

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:" Romans 3:23-24 KJV



Dear Believer, quit scrabbling for pennies on the ground and start gathering the jewels that surround you! Live above the daily grind. The life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me. We breeze through life knowing, acknowledging, then ignoring, the Saviour of our worthless lives! We never totally surrendering all to Him, without whom we would be doomed and hopeless! We delude ourselves that we can focus more on material needs and neatly tuck our spirituality into a niche once a day! We then preempt it without a thought, allowing bosses, family, and friends to impugn our time without protest. The phone rings and suddenly we leave our Lord! What does God's Word command? Thou shalt meditate therein DAY AND NIGHT! Would we even have time and ability if not granted by God? Pray without ceasing, is pretty succinct. It leaves no room for interpretation or argument. So do we? Justification is freely provided by God's grace to every humble penitent. However, instead of remaining in step with our Maker in humbleness, we revel in our new found liberty indulging all sorts of lusts that were the chains of our bondage to begin with. When lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. And well we should rejoice in liberty, but without forgetting from whence it came. Our redemption and lofty status are gifts of Mercy and Love, undeserved, unsought, and precious! We soon forget God's goodness, and the evil that enslaved us. Paul instructs, I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil. We spend more time with the temporal details of earthly life than the eternal details of faith. Eternity against time is like the universe against a grain of sand. The universe of grace unfolds around our tiny capsule of sand, yet, we ignore what we cannot perceive. We obey whims of the flesh like it owned us, instead of seeing it for what it really is: a defeated enemy. Faith is the evidence of things NOT seen. When absolute faith is grasped, we see the unseen. Death for a believer is escape into that universe of wonders; the eternal pleasure and glory in the presence of Jesus Christ. We are what and who we are by the grace, mercy, and love of God to whom we barely give the time of day. We think our worship a gift to God instead of our reasonable service. It's time we get off our high horse of status and get in the yoke with Christ. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: Do life's burdens weary you? Climb in the yoke of faith and take a break. Ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. There's no need to ever leave. All have sinned and come short!

Short of mercy and Love Divine,
Short of the Grace forever mine,
Short of glory my soul entwines,
Resting on faith till end of time. -CGP

There is no true Joy in the absence of suffering. The only regrets of the saints in Glory will be their moments of unbelief in the storms of earthly circumstance. As we cast our crowns at the feet of Him who redeemed us with His own Blood, we will shout with the Bloodwashed throng, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created!

"For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." Romans 8:18 KJV