"IS IT NOTHING TO YOU, ALL YE THAT PASS BY?"
Lamentations 1:12

INTRODUCTION:

1. In our text Jerusalem is Personified.
2. She speaks to those that pass by.
3. She sits, as it were, by the Highway, and the crowd passes on, taking no notice.
4. Once, there was no more favored city than Jerusalem.
   (1) In this city, God's people lived and God's temple was located where his presence was.
   (2) God had blessed His people when they were faithful to Him.
5. Jerusalem is NOW in RUIN, and her people in CAPTIVITY because of their SINS.
6. God's people were in Captivity in Babylon, and Jerusalem was in ruin because they had lost sight of spiritual things, the things of God, and they had become selfish.
7. Often God's people TODAY lose sight of Spiritual things and become selfish.
8. Let us take this question that Jerusalem asked to HELP US become more concerned about spiritual things, and of our duty.

I. IS IT NOTHING TO YOU THAT THE WORLD IS LOST?

1. All have sinned -- Rom. 3:23; 3: 9 -10; Eph. 2: 1 - 5; I Cor. 6: 9 - 11; I John 5:19
2. There is no way to put a price on one soul -- Mark 8: 36 - 37
4. Christ gave the gospel for all -- Mark 16: 15 - 16; Rom. 1: 16
5. Brethren, is it nothing to you when you pass by your friends, neighbors, and kin folks and KNOW they are lost, and you have the gospel that will save them? -- Mark 16:16; Rom. 1:16; II Thess. 1: 8 - 9

II. IS IT NOTHING TO YOU THAT MANY BRETHREN ARE GOING TO BE LOST?

1. Because of unfaithfulness to the Lord and His church -- Heb. 10:25
2. Because they have been overtaken in a fault -- Gal. 6:1
3. Because they have erred from the Truth -- James 5: 19 - 20
4. Because they desire to be popular -- John 12: 42 - 43; Luke 6:26
5. Because of Friendship with the world -- James 4:4; I John 2: 15 - 17; II Tim. 3:4
6. Because of the love of money -- I Tim. 6: 9 - 10; Matt. 13:22
7. Because of false doctrine -- Eph. 4: 14; II Pet. 2:2; Gal. 1:6
III. IS IT NOTHING TO YOU THAT MEN ARE IN RELIGIOUS ERROR?

1. Paul's spirit was stirred because of religious error at Athens -- Acts 17: 16 - 23

2. Many in the church today are not stirred that men are in religious error.
   (1) Many say, "Don't expose religious error".
   (2) Some say, "Just preach the gospel and leave others alone."

3. Most converts in Acts were already religious.
   (1) Jews on Pentecost -- Acts 2: 5, 37 - 38, 41
   (2) The Eunuch -- Acts 8:27
   (3) Cornelius -- Acts 10: 1 - 4
   (4) Saul -- Gal. 1: 13 - 14; Acts 26: 5
   (5) Lydia -- Acts 16: 14 - 15

4. Religious error makes worship vain, and will cause men to be lost -- Matt. 15:9; II John 9 - 11

IV. IS IT NOTHING TO YOU THAT CHRIST SUFFERED AND DIED FOR YOU?

1. Without Christ man would be lost without hope -- Eph. 2:12; Heb. 10: 1 - 4; 9:15

2. God so loved lost man that He sent Christ to die for man -- John 3:16

3. Christ died for the church -- Eph. 5: 25; Acts 20: 28

4. Will you allow His death to be in vain? -- II Cor. 6:1

V. IS IT NOTHING TO YOU THAT CHRIST IS COMING AGAIN?

1. Christ promised to come -- John 14: 1 - 6

2. Angels said He would come -- Acts 1: 11

3. He will come and give the righteous REST, and take vengeance on those who do not know God and obey not the gospel -- II Thess. 1: 6 - 9

VI. IS IT NOTHING TO YOU THAT YOU MUST FACE THE JUDGMENT?

1. The Judgment is appointed -- Acts 17: 31

2. All will be judged -- Rom. 14:12

3. Christ will be the Judge -- John 5:27

4. Is it nothing to you that you will face God in the Judgment?

CONCLUSION

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