

The Only True Haven of Rest

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The last couple of times we have shared the Lord and His Word, we have noted that there are storms, trials, and testings in our lives that are not of our own choosing, but they come anyways to each of us. We also noted that we need help that comes out side of our own strength, wisdom from God. We noted last time that in order for us to have assurance, hope, and the strength to persevere through the storms, we have a personal need for the Lord Jesus Christ as our very own personal Savior, Lord and God in our daily lives.

Scripture declares that Jesus gives Eternal Life to those who in believing Him. Eternal life which begins the moment we receive the Lord into our hearts and lives. At that same moment He also said he gives to us abundant life as well.

John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." NKJV

John 5:24-25, "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life." NKJV

John 10:10, "I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." NKJV

I want to tell you personally, that I never really began to live, until I received the Lord Jesus into my heart. When we have that assurance of our personal relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, then the promises in the Bible belong to each of today, right now in life.

I read of an old seaman who said, "In fierce storms we can do but one thing. There is only one way to survive. We must put our ship in a certain position and keep her there." Richard Fuller wrote, "This, dear Christian, is what you and I must do." Sometimes in very small storms, we find the help from some friends who love us and care for us and who give us good advice. But dear one, if we live long enough there will be trials and severe storms of life that show us that there is no way of escape by our own wisdom or the wisdom of others. What do we do when everything seems hopeless and there seems no place where we can find deliverance or help?

Job, a great Saint spoken of in the Old Testament experienced the very worst of human sufferings. He lost all of his wealth, possessions, and ten children in a storm and then experienced extreme physical pain and suffering, yet Job found the answer when he looked to the Lord whom he knew and trusted. Then, even when his own wife and his so called friends turned against him yet he looked to the Lord. In Job 13:15 Job said "Though God slays me, yet will I trust him." Isaiah 26:3 "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee. Psalm 57:1, "Be merciful unto me, O God, Be merciful unto me! For my soul trusts in YOU; and in the shadow of your wings, I will make my refuge, until the Calamaties have passed by." May the Lord give us that simple child like faith to just trust him for all of our life.