

Volume 2 Books of Poetry Psalm 98:9

"...for He comes to judge the earth; with righteousness shall He judge the world, and the peoples with equity." Psalm 98:9

If you haven't seen it, there is inequity in the world! While the Lord is righteous and just, life is not. Simply put, life is not fair. Never has been, never will be! Yet, neither is it proper or right for us to judge by appearances alone for they can be deceiving even to the most discerning. "Judge not according to appearance, but judge righteous judgment." (John 7:24). The carnal nature of man, the world's present system, and the devil, all attempt to divide people. Jealousy, envy, pride, fear, and hatred manifest in a thousand different ways to keep us from judging with righteous judgment. Class envy, prejudice, bigotry, greed, and lust keep us focused on matters that bind us rather than free us.

Are all rich men greedy? Are all poor men lazy? Are all fair skinned people evil? What of those of dark skin? Are all the uneducated illiterate? Are all the degreed people wise? What of the religious? Are they all kind and generous or are they all hypocrites? And what of men – are they all rough and brutish? And women – are they all sweet and charming?

As Christians, if we are to ever mature as Jesus desires us to, we need to learn to "know and be known by the Spirit" rather than by those things that are temporal and carnal in nature.

At the Lord's coming all that was hidden will be revealed, and justice will be meted out with equity for all peoples!

"Our Father, Who reigns from the heavens, Your name is blessed and holy! May Your kingdom come, may Your will be done, here on earth as it would be in heaven..."

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