

A Compromised World

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This world in which we live has been compromised by evil. It was not created to be evil, but it became that way.

In Genesis 1, Six times God said His creations were **good**, then in:

Genesis 1:31 God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was **very good**.

'Compromise' is an interesting word. It is com + promise = with promise or mutual promise. Compromise is an agreement or a settlement of a dispute that is reached by each side making concessions – each party surrenders something that it wants.

Let's say that you want it to be 68 degrees in your work-place and your secretary wants it to be 72. You both agree to settle for 70 degrees – that is a compromise – a mutual promise between you.

It means that both parties accept standards that are less than what is desirable. But, in this way 'compromise' is used in a positive sense.

Compromise also has a **negative** connotation when it means "to lose or surrender one's principles and values." For instance, when a thief breaks into someone's home we say that the owner's **security** has been —compromised.

'Compromise' has another meaning worthy of note, of having a **fault exposed**: as in: "The young boy was caught with his hand in the cookie jar." That was a compromising situation for him to be found in. The child was caught red-handed stealing a cookie – and though he hangs his head in shame – he has **compromised** his integrity.

It is not until he says he's **sorry** – and that he won't do it again – and is forgiven and hugged – that his **uprightness** in the family is fully restored again.

One of the first Scriptures about a compromising situation that comes to mind in the Bible is when Adam and Eve found themselves in a **compromising** circumstance. Adam and Eve compromised their relationship with God.

Genesis 3:10 And [Adam] said, I heard thy voice [Lord] in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

You see, Adam and Eve had sinned – and now they found themselves **exposed** in a **compromising** revelation – their sin. When Satan entered the scene, Adam and Eve were compromised. Paul tells us in:

Romans 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man [Adam] **sin entered** into the **world**, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

That serious breach compromised God's perfect law – resulting in death for all men.

Romans 5:14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the same way of Adam's transgression.

Because Adam and Eve were the parents of all mankind, they had **compromised the entire world** with their sin. That's where we find ourselves today – in a Compromised World. We find ourselves citizens of this present evil world, residing in carnal fleshly bodies – fully capable of sin.

Romans 8:7 The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can it be.

Fortunately, we are privileged to know the outcome and resolution of this situation. We know, for example, that God is not going to wink at this evil world and just overlook all this evil, because our Lord said in:

Isaiah 13:11 I will **punish** the **world for their evil**, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease, and will lay low the conceit of the tyrant.

But there is also good news for the earth and for us too, as we know.

Romans 8:21 Because the creation itself also shall be **delivered** from the bondage of decay into the glorious liberty which belongs only to the Children of God.

As much as we in God's Church might wish to deny our sinful past, we have all sinned by **compromising** ourselves. In Ephesians 2, Paul calls us — 'children of disobedience.'

Like everyone else, we were as good as dead — in our trespasses and sins. That is why we were part and parcel with this **compromised world**.

Ephesians 2:3 Among whom also we all had our conduct in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, **even as others**.

Sometimes people in God's Church have trouble remembering and admitting that we all were "the children of wrath" when called by God.

Man's **compromised** relationship with God began at the very beginning with Adam, and has continued in all of mankind. The big question then becomes, how can we become uncompromised, forgiven, reconciled to God, and able to partake of the grace afforded us? We must make sure that we are **living** an uncompromising life in the midst of a compromising world. We must rule over our thoughts, desires, bodies, minds, words, actions — our **entire** self.

We in God's Church are not anything like everybody else. We might look the same — but we are not. Paul says that we have to "reign in life," rule over our own lives.

Romans 5:17 If by one man's offence death reigned by one man [Adam]; much more they which receive an abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall **reign in life** by one, Jesus Christ.

In order to **reign in life** with Jesus Christ in the millennium — we must learn to rule our selves now. But how do we go about it? To walk in this way of life there can be no compromise.

It should go without saying that: We should never compromise our standards, core values, ethic, principles, or beliefs. We must never compromise the **way** and truth of God — or His statutes, judgments or commandments. As we consider that **sin is compromise**, — it means a watering down of God's truth — a breaking of God's Law.

We sin by lowering our standards by yielding to that which is wrong, for personal gain or advantage. Because we are sinners, it is only through repentance and faith in the sacrifice of Christ for our forgiveness that we can become uncompromised in God's sight.

It becomes abundantly clear that our compromised nature in this evil world can only be restored to righteousness by Jesus Christ's sacrifice—in which He gave Himself for our sins.

Galatians 1:4 [Jesus] **gave** Himself for our sins, that He might **deliver** us from this present **evil world**, according to the will of God and our Father.

It is only through repentance, faith in the sacrifice of Christ for our forgiveness that we can become uncompromised. Jesus willingly sacrificed Himself in our stead to pay for our sins. We have forgiveness for those times we have failed to take an uncompromising stand for God's way of life.

With that being said, we need to examine ourselves on a regular basis because of the tendency of our human nature to drag us back into our former compromised condition. Please, do not think that that is not likely.

Too often, we – those of us who have been in God’s Church for years and years – think of ourselves as being **right**. We believe, “**I do everything right** – the way I approach people, the way I approach my family – the way I do everything (in or out of the Church.) “I’ve got it made because I’m in God’s Church.”

And, I’m sure that some would quickly add, “I’d never compromise God’s word.” It is much better not to say, “I’m on track, but instead, “I need to get on track.”

When we think that we are doing everything the right way – we cannot examine ourselves to find what is wrong in our lives.

What is our motivation? What is the thing that drives the choices we make? What determines how we act? Is it so that we will be accepted? Is it to be better than others? Or, is it to be seen of others? or, smarter, or, richer, or, ahead, or, the recognition, or, the glory, or, the esteem?

Or, is it to have that humble contrite heart that Jesus had? Humility is admitting that I do not know everything. Humility is admitting, “I didn’t know that either – I had to Google it to get the answer.”

Do we see God in all other people? — the image of the **divine** in everyone? So if we wish to measure ourselves – to be on track – we ask ourselves: How did we treat people yesterday and today? Did we treat them with dignity and respect – seeing the potential of God in them? Do I have a good report from my boss, my family, those who know me best?

1Timothy 3:7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

That admonishment is not for ministers only.

The world rubs off on the Church brethren – sometimes more than we know. We know that **God** is good, wise, generous, forgiving, loving, caring, sacrificing... But the question we need to ask ourselves as we examine ourselves is: “Am I good, wise, generous, forgiving, loving, caring, sacrificing...” Am I able to say, “That’s me?” No! I must admit that I come far short of God’s goodness. There is none good but God.

To think that anyone in the flesh is **good**, is starting at the wrong place – it is the wrong premise. How can we even get started in obtaining a spiritually objective view of ourselves? It is a huge problem in God’s Church. People cloak themselves in their own righteousness. And those who do it – won’t even examine themselves. People ride their righteousness like it was a mighty beast.

It is a wrong premise to believe that since we are doing everything correctly – Sabbath, Holy Days, food laws, etc – that we have become “good.” We think we are on course – but, we’ve never gotten totally on course. We are off track. It is a wrong premise because we start with the wrong supposition – “I am so right in everything I do.”

Brethren, we don’t go around in the flesh thinking we have it all together – and that all of our motivations and intents are as pure and innocent as the driven snow. Even ministers have to judge their motives.

“I’m being **good**.” When we say that to ourselves – we are making a big mistake. Paul often mentioned that it was possible to revert to our previous **compromised** status—that of being unapproved of by God. Paul, himself, had to fight this – he said:

1Corinthians 9:27 I keep my body [myself] under [control], and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a worthless reprobate.

Yes, we in God's Church could lose out on everything.

Hebrews 4:1 Let us therefore fear [Greek - *phobia*], lest, a promise being left us of entering into His [millennial] rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

We must be building our spiritual house without compromise. What direction are our lives heading? What path are we going down? God called us and opened our minds to hear and understand His truth. But, we are seriously cautioned not to trust our **own** evaluation of ourselves. Our **own** self-evaluation is not to be trusted.

Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

We might think from the bottom of our heart that we are right—absolutely right—but God says, “No, you are not good.” We are sold under sin. We dare not trust in our own wisdom to gain us entrance into God's Kingdom.

Compromise is a serious threat, especially in this present day.

We have the proclivity to overlook our comfortable shortcomings which can lead to compromising God's perfect way. How can we be sure that we are trusting in the sovereignty of God, and not in our own schemes and penchants?

When we look back at our lives, the times that we have fallen into sin, and we retrace our steps, we will find in most every instance it started with a little bit of compromise. If there is a breakdown in our relationship with God, it is only a matter of time until compromises start making their way into our life. We need to look closely at ourselves to make doubly sure that we are not conning ourselves, playing church, or falling into a trap of compromising our Christian calling.

I want to talk about the **Church of God** for a moment.

We have had a rough and tumble history. I would hope that most would admit that those in charge have made a lot of mistakes. And, I believe that it would be a truism to admit that no Church era has, or will be “perfect” until Jesus Christ returns and establishes His Father's Kingdom on this earth.

One mistake that was made was to treat all the members like they were all alike. There was not much room in the Church for individualism. People were not allowed to grow or think outside of the box without getting into trouble – as though they were trying to foment some kind of revolution.

Some ministers felt threatened whenever a member asked any question at all. They failed to take into account that everyone had vastly different backgrounds, emotions, education, experiences and expectations.

We were not all made in the same mold. Some had more needs than others. Some had more to give than others.

Many congregations were all too rigid, inflexible and unyielding. But, all too often – we were all treated like we were the same. Variety, diversity, and exceptionalism were all but stomped out.

The problem with that is that God loves variety and diversity – just look at the myriads of different life-forms He has created. I want to share a short writing that was sent to me by a member. It talks about how a **one-size-fits-all** method of approach with regard to the membership is detrimental to the development of the brethren. It is titled “Hand-Crafted” by John Ortberg. He is not in God's Church but his observations are moving and poignant.

Ortberg writes about how different everyone is – and how God dealt differently with so many people in the Bible. A doctor does not give everyone the same pill without first diagnosing their condition.

Parents learn in raising their children how different each child reacts to the same situations or correction. He says:

“What would grow an orchid would drone a cactus. What would feed a mouse would starve an elephant. ...The key is not treating every creature alike. It’s finding the unique conditions that help each creature grow.”

Our model is God who always knows just what each person needs.

“He had Abraham take a walk, Elijah take a nap... Adam take the rap... God never grows two people the same way. God is a hand-crafter, not a mass producer.”

We in God’s Church have become accustomed to thinking that the work we have been called to do is well behind us – it’s over – and that there is little left to do.

Brethren, our greatest work lies ahead of us. We cannot let down. Our response should be, “Hallelujah, God is using us!” And it is true – God is not finished with His work yet. If He were, everything would be over with. But, our greatest work lies ahead. But, realize this: Time is shorter than we ever imagined!

Our work is not in building an organization. I would hope that we’ve gotten that false idea of “Christianity” out of our systems by now. God is not building large congregations in every city across our nations. He did that once – and then He tested those peoples to see if they really believed in the doctrines, principles, faith and core values of Christianity.

Sadly, the vast majority of the congregants believed only in the social and political aspects of large organizations with their money, power and influence. A few – an almost unseen minority of brethren lived their faith as Jesus and the apostles did – and were treated shabbily by those who wished to extend their heavy-handed rule and malicious control.

But, because we are all individuals – and not exactly the same – we came to understand **at different times** where the large organizations were off track. We came out one by one – and are still doing so – one by one. The true Church still exists and will continue to survive until the return of Christ. That true Church will not be buried and forgotten.

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of the grave shall not prevail against it.

What is the work and responsibility of that little surviving flock? It is always to preach the Gospel and feed the flock. But that has taken on a new face in light of the apostasy that engulfed the Worldwide Church of God.

Luke 12:32 Fear not, **little flock**; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:33 Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that fails not, where no thief approaches, neither moth corrupts.

Luke 12:34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. [Our heart must be totally in God’s way of life.]

Luke 12:35 Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning;

Luke 12:36 And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when He will return from the wedding; that when He comes and knocks, they may open unto him immediately.

Luke 12:37 Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he comes shall find vigilantly awake.

There is a warning there not to adopt the lazy slumbering attitude of the Laodiceans. So what manner of people are we to be? Our work is what it has always been. Our work is exactly the same as Jesus’ work was. And that was to Cry aloud, spare not – with the Gospel – the good news of God’s coming Kingdom.

Are we aware of the fact that the population of this earth knows less about the true Gospel message than ever before? The true God is unknown to this vast compromised world. And the various broadcasts going out by those seeking to build congregations and gain members are not growing by 30% a year – like when we came to a knowledge of the Truth.

No. Percentage wise, true Christianity is rapidly being diminished. Through falling away and attrition because of aging, the true church is growing smaller day by day. Those of us who know the Holy Days, the Sabbath and the Kingdom of God are miniscule today – let alone those who are actually **living their lives** as true Christians!

We must be a shining light on a hill. That is what God has called us for. We must continually seek to eradicate the darkness that is within us all and become **uncompromised**.

Luke 11:33 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, puts it in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.

Luk 11:34 The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness.

Because we care, we must preach what Jesus preached to this dying evil world – this God-less world. Perhaps you are among the few who are privileged to live in an area where you have other true faithful believers near your vicinity. But that is not representative of immense regions of the earth where there is a famine of God's people.

Most true Christians live in a vacuous environment of secular society that is enmity against God. I use the designation: ICBN Short for "Isolated **Church of God Brethren**."

By way of the internet, primarily, we serve brethren in isolated **Muslim** communities on the other side on the world. ...we serve brethren in isolated **Catholic** communities. (I'll share one of their stories with you in a moment.) ...we serve brethren in isolated **Atheistic** communities.

With the entire world in such dire straits, what are we – you and I brethren – as a small people of God to do? The answer is always the same, "Cry aloud, spare not."

Isaiah 58:1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

Brethren, let's not sell ourselves short by saying – "What can we do?" – Because it continues to be about the Church – and that is **you** brethren. It continues to be about **you!** I'll show you that from the Holy Scriptures in a moment.

Today, God has made it possible for the little flock to have a big voice. Ask yourself, "How does the world today hear the true Christian Gospel?"

How can it be possible for the world today to **hear** the Gospel message of self-sacrifice and laying you life down – that leads to the Kingdom of God.

How will the world today hear – **not** a gospel of who has the most membership, a college campus that rivals Pasadena, and a world headquarters – but, how will they hear the Gospel that Jesus brought of the coming Kingdom of God and who it is that will qualify to be in God's Kingdom?

The True people of God know that the truth still exists because Jesus said that His Church would never die out. But where and how to find God's Truth is the question. I want to share this email with you because this is something you need to keep in your thoughts and prayers. This email comes from a member in an isolated **Catholic** community. They were a part of one of the larger corporate organizations. This lady writes:

"We've been going through a difficult process – that of leaving a church which had been a central part of our lives. But I agree with you, God's Church is a spiritual body, therefore it transcends any church organizations.

"And I also realized that loyalty to a church organization does not necessarily mean loyalty to God.

"I truly find your sermons very enlightening, encouraging and comforting. And after the very difficult experiences we've been through, it would be so much helpful to be able to fellowship with people of like mind again.

"That's why it was sad to learn that you don't have a congregation here in [my country].

"We really would have to stand alone now. We (I mean my family and I) actually have been standing alone for almost a year now.

"We have refrained from attending because of the things going on in our congregation. At first, we were still hoping that we [could go back] but as the weeks and months passed by, we began thinking maybe it is not really in God's will.

"It is extremely discouraging to see that the church or congregation [we] used to be [a part] of [with] one mind, is no longer that way.

"And the way they (the pastor and regional director) have treated us and other brethren is simply not according to God's way.

"Somehow, we still have a number of friends/brethren who have been encouraging us and want us back even at the risk of provoking the ire of the pastor.

"Never in my remotest dream did [I ever think] this would happen in God's Church. Our history in the church goes back to... being baptized in 1978 in the days of the Worldwide Church of God. All of our children were born and raised in the church.

"Leaving the church was a very difficult experience for them - actually, for all of us. Many times, we felt lonely, confused, discouraged but somehow, I thank God for helping us through it.

"But because of our painful experience, I found myself questioning a lot of things. Is this really God's Church? Are the ministers in **our** church organization true servants of God?

"Are we true Christians? I began reevaluating my beliefs, my faith, my conversion. Why is this happening?

"What is God's purpose for all this? Were we also deceived just like the rest of the world all this time, all these decades? I even began looking to other sources, other Sabbath-keeping groups outside of the WCG offshoots, other Christian churches looking for answers, proving all things all over again.

"Later on, I was able to affirm that God's absolute Truths still hold true and that there indeed is no other way except God's way, no matter what our circumstances.

"We, as a family try to hold fast to what God has given us. It's not easy at all. Our family is holding Sabbath services at home, we kept the past Feast of Tabernacles on our own.

"It's lonely but God sends us comfort. My eyes were also opened to our own shortcomings and inadequacies as Christians. But I am determined to be a stronger Christian, who practices pure religion, and who worships the Great God in Spirit and in Truth.

"Thank you for your strong, meaty, inspiring sermons. May God continue to inspire you and strengthen you. I hope to get to know you more, too.

"Thank you for your attention to my letter. Looking forward to your reply. God bless you. Signed ____"

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I've written a number of long letters in response to some of the issues she has raised. These people need solace and encouragement in their isolation.

Brethren, I wanted to share this well written email with you to demonstrate what so many of God's true people are going through all around the world – and in many cases they are having to stand alone like these folks. God's people are isolated and scattered – and still in great need of being fed spiritually.

Brethren, I want to personally **thank you** for **your part** in making it possible to continue to serve the isolated brethren around the world that God is still working with at this late hour. We know:

Mark 1:14-15 Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the **Gospel of the Kingdom of God**. And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel.

We come to John 17: This is Jesus' heart-to-heart talk with His Father. And interestingly – **we** were on His mind at that very moment!

John 17:14 I have given them [apostles] thy word; and the **world** hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

John 17:15 I pray **not** that thou should take them out of the world, but that thou should keep them from the evil one.

John 17:16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

John 17:17 Set them apart through your truth: thy word is truth.

John 17:18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

John 17:19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

We come to the verse that shows us that Jesus had **us**, the Church of God today, **in mind**, as He was praying to His Father.

John 17:20 Neither pray I for these [apostles] alone, but for **them** also [who believe] through their **word**; [Preaching and teaching]

For your notes you need to know about this word, "**word**":

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received [Peter's] **word** were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the **apostles' doctrine** and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

The **apostles doctrine** is a great part of our foundation in the faith and truth. That is what Jesus was referring to in John 17:20 when He said that He was praying for us who believed as a result of the apostles' **word**.

The world out there does not know the Father, and they do **not** know that He [the Father] sent Jesus Christ to be the Savior of the world.

Jesus could have made a great impact by being born in New York City, or Washington DC, or Los Angles, or London... any world class cities with world class satellite communications... But He chose little Bethlehem of Palestine under Roman rule when there was no electricity, phones or television.

Jesus chose a humble and obscure beginning – and He continues to use an obscure and little known small flock – us. So, brethren, I want to ask you, how is it possible that the world could possibly wake up and believe in Jesus and His Gospel?

No matter how small, no matter how insignificant you may think you are – God says His flock is **significant**. Notice:

John 17:21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the **world may believe** that thou hast sent me.

There is our answer. We are to be instrumental in the world's truly believing – not just lip service as all those in the world do today.

Jesus was pleading with His Father on the night before He died that all of us who are led by His Spirit would have a special place in our heart **for one another**. Our response to this deep desire for unity expressed by Jesus should be to do everything humanly possible to bring about the **unity and oneness** of the Church of God.

It is not to belong in **one** corporate **organization** led by self-important men – nothing could have been farther from Christ's mind. Jesus was picturing us loving and caring for each other as He loved and cared for us.

It has always been God's Will that His Church brethren, His children, be unified – made **one** by His Spirit. As God's children, we should be laying down our lives – as Jesus did – to help bring about unification in attitude, direction, and fellowship of the brethren; especially as we find ourselves separated by the imaginary walls of 'church' administrations.

How has the Church of God become so separated and isolated that the brethren are taught not to have anything to do with those true Christians in other congregations.

Many pastors covet members so much that they disfellowship those who would fellowship with their old Church friends. Those pastors should realize that they are **warring** against the will of God when they fight against the unity of Spirit among the brethren.

Today, as we look at the condition of the Church of God in many places we see a **compromising** of their stand in the faith. Why did Jesus so fervently desire that true Christians be unified? It is because God intends that the unity and oneness of His Church brethren be an example to the **entire world!** Jesus said, "**That the world may know.**"

Our unity with any and all the brethren in God's Church would be a proof to the world that we are God's children.

John 13:35 Jesus said, By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Jesus continues in His prayer to His Father:

John 17:22 And the glory which thou [Father] gave me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

Unity and oneness within the Church of God would confirm the working of God's Holy Spirit in a way seldom witnessed in the world. Our unity and oneness would **demonstrate to the entire world** that, as promised, the Father sent Jesus, and that salvation and hope are coming to mankind.

Ephesians 4:13 Till we all come in the **unity of the faith**, and of the knowledge of the Son of God.

How bright does our light shine? All throughout history, God intended for His people to be a light to the rest of the world.

Way back in the Old Testament God gave Israel statutes and judgments so that the nations of the world would be jealous of Israel's blessings and would want to know Israel's God. God said:

Deuteronomy 4:6-7 Keep therefore and do my [statutes, judgments, and Commandments]; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the **sight of the nations**, which shall hear . . . and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. For what nation is there so great, who hath God so near unto them, as the Lord our God.

Jesus repeats this for emphasis – He wants the world to know.

John 17:23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and **that the world may know** that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

John 17:24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou loved me before the foundation of the world.

John 17:25 O righteous Father, the **world hath not known** thee: but I have known thee, and **these** have known that thou hast sent me.

We do **not** need sound-proof recording booths, high-tech studios with lights, camera crews, and silver-tongued high-profile evangelists to reach anywhere in the world to the eyes and ears of whom-so-ever God may call.

Jesus had none of that! It only takes is the **Truth of God** motivated by His **Holy Spirit**.

We know that God will continue to call a few – rescue a few – feed a few – right up to the very return of Jesus Christ. We are given the Biblical example of how God calls some at the very last hour – and gives all the same magnificent reward.

Matthew 20:9 When the laborers in the vineyard came that were hired about the eleventh hour [the last hour late in the day], they received from the Lord of the vineyard every man a **full** day's wage.

God is still calling some at this late hour. Brethren, we've got our work cut out for us – if God is not finished – we are not through yet!

We can't let down. We must continue praying, fasting and living our Christianity by genuinely loving, helping, communicating and caring for people.

That is what God requires of us in **a compromised world**.

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