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## Discipline

Nobody likes the word punishment and no one is ready to accept it. But the punishment is seen in every field. Those who surpass the rules and regulations of the countries, institutions and families will get punishment. When the authorities punish a person he can not refuse it. The culprits are not punished according to their convenience and wish. The punishment has got very important role in the assembly as per the word of God. The calamities occurred in the life of the people who persecuted and ignored the church is disastrous. Those who accept their mistakes and obey the Church of God will be blessed.

Do not think that we have full freedom in the

Church and can do anything we wish. The Church belongs to the Lord and it is the best example of the heaven. Even though we are not able to see our Lord with our naked eye, His presence is always there. Since our Lord Walks in the middle of the Church the best discipline is followed in the Church. It is very important that we should know the discipline of the Church. The assembly matters are to be handled with extreme fear and holiness. If any mistakes and sins are seen, it should be corrected immediately in the light of the scripture. Every sin done by the people like David, Moses, Achan, Anannias, and Safira are sins in the sight of God. It was the rule of God that each of them went through the punishment of

God. Those who reject the rules of God are rejecting God. It is a great sin, if anybody thinks that the child of God has got the freedom to do anything then the consequence will be great disastrous. The best disciplined place on the earth is to be the Church of God. The prime duty of the child of God is to obey God and His Church. Obedience is the basic doctrine. Obedience is the outward expression of faith. Obedience is the basis of all blessings. Disobedience will lead to sin and sin to punishment.

The scripture clearly shows the importance of the punishment. If anybody denies chastening he is not the child. The father punishes all children. If he loves his children he will correct them. God will deliver the body for

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## For the Attention of the Subscribers

The Suvishesha Dhvani had a liability of Rs 90000/- when brother K V Koshy took over it in 2002. Because of the infinite grace of the Lord and the incessant prayers and support of the saints and by the generous attitude of brother Danikutty (Bethesda Printers) we were able to clear the liability. Then with the collective task of the office bearers of the Suvishesha Dhvani we were able to continue the ministry without any liabilities. It is a great blessing of the Lord.

It is a publication of the YMEF. In order to have prayer support about our fellow brethren this publication continues to publish news related to the assemblies and other organisations. Moreover we are happy to state that this publication stands for truth. Hereby we request the readers to encourage this ministry by sending news and articles that keeps the standard of Suvishesha Dhvani and also by clearing the arrears. Contributions and free will offering are highly appreciated. Since the postal department has withdraws the subsidy to the foreign countries we have to spend Rs 50 every month for postage alone for a single individual. We are sending it to everyone who has interest to read it. So if any one leaves or changes their address kindly inform us of it either through telephone call or a letter. This will save us a good amount of money. We request every saints to co operate in this matter with us. Thank you.

**Chief Editor 09447354998**

## For Prayer and Thanksgiving YMEF (SD) Campaign

We are happy to let all the saints to know that the campaign in Tamilnadu is progressing. But according to the guidance of the Holy Spirit we have started a follow up campaign in Karnataka also. The follow up was started in Raichur on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2009. On 31<sup>st</sup> October Brother N Bhaskaran and Kuriakose joined Brother Jacob P Mathew A J Oommen and Vijayadas who reached Erode from Kerala went to Kollegal. They stayed there and attended the worship meeting on the first day of the week. Brother Sundar Raj from Chamrajnagar joined the team and they left for Raichur on November 1<sup>st</sup> afternoon. The saints in Kollegal made arrangements for their accomodation and food. The elders of the assembly submitted upheld the brethren to the throne of grace and they travelled whole night

## YMEF (ND) Punjab Campaign

Fathegad Saheb District: Almighty God enabled us to do the evangelisation of Fathegad District one more week. We worshipped the Lord on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the week with the saints of Patiala Brethren Assembly. This is a small assembly and brother Justin Zachariah lives here with his family. Kindly pray for him and this small assembly which is in its early stage. He co operated with us in this campaign.

We were able to share gospel in the villages of Punjab in the whole week. We get mixed response from the people. People are very rare in the villages because of the harvest season. So few people are available to listen to the gospel. But we carry out our responsibility with all its power.

We preached the gospel in the village called Padi. The words of a person after buying the books is very important. When we buy this book we have to use it. Otherwise it is harmful. The words of these man should arouse some thoughts in us. We also have to read and learn the Word of God and we have to practise it in our life. The Psalmist tell us that we have to keep the law in our heart to avoid sin.

We got tumultous and encouraging week in the Badamajra Village. Many came to lsten the word on hearing the song. We shared gospel to their homes. Many from the nearby homes gathered there and so we got a chance to share gospel to them. Some people accepted the Lord there. So it was an encouraging incident to us.

Then we went to the village called Bathala and preached the gospel in the midst of some opposition. But one Mr Veerendra Singh stood with us and helped us to finish the message. Then he took us to the house of one of his relatives and they gave us a warm welcome. Some of his relatives are christians. We shared gospel to them also. They requested us to pray for them.

These days we faced some opposition in some of the villages. But in the beginning there was no objection at all. On Saturday one of the villages we did not get the chance to share the gospel. We left the dust of our feet there and went to other villages. The glory of the gospel is on the increase even if a few rejects it in some place. Kindly continue to pray for this work. **T K Poulouse**

## ***Editorial* CHURCH ADMINISTRATION AND DISCIPLINE**

The Church administration and discipline are the ministries of the elders just like the two sides of a coin. By the Church administration the local Church is nourished and by the discipline is purified. These two things are very necessary for the well being of local assemblies. God has appointed elders in the assembly for this duty. But this action is not executed in our assemblies. So the after effect is seen in our assemblies nowadays. I was forced to write this editorial in connection to that. I praise God for that, it is possible to solve the small and big issues among the brethren in the light of the scripture with knowledge and keep the harmony. But the problems of assemblies are becoming worse due to the partiality and the interference of some big shots. And because of it in some places even the worship and breaking of bread is also stopped. What a pathetic situation it is? Many of the people use these situations for mere politics. But nobody will gain something out of this. Only God's name will be spoiled among the gentiles.

Even in first century there were groups, separation and politics. We read in Acts chapter 6 how a problem like this was solved. Those who had complained, from them only more were selected, for the ministry. But one thing was noticeable. The Apostles suggested some qualities for them which are good testimony, fullness of Holy Spirit, spiritual knowledge, strong in belief etc. Apostle Paul told Titus to entrust ministry with the sincere believers. These are the qualities for the ministry at that time and even for today. We consider that local Church and discipline are very important nowadays. Many believers are not considering that the church belongs to God. It is very sad that some people say about many things (physical involvement) that they and their father did for the assembly and try to establish their authority over the assembly. Some try to establish authority behind the ministry of others. Each and every believer should know that we have only the right to do the ministry that God had entrusted on us and not to establish any authority or freedom on the assembly. But today how the administrations of our assemblies are going on? Is the responsibility with sincere believers or it is traditional? What is the quality of an elder? Is it family background, friends circle, higher education, financial stability or foreign contacts? Because of these reasons the issues of the local assemblies are not solved as per the word of God. The Church is controlled by the people who split other churches. The real mother of the child did not allow to split the child in front of Solomon because she has given birth for the child, but other one was ready. Her mind was hardened. Today also some elders without spiritual burden are ready to destroy assemblies and believers.

Dear children of God, the shepherd we see in the Scripture, "Will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are with young". If the elders take care of the assembly without the respect of person and principality any problem can be solved. It is a great matter of joy that there are many assemblies in our midst where the folks are lead according to the word of God. There are ideal elders who took disciplinary action even against their wives. In some cases the elders wives were asked to keep away from the Lord's Table until they reconcile with their fellow believers. But by the influences of the material "Gifts", if they take one sided decisions and keep their position intact, the bitter results will be more.

The Good Shepherd Christ is our example who gives more respect to the weak. Let gifted elders arise by following the 'Good Shepherd, to nourish the folks who are purchased by Lord's own blood, with out respect of person. Then all the problems will be solved, the unity of Spirit will be preserved, assembly will be revived, our Bridegroom will be exalted and the name of God will be glorified. Let it be our aim and let God help us for the same.

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destruction. Those who eat the bread and drink the wine in an unworthy manner will become sick and many will die. We can see many references in the Bible for punishment. In psalms 23 the rod and staff are for punishment. In the book of revelation the messages to the 7 Churches we see clearly the punishment. Even at this period of mercy, there is punishment. It is written that the Church may be removed from its position.

If there are no scripture, chastening and punishment every body will walk in their own way. Do not cover the sin. It should be treated properly. The scripture gives the warning about the entering of sin in to the Church. The wolf or the roaring lion may come. There are possibilities of lust, false doctrines and impurities may enter in to the Churches. All these should be corrected and punished if required. A small portion of yeast can ferment the whole dough. The Church disciplinary action is like a medical treatment. Any ailment can be cured on proper treatment in the beginning. The method of treatment goes like massage, plastering, injection, operation, radiation, by-pass etc. There may be pain in these treatments.

In Psalms 23 we see the duties of the shepherd. These should be done with great love, compassion, privately and in meekness. The punishment should be executed very carefully with clear mind and pure faith. All punishments are painful but will produce good fruits there of. The family matters should be handled in a special way. If it is for the entire Church it should be done in that way. If there is no correction in proper time and places there will not be any growth.

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and reached Raichur at 4am. Brother A Joseph is taking Bible Classes in some villages. Kindly pray for the follow up Campaign and also for the formation of new assemblies.

The campaign in Erode is also going smoothly. Brother Samuel Thomas Cheppad and T Chacko who were with the Bible Students also returned home with them. Brother Muller from Madurai is with brother C M Varghese of the Ezhupunna Assembly. More brothers will join the team from Kerala. Brother J Babu of the Erode brethren assembly joins the team whenever he is available. Brother Karunakaran from the same assembly also remains with the team. We express our grattitude to all those who had supported us through prayer and financial support. Kindly continue to pray for it. We are in need of people to woirk in the team and also we are in need of a driver.

**Jacob P Mathew 09847000691**

## YMEF News

**Pathanapuram:** A one day outreach under the auspices of the Pathanapuram centre YMEF was held on 10.10.09 in association with the Meenkulam Brethren Assembly at Elavoor near Channappettah. Many had shown interest to the good news. Kindly pray that some fruits may come up from that area. Brother Lalu Varghese and Shaji is in the Lords service. Kindly continue to pray for the campaign here.

**D Thankachen (Secretary)**

**Kottarakkara:** If it be the will of the Lord a prayer meeting will be held at Mavelikkara Brethren Assembly on 29.11.09 at 3.30pm under the auspices of the YMEF (SD) and in association with the local assemblies and Kallisserry centre YMEF. The workers of the YMEF wish to visit the assemblies to speak of the campaigns going on in Karnataka and Tamilnadu. All brothers are requested to attend this prayer meeting. For more information **Please contact brother Jacob P Mathew 09847000691.**

### Gospel Meetings

**Elanthoor:** If it be the will of the Lord a gospel meeting will be held at the Neduveli Junction Panchayat Stadium under the auspices of the Elanthoor Pariyaram Brethren Assembly on 20,21,22 of November 2009. Night meetings are scheduled from 6pm to 8.30pm. **Brother Binu Samuel and Jose Mankudy** will deliver the messages. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessings.

**Pualur:** The 90<sup>th</sup> gospel meeting of the Punalur Brethren Assembly will be held from 23.12.09 to 27.12.09 at the Auditorium site near Pineapple Junction Arampura. **Brother M M Zachariah, John P Thomas, George Chacko, P G James and Binu Mathew** will deliver the messages. Kindly pray for the spiritual blessings.

### Vedanadham Bible Training Centre Started in Angamaly

The ministry of the vedanadham has started at Mukkannoor near Angamaly. The dedication ceremony of the newly constructed training centre took place on 11.10.09 at 4pm. The ministry was started by brother Paulose Tudiyan in 1973 and through this ministry gospel was shared in many parts of Kannur and many assemblies were formed. Moreover more than two hundred students were trained and many of them are in the vineyard.

Now twelve students from the different parts of India are learning the word here. Eminent scholars handle the classes. Learning, training and evangelisation are the main programmes. Kindly continue to pray for the different ministries like Bible correspondence course, radio and village ministries.

**Joseph T Paulose**

**Sabarimangal:** The ministry of the SPS Fund is going well. In the general body which was conducted on 25.8.09 the office bearers and executive committee was elected. C P Aniyam will continue as the secretary and Ettikkal Kunjumon will be the treasurer. Kindly continue to pray for the SPS ministry.

**C P Aniyam**

### For Prayer

**Brother Justus Sam** of Minneassotta is in critical condition after a bypass surgery.

**Update:** The dear brother has improved a lot and is free from the fatal stage. But please continue to pray.

**Bahrain: Brother Joy Paulose** is admitted to the hospital in Chandigarh for a bypass surgery. **Update:** The surgery is over but the dear brother has several problems in association with the surgery. So kindly continue to pray for him.

### Change of Address

**Mumbai:** Kindly pray for the Sakinakka Assembly and its ministries. **The new address of the assembly is Rajan Lukose, Room No.8, Prabith Nivas, Laxmi Narayan Mandir Road, Sakinakka, Mumbai.**

**Babu George**

### Sisters Meeting

The 61<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the Kumbanadu centre Sodhari Samajam took place on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at the Kumbanadu Brethren Assembly. The meeting was presided over by brother V M George and the key note address was delivered by brother George Mathew.

**Achamma Mathew**

### The Monthly Prayer Meeting

The prayer meeting of the Brethren Assemblies in and around Pathanamthitta will be held on 28.11.09 at 10am in the Konni Brethren Assembly Hall. All are requested to attend this meeting.

**A M Thomas**

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or Christ. The true disciple has set his mind on things above. Christ alone is the focus of his affection and adoration. He is not only detached from earthly things; he is ever ready to give them up as well. His peace of mind is never disturbed by loss or gain of anything in this world, because he is giving away what he cannot keep and what he has ceased to love.

Are you prepared to forsake all things for the Lord and to become a true disciple?

We have come to the concluding part of this study on "True Discipleship." Well, who then is a disciple? A spiritual superman or spiritual slump? The answer is that both possibilities are there. Since discipleship is a process, a disciple is a person who goes through the process. This process begins with his conversion and goes on till he stops learning from God and His Word. God will continue His work in the disciple till his death. There is no such thing as instant discipleship.

Without spending time and effort none will become a mature disciple.

Just like the disciples of Jesus' day, all disciples will commit mistakes from time to time. But as long as they are trying to learn from the Master and obey Him, they are in the right track of true discipleship. To the growing disciple Jesus would say, "You have been doing well, you have been demonstrating that you are a disciple, but it is now time to graduate to the next class. Are you willing to grow further? If the disciple says yes, he continues to be a true disciple. Otherwise the Lord would say, "You cannot be My true disciple." Now let's look into some of the marks of true discipleship.

**Dr. Varghese John**  
Trivandrum

# Forsake All for Christ

## Biblical Cases

Both in the Old and New Testaments we find people who lived with detachment to the things of this world. Some of them forsook many things at the very outset they were called by God. Many others lived with the readiness to forsake everything at any moment for God.

**Job:** Consider the life of Job. When he lost all that he had, he worshipped God and uttered one of the immortal statements of the Bible. "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD" (Job 1:21). Job didn't have any attachment to the things he had. Such an attitude enabled him to say



## Never Able to Return ...

Human life ends very fast. It can be compared to a flower which is seen today and will be no more on the next day. A flower spreads sweet odour in its surrounding immediately after it is blossoms. It attracts bees and other flies to enjoy honey from it. But man the embodiment of selfishness is much different from the flower. He does not enjoy such a sacrificial life. His desire is to acquire anything and everything in his short life. He is satisfied in that. But he forgets the fact that everything is temporal.

One day a man was standing in the shadow of a tree. He addressed the shadow and said. You are sure to return here once in every twenty four hours. But I am sure that I will not return. You are a comfort for those travellers who

without any hesitation, "The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away" .

**Abraham:** Abraham the father of the faithful and friend of God who forsook everything when God called him to follow Him. He also displayed his detachment to wealth when a dispute had risen between Abraham's servants and Lot's servants. The land, which they lived in, was not sufficient for the livestock belonging to them. How did Abraham resolve this problem? He willingly forsook his right to occupy the best part of the land and gave Lot the chance to choose first the best part of the land. Abraham said to Lot, "Is not the whole land

seeks rest under you. You are able to provide him rest and comfort. But when I reach on the other part of the world I have not prepared anything to present at the feet of the Lord. I was very busy here in this world to attain gains and growth in materialist things. Much time is not left for me here. Now I am weak. The germs of many diseases have found my body as a congenial place for them to stay and multiply. I do feel sorry for the past But I will not get back what I have lost.

Just for a moment think ....think for a moment ... Many of the things of the world may and will come back. There is only one person who declared I will come back. That is our Lord Jesus Christ. Though we may feel that he will be delayed He will not. He will come at the right time. Since man

before you? Please separate from me. If you take the left, then I will go to the right, or, if you go to the right, then I will go to the left" (Gen. 13:9). Abraham did not try to grab the choice portion of the land because he didn't have any attachment to wealth of this world. He was always satisfied with whatever God gave him. He lived by faith as a sojourner till his death.

**David:** He was the greatest king of Israel. God blessed him both spiritually and materially. What was his attitude to wealth? David discloses it in one of his Psalms "... If riches increase, do not set

cannot come back it is his responsibility to repent and accept Christ as his personal saviour in this life. It is not after the death of a person but before one is alive. Men of God has to understand a great truth behind it. We are living only once in this world in our life time. We will not be able to come back like the shadow. So let us lead a life fruitful to the Master. Let us be a sweet smelling aroma to others. There should be something on our part to present to the Master. So let us work hard to have something for that time. Let us win reward for our hardwork. Let our Lord enable us to focus our thoughts and meditation on that. Understand that we can never come back like the shadow.

**TVS**

## In TV Channels

### Sathgamagamaya TV Talk Show Programme

People channel of Kairali's News Channel

All Fridays (Malayalam) 4.30-5.00 p.m.

Monday 6.00-6.30 a.m. Zee TV (Hindi)

### Jeevamritham Television Program

Every Saturday 9 P M -9.30 p.m. in Power vision channel by Evg Chandapilla Philip

your heart on them" (Psalm 62:10). Though he was very rich, his heart and mind were not on the riches. He had a heart that was always thirsting for God and not for the blessings of God (Psalm 63:1).

**Paul:** He is the greatest Christian the world has ever seen. In his testimony given in Philippians he wrote, "But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. Yet indeed I also count all things loss... and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ (Phil.3:7,S). By the end of this epistle he wrote, "I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need" (Phil. 4:12). This statement shows that Paul didn't have any attachment to anything in this world. He treated prosperity and poverty alike.

**Jim Elliot,** a modern martyr who gained international recognition when he died with four others at the hands of Auca Indians, also was a man who didn't have any attachment to anything in this world. Let me quote the words he penned in his diary. "Father, let me be weak that I might loose my clutch on everything temporal. My life, my reputation, my possessions, Lord, let me loose the tension of grasping hand... Rather, open my hand to receive the nail of Calvary, as Christ's was opened - that I, releasing all, might be released, unleashed from all that binds me now". A prayer worth praying for all disciples!

God illustrate the right meaning of forsaking all for God

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