

*"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, '**If Ye Continue In My Word**, then are ye My Disciples indeed; And ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall Make you Free.'" John 8:31-32no2 KJV*

Anyone who travels knows you get nowhere unless you continue. There must be a destination else the journey has no purpose. If there is no direction and continuance, there is no progress. Many claim to be going to Heaven, but unless you have direction and continuance, there is no journey. The journey to Heaven is not temporal. Neither human effort nor desire can make it so. The *"sons of God are born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. For it is God which Worketh in you*

*both to Will and to Do of His Good Pleasure. For by Grace are Saved, through Faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the GIFT of God: Not of works lest any man should boast. Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God."* Without continuance in God's Word through faith, you will never know the eternal Peace, Joy, and Liberty found in the very presence of Eternity's Sovereign! You will be like water poured on flat earth, traveling in many directions at once and going nowhere, eventually drying up or stagnating. Rivers arrive at the sea because of source, terrain, and direction. God's Word must be the well-spring of one's existence; flowing faithfully through the terrain of obedience for one to arrive in Heaven. Truth not only provides substance, but direction and continuance. Brooks with no spring dry up in the summer heat. Those with only temporal resources soon wither in the face of trial. Have you considered the night sky and ever wondered how men who've never left the atmosphere can boast to know its secrets? They scribble a few numbers and formulas of their own invention, and Viola! They have the answers! It is the height of foolish arrogance to assume there is no God nor absolute Truth! They know the laws of the universe are absolute but attribute their origins to happenstance, *"because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the Glory of the uncorruptible God."* Jesus said, *"I am the Truth. The Truth will MAKE you free!" If any man be in Christ, he is a NEW creature.* All God's children are free, but not All are God's children! God's Children are not perfect, yet, but they will be at the end of their journey if they continue. Repentance is the return to obedience of God's Word and is the attitude of every true believer.



The journey of a thousand miles,  
Begins with first step o'er the stile,  
And must continue ever on,  
To reach the warmth of hearth and home! –CGP

Grand tales of wealth and pleasure induce men to travel. God's Word is not a "tale," but a Personal Invitation from Eternity's Palace. Only those who believe and obey its Truth may enter upon arrival. Rejecting obedience and thinking to be accepted by virtue of your journey will find you rejected at journey's end. *"Many shall say 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?' And then will I profess unto them, 'I NEVER KNEW YOU! Depart from me, ye that work iniquity."* Works do not produce faith: Faith produces works! Those who know the Truth continue in the Truth!

*"Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all. Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee." 1 Timothy 4:15-16 KJV*