

Where Two or Three Are Gathered Together

Scripture reading: Matthew 18:20

There is one particular thought I want to share with you today and it is that Christ Jesus is operating in the church in three dimensions:

1. Christ within
2. Christ without
3. Christ in the body

I am saying brethren that we can no longer operate passively, we must operate actively. You have the three dimensions of operations; one box, one Christ, but three different dimensions. In the natural you have Christ within and Christ within you tells you that Christ is in the other brother. So if the Christ within me is moving a certain way, the Christ in the other brother is moving a certain way, too. So I am not going to have any problem in convincing the other brother that it is Christ, for he is getting the same thing.

Sometimes something comes to you and you have a little doubt, "I wonder if this is God." But low and behold another brother comes up and says the same thing. So you just say, "Ahh, that thing came to me." Do you see what I mean? This is Christ within. Always recognize that Christ is within us.

Now, there is also Christ without. We must always recognize the presence of Christ everywhere. Christ Jesus is everywhere, operating everywhere, all the time, wherever we are, whatever we are doing, whatever we are saying. Therefore, when we become Christ conscious we will continuously feed; even when the thing is negative, we will feed in the positive sense.

I don't know if you understand what I am saying? You go in the street, you deal with people and you deal with negative forces. These things come against you and yet every time they jab at you, it brings a positive response; Christ Jesus is with you continuously. He said, "...Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world (time of the end of the age)" (Matthew 28:20). Amen.

Then, you have Christ in the body. When we come together there is a quickening which was not there before. Hallelujah. It says, "*Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them*" (Matthew 18:20). He says, "*Where two or three are gathered together...*" I am there in the midst to bless. He was there to bless you before. Christ was with you when you were at home alone. Christ was with you alone because that was the promise. He was there for the reason to bless you and to do you good. But then He says, "*Where two or three are gathered together...*" I am there in the midst to bless and to do them good. Doesn't that mean that there is a different and separate blessing and doing good? Isn't He saying, brother, that He is going to move in you in an operation that is going to bless the rest? That means He is going to bring a message that He didn't bring when you were alone. Now what good would a message do for you to get up and preach it to yourself? The function of the gifts of the Spirit is to function when you get together.

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Thought for today: When we become Christ conscious we will continuously feed on Him; even when the thing is negative, we will feed in the positive sense.