WHAT CHRISTIANITY IS ALL ABOUT

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INTRODUCTION:

- 1. There is a sad reality going on in some members of the Lord's church.
 - a. There are some that think and believe that Christianity is all about doing nothing!
 - b. Some have conformed to the practice of just coming to services a few hours a week and that is all!
 - c. Such do not understand what Christianity is all about!
 - d. The worse part about it is that they just don't feel bad!
- 2. Not knowing what Christianity is all about will cause a Christian not to do God's Will.
 - a. There are some who were baptized many years ago, and still don't know what Christianity is all about!
 - b. They have not increased their Bible knowledge; they have not reached out to the lost; they have not been active members in the Lord's church, etc.
- 3. Not knowing what Christianity is all about will cause a Christian to be lost eternally! (Salvation can be lost!).
- 4. Therefore, it is the purpose of this lesson to show some aspects of what Christianity is all about according to the New Testament.

What is Christianity all about?

I. CHRISTIANITY IS ALL ABOUT GROWING AS A CHRISTIAN

- 1. This is what we see in the life of the early Christians in the first century (The Apostle Paul, The Philippians, etc.).
- 2. We have a command to grow spiritually (1 Corinthians 15:58; Colossians 2:6-7).
- 3. We must always think about ways on how we can grow spiritually:
 - a. Through diligent Bible study (2 Peter 3:18; Colossians 3:16; 2 Timothy 2:15; 1 Timothy 4:13; God's Word can help us move towards spiritual maturity (2 Tim. 3:17).
 - b. Through daily prayer (1 Thessalonians 5:17; Colossians 4:2; Romans 12:12).
 - c. Through daily self-examination of our spiritual life (2 Corinthians 13:5).
 - d. Through being active members in the Lord's Church! Ask the elders how you can help!
 - e. We must bear much fruit to the glory of God (John 15:1-8).
 - f. Doing these things will help us grow spiritually!
- 4. My preaching and that of others is about helping you grow into maturity (Ephesians 4:11-16; Colossians 1:28; Acts 20:32).
- 5. Remember the eternal consequences of not growing spiritually (Revelation 2:10; 2 Timothy 4:8).
- 6. Satan doesn't want you to grow spiritually! He will try his best. Do not do his will.
- 7. When we do not grow spiritually, this is a sign that we do not know what Christianity is all about!

II. CHRISTIANITY IS ALL ABOUT HELPING OTHERS MAKE IT TO HEAVEN

- 1. We are not here on Earth to become famous, rich and to do our own will!
- 2. We have been left here to help others make it to heaven! What was the mission of the Apostles and early Christians?
 - a. Their mission was to share the powerful Gospel of Christ with the whole world (Mark 16:15-16; Matthew 28:18-20).
 - b. Jesus gave us the example of reaching out to others (Luke 19:10).

- 3. The early church clearly understood what Christianity is all about!
 - a. This is the reason why we see them going everywhere in the book of Acts (Acts 1:8; 8:4).
 - b. This is the reason why the church grew in number (2:41; 4:4; 5:14, 28; 6:4; 8:4; 11:24; 12:24; 14:1; 17:6).
- 4. We need to be in the business of preaching the Gospel of Christ to as many people as possible (Matthew 4:19; Mark 1:17; Luke 5:10 We are fishers of men!).
 - a. **Remember**: "World evangelism, local evangelism, will never be accomplished unless the evangelized becomes an evangelist."
- 5. How many souls have you led to the Lord? If you are not in the business of sharing the Gospel of Christ, then you have forgotten what Christianity is all about? Is this the case with you?

III.CHRISTIANITY IS ALL ABOUT GETTING READY FOR THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

- 1. The Bible reminds us that Christ will return someday! (John 14:1-3; Matthew 24:36; 24:44; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-2; Philippians 3:20).
- 2. Sadly, some Christians have forgotten that Christ will come back again!
 - a. This has caused much harm to their spiritual growth!
- 3. Brothers and Sisters, we need to be getting ready for the second coming of Christ!
 - a. Failure to do so, will cause us to be lost eternally!
- 4. Remember that when Christ returns:
 - a. Judgement day will take place (2 Corinthians 5:10; Hebrews 9:27).
 - b. It will be the end of the world (2 Peter 3:10-12).
 - c. The faithful will be rewarded and the unfaithful punished (Matthew 25:32-33, 41).
- 5. Christianity is all about waiting for the second coming of Christ!
 - a. Please do not fall asleep in the process (Matthew 25:1-12).
- 6. When we do not wait for the coming of the Lord, then this is a sign that we have forgotten what Christianity is all about!

CONCLUSIÓN:

- 1. Brethren, Christianity is all about giving God the honor and glory He deserves.
- 2. We can give God the glory He deserves by...
 - a. Growing spiritually
 - b. Helping others make it to heaven
 - c. Living a faithful life in view of the second coming of His Son
- 3. May God help us to this end!
- 4. If you have forgotten what Christianity is all about, then I plea with you to ask God to forgive you, and to help you live your life according to His will!

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