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Romans 8:22&23 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. (23) And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to know we are living in the last days. Never before has there been a flood on this side of the river and drought on the other side. We see floods, droughts, fires, pestilence, earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, tsunamis and on and on. Everything seems to be a 500-year or 100-year flood or drought but it happens every other year. I have an uncle that lives north of Toronto in Ontario Canada and they are in a severe drought. He said that even the unbeliever is saying we are living in the last days; God is trying to get our attention. As I watch the

news and I see the homosexual agenda being pushed all over this nation, it looks just like the news I used to see about Europe, 10 years ago.

Faithfulness to God demands that we remain a stranger and foreigner in this world. All around, the question is asked, "What is going on?" It tells us in I Peter **3:15** <u>But sanctify the Lord God in</u> your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.

Now is the time not to be timid about Christ but to have the answer. Christ is the answer to this world's problems. We can give an answer but most of all we, the church, must be the answer. Peter said to sanctify the Lord God in your hearts. That means to separate yourself from the world. If we drink their beer, smoke their smokes and tell their jokes, then we really have nothing to say. But if

God be sanctified in us, then we will have a voice that will be heard by the one asking the question. There was a time in the Old Testament in I Kings 18, when Elijah was on Mount Carmel standing for truth against all that was false. I'm sure you know the story. Elijah mocked the false all the time they were trying to call fire from heaven, trying to produce an answer for their generation. Elijah stood and pointed at the false, declaring their god had no power to deliver. It's one thing to stand for truth and point at what's wrong; that is not enough. Elijah is up next and if he doesn't' produce the fire, then he is no different than the false, no matter how much he stands on truth. To know the historical Christ is to have an answer based on historical facts. This is necessary but it only produces an argument.

Kenny Continues.....

We are not here to argue the facts. To know the Living Christ is to produce the answer based on life, His life in us, hope of glory. The Gospel has always been based on life; God's life in the believer being manifested in the earth.

This is the calling for each individual to manifest Christ everywhere we go.

Acts 1:8 but ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. I would like to look at the word witnesses. In the Greek for witnesses you have the words record, martyr, witness. The word record has two meanings. The first is (ri-'kord) the act of recording a video of sound and image. The second is ('re-kerd) a collection of items of information in a database; let the record show the facts. The one is dealing with the past and the other with the present. After the Holy Ghost is come upon you with power, then that witness will not only be a record of facts of the past, the birth, life, death, burial, resurrection and ascension. These are of the utmost importance but the witness will also be a recording (duplication) of He who is seated at the right hand of Majesty. The witness will be a present representation of the living Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. This is the only kind of witness that can and will affect this world with the Gospel.

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> In Christ, Pastor Ken Geisendorfer



Words from the wise...Wealth...

Money has a large place in the great world we are living in, and there is a great place for it in God's work. If you want to sow your money in earthly gain and selfishness, God will let you do it. He will give you the chance of a lifetime to be petty, selfish and mean. Or you can sow it to "life everlasting" in unselfish blessing. It will all depend on how rich the grace of God has been to you.

A.B. Simpson

Words from the wise...Holy Spirit...

The Holy Spirit comes to give (man) power, to make his life effectual, and when the Holy Spirit comes into our life He does something. He accomplishes something. He is more than a sentiment, a feeling, a fancy. He is an infinite force that makes our life powerful and enables us to accomplish all for which we are called as the disciples of Christ. It is power over sin, power over the world, power over sickness, power over satan, power to be, to do, to suffer and to overcome.

A.B. Simpson

