For I Know Him

In Genesis 18:19 God, speaking of Abraham, said, "For I know him." The Lord knows each person, who and what we are, and what we want out of life. It should cause a person to stop and to think when he realizes that the Lord truly knows us, inside and out. This is the God that we must face, the God who knows when a sparrow falls to the ground, and how many hairs are on our heads (Matthew 10:29-30).

The gospel shows how Jesus knew the thoughts of the people when they witnessed His miracles. He knew when they plotted to kill Him and when they decided that He was guilty of blasphemy (Matthew 9: 1-7),. Just as He could see what was on their minds, He can see and know what you and I are thinking. We can't do that, but Jesus can. People can put on a show of being religious even while thinking evil of others. They may fool man but never the Lord. He knows the true intent of the heart.

A man may look down on someone in his heart, like the

Pharisee in Luke 18, and no one know it but God. Why do folks fool themselves and continue to act one way while being totally different inside? (1 Corinthians 3:18, 1 John 1:8). All pride and sin will come out in the judgment if not before. (1 Tim. 5:24-25). Why then should we play a game that we know that we will lose? If we don't have the right thoughts, or attitude, then we need to get on out knees and have a long talk with God until we get it right.

Part of the lack of influence of the church today is due to "Christians" who say, but don't do. Someone said once that, 'When all is said and done, there is more said than done." I have to agree with that, with what I have seen throughout my life. If I try to act like a Christian on Sunday, but like the world the rest of the week then I have done harm to the witness of Christ. As I have said in a sermon, "Often we talk "Church Talk" on Sunday at church, "Praise the Lord, Amen, God Bless You," and such like, but what about on the job, or out in public? Our friends and neighbors may not know, but rest assured God does.

In Revelation chapters 2 and 3 Jesus said to the seven

churches, "I know thy works." A church is make up of the members and is like the people who meet there. If it is a faithful church, it is because the members are faithful. If it is a working, caring church, it is because the members are working and caring. The body of the church is the sum of the members and will be like them..

Jesus pointed out the problems of the churches and the errors that they allowed to go on. In the church that you and I attend He likewise could tell us what He likes and dislikes about the way that we worship. I wonder what He would say about our efforts to serve Him. Would there be a rebuke, and/or a commendation for the way we serve Him. We may not get a letter directed at out particular congregation like the seven churches of Asia but we have the bible and know what he wants us to

So whether it is an individual, or a church, the Lord knows us and what we truly believe in our hearts. We need to think about that - He knows! There is a song that asked an important question - "Is thy heart right with God?"

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