



*I knelt to pray but not for long,
I had too much to do.
I had to hurry and get to work
For bills would soon be due.
So I knelt and said a hurried prayer,
And jumped up off my knees.
My Christian duty was now done
My soul could rest at ease.
All day long I had no time
To spread a word of cheer.
No time to speak of Christ to friends,
They'd laugh at me I'd fear.
No time, no time, too much to do,
That was my constant cry,
No time to give to souls in need
But at last the time, the time to die.
I went before the Lord,
I came, I stood with downcast eyes.
For in his hands God held a book;
It was the book of life.
God looked into his book and said
"Your name I cannot find.
I once was going to write it down...
But never found the time"*

“Be still and know that I am God.”

Psalm 46:10

The Christian who has not learned the secret place of being still before God will find themselves participating in the fights, agitations, and troubles that surround them. Jesus would often leave His Apostles and the large crowds that would come and see the Man who worked miracles amongst them to pray to His Father. He found, or I should say He made the time to be with the Father in prayer.

Too much talk leaves an unsettling in our souls. As Christians we are to be peacemakers, but if someone will not listen to our offer for peace no amount of talking about it will change their minds. They will have to do what we have been called to do, and that is to submit to God.

Jesus submitted Himself to the Will of the Father. Jesus is God as well, but He still was in submission to His heavenly Father. The Holy Spirit is God, and yet He was sent to reveal what Jesus had brought to earth. Perfect love and perfect subjection in the Godhead. No vacillating and not one day love and another day hate and selfishness, but all things are in perfect love, and in perfect order.

Revelation 2:26-29 *'He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, TO HIM I WILL GIVE AUTHORITY OVER THE NATIONS; AND HE SHALL RULE THEM WITH A ROD OF IRON, AS THE VESSELS OF THE POTTER ARE BROKEN TO PIECES, as I also have received authority from My Father; and I will give him the morning star. 'He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'*

James 4:6-8 *"But He gives a greater grace. Therefore it says, "GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded."*

Being still requires submission, and human nature, human beings without the Spirit of God, revolt against submission. When we are still before God we submit to His Will so that in our everyday life our spirits can be controlled by The Holy Spirit and be aware of His Presence at all times. That is what Psalm 46:10 means. We can be still in the midst of a storm since we know that God is with us, whether or not we can see the end of the storm.

Psalm 46:1-11 *"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth. maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire. Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah."

While the Poem is a dramatization of the end of ones life, it does contain a truth. If we do not have time for God, will God have time us?

"Be still and know that HE is God."

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