

Lesson 121 The world neglects the Lord

01/29/13 CT – The world goes about getting into everyone’s business but My business, thus I can say that the world neglects the Lord. The world neglects My ways. Remind them of My ways in your example. Remind them of My ways by following and observing My commandments. Know that love is at the foundation of each (of all My commandments). Live this. Let them see Me in you. Let them see truth, justice, mercy and love. Be My disciple. The time is now. Take care of My business. That is all for now, go in peace.

Introduction

The Lord began today’s message by stating that **the world goes about getting into everyone’s business**. That statement could not be truer as it seems that nowadays everyone feels they have a right to know everybody else’s business. There are magazines and television shows completely devoted to divulging everybody else’s business. This intrusiveness also screams from page after page on the internet. And as pervasive as it is, it is still not right. And it, most definitely, is not the way of the Lord. This is because the Lord’s ways are not mean spirited. The Lord’s ways are not gossip-based. The Lord’s ways are not greedy and manipulative. These are the values that appear to be at the core of the world’s ways, which is all about promoting and elevating self over others.

You see, it seems that everyone is searching for something fame, fortune, power; they are looking for something that is eluding them. And thus far, they are willing to step on anyone else in order to get what they want. But this is the way of the world. This is not the Lord’s way. This is why, I think, **the world goes about getting into everyone’s business**. But the Lord said, **January 28th God Calling** - Look around you. Do the aims and ambitions that man strives for bring peace, or the world's awards bring heart-rest and happiness? No! indeed, man is at war with man. Those whom the world has most rewarded, with name, fame, honor, wealth, are weary and disappointed.

I believe these people that the Lord is speaking of, I believe, they are weary and disappointed because they have not found the fulfillment that they are looking for. Unfortunately, what they don’t realize is that what they are actually seeking after is the way of the Lord. They do not realize that only His ways bring true fulfillment.

October 4th God Calling – Oh! My children, draw very near to Me. See Me as I am, that ever you may have the Joy of finding in Me all you could desire. The fulfillment of all you could desire in Master, Lord, or Friend.

The world, however, is weary and disappointed because they are beginning to understand that fame, wealth even a good name, do not bring happiness or the heart-rest that the Lord spoke of. They do not bring true fulfillment. Yet they keep seeking after these through worldly means. Never realizing it is the Lord who provides.

This week the Lord has admonished us to....

01/24/13 BN - **Let Me permeate your thoughts...not the world.**

In other words, He is saying, let Me penetrate your being. Allow Me to become ingrained within you. He is saying disregard the world, do not allow it in, separate yourself from the world because as He put it,

Romans 8:6-7 *For to be carnally-minded is death, but to be spiritually-minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God, for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.*

Therefore, we must understand how important it is for us to keep our mind on Him.

Neglecting the Lord

One of the first points, however, that the Lord made in this message is that the world is neglecting Him. He said: **the world neglects the Lord. The world neglects My ways.**

Neglect:

- to pay no attention or too little attention to; disregard or slight
- to be remiss in the care or treatment of
- to omit, through indifference or carelessness
- to fail to carry out or perform

Synonyms: Disregard, failure, overlook, disrespect, indifference

Antonyms: Care, obedience, observe, regard, respect

Thus He is saying that the world is indifferent to the Lord. The world does not respect the Lord. The world has failed to consider the Lord or His ways. A point that was confirmed through these words:

01/05/13 CT - **The world seeks its own (desires). They forget Me and My ways. They instead lend ear to the enemy. They seek his ways and follow after him.**

January 1st God Calling - Remember that you must not see as the world sees.

Therefore, the Lord made it clear in the passage above that this is exactly what He wants us to avoid, a life full of seeking after it's own desires, a life distanced from the Lord. He wants us to avoid the enemy. But in the end He also wants us to avoid the consequences of a life apart from Him, a life separate from His ways, a life where:

01/28/13 DP - **Darkness prevails on the earth, wickedness encamps it's inhabitants, the love of many will wax cold.**

I think this darkness could be avoided better if we stopped to meditate on one of the definitions of neglect that was listed above. The first part of the definition was to pay no attention to, and that to me, is like forgetting. Hence one could say, that when we neglect the Lord, we are in essence, forgetting the Lord. And this He has cautioned us against, in fact, He even speaks of the consequences of such disregard:

Deuteronomy 6:12-15 *“Beware, lest you forget the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. You shall fear the LORD your God and serve Him, and shall take oaths in His name. You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are all around you (for the LORD your God is a jealous God among you), let the anger of the LORD your God be aroused against you and destroy you from the face of the earth.”*

Joshua 24:20 *“If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then He will turn and do you harm and consume you, after He has done you good.”*

Psalm 9:17 *The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.*

Accordingly, we can say that the consequence of neglect is high. And this is why the Lord encourages us to keep Him first.

01/05/13 CT - Distance yourself from the ways of the world. Seek Me. Seek My ways.

01/24/13 BN - Let Me permeate your thoughts...not the world.

01/27/13 DP - Choose Me, cast out world. Keep Me first and foremost. I have chosen you. You must choose Me.

Romans 12:2 *And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*

1 John 2:15 *Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.*

We are to love the Lord and not neglect Him. In this comes the answer to the question of fulfillment which the world so eagerly desires.

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My Ways

I think the main point that the Lord wanted to get across in this message for today is that the world has forgotten Him. They are neglecting Him and His ways. They have instead been enticed away from Him, often times unknowingly. Yes, the world even the enemy have captured their attention. We, however, as His disciples, should be especially aware of the enemy and his presence and how he will attempt to operate in our lives as well. Consequently, we have to stay on our toes, so that he cannot find entry into our lives.

March 5th God Calling – No work that employs this enemy of Mine is work for Me. Banish it. There must be another and better way. Ask Me and I will show it to you.

01/27/13 CT – Ammunition, give no ammunition to the enemy. Keep the doors closed. You keep them closed by being obedient unto Me. Follow My ways.

01/29/13 DP - Keep clean from the world, purify inside and out.

01/29/13 BN - The enemy can see into your life so be sure to keep the doors closed so he has no access. Do not let the enemy in.

Romans 12:21 *Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*

James 4:7 *Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.*

After reading these passages we can see that the enemy looks for the open doors of disobedience. I believe he has managed to grab the world's attention from the Lord. But we, as His disciples, have been given an assignment. He said we are to,

01/29/13 CT - Remind them of My ways in your example. Therefore an important verse to remember is this,

Deuteronomy 5:33 *"You shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God has commanded you, that you may live and that it may be well with you, and that you may prolong your days in the land which you shall possess.*

This verse is important because it teaches us that it will be well with you if you are obedient unto the Lord. The enemy will not be operating in your life. You will be living the Lord's example that will be seen by others. Ultimately, your example will be a light to the world.

Matthew 5:14-16 *"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.*

Just this week the Lord said,

01/29/13 CT - Remind them of My ways in your example. Remind them of My ways by following and observing My commandments.

01/26/13 MVA - Think Spiritual not physical.

01/27/13 BT - My Bride walks with Me, in My ways; like Me.

Thus when we compare spiritual to spiritual the Lord is teaching us that following after His ways are important. The Lord's Bride will not neglect Him. She will instead possess those qualities that are the exact opposite of neglect. She will **care**. She will be **obedient**. She will **observe** that which He has set forth. She will have **regard** and **respect for Him**. Accordingly, she will walk with Him in His ways, spiritually minded as opposed to carnally minded shining His light *before men, that they may see*.

Love is the Foundation

From the previous sections above, we have learned that we are to walk in His way, shining His light. In order to accomplish this, we must understand the task at hand. We must know exactly what this entails. But do not fret for Lord's guidance never fails as you can read below:

01/28/13 DP – Love all who cross your path even those who hate you do good to them and forgive from the heart.

01/29/13 CT - Know that love is at the foundation of each (of all My commandments). Live this.

01/29/13 DP - Repentance comes from the heart, forgiveness comes from the heart, as well. Let your heart be pure, clean, filled with My Jesus love.

John 13:34-35 *"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."*

John 15:12-13 *"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends."*

Romans 13:8-10 Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, You shall not covet" and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

2 John 5-6 – And now I plead with you, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment to you, but that which we have had from the beginning: that we love one another. This is love,

that we walk according to His commandments. This is the commandment, that as you have heard from the beginning, you should walk in it.

While the world neglects the Lord, while it gets into everyone else's business, searching for answers, seeking the aforementioned heart-rest and happiness what it hasn't come to understand is that **love is at the foundation**. It is the *fulfillment of the law, walking according to His commandments*. And it is the answer to what the world is seeking.

Me in You

Love, as the answer, to what the world is unknowingly seeking, it must be seen in us. Essentially the Lord is saying allow them to see Me in you.

1 John 4:7-8 *Beloved let us love one another, for love is of God, and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.*

The Lord wants the world to see His love in us because this is the way that they will get to know Him. Through His love they will come to know the true meaning of truth, justice and mercy as opposed to the mean-spirited, gossip-based, greedy, manipulative behavior espoused to be "love" in the world. This week the Lord said,

01/29/13 CT - **Let them see Me in you. Let them see truth, justice, mercy and love. Be My disciple. The time is now.**

Romans 13:11-14 *And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.*

Ephesians 5:1-2 *Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God for a sweet smelling aroma.*

1 Peter 2:21-22 *For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: who committed no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth.*"

The Lord has called us to be examples. His light is to shine through us to all men.

February 15th God Calling - The world does not need supermen, but supernatural men. Men who will persistently turn the self out of their lives and let Divine Power work through them.

The world needs to see people who have chosen the Lord over the world.

March 12th God Calling – Your standard must never be the world's standard.

TCB

The last part of the message the Lord gave was this:

01/29/13 CT - **Take care of My business.**

I think that was His way of saying “Git ‘er dun”, make it happen. But He made it less vague through the following messages:

01/25/13 CT - **Be a leader. Be an example. Be My servant and serve as a guide to all whom I put in your path. Help them to understand that it is I who will prevail. It is I who will lead them to happiness. It is I who will help them to solve life’s dilemmas.**

01/26/13 DP - **Listen carefully times are changing a new day is at hand spiritual darkness engrosses the land stand out as light amongst the darkness. Do not be as them be separated from the unclean.**

01/27/13 CT - **Give what you have received. If you have been given hope then give hope to another. If you have been given love then give love to another. If you have been given fortitude to continue on then give strength. Pay forward all your heavenly treasures. This is well pleasing to the Lord.**

01/28/13 JC - **Venture into daily obedience to gain insight and understanding of My path. Learn or re-learn something more every day and share it. Show your joy in what you've learned to others. Small talk at first-introduction. I will show you when to say more and what to say. Speak My Wisdom- all else falls in line.**

His message of love is evident in those passages. Be a leader, help, be a light in the darkness, share; you can see His desires for the world. You can see His love for the world. Yes, you can most definitely see the foundation of love through His messages; which makes His admonition to **Take care of My business** all the more important. And when we compare spiritual to spiritual we can see that we are to continue on, working, and walking out all of His instructions.

01/27/13 BN - **Proceed, Much to do.**

01/28/13 CT - **Work until it is a part of you, until it is second nature. Get to know the source material completely. This is your assignment and once you put that together with the demonstrations the Lord has given you much power will burst forth. Read, study, learn – Know.**

01/29/13 MVA - **Walk out that which is shown.**

01/30/13 MVA - **Continue in accordance with all instructions of your God Jesus.**

It helps us to understand where David was coming from when he was following after the Lord.

Psalm 25:4-5 *Show me Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths, lead me in Your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; on You I wait all the day.*

For we like David have fallen. We have stumbled. Yet we do not want to neglect the Lord. We do not want to disregard or disappoint Him. We want to be able to shine our light for Him. Jesus said,

John 15:9-10 *“As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.”*

Therefore we should have the desire to: Live this. Let them see Me in you. Let them see truth, justice, mercy and love. Be My disciple. The time is now. Take care of My business.

Summation

The world has a need that the Lord has identified. He understands that they are neglecting Him yet He in His mercy still makes a way for them.

April 19th God Calling - My broken world needs you. Many a weary troubled heart needs you. Many a troubled heart will be gladdened by you, drawn nearer to Me by you.

May 6th God Calling - Poor world - teach it that there is only one cure for all its ills - Union with Me.

Part of the way that the Lord is preparing is through you, as these messages make clear.

01/24/13 BN - All eyes focused on Me, All ears to hear, Love each other as you love Me, Faithfulness and obedience sought, Perfect obedience to My plan yields perfect results, The design of My plan is already perfect...see that you do not try to alter it.

01/25/13 MVA - Life abundant is located in your God Jesus. Proclaim among the nations.

01/30/13 CT - Trust in Me with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge Me and I will direct your path. Can this light be seen in you? Is your trust in Me visible to others? Is your following My lead visible as well? Be a clear vessel that others may see Me in you. Then they will know to whom they may reach out to in the time of need.

As "shining" examples for the Lord (letting our light shine) we must remember that following after His protocols, His commandments has never been more important. The church in the world is following after her ways. She is neglecting the Lord and what He has set forth. The Lord says we have to give Him more than just lip service. The time is now to follow after His Spirit, by flowing with Him. The enemy will try to distract us. He is coming like a flood. Therefore our focus on the Lord has never been more important.

01/20/13 MVA - Keep focus forward do not stop momentum important.

01/21/13 DP - Focus above the earthly desires think on spiritual. Do not be trapped by the enemy he seeks to take you off path be steadfast in what you received stand boldly for Me.

01/23/13 BT - You must lead by example. No hypocrites in My Bride. You must walk the walk not talk it. More than lip service. You must confess and get confessions. You must tithe correctly. You must meet with Me regularly. You must follow after My Spirit, and you must change at My direction. You cannot just talk about these things, you must do them. Each and every one of you is precious to Me. I know and want what is best for you. The violence is increasing. The enemy is coming like a flood. You need to walk with Me in My Ways. Take this not lightly. Don't just talk about My Ways, live them. It is life to you. I love you all. I urge you to heed My Warnings.

May the Lord help us as we endeavor to Take care of His business.

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