

Whether One Member Suffer, All Members Suffer with It

Have we become such a nation who can do wrong to a member of the human race and not feel the suffering???

As I watch the animal shows I see more compassion coming from the animals than I do coming from the human race. This should not be.

We are proud to be called a democratic nation. Yet democracy says “majority rules”. That indicates that the majority thought it fine to lynch the black race. The majority thought it right to bomb Waco and Ruby Ridge. The majority condons the bombing of foreign nations thinking we are doing them a favor. The majority puts its stamp of approval on our entering other countries’ civil wars; never thinking how horrible it would have been if a foreign country would have entered our Civil War.

Christ had the answer to all these scenerios. “If you suffer with me you will suffer with the human race. (Romans 8:17) If so be that we suffer with him, that we

may be also glorified together.” The word glorified here means knit together, like the glory on the birds will knit like kind together. Suffering causes our elements to change. If America refuses to suffer the sufferings of Christ there will no great stories come out of our country. For the beauty of the fabric of a country is made up of threads of suffering, triumphs, heartaches, joys, sorrows and misunderstanding.

Charity suffereth long, charity seeketh not its own, charity vaunteth not itself, nor is puffed up. Charity is not easily provoked, beareth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth. But whether there be prophecies (like we will win the war in Iraq), whether there be all great knowledge, it shall all vanish.

Our knowledge and vanity build America as we see it today. As we suffer with Him, the real America will come forth out of the image we have built and then we can exclaim, “Behold He makes all things new.”



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