

Look up – Jesus is Coming

You know sometimes, we just get harassed and persecuted because we are human. I mean, we are in an unsaved world, you can quote scripture all you want, claim the word, speak to problems in your life and believe what you want but guess what? We will still have problems! Being a Christian does not mean you don't have problems, I have had my fair share how about you? The difference of being a Christian and having problems is that you have the victory..... We have a hope that sees us through, we have a faith that can keep us going at the toughest of times, but there is one thing we have missed big time and I know for a fact very few apply this to their lives. **Read Acts 11v19 to 24.**

The very first church was majorly persecuted here in this verse, what did the people do, I mean Stephen had just been stoned, Peter and John had the skin ripped from their backs by a public flogging, everyone yelled out "every man for himself" and took the bolt into other cities and preached there. OK, so some would argue they didn't take the bolt; But, they did preach the gospel! Jerusalem was encouraged as they heard of the word spreading, and decided "hey lets send someone to check this out" and away went Barnabas. Who was he? He was no one really, first time I have ever heard of him, how about you?.

Who are you? Many probably have not heard of you either, what about your church, have they heard of you? No! Me neither!! Guess what, "Houston we have a problem!" We are enjoying our lives so much we are sitting on our butts while the rest of the world goes to HELL! How do I know this? Because my Dad died 6 days before Christmas, I tried many times to show him Jesus and share with him, he had every opportunity but rejected it all as far as I know. My Dad dying didn't hurt as much as when I was going through some club photo's with my brother and saw my other brother who was killed when he was 24 yrs old, no ideas where he went! Pictures of my mum, who died 11 years ago who accepted Jesus as her Lord 3 days before

dying! It got me thinking for a long 4 hour trip back to brissy with my dads ashes on the back seat.

How many of your relatives, friends, colleagues, neighbours, are going to HELL if they were to die tomorrow? OK, a bit harsh you may say, let me put it to you this way, Look up, Jesus is coming back tomorrow..... How many would miss out on going to heaven? Have you shared the Love of God with them, have you told them that Jesus loves them, have you cared enough for them to go and help clean up their yard or mow their lawn, do they ask what is different about you? What won me to Jesus? It was a little church at Birkdale where three or four times a week someone would drive the 30 mins to my place to pick me up for church or youth or something, many times I would be stoned and tell them to nick off in a not so polite way, but still someone came back the next time to pick me up, I will always remember this, their Love is what won me to Jesus!

After being at that church for almost 6 months, the Pastor asked me if I smoked dope, I kindly pulled it out and offered him some, he freaked, but he didn't judge me, he sat me down and took the time to explain why it was not good to smoke dope, he left the decision with me, Soon after I stopped smoking it. Men used to come to me in King George Square when I was a kid, take me to dinner and take me to youth and tell me about Jesus, if they were like us and didn't, I most likely would not be typing this letter, I would likely have been dead by now from drugs. Regardless of that, look at people around you, ask yourself, "are they going to hell or heaven, what do I do about it"?