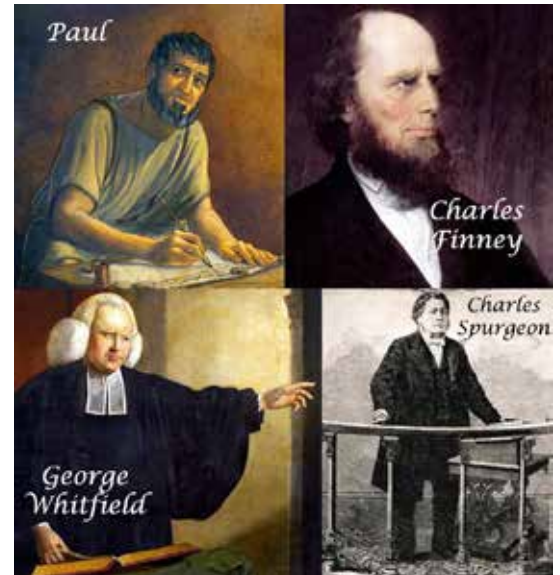


*“Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.” Psalms 80:3 KJV*

There have been many turnings back to God since the Church first began at Jerusalem. Paul brought the Word of God to the world of the Gentiles. Since then, great preachers have been used of God to stir men’s hearts to repentance; Charles Finney, George Whitfield, And Charles Spurgeon to name a few. Many missionaries, like David Livingston in Africa, Adoniram Judson in Burma, Hudson Taylor in China, and David Brainard to the American Indian, were instrumental in thousands turning to Christ. When God’s Word is proclaimed, men either repent or rebel! The question we must ask ourselves, “Am I a rebel or a servant?” Some might proudly think, “I serve no one!” but all men serve either themselves or God. If you don’t serve God, you



serve yourself. If the latter is true, you are a rebel! *“For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, (suffer not a witch to live) and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry, because thou hast rejected the Word of the LORD.”* It’s not only what you say or think that defines your rebellion, it is what you do. *“And hereby we do know that we know Him, IF WE KEEP (obey) His commandments. He that saith, ‘I know Him,’ and keepeth not His commandments, is a liar, and the Truth is not in Him.”* Doing things “your way” is rebellion! *“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way! There is none righteous, NO, NOT ONE!”* The Psalmist knew the propensity of even God’s own to turn away from Him to their own way, so he cried out, *“Turn us AGAIN, O God!”* Harry Ironside said, “If what people say about you is true, repent. If not, forget it and go on serving the Lord.” Since none of us is perfect, we must repent, turn back to God, every day. If you did even one thing your own way, today, you have rebelled. God’s Way is not without reward. *“He that cometh to God, must believe that He is, AND that He is a rewarder of them that DILIGENTLY seek Him.”* All your daily provision lines the path of obedience. Disobedience leads us away from God and His bounty. *“Seek ye first the kingdom of God and ALL these things shall be added unto you. Follow after righteousness, Godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life.”* Truth guides us to God’s bounty, but it is only available to the obedient!

Lord, when I sin, as oft I do,  
Turn me again to follow you;  
O let your Love shine in my heart,  
That I may ne’er from you depart! ~CGP

Only Jesus can save you from death and is the only one that proved it by resurrecting Himself from the tomb, returning to His disciples, and afterwards seen by over 500 at once before His ascension back to Heaven. His ascension was not some private, instantaneous, departure, but a steady upward rise until clouds received Him out of sight. He is COMING BACK SOON!”

*“And...while they beheld, [Jesus] was taken up; and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, ‘Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into Heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into Heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen Him go...’ Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet.” Acts 1:9-12 KJV*