

## **Rest For A Weary Soul Daily Devotional - Monday, October 6, 2008**

Praise the Lord and Good Evening,

Last Saturday we spent the morning at a funeral service for a father of friends of ours. The deceased was elderly and had been sick for some time. Among other accomplishments in his life, we learned that he served as a marine. At the gravesite, he was given an honored marine's homegoing including a military salute, the folding of the American flag which was given to his widow. A fellow marine (a man appearing to be at least 2 decades younger than the deceased), read about saying goodbye to a fellow soldier. It was very moving. The man, white, and the deceased, black, had one connection and that was they were brothers. Marines. I stood there and listened as the reader read passionately about the appreciated service of the deceased for his country. You could feel the connectivity, the respect, the honor and the privilege the reader felt to stand before the deceased family and pay homage to their loved one for his effort as a United States Marine.

What more of you and I as saints of God? Do we truly hold each other in high esteem? Do we value, appreciate, applaud, honor and respect those in the service of the Lord? Certainly the power of the Holy Ghost is strong enough to produce love for those in the household of faith? We read of the Apostles of the New Testament and the Patriarchs of the Old Testaments with respect, but do we esteem those around us every day with the same respect? We are blessed by those who stand in the heat of their storms and still remain faithful to the Lord. Those who've held on to the bloodstained banner of the Lord and given us living examples of God's word in action, should be appreciated and loved. Yes, I know we honor those who've gone on...but what about honoring those who are here now? When was the last time you said, "Thank You Lord for \_\_\_\_\_" and when was the last time you reached out to a saint and thanked them for holding on, for pressing on, for trusting in the Lord when there was little visible reason to trust the Lord....for waiting on the Lord to renew their strength....for showing us that God is able to take us through anything....that the Lord will never leave us if we but rely on Him and His Word!....When was the last time you got choked up thinking about someone's walk with the Lord and how it encouraged you to stay saved?

Yes, all of us can go on without expressing it....without sharing what the body of Christ means....but it certainly means a lot to know that someone has been impacted by the life of another...especially a fellow servant in the Lord. In the end though, whatever we've done or will do for the Lord, is, after all, our reasonable service as a servant!

10. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith. (Galatians 6:10 KJV)

17. Honor all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king. (1 Peter 2:17 KJV)

In the Master's Service,

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Matt 11:28-29 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.  
29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.