

RELIGION

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK
ISAIAH: Chapter 53

Discrimination Among Believers

by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears

When we study the scriptures—we find that God has given us a clear and concise set of rules to follow. Our actions, our service to Him and our very lives are clearly defined in the passages of scripture.

As we read the small, but powerful, book of Titus—we read as Paul writes to the people of TITUS how they must live according to Christ's teachings. "For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision: Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake." Titus 1:10 & 11

All through the Bible we find words of encouragement, words of hope, words of love and words of chastisement.

Every true believer of Jesus Christ is in the world—BUT—not of the world.

Today, we are constantly being faced with one discrepancy after another—in the solidarity of our Christianity.

There are elements of discrimination everywhere you look. One denomination being pitted against another because of its differences in the order of its service; or of how many people are speaking in tongues; or, whether or not the congregation shouts or sits quietly and listens; or, (get this) whether or not the music is loud enough.

We (Christians or Believers) are known by our fruit (our character, personalities, deeds, convictions). How loud or soft the music is played does not matter, how many people are speaking in tongues does not matter, the order of the service does not matter. What does matter is whether our faith is firmly anchored on the Solid Rock—Jesus.

If, we can honestly witness, to the fact, that Christ is truly motivating us—then, careless, foolish and wrongful feelings of discrimination towards our fellow man would not be a part of our de-



meanor. How can we expect to win souls for Christ if we don't have our acts together?

This may appear to be a bit radical; but, its truth. There are people being turned away from Christian churches because of attire; because of how they look physically; because of how they smell; because of the color of their skin. Do you realize that if we had had everything together, in the first place, Christ would not have had to make that supreme sacrifice? Christ came to save that which was lost. To give everyone "new birth". To give everyone "new hope" and a joy that the world can't remove.

Don't become as the Scribes and Pharisees, during Jesus' time, and figure that you know so much until you forget the true meaning behind what you have been so carefully taught. Have we, also, become so blind with pride and piety that we've lost sight of Christ? Well, that's what happened to the Scribes and Pharisees. Christ was right there among them and they knew him not. "He was despised and rejected of men..." Isaiah 53:3

Yes, we are truly living in the LAST DAYS—when churches like the Neo-Nazi, Racist and Anti-Semitic (the Covenant, the Sword, the Arm of the Lord on the Missouri/Arkansas border; the New Order Legion; Portland, Oregon; New Dawn; Burbank, California; Ministry of Christ Church, Mariposa, California; Lord's Covenant Church, Phoenix, Arizona; Christian Defense League, Metairie, Louisiana) are allowed

to open their doors and teach their twisted discriminatory doctrines in the name of our Precious Lord and Savior.

—"Identity Church" movement: The violence-prone, pseudo-theological hate groups, which have been weakened by the arrest and imprisonment of many of its members in recent years, generally subscribe to the belief that Anglo-Saxons are the Biblical "chosen people", not Jews. One former member of the Order, a group which subscribes to Identity doctrines, testified in federal court that the ultimate goal of the organization was the "annihilation of the Jewish race". (page 3 of a report issued by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai

B'rith, New York, New York, 2/09/88)

Be not amazed. God is not mocked. Christ has already stated "Everyone who says 'Lord, Lord' will not enter into the Kingdom of heaven."

Christian friends, if you don't want to get caught up in these discriminatory practices—Read the word (Holy Bible). Study to show thyself approved before Christ. Pray for the spirit of discernment. Know Satan and his disciples for who they are and what they stand for.

Don't get caught with your guards down!

Remember, the race will not be won by the swift; but, by the one who endures until the end.

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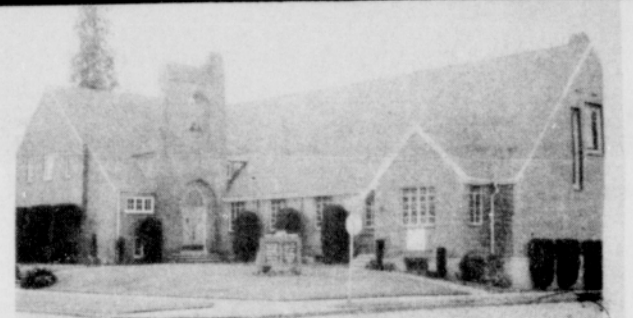
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