruption and they can't be stolen – where your treasure is – is where your heart is.

**Fear Not** – II Tim.: 1:7

**Watch & Pray** – Luke 21:36

**\*\*Partial obedience is disobedience. Disobedience is rebellion and rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft (I Sam.:15:23)\*\***

Find out your talents He has given you and use them. Ask Him to show you what your purpose is and to anoint you to fulfill your purpose.

The Bible speaks a lot about overcoming. How do you overcome? **Rev.12:11**

Who is an overcomer? I John 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Romans 8:37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. overcomer = conqueror

He has called us to live holy for He is holy. We are to be separated from the world unto Him.

Jesus is Savior, Lord and King or He is nothing at all to you.

Time is short, the signs are all around us. Please seek Him while He may be found.

If you have never asked Jesus into your heart, then your house is not in order. Please pray the prayer of salvation today.