Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

The strength and triumph of the sons of GOD is found in CHRIST. The expectation of acceptance before the throne of GOD is found there as well. Who makes us to differ from another and what do we have that we have not received? "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the **measure** of faith."

Some will surely say that we are saying there is nothing for the sons of GOD "to do". That is quite perceptive if one means there is no fleshly effort involved in walking according to the will of GOD. Yet there is indeed much that is done <u>in</u> the sons of GOD by HIM who dwells in them, making them "new creatures" in CHRIST. Whereas there was once a reliance upon the flesh, now there is a fear of such. Whereas once there was a satisfaction in having performed various good deeds and supposed obedience, now there is an awareness of the weakness of such attempts and a desire to flee from such and be found in CHRIST "But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death."

When a newborn babe is brought into the world, he has no thought to anything but seeking that which will satisfy his own desires. If he is uncomfortable, he will fret and cry until someone comforts him. He has no idea who it is who seeks to meet his needs, nor might I add does he really care, because his own desire is utmost in his mind. If he is hungry, he does not make a request to be fed, but rather he demands it. He finds fulfilment in suckling at his mother's breast, but he could find equal satisfaction in the breast of another or even a bottle of warm formula. As time goes on, he develops a bond of affection with his mother who nurtures and cares for him, but still he is primarily concerned in having his own needs met and has no perception of finding fulfillment otherwise. His mother is most important to his survival, but he has no understanding of that fact, only that he gets what he seeks after. But the day comes as he matures and is weaned from his mothers' breast that his contentment is found in the tender care of his mother more so than the immediate need of being fed from her breast.

CHRIST speaks of being "quieted" as ONE who is weaned of HIS mother. "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered". "The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed." "And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

As a WEANED CHILD HE delighted to do HIS FATHER's will rather than HIS own. HIS joy was found in performing that which HE was sent to do. "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." Left to ourselves we are all as the unweaned child, who seeks his own comfort and rests in having his own desires met. We would soon complain about the difficulties and trials of life. Yet we are exhorted to consider HIM as HE is our COMFORTER. "For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin." CHRIST alone is our HOPE, our HELP, and our PERFORMER. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." Is CHRIST the SUM of your RIGHTEOUSNESS?

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