

## **March 31 2020 Where I am going**

I find it difficult at times, understanding what John is trying to say in his Gospels. It isn't always so clear to me and today's message is no exception. It might even seem harsh when Christ tells them that they cannot go where He is going, because, He is telling them about His return to the Father. And, if what He says is true, how difficult will it be for any of us to get to the Kingdom, that, Christ so often talks about? In reality, Christ is telling them this because, they have yet to accept His teaching and therefore, unable to get to the Father. They will not be part of His future glory! It is just as true for us today as it was for the Pharisees. We too must accept the teachings of Christ, if we are to have any hope of being with Him, in eternity. And yet, I'm sure there are days when many of us just don't feel like following Christ, choosing instead, to follow our own will.

Speaking from personal experience, this line of thinking will only lead to heartache. There have been many times in my life when I have chosen to follow my own path, follow my own whims of want and desire, but, I can tell you, I feel nothing but remorse looking back, when all along, it would have been easier for me to follow Christ in the first place. And, do you know what's good about His teaching style, He never once, says I told you so, like so many do today, just to make someone feel bad, about themselves and sometimes, less than worthy.

I believe in these uncertain times, filled with fear and anxiety it is time, more than ever, before to, let God in, let, the teachings of Christ, permeate our lives, providing for us the direction that we need, not only to be the best version of ourselves, but, to help us truly see the needs of others, before our own. Simply saying yes isn't enough. We must allow, Christ's teaching to actually shape our lives, starting today!