## # 324 To Whom Much is Given, Much is Expected

Luke 12:48\* "But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few". For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

50% of Christians don't realize just how powerful they are in Christ Jesus, and they will have to give an answer at the Judgement seat of Christ, or the Great White Throne Judgement. You say where did you come up with that percentage? **Matthew 25:1-12** Teaches that half the Christians were wise and went into the chamber with the **BRIDEGROOM** (Jesus), The other half were foolish and were locked out.

The biggest problem with the foolish, is they do not believe the written word of God. If they cannot back it up with Google or some other form of natural deduction, it doesn't mean what it implies. This in the bible is called **CARNAL** thinking.

Romans 8:7\* Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

Romans 8:6\* For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

An example of the scripture in **Mark 16:16**\* He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

The religious order over the years have taught that this means water baptism and in so doing have created the doctrine that baptism saves you and that is why babies are sprinkled. If this were so, Jesus suffered in vain. Lets look at the scripture again (He that believeth) This is believing in Christ and that he is what he said he was (the son of God). Now notice You must believe **FIRST** in order to receive Christ,**THEN** the Holy Spirit immerses you in Jesus or baptized if you will.

The Greek Word Baptizo and Baptizma is where we get are translation of Baptism and Baptized from, it **MEANS** immersed or sink, not sprinkle.

Look at the record of the thief on the cross

In **Luke 23:40-43** He wasn't physically baptized in any way shape or form; he just believed in Jesus and the Holy Spirit baptized him into Jesus just like all of us.

Galatians 3:27\* For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

Now there are many other things that God has for us to be a more effective and bold witness and also more profitable as far as proclaiming the Good News of Jesus the Christ.

He told the early Christians to wait in Jerusalem until they be endued with power on high (the baptism of the Holy Ghost) Ac 1:8

## Acts 2:4

The disciples were already Christians, they believed he was the son of God. In other words, they were baptized into Christ. (just like the thief on the cross)

Romans 10:13\* For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

You See, the Holy Spirit baptizes us into Jesus, and Jesus baptizes us with the Holy Ghost and **POWER.** 

Now there are some denominations that believe in the baptism of the Holy Ghost and figure they are superior to the rest of the body, **NOT TRUE** but God expects more from you. 1Co 12:12-27. Lu 11:9-13

If you ask God for the Holy Spirit, he won't give you something from the devil !! Lu 11:13

Just remember tongues is operated through FAITH, Just like everything else.

I have always believed the bible, and loved the Lord, ever sense I can remember. We talked together, he showed and told me things that are still real today. In my Teen years I had distanced myself (in public) from him, but I never doubted his word or refused to talk to him. So I have a hard time with those that don't believe or change the word of God to match their own understanding. like the well meaning Christians that say the tongues in the gifts of the Holy Spirit (languages), is the same as the heavenly language you speak when your baptized with the Holy Ghost. 1Co 14:2\* For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

1Co 14:14\* For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

Tongues and interpretation are known languages to somebody, **BUT** an unknown tongue is known **ONLY** to God.

Why else would it be called UNKNOWN?

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