

I die daily.....

God as we talked about yesterday tells us to Guard ourselves, to be ready, or to be prepared. He warns us throughout the word of not getting distracted or drawn away. There is a cunning enemy in this world. This enemy is truly setting out to "kill to steal and to destroy". Evil is hard to fathom for me sometimes. As much as a I appreciate the love of God, I am equally confused by evil. Why? Why hurt needlessly, why set out to cause pain? Why be so greedy that you oppress the people around you? Why be so self centered you can't even consider the feeling of people? Evil..... it doesn't always present itself in those hurtful ways, although it's intent is the same.

It's like that fishing lure. It's exactly why it's called a lure. It's intended to attract the fish, and it serves it's purpose. Regardless of the beauty of that lure or the scent of it in the fishes eyes..... there is still a hook in it. God clearly warns us to not be intoxicated by this life. Not to get caught up in the cares of it. He even tells us why. It's not hidden from us. We've been warned of the lure, and we've been told about the

hook. But we still bite....we still allow ourselves to be bound.

God speaks to us about the knowledge that He has given us. He tells us how the world is in darkness, and that the return of Christ will be like a thief coming in the night....they will be caught off-guard. But He goes on to say But "ye brethren, are not in darkness". He reminds us of the light He has given. We are aware. He came along first off, and let us "off the hook" so to say. Revealed the lure to us, warned us of it's dangers, told us of it's intent, and even went as far as to reveal who was behind it.

We are the children of the day! Not of Darkness! So be wide awake. Serve righteousness to it's fullest. Rejoice in the warnings and take heed. Be prepared! Be ready, because the day approaches that no man escapes. The day approaches that we will leave this world. Will you leave hooked? Will you that day arrive like a thief robbing you in the night? Don't be entangled......don't get caught up in the worlds ways of thinking, and certainly not in her actions. Rejoice in the fact that you have been made whole.

When the enemy comes enticing you......choose the righteous path. It's always a choice. Sin that is. It's never an accident. So choose today whom you will serve. Can you boldly say "As for me and my house, WE WILL SERVE THE LORD". Hallelujah

God bless - Pastor Paul

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Watch, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh. Matt. 25:13

Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged

with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. <u>Luke 21:34-36</u>

The day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day; we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. I Thess. 5:2-6