

Sunday, 29 July 2007
John 10 : 27-30

Joh 10:27-30 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give to them eternal life, and they shall never ever perish, and not anyone shall pluck them out of My hand. My Father who gave *them* to me is greater than all, and no one is able to pluck *them* out of My Father's hand. I and the Father are one!

Safe in my Fathers hands.

During the past week, I was once again reminded of just how short life can be. We run about, trying our best to make something of life, and then just die. No announcements, no warnings, no earth shattering events to show the world that a moment of note has come. Suddenly a life will come to an end. All the important accomplishments and status of even the most important of men will come to a sudden halt. Your presence gone, never to be among your loved-ones on earth again.

This brings us to one question. At the end of our lives, what will really matter? Only one thing matters: Your relationship with God. Did you know God, and did God know you? That is what matters. Will we come to the gates of heaven, calling to God to let us in, only to hear Him say, go away, I know you not. "But God, I went to church every Sunday, I read my Bible, and I taught Sunday school classes. I gave to the poor, and did charity in Your Name." Only to hear Gods answer, "Go away, I know you not" The only thing of matter will be your relationship with God. Not knowing **about** God, but really knowing God. Spending time, talking to God, and really listening to hear His voice. Getting to know God's heart, thus, knowing His compassion and love for those who hurt.

It is true that often we spend more time with Gods work, than with God. That gains us nothing. Often the devil will make us so busy with Gods great work, that we will not have time to spend at Gods feet, listening, learning, and regaining our strength.

In this piece of scripture we hear a promise from our Shepherd. If we are His sheep, we will know Him. We will know His voice, and follow Him. He will keep us save, and nothing can rip us from His hand. We will receive eternal life, and be with Him forever, for there is nothing that will change that fact. His love is the most powerful force in the universe, and it will keep us, even when life on earth will come to an end. Then there will be a great celebration in heaven, our arrival will be celebrated, for one of God's children would have arrived home.

How wonderful is the love of God. Let us spend time this week, working on our relationship, the only single thing with eternal value.

Romans 8:37-39 But in all these things we more than conquer through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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