

SIMPLE NOT EASY

Accepting Jesus as our Lord and Savior

MATTHEW CHAPTER 7 VERSES 13-14 NKJV

¹³Enter you at the straight gate, for wide is the gate, and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat. ¹⁴because striate is the gate and narrow is the way which leads to life and few there be find it.

LUKE CHAPTER 9 VERSE 23 KJV 2 TIMOTHY CHAPTER 3 VERSE 12 KJV JOHN CHAPTER 16 VERSE 33 KJV

1. Luke Chapter 9 verse 23

And He said to them all, if any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me.

2. 2 Timothy chapter 3 verse 12

Yea, and all that will live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

3. John Chapter 16 Verse 33

These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me you might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

HEBREWS CHAPTER 12 VERSES 1-2 KJV

¹Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race set before us, ²looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

IT'S NOT EASY BECAUSE

- 1. They must make a <u>commitment</u> to serve Jesus.
- 2. It requires <u>sacrifice</u> and self-denial.
- 3. They must live a <u>righteous</u> life using the word of God as their guide.

TITUS CHAPTER 2 VERSES 11-13 KJV

¹¹For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men. ¹²Teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously and Godly in this present world. ¹³Looking for that blessed hope and appearing of the great God and our savior Jesus Christ.

1 ST PETER CHAPTER 1 VERSES 3-5 NKJV

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Which according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, and that fade not away reserved in Heaven for you ⁵who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 40 VERSES 5-8 NKJV

⁵and the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

⁶The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: ⁷the grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. ⁸The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

LEVELS OF ISAIAH CHAPTER 40 VERSES 5-8 NKJV

- 1. God is primarily speaking to Isaiah about Israel's restoration from their captivity in the Old Testament. However, in my personal opinion this scripture also applies to the <u>people</u> who don't know Jesus and are currently in captivity and need the hope of <u>our savior</u>.
- 2. This scripture also is pointing to John the Baptist crying in the wilderness to the Jews in the New Testament as well as people today.
- 3. This <u>scripture</u> can be applied to the <u>multitude</u> today who live in this <u>sinful</u> world because they don't have Jesus in their life. There needs to be a <u>loud</u> voice today saying that <u>Jesus</u> is the only way to life more <u>abundantly</u>, don't go through the straight gate, follow Jesus through the narrow gate.

ISAIAH CHAPTER 55 VERSE 11 NKJV

¹¹So shall my word be that goes forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.