

Values of Major Importance

Introduction

- A. All men have a system of values. These determine the character of one's life. Ascertain one's true values and you will know his character.
- B. The pertinent question has to do with selection and classification. What values are worthy of selection and daily effort? How are we to evaluate one value over another?
- C. The Scripture records a number of times in which Jesus Christ emphasized the importance of His statement with the words "Verily, Verily." These indicate some areas of value for man.

I. The Importance of the New Birth, John 3:3.

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.

II. The Importance of the Plan of Salvation, John 5:21.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My Word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life.

III. The Importance of Correct Motives, John 6:26.

Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek Me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.

IV. The Importance of Possessing Everlasting Life, John 6:47.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me hath everlasting life.

V. The Importance of Freedom from Sin, John 8:34.

Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant **of** sin.

VI. The Importance of Understanding the Eternal Nature of Jesus Christ, John 8:58.

Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was I am.

VII. The Importance of Understanding that Jesus Christ is the Door to Salvation, John 10:7,9.

Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep ... I am the door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

VIII. The Importance of Understanding the Spiritual Principle of Life, John 12:24.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

IX. The Importance of Understanding the Principle of Servitude, John 13:16,17.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his Lord; neither He that is sent greater than He that sent him. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

X. The Importance of the Promise of Joy, John 16:20.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice; and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

XI. The Importance of the Promise of Prayer, John 16: 23,24.

And in that day ye shall ask Me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, He will give it to you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in My Name; ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

Conclusion

- A. In the light of these values – all of us need to reexamine our important goals
- B. There is some truth to the statement that we can determine our major values by asking the question; "What would make me happy?"

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