

LIVE READY – Part Two

We are talking about how to live ready for the Lord's return. Or for when He comes for you.

Heb.:10:25 - _ Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

As God is revealing more and more apostasy, that is the churches falling away from Him. It is harder and harder to find a true church. More and more so called Christians are asleep to what has gone on in this world and what is going on currently with the pagan holidays being celebrated in the churches. That is the mystery Babylon religion being celebrated right in God's house now.

I praise God He woke this ministry up and for all of you who are awake. If you don't know what I'm talking about I encourage you to look up each holiday and listen to the teachings I have done to expose them. Then you should ask forgiveness and repent, that is stop participating in them and throw out all decorations and things you have that pertain to them.

As Scott has pointed out in the past, if you cannot find a true and pure church where you live, then when you quit attending or don't attend, you aren't forsaking the assembling because it wasn't a Godly church in the first place. If you are attending a church that is participating in all of the pagan holidays, I encourage you to witness to that pastor and see what they will do. Pray beforehand. If they don't receive your witness and don't want to clean up the church, then leave that church. It is filthy. I praise God that He has blessed us with an online ministry because we can still feed the flock that is entrusted to us online, and that's what we are doing, reaching souls all around this world.

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. That 10% belongs to God. In order to give an offering you have to first give God what is due to Him and anything above that is an offering.

We taught Kennedy to pay tithes as a child. This is something every parent should be doing and then when the child grows up it will be a natural thing for them to do. Teach them to obey the LORD when they are young. Train them up in His ways.

Tv preachers ask boldly for \$1000's of dollars. They don't even mess with 25 or 50 or a 100. I have heard them now saying if 10 or 20 of you will sow a seed of a thousand dollars... Wow! Meanwhile the local Pastor is so beat up and scared to even bring it up. Let's be clear about this, not paying tithes and not giving is a sin against God.

Mal.3:10-12 - Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall not be room enough to receive it*. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

God says He will rebuke the devourer for the one who tithes. What you have worked for will not be destroyed. Most of us are not farmers or ranchers today. God knows how to protect what we have worked for even in these modern times. The promise is still the same. Sad that people try to say, well that was for crops and so it doesn't apply now. They really try to dumb God down and make a mockery of His Scripture. Rebuking the devourer includes keeping you healthy. If you want the fullness of God's blessing on your life then you will tithe and give.

2 Cor. 9:7 - Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. (Exodus 25:2)

New Testament saints gave all. They sold houses and lands and gave it all to the church. And today many think it is ok not to give God anything, when He is the very One giving to you, so that you can use what He blesses you with for His glory.

We are to help widows and orphans (James 1:27) and the poor and needy (Ezekiel 16:49).

Prov.: 3:27-29 – Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it. Say not unto thy neighbor, Go, and come again, and tomorrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.

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. God is a giver. He has given us everything, Jesus, life, gifts, promises and hope, without Him we are nothing. He expects us to serve one another. Just like Jesus, when He washed the

disciples' feet. When you serve someone else, because you are a Christian, God considers it as if you did it to Him (Matt.25:31-46).

We are still to bring offerings and sacrifices to God. When you accept Jesus, you offer Him up to God as your Sacrifice for sin.

SACRIFICE TO HIM:

As priests unto God we are to offer up spiritual sacrifices. (1 Peter 2:5)

Heb.:13:15-16 – By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name. But to do good and to communicate (give) forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Offering your time to His service is a sacrifice. When you allow Him to use you, to speak His Word, teach His Word, witness to others, comfort others, go and pray for others, then you are submitting yourself fully to His service and His will for your life, then you are offering your body as a living sacrifice. (Rom.:12:1)

When we give material things to servants of God it is considered a sacrifice to God.

Phil.:4:18 – But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odor of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well-pleasing to God.

Be fruitful. Matt.:13:8 talks about 30/60/100 fold return. Strive for the most and best. Jesus said we would know other believers by their fruits. Can anyone see your fruit? Do you have any?

In John Jesus says: I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing.

WORSHIP

John 4:24 - God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship *Him* in spirit and in truth.

Did you know worship consists of more than just words out of our mouths? If you are able you should bow, kneel, lay prostrate before Him. Raise your hands to Him. Sing to Him. Show Him that you honor Him. Our giving is worship to Him. Our obedience is worship to Him.

PRAISE & THANKSGIVING

Ps:100:4 - says - Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, *and* into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, *and* bless His name.

In all things give thanks (I Thess.:5:18) *We don't thank Him for the trouble or trial, but we give Him thanks because He is our strength and He will see us through it. In our darkest hour we can still thank Him because we still have all of eternity to look forward to only because of the sacrifice Jesus made for us.*

When you pray, first thank Him and by doing that you have entered into His gates, then praise Him, and in so doing you have entered into His courts. Remember He is worthy. When you come before Him, do so with reverence.

I Thess.:5:9-23 - For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him. Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do. And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. *And* be at peace among yourselves. Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all *men*. See that none render evil for evil unto any *man*; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all *men*. Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is a whole list of things we should be doing as a Christian. Read it through carefully on your own and see if you are doing those things.

Forgive – (Matt.:6:14-15) If you don't forgive, God won't forgive you. He is God and He gave His Son so we could be forgiven for all the bad things we've done. How dare we withhold forgiveness to anyone for anything.

Submit to leadership in the church Heb.13:17

If you have a problem submitting to the leadership in your church then you need to find out why. Is sin involved? Is it an apostate church? I did a teaching called “Authority in the Church,” and if you don’t understand how God has set His order up in the church and for His anointing to flow from the pastor out to the congregation, then it would be a good teaching to listen to.

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

God has placed the husband to be the head of the household. When decisions are to be made where you cannot come to agreement, then what the husband says, goes. A husband isn’t to lord this over his wife. Usually in a healthy marriage you can discuss things and come to an agreement.

Husbands – love your wives Eph.: 5:25

The husbands are given a tall order, to love their wives as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it.

Submit to one another Eph.:5:21

Obey your boss – whether he is a Godly man or not. (Col.3:22) **Obey your government (as long as they are not going against God and His Word) & speak evil of no man–** (Titus 3:1-2)

7 THINGS GOD HATES:

Prov.:6:16-19 - These six *things* doth the LORD hate: yea, seven *are* an abomination unto Him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness *that* speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

Do not do these things! If you have – repent.

Gal. 5:19-21 – Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these*; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife,

seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Col. 3:8-9 – But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

Disciple others just as Jesus disciplined – Matt. 28:19

BE ATTITUDES:

Matt.:5:3-12 – Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

We should be striving to be like this. Desiring each one of these attributes.

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. (Matt.:6:19-21)

FEAR NOT

God did not give us a spirit of fear. (2 Tim.: 1:7) The righteous are to be bold as a lion. Don't be afraid to witness of Jesus Christ or to stand up for Him in this filthy world.

Luke 21:36 – Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass and to stand before the Son of Man.

Rev. 3:11 - Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

****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 – And they overcame him (satan) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Who is an overcomer?

1 John 5:4-5 - For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

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.

CLOSING

John 10:4-5 & 26-30 – And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. 26. But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand. I and *my* Father are one.

If you don't believe God's Word you are not His sheep.

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. If you are not living a holy life today, you maybe have backslidden away from Him, now is the time to repent and confess and ask forgiveness and come back to Him.

If anyone here today knows in your heart you are not right with God, please come up here and I will pray with you.

PRAYER