## Christians, Christians!

Many *Christians* and true Christians want to be on the *winning team* – that is, the side that's **presently** (key point) winning the race. Note well: I write, "winning team," distinguishing it from "the team which **actually**, at the final conclusion of the race, wins." What I especially mean by this distinction is this: Just because lukewarm *Christianity* is growing in popularity as this great spiritual race takes place, this does NOT mean this apostate group will win at the finish line! No my friends. Warning: Do not join this growing majority who, while "ahead" in the *numbers* race at present, will actually NOT win at the finish line – on judgment day.

They – many pseudo-Christians (we're calling them *Christians* in this article – are willing to compromise Truths and accept the mandates of culture's majority). A suggested action step: Do a Bible study on "abomination" for a crucial *reality check* – one that honors the big picture finale. A study of this nature will shock you as to how far we've wandered from the Faith.

This, my friends, is yet another example of epistemic fallacy so rampant in our global secular culture today. *Christians* reject (and will increasingly reject) God's Truths due to cultural pressures to the contrary. Are they truly saved followers of Jesus Christ?

God's ways are different than our ways. There is a way which seems right to man. Those on the way to destruction are the majority. Many who say to Christ on the day of accounting, "lord, lord" will be rejected by the Lord of lords. Our coming King will indeed spit the lukewarm out of His mouth. The knowledge method which includes the influential pressures of secular cultural opinion is antithetical to God and His ways and thoughts.

So, dear Christian, will you maintain holding the plow and press on in God's Truths OR will you, as *Christian-by-name*, suffer shipwreck of faith, fail to produce fruit, look back and become a pillar of worthless salt? Read Mt. 13:1-9; 18-23, Lk. 9:62, Lk. 17:32 ... Genesis 19:26.

Will we do as we're commanded by our Lord Jesus and *endure to the end* unto salvation? Matthew 24:13 is clear. Mark 13:13b is clear. Luke 21:19 is clear.

**ENDURANCE** is crucial – always has been and always will be, even today. We conclude this handout with some God-honoring suggestions:

A devotional reading of Luke's Gospel is helpful toward protection against apostasy. Reading the Book of Hebrews fosters needed resolve. Given the global sin of compromise, the reading and heeding of Revelation 2 & 3 is essential.

Christian, Christian, open your eyes – the Word of God do not despise.Reject the world and the lord of lies, flee from dangerous compromise.

*Christian*, Christian, discern our day – obey your Lord and humbly pray.Die to self, to self today, for if you won't there's hell to pay.

*Christian,* Christian, listen now – God's Spirit within can show you how. Take up your cross, to Jesus bow, pursue by faith your promised vow. 2022 © Copyright by Jon Swanson.

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