Preacher's Pen
Sunday, June 11, 2006

"Mankind's Problem"

*"*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*",* (Romans 3:23)

This morning we will resume our study in the series "Finding The Right Church". In the first three lessons I shared with you my thesis for the series, my source for all matters pertaining to religion. That is to say, Scripture or the Bible. Next, we took a brief tour of the first two thousand years of the existence of churches and discovered that mankind has created literally thousands of them.

This seems to be what has produced one of the greatest challenges – how to find the right one. Who could possible have enough time in life to fully explore every single one! In the third lesson, we studied from the Bible that God established through His Son, Jesus the resurrected Christ, just ONE Church. Now, that seems to make the search a bit simpler. How? If the Bible really is the written Word of God, then one need only read Scripture, understand Scripture, and then do what Scripture says.

And so this morning, we come to lesson #4 – "Mankind's Problem". In short, the fact that we have a problem is perhaps the only reason God saw fit to have His Son establish His Church in the first place.

What's our problem? Sin.
Why is this a problem? Because Jehovah God has established a rule, "The wages of sin is death…". So, if all of us have sinned, all of us are doomed to die.

We will study how God has defined our problem, take a look at the problem with the problem, and conclude by reading about the problem as described by God's Holy Spirit.

Yes, this lesson could quickly become depressing. However, don't give up. Next week: "God's Solution" !

In Christian Love and Service,
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