

God the Father, and His Son, Jesus the Christ, are running a business on earth. What is their business? Their business is to SAVE THE WORLD! But what does the world need to be saved from?

First, let's define the word "world". The "world" means every human being that has ever existed from Adam and Eve until Christ returns. Secondly, let's define the word "save". To "save" means to rescue from death and to give life. Now we can begin to understand that the phrase "SAVE THE WORLD" means to rescue from death and to give life to every human being who has ever and will ever exist!

With this in mind I'm going to repeat my question: what does the world need to be saved from? Answer: the world needs to be saved from death and everything that contributes to death. Then, and only then, can the world have life and have it more abundantly. No one can save the world except God. This is God's business; this is what God is working towards. You're probably familiar with this scripture I'm about to read, but perhaps you've never thought about it in the context of God running a business on earth. This scripture perfectly states the mission statement of God's business. (Joh 3:16-17) "God loves the world so much that He gave His only-begotten Son, so that whoever believes in Yahshuah will not perish but will have everlasting life. God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to SAVE THE WORLD through His Son."

Notice what Jesus the Christ (Yahshuah ha Messiah) said about His own responsibility in the business. (Joh 4:31-34) "Jesus' disciples asked Him if was He going to eat. But He said to them, I have food to eat which you do not know about. Therefore the disciples said to one another, No one brought Him anything to eat? Jesus said to them, My food is to do the will of Him who *sent Me* and *to finish His WORK*."

Did Yahshuah finish His work? Yes and no. Yes, Yahshuah has finished His work as God <u>in the flesh</u> because He did live a sinless / righteous life, meaning He kept His Father's commandments perfectly in the letter and spirit of the Law; and He did die to pay the penalty for humanity's sin. No, Yahshuah has not finished His work as God <u>the firstborn from the dead</u> because He has yet restored all things to its original sinless / perfect state. (Act 3:18-21) "But the things which God announced by the mouth of all his prophets, that Messiah should suffer, he thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, so that there may come times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send Yahshuah ha Messiah, who was ordained for you before, whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God spoke long ago by the mouth of his holy prophets."

RESTORATION OF ALL THINGS

For a deeper understanding of the phrase "restoration of all things", please read (1Co 15:3-4, 20-28) "For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received, that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again after the third day and night in the grave according to the Scriptures; ... Christ stands risen from the dead, the first one offered in the harvest of those who have died. Since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead also came through a man. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ will all be made alive. However, this will happen to each person in the proper order: first Christ, then those who belong to Christ when He comes. Later the end will come, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father after He has done away with every [recalcitrant] ruler and [antagonistic] authority and [perverted] power. For He must rule until God puts all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy to be done away with is death, for "God has put everything under His feet." Now when Christ says, "Everything has been put under Him," this clearly excludes the Father who put everything under Christ. But when everything has been put under Christ, then the Son Himself will also become subject to the One who put everything under Him, so that God may be all in all."

I'M EMPLOYED BY GOD

Not only is Christ still working in the family business, God the Father and God the Son have also hired other employees into the company. These employees are called "disciples". (Mat 9:35-37) "Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. But seeing the crowds, He was moved with compassion on them, because they were tired and scattered like sheep having no shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, The harvest truly *is* plenteous, but the laborers are few."

Notice in the next verse that God wants to expand his company. God is advertising for job openings. (Mat 9:38) "Therefore *pray to the Lord of the harvest that He will send out more LABORERS into His harvest.*"

Would you like to work for God? You can become a professional Disciple of God. Your official job title would be Christian. As a Christian you would have 3 primary responsibilities --- I call these the "3 P's of our Profession. The 3 P's of our Profession are: Preaching; Preparing; and Providing.

- 1. Preaching the Gospel throughout all the world
- 2. Preparing disciples to be the best they can be
- 3. Providing for people in need

We can find these 3 P's of our Profession mentioned in a verse we already read. (Mat 9:35) "Jesus went about all the cities and villages, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, teaching in their synagogues, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people."

Whether you are a prospective employee or a new hire or a veteran co-worker, we can all benefit from an in-depth look at the 3 P's of our Profession.

PROVIDING FOR PEOPLE IN NEED

The 3rd P of our Profession is *Providing for people in need*.

(1Ti 5:8) But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially his family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an infidel.

(Gal 6:9-10) "Let us not get tired of doing what is good, for at the right time we will reap a harvest-if we do not give up. (10) So then, whenever we have the opportunity, let us practice doing good to everyone, especially to the family of faith."

(Mat 25:31-43) ""When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels are with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. (32) All the nations will be assembled in front of him, and he will separate them from each other as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. (33) He will put the sheep on his right but the goats on his left. (34) "Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who have been blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. (35) For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger, and you welcomed me. (36) I was naked, and you clothed me. I was sick, and you took care of me. I was in prison, and you visited me.' (37) "Then the righteous will say to him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and give you something to eat, or thirsty and give you something to drink? (38) When did we see you as a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? (39) When did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' (40) The king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, in that you did it for one of the least important of these my brothers, you did it for me.' (41) "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Get away from me, you who are accursed, into the eternal fire that has been prepared for the devil and his angels! (42) For I was hungry, and you gave me nothing to eat. I was thirsty, and you gave me nothing to drink. (43) I was a stranger, and you didn't welcome me. I was naked, and you didn't clothe me. I was sick and in prison, and you didn't visit me."

(Jam 1:27) "A religion that is pure and stainless in the sight of God the Father is this: to take care of orphans and widows in their suffering, and to keep oneself unstained by the world."

What about bums?

(2Th 3:10-15) While we were with you, we gave this order: "If anyone doesn't want to work, he shouldn't eat." (11) We hear that some of you are living in idleness. You are not busy working --- you are busy interfering in other people's lives! (12) We order and encourage such people by the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. (13) Brothers, do not get tired of doing what is right. (14) If anyone does not obey what we say in this letter, take note of him. Have nothing to do with him so that he will feel ashamed. (15) Yet, don't treat him like an enemy, but warn him like a brother.

What about widows?

(1Ti 5:3-16) "Honor widows who are really widows. (4) But if a widow has children or grandchildren, they must first learn to respect their own family by repaying their parents, for this is pleasing in God's sight. (5) A woman who is really a widow and is left all alone has placed her hope in God and devotes herself to petitions and prayers night and day. (6) But the widow who lives for pleasure is dead while she lives. (7) Continue to give these instructions so that they may be blameless. (8) If anyone does not take care of his own relatives, especially his immediate family, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. (9) A widow may be put on the widows' list if she is at least sixty years old and has been the wife of one husband. (10) She must be well known for her good works as a woman who has raised children, welcomed strangers, washed the saints' feet, helped the suffering, and devoted herself to doing good in every way. (11) But do not include younger widows on your list. For whenever their natural desires cause them to lose their devotion to Christ, they want to remarry. (12) They receive condemnation because they have set aside their previous pledge. (13) At the same time, they also learn how to be lazy while going from house to house. Not only this, but they even become gossips and keep busy by interfering in other people's lives, saying things they should not say. (14) Therefore, I want younger widows to remarry, have children, manage their homes, and not give the enemy any chance to ridicule them. (15) For some widows have already turned away to follow Satan. (16) If any woman is a believer and has relatives who are widows, she should help them. The church should not be burdened so that it can help those who really are widows."

What Can You Do?

Mat 14:14-21 And Jesus went out and saw a great crowd, and He was moved with compassion toward them. (15) When evening was near, Jesus' disciples came to Him, saying, send the crowd away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves. (16) But Jesus said to them, They do not need to leave, you give them something to eat. (17) And the disciples said to Jesus, but we have only five loaves and two fish. (18) Jesus said, Bring them here to Me. (19) And He commanded the crowd to recline on the grass, then took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to Heaven He blessed the food, broke it in smaller pieces, and gave the loaves to His disciples. And the disciples gave the loaves to the crowd. (20) All of the crowd ate and were filled. And the disciples took up twelve hand baskets full from the fragments that remained. (21) The number of people who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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