

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Scripture - John 3:14-21

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

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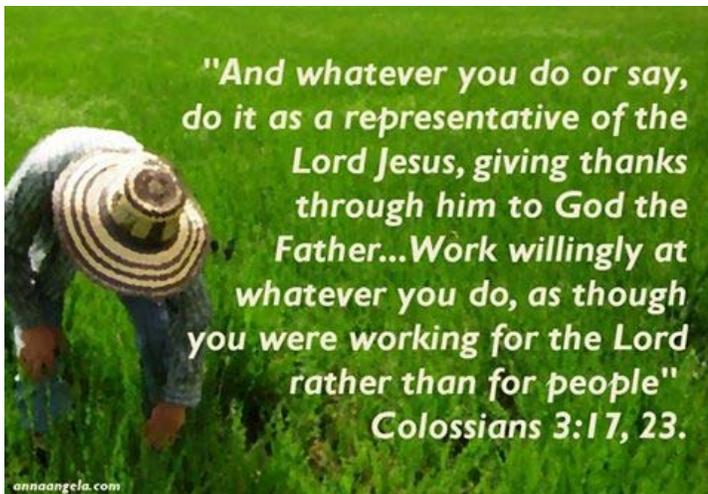
Thoughts for the Week

Favorite Hymns at Work and Play

Dentist's hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns
Weatherman's hymn: There Shall Be Showers of Blessings
Architect's hymn: The Church's One Foundation
Tailor's Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy
Golfer's Hymn: There Is a Green Hill Far Away
Politician's Hymn: Standing on the Promises
Optometrist's Hymn: Open My Eyes that I May See
Electrician's Hymn: Send the Light
Shopper's Hymn: Sweet By and By
Taxpayer's Hymn: I Surrender All
Gossip's Hymn: I Love To Tell The Story

C.O.F.F.E.E.

Christ Offers Forgiveness for Everyone Everywhere



Today's Forecast

God Reigns and the Son Shines

Helping Others

When you find yourself in the position to help someone, be happy and feel blessed because God is answering that person's prayer through you.

Remember:

Our purpose on earth is not to get lost in the dark
but to be a light to others, so that they may find their way through us.

God Bless You

God Answers Prayers

God answers all prayers, sometimes he says "yes",
sometimes "no" and sometimes he says
"You've got to be kidding".



Happy Birthday Katie (3/13), Jim (16), Rachel (3/17)

For God So Loved the World

"God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son." As we take a look at this, we must understand that "begotten" means "procreated or generated." Jesus was born of a woman yet, was not the seed of a man. Instead, He was the seed of God. He was "generated" by God and placed in the womb of a woman. This was a birth in the world but not of the world.

God did not love how the world had become but through benevolence He sent His Son. It was because of how we had become that this was done. He sent Jesus to us because we needed to be saved. He came to be the sacrifice for all mankind. He came not to condemn, but to offer a way that we could be saved.

Another thing we must understand is that this is to "whosoever believeth." And what must we believe? *We must believe that Jesus was the only begotten Son of God and that God sent Him to the world.* Not that He sent Him to be part of the world, yet He was sent to the world. He was sent to offer salvation to all who believe in Him.

It is because of love that God sent Jesus. He sent Jesus because He desired for us to be happy even though we are sinners. God hates wickedness, yet He still has desires for all sinners. Just as we, as earthly parents, hate when our children do wrong we desire for them to be happy, productive children. We do not always approve of the conduct of our children, yet we always love them.

This is one that will hit many close to home. I am a child that most definitely fell into that category. I was out running around and doing things I should not have been doing. My parents, though they were disgusted by my conduct, never stopped loving me.

God is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. He may not approve of the sinful conduct of our actions. But He loves us so much that He made the ultimate sacrifice. He created a Son, placed that Son into a woman's womb and caused Him to be born of a woman. Realistically, Jesus was normal in His life here on earth. He grew up the son of a carpenter and when the time was right He was led to begin His ministry, or His career if you will, here on earth.

You can choose today an eternal richness or you can continue to be earthly rich.

You can choose to believe in Christ or you can choose to believe the world.

You can choose eternal life or eternal death.

Which will you choose?