

Words of Life

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“BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH ARE PERSECUTED FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS’ SAKE: FOR THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. BLESSED ARE YE, WHEN MEN SHALL REVILE YOU, AND PERSECUTE YOU, AND SHALL SAY ALL MANNER OF EVIL AGAINST YOU FALSELY, FOR MY SAKE. REJOICE, AND BE EXCEEDING GLAD: FOR GREAT IS YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN: FOR SO PERSECUTED THEY THE PROPHETS WHICH WERE BEFORE YOU.” Matthew 5:10–12

“AND THIS IS THE CONDEMNATION, THAT LIGHT IS COME INTO THE WORLD, AND MEN LOVED DARKNESS RATHER THAN LIGHT, BECAUSE THEIR DEEDS WERE EVIL.” John 3:19

According to Webster’s Dictionary the word “persecute” means to pursue, in general, to pursue in a manner to injure, vex or afflict — to inflict pain from hatred or vengeance — to afflict, harass or destroy for adherence to a particular creed or system of religious beliefs or mode of worship.

There are many types of persecution. Some persecution comes from being a minority race. There is persecution that comes from standing for a cause, for religious beliefs, etc., but this is not the persecution that Jesus is referring to here. The key phrases in the above scriptures are “for my sake” and “for righteousness’ sake”. We are living in very perilous times. As the day star continues to rise in the hearts of God’s people, expect persecution to ever increase. For the people persecuting the light really prefer the darkness, for their deeds are evil. In 2 Thessalonians, the first chapter, persecution seems to go hand in hand with the increase of the love and charity the Body of Christ has one for another. Persecution also is the “side effect” of entering the kingdom (2 Thessalonians 1:4–5), and the restoration (Mark 10:29–30).

Recently we have had some unbelievably evil persecution. I’m convinced that man is the only animal evil enough to turn on its own kind and destroy it for no apparent reason other than to satisfy the evil in his own

heart. However, our persecution did exactly what it’s meant to do. It made our commitment to Christ deeper and the unity of God’s family stronger than ever. Our friends rallied around us and comforted us with words of rich understanding that came from their very hearts. We want to thank you all for your prayers and words of comfort. Expect Piecemakers, the business, to continue to serve the community and be a haven for God’s people so they can come and find peace. And also expect Piecemakers, the people, to stand strong as the winds of adversity blow upon us.

The light of God’s rule and reign is beginning to shine. The same demons that crucified Christ are busy in vessels today as they try to kill off God’s people, thinking they are doing God a great service; however, God is gathering all these tares into bundles to be burned while He gathers the wheat into His heart. Make sure you are not among the tares.

Is your allegiance to a church, to a fellowship, to a personality, to a set of doctrines, to a religion, to a family structure, or to a cause (like the abortion cause)? Perhaps your allegiance is to something God did in 1967, ‘68 and ‘69; or is your allegiance to the living God and Him alone? Only a total, sold-out allegiance to God will save you in this awesome hour.

“And I say unto you, my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear Him which after He hath killed hath power to cast into hell, yea, I say unto you, Fear Him.” Luke 12:4–5.

God has gathered the people in the “valley of decision,” and each of us has to decide if we will serve the living God or the God of our idolatry and imagination. There is a voice crying in the wilderness, “Repent — repent, for the Kingdom of God is at hand.”



Marie Kolasinski

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DEAREST FRIENDS,

Well, thank God, we're still here... living one day at a time. The Lord is providing day by day - meeting our needs and stripping us of all our desires except our desire to know Him.

There are so many “irons in the fire” here at Piecemakers. Check our Calendar of Events for happenings at Piecemakers. I expect the Lord to somehow open a cozy room for people to just come and fellowship with one another over a cup of tea and a morsel to eat. People are more important to us than making money or running a business, so pray for us that our business flourishes sufficiently to meet our high overhead.

Remember, our Country Craft Fair will be at the country store — Piecemakers — at the same time: the 3rd weekend of October and November, and we are hoping by December to have the upstairs available as a permanent residence for many of the Craft Fair vendors. Pray this comes to pass.

Recently we received by mail a prophecy outlining God's plan for His next move of the Holy Spirit. God is calling His people to action as we start entering a great spiritual battle. Guns and carnal weapons of vindictiveness will not work. God needs spiritual warriors who have made themselves ready. If you would like to receive this enlightening prophecy, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and we'll mail it to you.

We pray Piecemakers will be a place where people can come and find answers to their problems as God shakes every kingdom to establish His own. People will be gathering together just to be together, whether it be to make a quilt together, create a wreath, wallpaper a house, or put in their driveway. Gathering together is much more meaningful when you share a project of some kind. Be sure and check our wide Calendar of Events. Come and meet new friends — we will have “Make-It-And-Take-It” demos going on continuously this season.

If you are coming for a class and would like to spend the night, call for information on the Vagabond Inn several blocks from Piecemakers, or ask about our own bed and breakfast.

How do you like our new “newspaper” catalog? Would you like to place an ad in it? That would be a mutual benefit to both you and us. Our mailing list goes to nearly 14,000 people. Call Carol at (714) 641-9663 for information on this new service.

Read the catalog carefully for all the new events taking place.

'Til next time, we all send our prayerful caring to each and every one of you.

God bless you all,



and all your kinfolk here at Piecemakers