

Fort Payne church of Christ



The Weekly Moment

A Weekly Motivational Message

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It's True – All True

The man stood in front of the large audience – not quite sure what he should say. He had never been in this situation before and he struggled for what to say. He was facing the family and friends of a man who had recently passed away. He was speaking at a funeral.

He knew the man very well; had spent a lot of time with him. He had tried to talk to him about God and the Bible, but he didn't seem to be interested. When his wife asked him to speak at his funeral, he was hesitant since he knew the man wasn't a Christian. His wife said that he "was a religious man and owned a Bible."

As he thought of this man, the story of the Rich Man and Lazarus came to mind. He began by saying that if "Joe" could come back today, what would he say. Joe would say, "*It's True – it's all true! Please listen to God's word and follow it!*" Joe now knew that the Bible is true and that he is lost.

It's scenes like this this – and they do occur – that should motivate us to heed Christ's words to "*go into all the world and teach all nations.*" We simply must do this – in any way that we can.

In my lifetime, the "how" of doing this has drastically changed. When I first appeared in 1950, it was mostly done by using the printed word and local gospel or "tent" meetings. Then more began using the radio and sending men as missionaries to foreign lands. As time went on, the "how" began to change as technology changed.

In a recent article from ***Apologetics Press***, Bro. Dave Miller wrote, ". . . *the task of getting the Gospel to those who will receive it is considerably reduced in magnitude. Indeed, the multi-pronged combination of avenues through which efforts are made to reach the lost, including missionaries, printed materials, word of mouth, radio/TV, Internet, et al., are such that those whose hearts are receptive will have the opportunity to access the truth.*"

I am proud to be part of a congregation that is involved in several of these "hows" – printed materials (*House to House*), radio (WFTP-LP FM103.9), TV (the FPCOC TV Production Studio) and Internet (YouTube, Facebook Live). These are great works and worthy of our support.

Yet, more can be done.

Think about it.

Here's hoping you'll make the "*most of your minutes*" this week.

Hope to see you at Bible Study tonight.

In Christian Love,

Bob Strickland