

Take a look at Jesus Part 6 of 7

1Jo 3:16-19 (Amp) By this we come to know (progressively to recognize, to perceive, to understand) the [essential] love: that He laid down His [own] life for us; and we ought to lay [our] lives down for [those who are our] brothers [in Him]. **17** But if anyone has this world's goods (resources for sustaining life) and sees his brother and fellow believer in need, yet closes his heart of compassion against him, how can the love of God live and remain in him? **18** Little children, let us not love [merely] in theory or in speech but in deed and in truth (in practice and in sincerity). **19** By this we shall come to know (perceive, recognize, and understand) that we are of the Truth, and can reassure (quiet, conciliate, and pacify) our hearts in His presence.....

Recently a Bikers 4 Christ member came down from up north to help me out with an issue, they happened to arrive on the Saturday and read Joyce Meyer daily devotional for that day and got the shock of their life - the above scripture was one of them, it went on to say that Kitty was murdered while 39 people watched from windows in the USA, Andrew was repeatedly stabbed while 11 passengers on a train station watched on, Elanore was shopping in New York, slipped and broke her leg, she called for help for 40 mins before a taxi stopped and took her to hospital.

Yeah well that is America you might say? OK, Here in Australia recently an Aboriginal lady has a stroke on the Holland Park Bus park and Ride shelter. She laid there for over 3 hours while people walked by thinking she was a drunk! It was not until an overseas Student stopped to ask if she was OK, that she realized there was something seriously wrong and she called the security, the woman was rushed to hospital and thankfully lived to tell the tale.

Jam 2:12-20 So speak and so act as [people should] who are to be judged under the law of liberty [the moral instruction given by Christ, especially about love]. For to him who has shown no mercy the judgment [will be] merciless, but mercy [full of glad confidence] exults victoriously over judgment. What is the use (profit), my brethren, for anyone to profess to have faith if he has no [good] works [to show for it]? Can [such] faith save [his soul]? If a brother or sister is poorly clad and lacks food for each day, And one of you says to him, Good-bye! Keep [yourself] warm and well fed, without giving him the necessities for the body, what good does that do? So also faith, if it does not have works (deeds and actions of obedience to back it up), by itself is destitute of power (inoperative, dead). But someone will say [to you then], You [say you] have faith, and I have [good] works. Now you show me your [alleged] faith apart from any [good] works [if you can], and I by [good] works [of obedience] will show you my faith. You believe that God is one; you do well. So do the demons believe and shudder [in terror and horror such as make a man's hair stand on end and contract the surface of his skin]! Are you willing to be shown [proof], you foolish (unproductive, spiritually deficient) fellow, that faith apart from [good] works is inactive and ineffective and worthless?

Recently A Single mum was given some pain killers and was allergic to them and after a couple of months she went into toxic shock, she had to leave work and stay at home and try and get her life back together, she rang everyone to try and get some help with her life and her 7 year old son, eventually, I went to her house every day for a week of an afternoon to help cook dinner and get her son to bed, then she would go to bed and I would leave and come home again. A lot of people would judge me for that stating males should not be ministering to females and so on, eventually I did get a female to travel hours from up north to come and stay for a week. I was talking to that lady and we happened to mention how we would have been condemned by the religious people, she broke down and said and if I had not have been there she would maybe have ended up dead or in a hospital with a straight jacket on.

During this week, I happened to learn she was a long way behind in a lot of bills too, so I sent out a emergency sms asking for help to keep the gas turned on, actually a couple of gas bottles had to be bought, she did not realize they were low, I chose to trust God anyway and pay for the gas with my credit card, a day or 2 later many of those I sms to committed they would help, and I thank you from the bottom of my heart, so does the lady. We had enough to cover the gas and maybe one other bill, I have yet to collect at the time of writing this. These people who responded probably could not afford it themselves, but hey God is good and what we sow is what we reap.

Bikers 4 Christ - that is you by the way, last year helped people in the streets and churches to pay bills etc to the tune of \$3500 almost, this year we have only helped out by about \$300. This is only because we have not had the home church going and people have not been around to give and help unless someone asks. Many people have asked for help this year and unfortunately Bikers 4 Christ has not been able to help due to lack of finances. What I would like is for everyone who reads this newsletter to pray about it! Ask God how can I help, I mean there are heaps of food parcels and other stuff out there but nobody helps financially, my dream has always been to run a church where the finances go back into the community in a practical way.

I want everyone to pray and ask the Lord if he would have you commit to giving a certain amount each fortnight or month into the Bikers 4 Christ account to help those less fortunate than yourselves, and also at times some members have been helped too. Jesus wants us to reach out to people, he wants us to show them the love of God like in James and 1John, this is your opportunity. I am not talking about hundreds of dollars either, even \$10 a week or fortnight helps, it eventually builds up, some bills we paid last year were only a tank full of petrol, or \$50 someone may have been short for an electricity bill.

Where is our faith if we have no works asks James? Do I personally commit myself, yes I do and I always have every fortnight for the last 4 years. I don't want your tithes, that is for your church, but I do want your commitment, your love for one another, the opportunity for you to be able to reach out anonymously as part of Bikers 4 Christ and help.

Recently I officiated at a funeral, the family were not only heart broken of the loss of a husband and father, but they were destitute financially. I stood in that chapel and I got angry at how high the costs for a funeral were. The Lord placed a boldness upon me, and at the end of the service, I announced that many churches ask for money from the pulpit and spend it on their buildings or programs, I then told everyone that at a funeral people feel like they want to help but don't know how, I pointed out to them where an envelope could be found and if they want to help place what ever they feel in it to help pay for the funeral. The bill was paid to the point of only a couple hundred dollars was needed, one of the deceased work mates went back to work, passed the hat around and it was paid. **They were not Christians!**

When I sent out that sms, some rang me and told me that God had already told them to give that same day, I was blown away, others just handed over large amounts without a question to help the single mum, others have commented on past times where I have asked for help and said they wish they could give, then gave something even though it was a long time later, is God speaking to you? We can only do what we can do! I will be informing everyone via this newsletter as money comes in on balances and where it goes every time, read how Jesus paid someones bill in Matthew 17v27. **Let's be a bit like Jesus.**