Mt. Lebanon Church.

The Natural Body, The Spiritual Body – Bible Study – Part 3B

The Natural Body – Search for Immortality

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Please look up and read all verses in their entirety. I have only written partial verses.

Make your own notes, write down other scriptures that you have run across while studying, write down questions that you may have or comments as well. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the bible study.

## 1 Corinthians 15: 35 – 58

Let us pick up were we left off last week. Mans search for immortality. Mankind is still trying today, to become immortal without involving God in the process. Satan will use any means possible to deceive man into thinking that he can find immortality on his own, and then share it with those around him.

We see this happening more and more as we go through our life today, due to the fact that there is no separation any more between worldliness and Godliness.

What do we mean by that. Let us look in Revelation and see what John was inspired to write about the church then, and the church age that we are living in today.

Revelation 3: 14 – 22,....I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot....

The actual Laodicean church was in a place of commerce. The city had stadiums, shopping centers, banks, millionaires and other wealth. They could buy and have anything and everything that they wanted.

Sound Familiar.

A materialistic church, which had turned from creation to evolution. It went from the fulfillment of the truthfulness of the word of God, to just a partial truth, with the effort being mostly to please themselves and everyone else, and not to please God.

Christ himself said in the book of Matthew 15: 1 - 13,....let them alone, they are blind leaders of the blind, and if the blind lead the blind, they will both fall in the ditch....

Many people in those days, as well as today, went to church, gave their wealth, sat on the board of directors, made up church policies, built great facilities, and created many programs for personal gain. Everyone knew them as Christians, but, there was not enough Christ in them to have any effect on their own lives. They did not live for Christ, they lived for themselves. Sadly, they did not realize what they were doing.

Revelation 3:18,....I counsel thee to buy from me....

Christ did not say he commanded them, but, he counseled them. God, no matter what, always respects our right to make our own choices, but will through the Holy Spirit, give us advice.

Isaiah 55:1,....ho, everyone who thirst, come to the waters....

Christ advice, an invitation to abundant life. Behold, I stand at the door and knock.

1 Corinthians 2: 1 – 5,....and I brethren, when I come to you, did not come with....

Just as was the actual church of Laodicea, so is the church today. A church full of gimmicks, and shows, and shoutings, and hype, to play on, and stimulate the Christians emotions into a state of falseness and deception without spiritual honesty and truthfulness.

Man, in order, to gain this false sense of immortality, more and more, is attempting to mix worldliness with Godliness. They want to take the things that they like the most in this world and confirm it through Godliness, to be an acceptable way of life that will lead to everlasting Joy and happiness and a world full of peace and safety, where everyone lives in harmony with each other. They want to do this on their own, without answering to an all powerful God.

1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 1,....for when they say, peace and safety....

Paul, who is writing this, even though he said there should be no need to write, because, they already knew it, realized that, written instructions would be less likely to be forgotten or misunderstood, than verbal instruction. This is also the reason why we have this inspired word of God. God knows that we need written instruction, but, it is up to us to read and meditate on this word. To learn the truth of our salvation. God does not want, and is not pleased with, luke warm Christians. Christ wants family members that will make clear, decisive decisions to serve him, and to show others the way of salvation.

Luke 19: 9 – 10,....for the son of man has come to seek and to save that which was lost....

Christ wants us to be Christlike, and that means to trust in him for our immortality, which comes through salvation and eternal life. God will not stand for, or put up with, mankind trying to acquire immortality on their own.

Let us pray.

If anyone has any questions, comments or would just like to discuss any of the scriptures, feel free to call, text or email me. Keep praying for each other and all the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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