Few Are Chosen-Why?

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INT: * Ps. 26. (The Living Bible) A lesson the whole world desperately needs.

QUESTION: How many of our fellow-world-citizens today do you suppose COULD and WOULD WALK THE STRAIGHT & NARROW way of righteousness that King David speaks of??

Jesus' reply in A. D. 33 is found in Matt. 20:16 and 22:14. "Many (all) called, FEW will be chosen!

OUR STUDY TONIGHT IS: "WHY" WILL FEW SOULS pass thru the Precious Pearly Gates into eternal Joy ???

BEFORE answering this frightening question, I wish to establish A GREAT ETERNAL TRUTH. Found in two N T passages: Heb. 4:12 and 1 Pet 1:24-25

YOU SEE the answer is in the WORD!!!

FROM NOW ON YOU WILL HEAR ONLY GOD'S WORD and in these passages lies the answer to the question "WHY WILL ONLY A FEW SOULS BE SAVED??"

* TURN TO THE SCRIPTURES ............... for a vital lesson in scripture.

This is presented in the interest of a Balanced Christian Education at Bethside.


If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

Matt. 16:24-27.

24 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.
13 ¶ Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:
14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

21 ¶ Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?
23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

24 ¶ Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, who built his house upon a rock:
25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.
26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand:

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:

29 For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.


3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.


6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
Acts 4:12. 12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Rom. 3:10. 3:23. 6:23.

10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:
23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gal. 3: 26-29.

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.
27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.
29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Eph. 4:1-6.

THEREFORE, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,
2 With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love;
3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?
15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,
18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.
1 Cor. 6:9-10

9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind (Homosexuals).

10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Gal. 5:19-21

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these, Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Rev. 21:8

8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.
NOW: BEFORE EXTENDING THE LORD'S INVITATION TO ANY WHO HAVE VITAL SPIRITUAL NEEDS TONIGHT,

PLEASE PERMIT ME TO SHARE THE LORD'S THOUGHTS ON THE SUBJECT ...........

1. John 8:24
3. Matt. 10:32-33
4. Mk. 16:15-16
5. Rev. 20:12-15
12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Invitation:
Matthew 11:28-30
MAY I PLEASE SAY JUST A WORD ABOUT TONIGHT'S LESSON AT 6:00.

TITLE: FEW ARE CALLED—WHY?

This is not a run-of-the mill type sermon.

It is sobering, thought-provoking painful and perhaps ugly by today's carnal standards.

BUT IT IS VITAL INFORMATION ABOUT WHY SO MANY PRECIOUS SOULS ARE NOT GOING TO BE ALLOWED IN HEAVEN... NOW OR EVER. Note: If you have a friend who may be seeking just this kind of Bible knowledge, by all means invite him or her to share this powerful lesson!!