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“Whatever He Says to You, Do It”

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Not long after Jesus began His earthly ministry, He and a number of His disciples (Andrew, Peter, Philip, Nathaniel and others, Jn 1:40-51) attended a marriage feast in Cana of Galilee. It appears that the wedding planner had not ordered enough beverage for the feast, and Mary, the mother of Jesus told Him about it. Though Jesus was not desirous to reveal that He was the Christ through the working of a miracle just yet (because it was not yet His hour or time, Jn 2:3), He complied with the wishes of His mother. Mary told the disciples of Jesus, “***Whatever He says to you, do it***” (Jn 2:5). The statement of Mary to the followers of Jesus was to comply with every word or command that they would be given. Jesus then proceeded to give directions to fill many pots with plain water and then to give a sample to the one in charge of the banquet (Jn 2:6-8). It was recognized that a miracle had been done, for the water was now fresh fruit of the vine. Those desiring to follow Jesus today must also comply with the same directions that the mother of Jesus gave so long ago - “***Whatever He says to you, do it.***”

Jesus came to save man from the penalty of sin, death (Rom 6:23). So, in order for us to reap the benefits that Jesus offers, one must comply with His teachings by doing the things He says to do. As Jesus went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed (Acts 10:38), He would often come across those that recognized Him as Lord but did not do as He instructed. To those that were this way, Jesus said in Luke 6:46-47, “***Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, [kurios – 'supreme in authority'] and do not the things which I say? Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them...***” To believe that we can consider ourselves disciples or followers of Jesus and do not the things He says in nonsense! Jesus could not have made it any clearer to us than He did in Matthew 7:21-23. “***Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in the name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.***”

Acknowledging Jesus as Lord while ignoring the things He tells us to do will bring eternal condemnation. Disobedience to His Word cannot bring reward. I pray that you will consider your own condition before God. Do you believe that Jesus is the Christ, the only begotten of the Father that was sent to save you from your sins? If you answer yes to this question, have you done that which He has commanded you to do in order to have your sins washed away?

Please consider God's plan for the salvation of your soul as stated throughout your Bible. You can be saved today if you will investigate what the Bible says one must do in order to receive salvation. If I can help you in any way or if you desire to study more, please let me know. Jesus tells us that our soul is worth more than this whole world (Mk 8:36-37). So, "*whatever He says to you, do it.*"