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"Unveiling the Revelation in the Book of Revelation"

Chapter 1 Breaking the Code, Part 2

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To further illustrate what a true servant of Jesus really is, let's look at a type and shadow of servanthood in Exodus 21:1-6 {Turn there and read now}.

Although the bond servant could choose to go free in the seventh year (completion), he willingly decided because of his love for his master, his wife and children that he would not go out free. Verse 6 has a prophetic meaning for us in our day and time. We have also been brought to the door {John 10:7} and our spiritual ears have been nailed to the door {Jesus} desiring to hear His voice and His voice only. This is the reason that John wrote several times in the Book of Revelation: "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches" {Revelation 2:7, 11, 17, 29; 3:6, 13, 22.

The true servant of Jesus doesn't serve out of duty, obligation, rules, regulations, and a man pleasing spirit. The true servant serves out of love and devotion to His master, and no matter how difficult times are, how extreme the attack of the devil is, or whatever he is facing in this natural world, nothing turns him away from remaining true and faithful to his Lord and master.

Are you a true servant of Jesus? Would you be willing to take an examination with me in this study? If so, please answer the following questions either yes or no.

| Do you love Jesus more than you love yourself? | |
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| Do you love Jesus more than you love anyone else on this earth? | |
| Do you love Jesus more than things, money, and material gain? | |
| Is your relationship with Jesus the most important thing in your life? | |
| Do you spend quality time with Jesus each day? | |
| Do you hear the voice of Jesus clearly? | |
| Do you follow what He tells you to do? | |
| Do you talk about Him to others as much as you can? | |
| Is the greatest desire of your heart to see His return to the earth? | |
| Do others see Jesus living in you and through you? | |

One of the greatest revelations of our love relationship with our Heavenly Father and Jesus is found in 1 John 4th chapter. If you want your love relationship to increase with Jesus, I exhort you to read and meditate on this chapter at least once daily for the next seven days. I believe that one of the greatest revelations that the Holy Spirit gave me was that when I fell completely in love with Jesus with no reservations, it would never be difficult again to carry out what He instructed me to do.

Could this be one of the reasons that we have very few true servants of Jesus?

A true servant does not have to be:

- **Watched in order to perform what he has been instructed to do.
- **Coaxed or pleaded with in order to perform the task that he has been assigned.
- **Bragged on or exalted in order to keep them doing what they are doing.
- **Paid for every task that they have been asked to perform.
- **Given the glamorous tasks in order to keep them happy.
- **Manipulated with flattery words in order to keep them from murmuring and complaining.
- **Agreed with all the time in order to keep them fulfilling what they have committed to do.

Remember that the unveiling of the book of Revelation was sent to the servants of Jesus Christ who could be counted on to read, hear, and keep the words of the prophecy. John was a living witness of what a true servant was, due to the fact that he was in the worst of the very worst places on the face of the earth, but was still steadfast, immovable, and in the Spirit on the Lord's Day. {Revelation 1:10}