

Whatever We Do

Whether we eat or drink or whatever we do, do it for the glory of God. Our industries, cafes — all products of the redeemed people of Yahweh (who shall return upon the earth *to Zion*) — are to be the highest possible witness to the creation — by His creature, man. Representing the Creator is the responsibility of man — in all he says and does, even in his eating and drinking (Rev 20:12,13; Rom 2:14-16). This applies to even fallen man. How much more the redeemed of Yahweh, who have a new conscience made new by His Spirit (1 Pet 3:21).

It is better not to put out a product unless it represents *God's nature* and character, unless it glorifies Him. That is, unless it brings glory to our Creator. This applies to even us who speak and serve (1 Pet 4:11). Inferior service does not bring Him glory. We must produce what is the highest standard we know (Gal 5:22,23) in regard to love, to self-control, and sandwiches, salads, bread, desserts, drinks, etc. We can produce no inferior products, but only *the Best* products possible to be produced by us — since what we do represents who we serve, who our Savior is. Who would give their life to a Savior who can't save and restore a man — to be *His witness that He is God* (Isa 43:12).

Fallen man will be judged by how he, even fallen in every way, still represents His Creator, to the degree he is responsible — he is accountable to God (Rom 2:14-16, Rom 1:6, Rom 1:18-21, 28-32, etc.).

We are accountable as to how we, according to our renewed conscience, represent our God. For example, in washing dishes, making sandwiches, salads, desserts, drinks, in waiting on tables, tending the bar, as the maitre'd, in working in the households and communities — how we serve and do these works (Eph 2:10) is how we will have confidence on the day of judgment (1 Jn 2:28, 4:17; 2 Cor 5:10; Heb 10:38; 9:28).

Do you approve of your works? Rom 14:22 — Are you doing them in faith? (Rom 14:23). Man is God's highest creation. He is responsible to represent Him in all he does, thinks, says, eats, and drinks. No inferior service or products can *represent Him* properly, they can only misrepresent Him.

To misrepresent God, the One whose image and likeness you were created in, is to be counted as useless to Him, worthless and worthy of nothing but eternal death. But on the other hand, you are worthy of eternal life if your name is found in the Book of Life after the judgment (Rev 20:14,15; Heb 9:27).

Community which does not represent God's highest thought, as the City of God, is accursed (1 Cor 16:22). So everyone in community must pursue the things that make peace and build up the common life (Rom 14:19 in the NEV, "one to the other"). Paul writes to communities which are already in decline in the first century.

Unless we fully represent God to one another in all *that we do* — we will also fall due to each individual failure to love. As Eph 1:4 says (NEV) — "He chose us to be dedicated, to be without blemish in His sight — to be full of love."