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I have to share, or I'm going to burst, the word of God says John 7:38\* He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

A river FLOWS, if you dam up the river it will hold back but if it don't have an outlet, it will go stagnant and die like a slough. Or eventually it will burst the dam, and flow, bringing life.

As we read and study Gods word it becomes a river and the more we study the bigger the river gets, and it wants to FLOW. In other words it has to be shared so that it can bring forth eternal LIFE.

John 10:10\* The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: <u>I am come that they might have life</u>, and that they might have it more abundantly.

John 5:24\* Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

,2Timothy 3:16\* All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: (Life)

YOU SHARE what God has shown YOU, whether directly through your own studies, or indirectly through preaching or teachings.

If it is quickened to your spirit and spiritual understanding, then it is THE HOLY SPIRIT that is teaching and confirming his word.

1John 2:27\* But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

1Corinthians 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth;

## comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

There is only one way and **ONLY** one way to heaven and eternal life with God and that is through **JESUS** the **CHRIST**.

You MUST believe that he IS who he said he was (son of God), his virgin birth, death and resurrection.

Ephesians 2:8\* For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

The Key word here is FAITH, it is to simple for most. The carnal mind figures WE have to do something, there is nothing we can DO, you see Jesus did it ALL, he PAID the price for each one of us. That is the Jew first and then the Gentiles, in case you don't know it gentiles are EVERYBODY that is not Jewish. Like Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, JW's, Mormons, and every other kind of denomination or ethnic group you can think of. Mark 12:27\* He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living: ye therefore do greatly err.

If you believe IN Jesus and say you do, then your dead spirit becomes born again, Just like coming into this natural life, you have to be born into it, so as you enter the spiritual life you must be born of the spirit. When your spirit man is born again your desires change, the ungodly things you did before without even thinking, you all of a sudden don't want to do them anymore.

2Corinthians 5:17\* Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

When Jesus walked this earth, he was against the religious leaders that walked in their pride.

Mark 8:15\* And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the leaven of Herod.

The warning is for today as well, it is just that the religious have changed names. If you were to apply this today, it would be quoted.

Mark 8:15\* And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the DENOMINATIONS, and of the leaven of CULTS.

All those that believe and have put on Christ, know that the last seven years before Jesus will come and set his feet upon the mount of olives in ISRAEL called the great tribulation is about to take place. But before it can happen he promises to remove his church or his people from this earth and take them to heaven.

1Thessalonians 4:16-18 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Revelation 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

The Apostle Paul calls this the prize and the blessed hope Philippians 3:14\* I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

<u>Titus 2:13\*</u> Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

If you are one of the many that don't believe the rapture or are not looking forward to his appearing in the clouds, then you can look forward to being killed during the seven year great tribulation.

Revelation 20:4\* and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus,

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