

**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?****How did you know you were called? - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/6/23 14:30**

im just wondering, we are all the body and the body have different calls , some do this some do another thing and so on, now im still a "baby" in christ so i dont belive ive recived any calling yet exopt the one to tell people about jesus, i think w e all have that calling, but some get a call for street preching, some get a call to go to africa or somewere else, how did you know? was it a feeling or just did you know?

im just curios

gods peace  
christian

**Re: How did you know you were called? - posted by irunbarefoot, on: 2006/6/23 15:00**

I know for everyone its differnt, but for me, whenever God is leading or calling me do to something, I always just "knew." Like when I met my wife for the first time, something in me just knew that she was the one.

However, I haven't always hit things on the money. Flesh gets involved sometimes and I magically feel called to do something I have always dreamed of doing. Also, for me, guilt has motivated me to do many things instead of the Lord. The cool thing about heavenly Dad is that when I "miss it," He's still right there. When I try to read his mind and jump the gun, he's always there with love waiting for me.

-Sean

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**Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/6/23 15:16**

well i know what you meen, but i know ive been at a meeting it was a witnessing meeting, but on this meeting they said averyone new can come witness, but since i knew i had given my testimony last time i was thinking to myself i dont have to this time, and most people here already heard my testimony, So we were praying and for some reason i looked up and i saw this man come in, he was a drugaddict i can tell becuse i used to be one, and i suddenly from nowere felt this e normus feeling go tell!!! You go give your testimony now on what jesus did in your life, I started praying and my heart started beating faster my mouth got dry, i started to think is this from god? should i do it? then i started to think what people might think? maybe they would think something why is he going when they had said that the ones that havent testified s hould do it... so i got in a dilema, but i prayed and i came to the conclusion its better to go up and regret that i did it, then regret that i didnt do it. so i did go up again,i shared my testimony about how jesus saved me how i was born again of god and everything was new in my life. and glory to god and the next meeting he and his wife came back and gave their li fe to jesus.

but i dont "feel" that so often, that feeling i got that time, but i dont belive that i should only do things when i feel like that? or should i ?

gods peace to you  
christian

**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?**

**Re: - posted by irunbarefoot, on: 2006/6/23 15:32**

That's an awesome story man! I love God for directing you and using you that way, its amazing.

The way I see it, God is training you and me how to hear his voice daily. Just like it says in John 10. We are his sheep, and we know his voice. There might be times when we make a mistake or two and move on our emotions, but its not the end of the world.

As long as you and I stay humble enough we can always react to God's lessons in the right way. But within you and I is the ability from God to know our shepherds voice, and that is amazing!

The beautiful thing to me about this real Christian life is that we can know God and really recognize his voice without any assistance from man.

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**Re: - posted by myfirstLove (), on: 2006/6/23 18:05**

"The beautiful thing to me about this real Christian life is that we can know God and really recognize his voice without any assistance from man."

amen!

1 John 2:27

27 But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.

John 15:3-5

3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. 4 ABIDE IN ME, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it ABIDES in the vine, neither can you, unless you ABIDE IN ME.

5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who ABIDES IN ME, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do NOTHING.

**Re: How did you know you were called? - posted by Logic, on: 2006/6/23 19:15**

hmmhmm wrote:

Quote:

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Every one has the same call, that is to holyness and to become more like in the image of him who called us.

The questiopn is, What is your burden?

True ministry comes from a burden that our father has given you or me.

HE gives it to us that we might share in His sufferings with HIM.

**Philippians 3:10** That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

**1Peter 4:13** But rejoice, inasmuch as you are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

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**Re: - posted by myfirstLove (), on: 2006/6/24 0:27**

good word, logic.

**Re: - posted by irunbarefoot, on: 2006/6/24 2:47**

I totally agree.

We are all called to holiness in Christ, and he gives us each our separate urgings, passions and directions. Very well said.

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**Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/6/24 6:07**

well that clears some thoughts ive had, then i think about my burdens... what are they and for what and after thinking about i think i have a burden for everything that is not of christ.... first i was thinking of some people that i believe are deceived...then on my family and then on drug addicts... but the sum is i have a burden for people who dont know christ... but shouldent we all have that burden?

**Re: - posted by irunbarefoot, on: 2006/6/24 8:21**

Yes we should have a burden for people who are not followers, this is Jesus' burden too. However, I became so consumed with my plastic evangelism that I forgot that God wanted me focusing on my friendship with him.

PERSONAL STORY:

When I was a bit younger, I used to feel pressure from certain folks in my church who kept insisting that I evangelize more. I was spending 3 days out of the week on the beaches handing out tracts and sharing Jesus with people, but the more I did, the more I beat myself up for not doing more. It was an endless cycle of guilt that just kept feeding itself. Not of Jesus.

Jesus has helped me out here now, I now see that he is very interested in me living the truth first. Also, when you live it, every day is an adventure, you'll meet someone new that you can share the Father's life with without even trying. God will set things up for you many occasions.

Anyway, I don't know much about anything at all, but I do know that church often times puts more pressure on gathering people into a pretty room, rather than letting God instigate real life evangelism for Jesus. Just follow God's burden.

"I wanna take your Word and shine it all around but first help me just to live it Lord."

-Keith Green

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**Re: - posted by letsgetbusy (), on: 2006/6/24 8:48**

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It sounds like you might do well to teach us about answering our call after hearing about that experience.

**Re: - posted by irunbarefoot, on: 2006/6/24 9:54**

That's an amazing illustration about the turning of the head. I love it! It perfectly describes the spiritual reality of things.

-Sean

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**Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/6/24 10:09**

its a good one... atleast in my life it would fit in.... following sin and then jesus called and i just turned..

**Re: How did you know you were called? - posted by KingJimmy (), on: 2006/6/24 10:33**

Sometimes understanding one's particular calling is very direct. For example, Jeremiah's calling from God was pretty straight forward:

Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; **I have appointed you a prophet to the nations;**

On the other hand, there are individuals like Esther whose calling wasn't so direct, and sort of just unfolded as she went along.

Esther 4:13 Then Mordecai told them to reply to Esther, "Do not imagine that you in the king's palace can escape any more than all the Jews. 14 For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place and you and your father's house will perish. **And who knows whether you have not attained royalty for such a time as this?"**

I think most people fall into Esther's category. Her purpose and calling was revealed to her as she simply went about her days, attempting to be faithful to God. And as circumstances changed, she simply remained faithful to God to do the good thing she knew to do in each circumstance.

Likewise, our individual callings from God are often just revealed to us as we go about simply living our lives in devotion to God, and doing the good we know to do in every circumstance. In the process, as you grow in the Lord, you'll probably begin to discern in what specific area God has gifted you in.

Just keep being faithful to God, and seek the leading of His Spirit. Perhaps God might have you to go share a word to somebody on the street, or perhaps He'll prompt you to say something during a church service, or perhaps He'll put a burning desire to go to another country and share the gospel. Or perhaps you'll feel moved on by God to help out in a soup kitchen at a homeless shelter. The possibilities are as vast as God. Simply be open to doing faithfully whatever you find yourself able to do.

**Re: - posted by ChrisJD (), on: 2006/6/24 11:34**

Hi everyone.

Christian, I'm glad you brought this up as I'd like the opportunity to share with the Lord's people here what I took to be the answer to my seeking God about this. I welcome any discernment and wisdom you all might have to share in Christ.

I do not intend to put this here as an example for anyone; I see us all here sharing our thoughts in seeking to know and do God's will in our lives, though not for comparison.

**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?**

A few years ago I began seeking after God for His will for my life. Sometime after this, as the thought was on my mind, I 'heard' or was impressed with the words 'libation specialist'.

If that sounds funny to you, it sounded funny to me too! In fact my wife thought it sounded a bit funny also, but not in a demeaning or trivial way (this was not the first time I had 'heard' some obscure sounding word in regards to seeking after God). I kept thinking... 'libation specialist???' what is that!!

Well, eventually I put the thought on the 'back burner' so to speak, though I did look into the meaning of the word and found that it did have some correspondence with the Bible.

Some time later we moved here and I began seeking God again in earnest concerning His will for my life, especially now since at the time I was unemployed! During this time I felt led to begin reading the Bible again from the beginning. I would read between one and three chapters every morning, going very slowly through each chapter, even underlining many passages as I read through.

This went on for some time.

One night as I remember it, I had stayed up late seeking after God in much distress and anguish of soul. In the morning I got up and read the chapters as usual and the thought of 'libation specialist' was on my mind. I was reading through until I came to this passage, I'll use the RSV to quote....

Quote:  
-----and wine for the drink offering, a fourth of a hin, you shall prepare with the burnt offering, or for the sacrifice, for each lamb.  
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Now, I mentioned earlier that libationist does have some correspondence to the Bible, and this is that. According to the American Heritage Dictionary, a libation is...

Quote:  
-----1.a. The pouring of a liquid offering as a religious ritual.  
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So, having paused to ponder this, my wife having gotten up came out of the room and said 'Chris, God wants you to be a libationist.'

I was .....amazed.

She went on to tell me how all night long she kept hearing 'libationist...libationist..' in her sleep. Later she told me how she had been dreaming of this room wherein were all these lighted candles and that she was taking care of the candles.

Thinking of all the possibilities, the odds of this, I thought this has to be the answer! How on earth could such a coincidence be...so many days of reading the Bible and to come across THAT passage...and then she had THAT dream hearing what she did and to come out and tell me at THAT moment???

I suppose I should share now how I have understood this. Someone before mentioned burden and I thought it was a good expression for our subject. I have, from the time of my conversion, had a burden to share the faith with those who are lost, without Christ and have sought to do it.

And that's how I have understood these events; that I believe God wanted me to offer the people the blood of Christ which was shed for their sins.

So, I'm a libationist. :-D

Thank you all for sharing this with me,

Love in Christ.

**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?**

**Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/6/24 12:42**

thank you all for your testimonies, it gives me some light i dont rush in to things i believe god is going to show me the way to what he will have me do, i reading a book just now and i came to a chapter called gods will and i read and the author ( r a torrey) wrote that many christians want to know gods will for there entire life, but god often revils his will one step at the time, but i was confused becuse ive listend to sermons by ray comfort and mark cahill, i love their sermons and i was so motivated, go witness i believe we all should do this, but then i listen to a sermon by art katz were he said something that good intentions could be wrong, even when it comes to "do the right thing" if it wasent god who told you to do it, Åso now i just trust the lord to lead me, if i start the day in prayor and ask his spirit to lead me i have to believe that he will. i rest in that haleluja

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It sounds like you might do well to teach us about answering our call after hearing about that experience.

But then, why are few chosen?

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**Re: who are chosen - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/6/25 19:41**

Quote:

-----But then, why are few chosen?  
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Because the way is narrow and few find it.

The parable of the seed and the sower reminds us that many start out with good intentions but when trials come, they b ack out. That reminds me of something Richard Owen Roberts said: "It's not how you start that counts, it's how you end."  
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Only he who endures to the end will be saved.

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life... "  
James 1:12 Those are the ones who are chosen.

Diane

**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?**

**Re: How did I receive my "calling" - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/6/25 20:15**

One day when I was 17 the Lord gave me such a powerful sense of destiny that I wrote it down. From then on I KNEW that I would be used by God to bring souls into the kingdom.

After that day my mind did some foolish recalculating. During those days, the only two "callings" ever mentioned were pastor or missionary. I felt I wouldn't be a pastor, so that meant I would be a missionary. That stuck in my mind for years.

My husband and I were indeed missionaries some years later. However he decided to leave after a term. I was devastated, because I knew God had called me to be a missionary. It took me a long time to get over the sense of having failed God, even though I had no choice.

Then one day, years later, I discovered the words I had written at 17. To my surprise I had not written the word, "missionary" at all! Over the years I had unwittingly squeezed God's calling on me into man's traditions.

Scripture reveals that God does not necessarily put his chosen in traditional roles in traditional missionary boards, or religious institutions. It was that way for the prophets and the apostles. Even Christ did not take a role in the religious system in any way. God hasn't changed. He often works through people from the "outside" of the system – for very strategic reasons.

God has been shaping my destiny, preparing and leading me. I must be submissive to the voice of his Spirit, and seek his face. Where he leads me, I will follow.

Diane

**Re: calling - posted by roadsign (), on: 2006/6/25 20:34**

I meant to post this earlier:

Logic said:

Quote:

----- every one has the same call  
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I have to agree with you, Logic. I once did a word study on "calling", and to my surprise, I discovered that in the Bible it is used very differently than the way we use it. Really, it refers to God calling on us into the kingdom.

Hmmhmm said:

Quote:

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Good point! In other words, our senses of "calling" does not determine our choices. Rather it is our ongoing obedience and sensitivity to God's Spirit.

Diane

**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?**

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 10:12**

Whoa! Wait one! Who is doing the choosing in this and since all are called, and the called aren't the unsaved, but the saved, who of the called falls short of being chosen?

Hint: Matthew 22:11-12 (KJV)

And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

Why was he speechless? He responded to the call. And why didn't he have on a wedding garment? Surely they were handed out at the door. I mean these people were fresh off the street perhaps ones who were living in cardboard shanty's..

:(rm

**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/26 10:44**

Ormlly,

GOD of course..)

The Bible couldn't be more clear with only a few of these quoted verses:

John 15:16

Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you,

Ephesians 1:4

According as HE has chosen us in HIM before the foundation of the world,

Romans 8:29

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate....

Romans 9:15-16

..... I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

So then it is not of him that wills, nor of him that runs, but of God that shows mercy

2 Thessalonians 2:13

.... because God has from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth  
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Revelation 17:14

.. and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Man, in the state of total depravity before conversion, could never, or would ever even want to choose the holy GOD. Choosing religion, however, is a different thing.

(Thank GOD for Luther's help in understanding a little from the "Bondage of Free Will")

In Christ,

mamaluk

**Re: - posted by hmmhmm (), on: 2006/6/26 10:47**

now i just wonder...who is that guy who is thrown out? how did he get in in the first place? can someone share some knowledge with me.

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thank you.



**General Topics :: How did you know you were called?**

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 11:32**

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Yes, I agree --- now explain who "US" is in that verse from Eph.

He chose from the called out ones; the ones who responded to the invitation to come to the wedding party. Why was one rejected upon entering the hall of honor and relationship? And what does the wearing of the wedding garment infer/symbolise by its title except, intimacy/relationship/born again experience AFTER you are called. I.e., to be a chosen one one must be ..... because .....?

Hint: Jn 3.3;3,5

Orm

**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/26 11:39**

Ormly,

Very concisely put!

Election has always been the toughest topic for me to share with others even though Scriptures are loud and clear about it, thanks,  
mamaluk

**Re: How did you know you were called?, on: 2006/6/26 11:56**

Hi Ormly,

Both the quotes in your last post, are about the ones He chose. How can you say He chose from among the 'called out ones'?

I mean, isn't **choosing** what calls anyone out from the general crowd? Are you really saying He does a **second round of choosing**?

Now, to your question about the robe, I would say that even a chosen one has to **choose Him, and to put on the garment**. He won't do it for the person, even if He deeply desires to find them wearing the robe.

Quote:

-----please fill in the reasons you believe God should choose you

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Pass. :-?

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 12:15**

Quote:

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I don't believe so if you mean reprobate and elect. The calling of the elect are but those whom He foreknew would respond -- and they do/did, keeping in mind the parable. Try seeing them as those living with convictions as opposed to those without convictions ---- then Jesus came and set them free. His Blood alone does this for everyone.. Then He invites those **will** to come to the banquet. "Come and dine the master said". "Take my yoke upon you and I will give you rest". And one of the replied: I won't put it on. I won't take your life into me.

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Indeed. And I find many born again deficient in the abiding in Him per the great commandment whereby Father can't choose them more specifically due to their lack of sensitiveness in hearing the "still small voice" of Himself... Consequently they are/become worthless for His kingdom.

Becareful here to not confuse choosing, with abiding.

Orm

**Re: How did you know you were called?, on: 2006/6/26 12:22**

Quote:  
-----I find many born again **deficient in the choosing Him per the great commandment** whereby Father can choose them more specifically.  
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Hi Ormly,

Could you please explain what you mean by 'choosing Him per the great commandment? Thanks.

Quote:  
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Hmmm. Can any one of us really say this of a fellow-believer?

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I don't think I'm confused, but, unless we keep choosing Him, we will stop abiding..... Right? ;-)

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 12:26**

Please re-read my post.. I amended some of my wording. It may answer your inquiry. Thanks

:-D

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What do you think?

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Define choosing..... And when is would choosing be a problem except when one isn't abiding? What will abiding produce that God is after in us after we have responded to Him and He has chosen us to abide? In other words, what is abiding to be about?

Orm

**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/26 12:44**

Hope this is relevant,

Philippians 2:13 kjv

For it is God which worketh in you both to will (choose) and to do of his good pleasure.

In my mind, even when I choose to do good, it's HIM who chooses through me.

:)

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 12:55**

Who is:

"you"

Paul is referring to.... except one who has intimacy with Father? Sorry, no casual Christians allowed in. This is a Kingdom issue.

Orm

**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/26 13:41**

Ormly,

Casual Christians?

Kingdom issue? Are you referring to the Kingdom of Heaven or the Kingdom of God? A future earthly Kingdom or the Kingdom of Israel?

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You confused me ! :)

Is this a new terminology or some new theology I need to be learning ? If saved by faith (God-given faith) through Grace, and to be adopted as a child through Christ, is not intimate enough, then I feel like I'm dealing with some hyper-spiritualism here. Which I think I'd better back away.

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I don't know anything about future earthly kingdom as some might allude to by twisting scriptures.

The Kingdom of Heaven or God is one in the same. Do the research, you find that out.

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Learning to be anything in Christ is to learn how to dwell in His kingdom. That's where intimacy/union with Him is to be found.... And He is the door. The Kingdom of God is within you and will never end beginning in this life. Living in it is a relational issue; it is to live IN His life, by His life. Its called union in Him.

Matthew 7:13-14 (KJV)

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it

Luke 13:24 (KJV)

Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.

You may think this only applies to initial salvation -- but think twice about that because there are alot of born againers with ego's and "ruling selfs" out there who think they are OK.... all in the name of Jesus.

Do you know any violent "casual" Christians?

"From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven/God suffers violence, and violent men take it by f

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orce. Matthew 11:12 (NASB-U)

What does that mean?

Orm

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mamaluk wrote:

Quote:

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Are you saying that you are a casual christian?

What exactly is a casual christian but one who has no zeal for christ and His Kingdom.

If one is filled with the Spirit, he can not be casual at all.

**Ephesians 5:18** And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; **but be being filled with the Spirit;**

Ormly wrote:

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Wouldn't you say that the yoke os the cross?

The wedding garment is Christs' righteousness.

**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/26 17:46**

hi logic,

I was merely re-iterating what I thought I was labelled, and was only trying to emphasize CHRIST, not myself. Whether m  
y Christianity is casual or not, I am sure HE knows best, and will judge and correct me accordingly. (By the way, I posted  
my question to Ormly, not to you, but I do welcome your corrections if you saw that need.)

I was just a little confused by Orm's statement, even though, from reading his posts, I could tell that he loves GOD a lot.  
And that is as good as anything I hope to see in brethren. But sometimes, statements on forum do get confusing, that's  
all!

Please remind yourself that I am nobody, I am nothing, praise God. Just forget about me, consider me a horrible Christia

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n, only look to CHRIST If I post something edifying, praise HIM, if I post some jibberish, read somebody else's, that's all!  
:)

In Christ, mml

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 18:06**

Quote:  
-----Ormy wrote:Quote:  
Then He invites those will to come to the banquet. "Come and dine the master said". "Take my yoke upon you and I will give you rest". And one of the replied: I won't put it on. I won't take your life into me.

Wouldn't you say that the yoke os the cross?  
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I wouldn't. The yoke is the "Shama" which means to "hear". Deut.6.4: "Hear o Israel.....". To hear, Shama/Shema, carries with it the command that when you hear, you respond. You take into yourself, through the hearing the "lively" word of God and give it your complete attention and a blessing response. In other words it means for us to take into ourselves the understanding of the Father and "Thou shalt love Him with all your heart, soul, mind and strength". His people still have difficulty with that part of it today. The yoke is the government of God.

Quote:  
-----The wedding garment is Christs' righteousness.  
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I wouldn't think so, though not receiving/wearing it would be an act of unrighteousness perhaps more serious than not being invited. We see what the master did. But I leave that to you. What is worse in your mind: Reject Christ outright or confess His name falsely? Perhaps accepting His salvation and NEGLECTING it; being casual with it, isn't as bad?

Orm

And Yeah Logic, Mamaluk doesn't read like a casual Christian.. 8-)

**Re: - posted by irunbarefoot, on: 2006/6/26 19:08**

I wonder if anyone gets to know Jesus any better because of these very long winded debates?

I don't mean it nastily.  
Just an honest question.

-Sean

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"All my music is free for download."

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**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/26 19:50**

Orm,  
Falsity of faith is far worse than unbelief. The prior seems more like a work of the devil, while that latter a manifestation of human sin.

Thank you for explaining in details on your posts as they enlightened me quite a bit. I appreciate Christians who demand accuracy and soundness of learning Scriptures.

In the midst of our song and dance religious culture, which they call "christian", Scriptures, let alone accuracy of the knowledge of Scriptures, are often purposely ignored.

I must confess, growing up in a Christian school all those younger years, with all the cramming and testing and re-testing on the gospel books as academic have turned me away from further studying them for quite a long time. My focus has since switched to mostly the Pauline epistles and the rest of the Bible. And there's where I noticed our differences, for examples: self-death vs life in spirit, self-emptying vs Spirit-filled, denying emotions vs loving GOD with affection..shouldn't they be the same?

Intimacy with the Father, is it not the same as living obediently to His Word in Christ, moment by moment? If not, how?

wanting to learn deeper,  
mml

**Re: - posted by Logic, on: 2006/6/26 19:55**

Ormly wrote:

Quote:  
-----The yoke is the government of God.  
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O.K. now that I looked into it more I agree.

Yoke: &#950;&#965;&#947;&#959;&#769;&#962;, zugo = dzoo-gos'

a coupling, that is, (figuratively) **servitude (a law or obligation)**; also (literally) the beam of the balance (as connecting the scales): - pair of balances, yoke.

You are saying that the wedding garment is the government of God also then, right?

Quote:  
-----The yoke is the "Shama" which means to "hear". Deut.6.4: "Hear o Israel.....".  
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Where do you get this?

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 21:02**

Quote:  
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Change some words around and make that apply to a loving wife and what she considers to be a loving giving relationship with her husband. As what her face used to sing, "What's love got to do with it"? Indeed what does love have to do with everything.

Think much about Jesus' own relationship with the Father. That's what He wants in us.

Thanks much for your kind words.

Sincerely,

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-Drm

**Re:, on: 2006/6/26 21:06**

Quote:  
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No, I'm not saying but yet if you were to ask whether or not the yoke and the garment were part of the love to the Father I would say, yes. Relationship that He honors is rooted in that.

Btw, whatever happened to that guy after he got kicked out?

The yoke is the "Shama" which means to "hear". Deut.6.4: "Hear o Israel.....".  
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Quote:  
-----Where do you get this  
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Context. Also Strongs.....*and insight*

(1033b); a prim. root; to hear:— announce(2), announced(3), announces(3), completely(1), comprehends(1), diligently(1), discern(1), disregarded\*(1), gave heed(2), give earnest heed(1), given heed(2), hear(270), hear\*(1), heard(363), heard for certain(1), hearing(5), hears(33), heed(5), heeded(2), indeed obey(1), keep on listening(1), listen(226), listen attentively(1), listen carefully(3), listen closely(1), listen obediently(2), listened(52), listening(12), listens(7), loud-sounding(3), made a proclamation(1), make his heard(1), make their heard(1), make them known(1), make themselves heard(1), make your heard(1), obedient(1), obey(32), obey\*(14), obeyed(21), obeyed\*(5), obeying(6), obeys(1), overheard(1), pay heed(1), proclaim(15), proclaimed(6), proclaims(1), reported(3), sang(1), show(1), sound(2), sound\*(1), sounded(1), summon(2), summoned(2), surely hear(1), surely heard(1), truly obey(1), understand(7), understanding(1), understood(1), witness(1).

Now, whatta think, see anything in there that stirs yer interest?

Thanks,

;-)rm

**Re: - posted by Logic, on: 2006/6/26 22:08**

Ormlly wrote:  
Quote:  
-----"Take my yoke  
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Then you said  
Quote:  
-----The yoke is the "Shama" which means to "hear".  
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Then you said,  
Quote:  
-----The yoke is the government of God.  
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So, if His yoke is His wedding garment, then the wedding garment is the Shama and the Shama is the government of G od.

Also, I asked, "where do you get this".  
I didn't mean where do you get the Shama, but I meant, where do you get the yoke being the Shama?

Is it that we must preach the Gosple and the Kingdom of God and they must "shama"?  
The Kingdom of God being the government of God.



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**Re:, on: 2006/6/27 7:22**

Quote:

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Logic wrote:

Ormyly wrote:

Quote:

-----"Take my yoke  
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Then you said

Quote:

-----The yoke is the "Shama" which means to "hear".  
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Then you said,

Quote:

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The Kingdom of God being the government of God.  
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Your last question is very accurate of my thinking but not all. I apologise to you for any unclearness of what I am attempt ing to get out of me. I see in these scriptures more than I am presently able to put into words.

Since what you repeated back is fairly accurate, permit me to put it yet another way:

The sinner becomes converted and is happy until he finds out the true requirement of Christian life that crosses him and he doesn't read or is taught, that part of the Bible. While seeing the necessity of being a Christian for salvation he does not see or whether he does see it nevertheless is not willing to give up his "self" lifestyle to have intimacy with the Lord, his love is not great enough.. You see, in his mind, he really wasn't a "bad" sinner and what "little" badness there was is taken care every sunday when he redicates his life by going forward at the call from the pulpit, setting the example for others by his "humility".. After all he is told all Christians sin everyday, so "why should he be expected to be an exceptional one". Or perhaps his being on the church board for helping poor orphans masks his true spiritual deficiency. After all, he wouldn't be chosen to be on the board if he wasn't spiritually qualified? Now the call to evangelise is also the order of the day and he likes hanging out with the "boys" playing cards every week down at the local social club. He now uses the "evangelism mask" for justifying the pleasuring of his "self" .. Well he thinks, Jesus hung out with sinners and was considered to be a wine bibber by some, why not me? But deep in his still "masked" rebellious heart are the words: "I will not wear that wedding garment". "I will do my own thing"....And "Jesus will forgive me". So he either refuses to receive one or if he has one, leaves it home lest he be embarrassed.

Can you see where I'm going with this, Logic?

This is where the eternal security folk have problems. And I do to to a point because the Bible says this :

*"How shall **we** escape if **we** neglect so great a salvation?..... Hebrews 2:3  
.....Notice it doesn't say "reject" but "neglect".*

*See to it that you do not refuse Him who is speaking. For if those did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will **we** escape who turn away from Him who warns from heaven. ....Hebrews 12:25 (NASB-U)*

The wedding garment is intimacy with the Master in whom we **will** see the necessity of His Yoke.....All this for His pleasure that we become begotten sons unto Him and enjoy His banqueting table forever. Eye hasn't seen, ear hasn't heard,

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nor has it entered into the heart of man what the Master has prepared for those who love Him and honor Him. When it does, "self" will be crucified.

"The Lord Jesus Christ is the first and the last. We were in Him at the first and will be in Him at the last. Between the first and the last we are in the world. The first and the last He is responsible for, the between is our responsibility. It is given to us to become as He is. Without a vision of the last we will not become. The vision of the last is implanted in us from the first. A revelation of the first brings the vision of the last that will sustain the in-between."....Ken Hepting

Hope this all helps,

In Him

Orm

A thought pops into my thinking.....

In Revelations we read this:

Rev. 6:11 (KJV)

*And **white robes were given unto every one of them** and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.*

Is literal death here spoken of them or death to "self" implied as in those who have overcome their old Adamic natures, i.e., the "way of the Cross" in each presently there and those yet to "die" by it, whom they wait for?

And then is this perhaps spoken of the blacksider:

Rev. 7:13-14 (KJV)

*And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have **washed their robes**, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.*

Hmmm--- I wonder.

**Re: - posted by mamaluk, on: 2006/6/27 10:25**

Orm,

I enjoyed this admonishing post.

This whole doctrine of 'easy-beliefism' and 'free grace'(costly to our Christ) seem to have corrupted the lifestyles of many in recent years.

Surely, in the end, every individual will be held accountable with every bit of grace and Blood one claims and abuses the hereafter.

Thanks Orm, do share more, sincerely

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**Re: - posted by Logic, on: 2006/6/27 10:48**

Exelent post Ormly!

I think literal death here spoken of them in **Rev. 6:11**, but, it is worth looking into.

I will do a study on Rev. 6:11 & Rev. 7:13-14.

I hope I may bounce my thought off you.

**Re:, on: 2006/6/27 17:55**

Thanks to you both for you kind words. I sense in you as being straight arrows for Jesus.

Logic, you asked this:

"Is it that we must preach the Gosple and the Kingdom of God and they must "shama"?  
The Kingdom of God being the government of God."

I believe yes is the only answer to both parts of your question since the "good news" is combination of the two message  
s found in Jesus Christ... and this to be part of the watching and waiting for His return.

Incidently the word "watch" infers giving up your will. Ever been in the arm services?

;-)rm