



“And this is the commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also.” 1 John 4: 21

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Heart to Heart...

We live in a society where there are few if any absolutes. People do not believe there is a standard from God. The outcry of belief states: *“Believe what you want, the way you want because there are many roads to God!”* Everyone is viewed as brothers/sisters who believe in God. Scriptures do not hold to this thinking or teachings.

Jesus made things abundantly clear that there are two roads. TWO ROADS! One road leads to life and the other road leads to destruction. Jesus further defined the two roads as: (1) the broad way and (2) the narrow way (Matthew 7:13-14). These two roads have two entrances/gates and they are very different. One gate/entrance is small and narrow while the other is wide and easy to find. The small gate will have few to find it. The broad way and gate has easy entrance and many will find it. The small and narrow way will have very few entering and walking while the broad way and gate will have many who will find it and walk it and it will lead them all to destruction. This should make all of us pause before we jump on the ideas that float around from the veins of public ideas.

Just because people say ‘Lord’ calling Jesus their Savior doesn’t make that a reality. Let’s heed to words of Jesus: *“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.”* (Matthew 7:21) Jesus asked: *“Why do you call Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do what I say?”* (Luke 6:46) The very ones who call Him Lord yet refuse to hear His word believe they are going to be in heaven. Too many are choosing their own way, the broad gate and their own ideas of Scripture as to what they want to believe. If something from the word of the Lord is shown, they recoil and get upset. The road is wide and there is a lot of company. Misrepresentation of Scripture is all around. One can walk to the broad way, entering by the wide gate and use Scripture!!!

It takes an honest and humble heart to find the small gate and to find the narrow road. It takes a sincere heart willing to listen and yield to stay on the narrow road. Not everyone who claims a

relationship with the Lord, who calls themselves Christian is our brother. How do we know? Are we the judge? Only through and by His word! Here is how you can be sure if you are humble in heart: *“But to this one I will look, to him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.”* (Isaiah 66:2) The road that leads one to life is narrow and Jesus provides us the entrance, if we would listen to Him humbly and tremble at His word. Think about it!!!

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