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News and Events Bulletin

Our Identity

What consumes our thoughts and interests? If the physical things and our physical life are all that interest us, where does God fit into the picture? The Apostle Paul reminded us that, “...those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those *who live* according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit” (Rom. 8:5 NKJV).

So where are you spiritually? Paul said, “If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above... Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God” (Col. 3:1-3).

“...Do not be conformed to [or identified with] 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” (Rom. 12:2 NKJV). Are your thoughts so changed that you are always concerned about spiritual things rather than the physical? How important is God to you? Does He occupy first place, or is He an afterthought?

Do you take the worship of God seriously?

We must always be sure our worship of God is genuine and that He has first place in our lives. It is sad to realize that far too many do not honor God. Jesus quoted the prophet Isaiah, “...These people honor Me with their lips, but their hearts are far from Me. Their worship is a farce, for they teach man-made ideas as commands from God” (Mark 7:6-7 NLT; Isa. 29:13).

Our actions must demonstrate to everyone that we have been studying the Bible and are identified with Jesus Christ. We need to surrender our own personal will and desires to God. We must repent of all our sins and allow God to fill us with His Holy Spirit. Write to us if you want to counsel about baptism and to develop a new life in Christ.

We are known by our fruit. Jesus said, “Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions” (Matt. 7:20 NLT). “Anyone who listens to My teaching and follows it is wise...” (Matt. 7:24 NLT). But, “Not everyone who calls out to Me, ‘Lord! Lord!’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of My Father in heaven will enter” (Matt. 7:21 NLT). Now is the time for us to examine our lives to determine if we have actually been spending time with Jesus Christ!

We want to offer you two free articles from our website to help you in your quest for truth: [Unlocking the Bible Code](#) and [Have You Been Fighting With God?](#) It is our hope that you will find your true identity with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.