

Someday You May Get Your Wish But There Will Be Consequences... Eternal Consequences.

Someday your wish may come true... No one will bother you again about God or about your soul. You will leave this world, never to return and not have to worry about anyone trying to warn you about your coming doom. You will not have to deal with people pleading with you to get right with God. You will then be among those who say:

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."
[Jeremiah 8:20]

You will no longer have to listen to people quoting Bible verses to you like:

"Whosoever was not written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." [Revelation 20:15]

But you will come face to face with the horrifying reality of Bible verses like:

"For what is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul."

and

"The smoke of their torment ascendeth for ever and ever."

Believe it or not, there are terrible consequences for ignoring God's warnings and taking his messengers lightly. Some of the people who have warned you were once mockers and skeptics themselves. But by the grace of God, their eyes were opened and they saw that they needed to "repent and believe the Gospel". God showed them that they could never get to heaven on the road they were on because it was not the narrow road that leads to eternal life but it was the wide road leading to destruction:

"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" [Matthew 7:13]

"For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." [John 3:17-18]

Are you still willing to 'take your chances'? Then you are like the man in the Bible who said:

"And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, Thou

fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?" [Luke 12:16-20]

You still have time to ask God to have mercy on your wretched soul. Ask Him to show you how miserably sinful you are in His sight. Once you recognize that you are a lost hell-deserving sinner and that you are incapable of doing anything about all the filthy sins you have committed throughout your life, then and only then is there hope for you to be saved, for God has provided a wonderful all-sufficient Saviour, but only to those who recognize their need. That Saviour, Jesus Christ, is the only Saviour God had to provide. By living a sinless life, dying on the cross, and rising from the dead, Jesus Christ paid for ALL the sins of those He came to save. Are YOU one of those people? How do you know?

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." [Matthew 1:21]

Those who are Christ's people (those who are headed for heaven) have a changed attitude about sin. They have a very positive attitude about the Bible and about the need to obey what it says:

"Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments." [Psalms 119:6]

Those that are truly Christ's are going to honor their parents and their employers. They respect godly authority. They will love to talk about their Saviour, not the weather, sports, TV or other trite things. They are greived by the sin in themselves and around them. They care about whether or not their thoughts, words and actions please God. **How about YOU?** Where do YOU stand with God? Where will you end up on Judgment Day? Heaven or Hell? Are you trusting in your own goodness - which will land you in Hell - or are you trusting in the perfect righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ, which is the only path to Heaven. — *RM Kane*


