"And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but <u>to minister</u>, and to give His life a ransom for many." Matthew 20:27-28 KJV

We are not greater than our Master, and if He came to give His Life, we should do no less. Life is time spent. Giving your life does not necessarily mean dying a physical death, but giving your time to supplying the needs of others. What greater need do men have than the Gospel of Jesus Christ? Do you spend your time giving that message to others? There are many ways to do so, one of which is to simply pass out or leave gospel tracts where the lost man can find them. Here's an



idea: Put a Gospel tract in with your bill payment (if it's on time) and perhaps it will reach some weary clerk who is just struggling to make a living. It will involve "putting to death" your own selfish desires. We are called to minister the Truth to a starving multitude. "Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, 'All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.' Amen." The Gospel is the "ingredient" that immortalizes and invigorates the helpless hopeless masses. What sin takes away, righteousness replaces. While many stand in line in need, servers are in great lack. We are either too busy, too hazy, or too lazy to be bothered with feeding the hungry the "Bread of Life." We need provide nothing more than a servant's heart and hands. God does all the rest. "My Word...that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.' It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." Jesus said, "The fields are white unto harvest...but the labourers are few." When was the last time you earnestly served the Truth to someone? The point is, we may have not done it for a while, or we may do it occasionally, but we have not "given our life" to the proclamation of Truth. We do it when it's convenient for us, not whenever we can. The bridge is out. We need to warn people! The multitude is starving. We need to get into the "serving line." The Truth is disappearing. We need to start proclaiming Truth non-stop. It will give "sight" to the blind; hope to the hopeless; and meat to the starving souls that wander in the wilderness of sin's famine. If you have discovered the "Water from the Rock" and "The Bread of Life," don't be miserly with its infinite supply. It is free to all who will come with you to its fount. There is no need to persuade hungry men to eat. You need only serve them. The thirsty will seek the fountain. "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Move sin's cripples to Bethesda's pool while the Water stirs!

> When many stumble in despair, We should with them the Gospel share, Another day we mustn't wait, To show the way to Heaven's Gate. ~CGP

The believer's Hope is sure! We "sorrow not, even as others which have no hope." We endure shame and persecution "for the Joy" of eternal pleasures set before us. Mortal life is a drop in the ocean of eternity, but it's all we have to rescue the perishing and care for the dying. Give Hope to the hopeless while hope remains.

"Looking for that Blessed Hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Titus 2:13-14 KJV