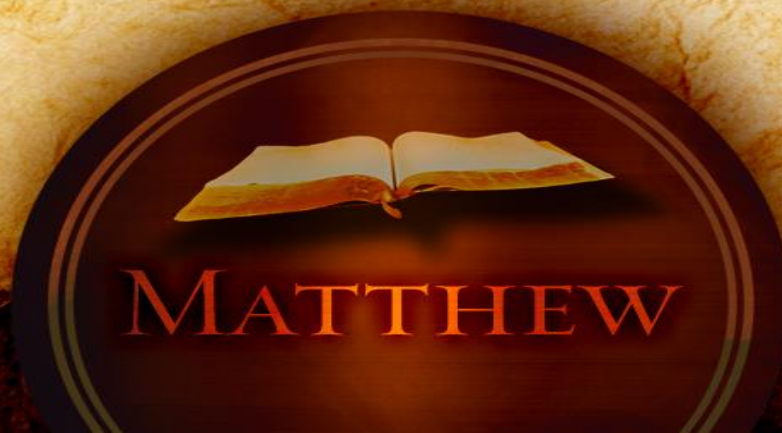




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“I Never Knew You”





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1 Thess. 4:3

“For this is the will of God, your sanctification...”



2 Peter 4:2

So as to no longer live the rest of the time in the flesh
for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.



1 John 2:15-17

“Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. And the world is passing away, and also its lusts, but the one who does the will of God abides forever.”



Hebrews 5:9

“And having been made perfect, He became to all those who obey Him the source of eternal salvation.”



Rom. 1:5 “Through whom we received grace and apostleship for the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of His name,”

Rom. 6:16 “Do you not know that when you go on presenting yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin leading to death, or of obedience leading to righteousness?”

Rom 16:19, 26 “For the report of your obedience has reached to all..... but now is manifested, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal God, has been made known to all the Gentiles, leading to obedience of faith;”



Luke 6:45

“..Why do you call Me, ‘Lord, Lord’ and do not do what I say?”



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Don't equate service with salvation!



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Saying you're a Christian and being a Christian are two totally different things.



Eph 5:5-6

“For this you know with certainly, that no one sexually immoral or impure or greedy, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience.”



1 John 3:6-8

“No one who abides in Him sins; no one who sins has seen Him or has come to know Him. Little children, let no one deceive you. The one who does righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. The one who does sin is of the devil.”



1 Corinthians 6:9-11

“Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.



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Thus speaketh Christ our Lord to us.
You call Me master and obey Me not
You call Me light and see Me not
You call Me the way and walk Me not
You call Me life and live Me not
You call Me wise and follow Me not
You call Me fair and love Me not,
You call Me rich and ask Me not
You call Me eternal and seek Me not
If I condemn thee, blame Me not.