

Mid-Week Devotion November 1, 2020

When Jesus proclaims to the Apostle John regarding His comments and admonition in Revelation 2:11b, He says, and John writes, "He who overcomes will not be hurt by the second death." What He, Jesus is saying is that all will be "hurt" by the first death. We'll all experience it Christian or not. It's physical death. Thank you, Adam and Eve! We all won't experience the second death. What is it? Simply put the second death is hell. Eternal separation from God and from believers. But Jesus says," He who overcomes will not be hurt (effected) by the second death (hell). But who overcomes? According to 1 John 5:4, it's those who follow Christ. They are the ones who overcome. But wait just a minute. Who gives Jesus the right to decide "no second death" for some people? Who does He think He is? God? Well...yeah. But for clarification He doesn't decide you do. What about other religions? Aren't their founders God too? Philippians 2:9 says, "...God highly exalted Him (Jesus) and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name..." What about Buddha, Mohammed, Ghandi, Confucius, Krishna, Joseph Smith...what about those guys? Acts 4:12 says, "And there is salvation (no second death) in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved."

So, overcomers are followers of Christ... Christians? Right. They won't see the second death? Right. Because Jesus is God in the flesh? Right. How do you know? Colossians 2:9 reads, "In Christ (Jesus) all of the fullness of the Deity (God) lives in bodily form." Jesus is the fullest possible revelation from God to man. Could God not have made it any plainer? No.

Upcoming

- Services on the "basketball" court, Sunday, November 8, 9AM and 11AM
- Women's Brunch, Saturday, November 14 (call church office for details 760.244.9462)
- Dr. Brent Strawsburg, Sunday, November 15, 9AM and 11AM

See you Sunday, Pr. Wayne