

jan 17

faithful

"let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith." heb 10:22

do we really understand what "faithful" means? it means staying full of faith. it means something doesn't matter what something looks like, smells like or tastes like. it is what God says it is. it means good is always good and bad is always bad. it means right will always be right and wrong will always be wrong. it means a man is born a man and a woman is born a woman. the truth never changes.

confusion and deception are always waiting for those who will entertain it; for those who want to do things "their way." mankind has advanced so far in knowledge they have left wisdom and understanding behind. they now are attempting to usurp the laws of nature God established.

daniel spoke of how knowledge would increase and how they would "intend to change times and law," God's law. even now they are seeking to change law into lawlessness, light into darkness, and yes, the faithful into faithless. and to our shame, much of the church is partaking in it also.

we know all will be judged and we know that judgement begins at the house of God. how could God judge the godless when His house is also full of deception? there are tares growing among the wheat. "for certain

men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ." jude 1:4

but we are not "among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved." 2 thess 2:10 we have bought the truth and will not sell it. we have made the commitment follow on to know. we believe "that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him." heb 11:6

it is said that when king charles took his oath during coronation, he changed his proclamation from defender of "the" faith to defender of faith. what faith... baha'i, hindi, what? well, we are now and will forever be defenders, "the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God." eph 4:13 Jesus Christ, "the way, the truth, and the life." john 14:6

"for the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations." psa 100:5 His truth endures! it doesn't matter what truth the world tries to sell you. it is a counterfeit truth. how does they tell a counterfeit? by comparing it to the real thing (and i'm not talking about coca-cola).

i have tasted of your goodness, o Lord, and now i can find no satisfaction in anything else. the confession of the apostle paul has become my heart as well. "yet indeed i also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom i have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that i may gain Christ." phil 3:8

what loss? the loss of confusion, envy, greed, lust and more. i choose the light. i choose to walk in the light. "in Your light we see light." psalms 36:9 in the end, it's really a decision for all of us. Jesus, You are that light at the end of the tunnel and i'm walking straight towards it. i hope to pick up a few travelers on the way.