**What matters to God from us? What works are we to do that will last according to God?**

**Is there any hint or indication of what God considers the most important work we as believers can do?**

*Luke 10: [38] Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.
[39] And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.
[40] But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.
[41] And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:****[42] But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.***

**So does this mean that what Martha was doing as a work will be taken away from her.**

**YES, it will.**

**The wisdom of the world**

**VERSUS**

**The Wisdom of God**

***1Corinthians.3:*** *[****1****] And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ.
[****2****] I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able.
[****3****] For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?
[****4****] For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal?
[****5****] Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?
[****6****] I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.
[****7****] So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.
[****8****] Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.
[****9****] For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building.
[****10****] According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.
[****11****] For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
[****12] Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;****[****13****] Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.****[14] If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.
[15] If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.***

\*\*What burns completely or gets consumed out of this group when fire is applied? Not gold, silver or precious stones. BUT wood, hay and stubble.

In other words, they don’t stand the test of fire.

The point I wanted to make with Martha and Mary is the contrast. Martha assumed she was doing what the Lord would want of her not realizing that what He wants most and before anything else **is worship, is reverence, is thankfulness, is children who are hungry to know Him and all His Truth (like Mary). Who stop everything they are doing to make time to hear HIM.**

*2 Tim 2: [****19****] Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.
[****20****] But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.*

Mary's reward will last forever and will never be taken from her. Martha's reward, however, is sketchy at best. Most "work" like the work Martha was doing is compromised by our own sinfulness. Wanting others to see us doing good "works". Martha’s public complaint to our Lord demonstrates this sinfulness. Hence those types of "works" will burn as wood, hay and stubble at the Judgement Seat. Mary's reward is the gold, silver and precious stones that will last.

**Feed off of His Word daily and feed until you are bursting.** Listen to and read along with full BOOKS, not bits and pieces like the weeds do. **Get His meaning from His context so you will know His Truth.**

Most only know what their ministers say about these passages and never know God's context because they never hear whole Books in a sitting. THAT is the key to knowing what God means instead of these "ministers".

Martha wanted to feed the flesh with baked bread. That is the important thing to the WORLD. That is the world’s wisdom convoluting God’s Wisdom.

**Jesus wants us to understand that feeding our Spirit is the important thing. People can get physical food from other men. No one can get Spiritual food except Through HIS Words.**

***I Corinthians 3 continued: [16] Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?***

\*\*What was the purpose of the original Temple?

Worship, reverence, thankfulness, confession and cleansing of sin. Who could enter into this Temple? Only those set apart for His Service. His designated priests.

We have all been set apart for His Service because we trust in Jesus. We are all His Priests now and our own personal body is HIS ONLY TEMPLE now.

**There are no special days to God. Nor are there any special places or “buildings” of God. That is men’s wisdom, men’s traditions.**
*[****17****] If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.*

\*\*Defiling of the Temple means contradicting the Temple. Guiding the Temple away from God’s Intent with the Temple.

That is what the traditions of men do. That is what religion does.

[***18****] Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.
[****19****] For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.
[****20****] And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.
[****21****]* ***Therefore let no man glory in men****. For all things are yours;*

\*\*Glory in their “service” born of worldly wisdom and not God’s Wisdom. Born of pride for others to see.

*[****22****] Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours;
[****23****] And ye are Christ's; and Christ is God's.*

***Rom.12:*** *[****1****] I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God,* ***that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.****[****2****]* ***And be not conformed to this world*** *(the wisdom of men): but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect,* ***will of God.***

***Mark.7:*** *[1] Then came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came from Jerusalem.*

\*\*They bring with them, men’s wisdom, men’s traditions.

*[2] And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, they found fault.
[3] For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash their hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders.
[4] And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, as the washing of cups, and pots, brasen vessels, and of tables.
[5] Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?
[6] He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me.
[7] Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctines the commandments of men.*
*[8] For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.
[9] And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.
[10] For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death:
[11] But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free.
[12] And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;
[13] Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.
[14] And when he had called all the people unto him, he said unto them, Hearken unto me every one of you, and understand:
[15] There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man.
[16] If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.
[17] And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable.
[18] And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man,* ***it cannot defile him;****[19]* ***Because it entereth not into his heart****, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?****[20] And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.*** *[21] For from within, out of the heart of men,* ***proceed evil thoughts****, adulteries, fornications, murders,
[22]* ***Thefts, covetousness****, wickedness,* ***deceit****, lasciviousness, an evil eye,* ***blasphemy, pride, foolishness***(the foolishness of men’s wisdom, the wisdom of the world): *[23] All these evil things come from within,* ***and defile the man.***

**He is not talking about what we ingest in our physical bodies. He is talking about what defiles our heart by what we believe. Who we listen to and follow. If we feed on the foolishness of men’s wisdom, then that is what will come out of our mouths defiling us.**

**He wants us to only feed on His Wisdom without men’s worldly understanding. The tabernacles of “worship” that men build are the world’s wisdom and God hates all of it.**

**God wants our time remaining on earth to be for Him. For His Pleasure and where does He get this pleasure….by our continuous worship, prayer, thanksgiving and confession. How do we worship our Creator…..by sitting at His feet and hearing every Word He has given to us.**

**The wisdom of the world:**

**Martha represents the traditions of men**

**The Wisdom of God:**

**Mary represents us as Priests of God**

**I pray for agreement amongst us here. All of us are to have restart HEARING HIM at HIS FEET like Mary. Make walking with God our ministry. Not so-called charitable works that the world thinks pleases God.**

**Most of which will all burn because we defile our Temples for the “works” of men’s wisdom and not the Works of God’s Wisdom.**

**God’s only Temple now is in each of our bodies. We are now His Priests. We worship Him in Spirit and in Truth seven days a week, all day long.**

***Hebrews 9:*** *11] But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;
[12] Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.
[13] For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:
[14] How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God,* ***purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?***

**LET US ALL AGREE TOGETHER TO BE HIS PRIESTS by doing every day the ONE THING THAT IS NEEDFUL.**

**THIS HAS BEEN HIS WILL FOR MANKIND SINCE THE BEGINNING and it has been revealed to the world through our Lord Jesus Christ. His Perfection makes us Perfect and Complete in His Eyes through our enduring FAITH in our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Abide in Him:**

***John 15:*** *[1] I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.
[2] Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
[3] Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.
[4] Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
[5] I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit****: for without me ye can do nothing.*** \*\*Remember the lesson of Mary and Martha
*[6] If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.
[7] If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
[8] Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.
[9] As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.
[10] If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.
[11] These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.*

*[12] This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.
[13] Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.
[14] Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.
[15] Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends****; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.***

*\*Remember the lesson of Mary and Martha*

***From above****: [4] Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye,* ***except ye abide in me.****I John 2: [****28****] And now, little children,* ***abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.***

*1John 2:6: [****6] He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked. How do we know how He Walked?***

*\*\*Remember the lesson of Mary and Martha*

*I John 3: [****24****] And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us,* ***by the Spirit which he hath given us.***

*John 14: 17, 23* ***16****] And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
[****17] Even the Spirit of truth;*** *whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
[****18****] I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.*

Remember, God hates the “buildings made with hands” They are designed by Satan to house idols and ALL OF THEM DO JUST THAT. *[****23****] Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.*

**We are His Temple and only WE ARE! There is no building made with men’s hands that God dwells in anymore.**