CABIN FEVER

Wait for the promise of the Father. Acts 1:4

Well, we have now been in quarantine for close to sixty days. Some folks did not think it would be possible to be with their children that long and still maintain their sanity. Others did not think they could be with their spouse that long. Parents have had to be teachers and find different ways of entertainment for their household. We have worshipped in home and from home. Have you been changed? Has God made a difference in you through this pandemic? It would be bad for all this to have happened and we not be better for it. I would hope we have closer families and stronger marriages. I pray we are better Christians.

Let us talk about cabin fever. With all that has been said, we do have a great desire to get out, go, do something. After the resurrection of Christ, it seemed to be on the hearts of the disciples what the next step might be? They asked Christ but he just seemed to indicate that they needed to wait and see. When we have been cooped up the last thing we want to hear is “wait.” Because they waited and because they prayed, the believers were endued with power at Pentecost and the gospel began to be broadcast. We are bound so that we cannot go very much but we can pray and meditate on the Lord. So, do not let this time be wasted. While we wait we have not been told to be quiet. We still have a phone; some have computers; we still have fingers to text; we still have a world of social media, now is the time to use it in the right way. If we so desire we can truly witness for the Lord.

What will you do when the “stay at home” order is lifted? Some of you may go rushing to work and fall down and kiss the feet of your employer and say “don’t you ever make me work from home again.” Others will go running to their hair stylist begging them to color the roots because they do not recognize that person who has been looking back at them in the mirror every morning, and besides after sixty days, it is more than just the roots that has changed colors. All jokes aside, what will we do when we can burst forth from the house? I hope and pray that we have a renewed desire to tell people about Jesus. It is my prayer we do not forget how God has manifested his power through this pandemic. We have had the world’s brightest medical professionals scratching their heads over how to battle COVID-19. God is still God! He has proven himself to us one more time. Let us not forget. He has brought the world to its knees. As we burst forth from our homes let us burst forth with singing “I serve a risen Savior, he’s in the world today. I know that he is living, whatever men may say.”

Yours in Christ,

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