

Is He Worth Seeing?

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God loves us and never wanted our relationship with Him to end. We were made an offer by a slave master (the Devil) that we could be like God and live without being accountable. As a result, that decision brought the battle of good over evil and death. It was the intent of the slave master to alienate us from God and from one another by encouraging us to develop sinful habits that are hard to break. It looked hopeless as we contended on the playing field of life to win this battle.

God loves us even when we sin against Him by thinking that we can be masters of our own lives. Even when it looked hopeless for us... victory was at hand. God, without prejudice, did what no one else could do by demonstrating His love through the death, burial and resurrection of His only son, Jesus.

How does it feel to see your favorite team, who you love, come from behind against all odds and snatch victory out of the jaws of defeat?

There is no denying that love affects everything from plants to animals. If you are intentional about loving and caring for plants or animals (man included) they will respond favorable at some point. On the other hand, a person can purchase a plant, place it in a favorable environment, then neglect it and soon it dies. Relationships with others can yield the same results over time.

Some people will do whatever it takes to see their favorite sports team or performer. They will set up tents, camp outside and pay someone to secure their place in line, despite weather conditions, just to see them perform. Now, if people are willing to do that for someone who's only going to be here for a few minutes, how much more should they be willing to do to see Christ Jesus in His glory? Is He Worth Seeing?

As the world continues to be under the influence of the evil slave master, we are constantly being pressured, by outside and inside forces, to accept *wrong* for what is right and *evil* over good. God isn't sustaining our lives for us to walk away from Him but through His mercy we have opportunity to come to Him. Is He Worth Seeing?

People and nations alike, without hope cease to exist. Let us, together as a people and a nation, take our stand... by asking the Lord to help us prepare our lives to see His Glorious Appearing.

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