## **S.O.H.L.** (11/9/09) WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Pronounced "Soul"

## What Would You Tell <u>Him</u>?

**1 PETER 1:14-15** NASB - **(14)** As <u>obedient children</u>, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, **(15)** but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior.

Jesus is omniscient. This fancy word simply means He knows absolutely everything, our thoughts, our actions and our motives. He knows without us saying one word of why we did it or even why we are doing it! To give you an example: MARK 2:5-8 NASB - (5) And Jesus <u>seeing</u> their faith said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." (6) But some of the scribes were sitting there and <u>reasoning in their hearts</u>, (7) "Why does this man speak that way? He is blaspheming; who can forgive sins but God alone?" (8) Immediately Jesus, <u>aware in His spirit</u> that <u>they were reasoning that way within themselves</u>, said to them, "<u>Why are you reasoning about these things in your hearts</u>? "Jesus called these men out. How could He do this? It is in His Spirit. An attribute that we don't have, but our Father does.

Therefore, what would you say to Jesus (**Beware** - His Spirit is always present)? What if, He appeared while you were fornicating and He asked you why are you doing this? What would you say to Jesus? He appeared and address you about lusting on the opposite sex or same sex. What would you tell Jesus? What if He appeared while you were gossiping about another person and He simply asked, "why do you do this?" Imagine deeds that Jesus is not pleased with and He appeared while you are committing that sin and He simply asked you why"? What would you say?

If we don't know that we are displeasing Him, Jesus would take the time to explain to us the wrong behavior through His word, but for us who do know better, He instructs us in **1 Peter 1:14** – Don't be conformed to behaviors we use to be engaged in due to ignorance. Instead, we are called to be obedient and Holy. Holy means to be "set apart." to demonstrate a sincere behavior just like our Father.

We must yield and ask ourselves this simple question, "is Jesus pleased with this behavior of mine"? Remember as the scripture says "I (meaning Jesus) called you. Therefore, be Holy and obedient. If we choose to do other wise, we are saying that Jesus "Didn't call me." Then the question would be who did?

SCRIPTURE READING ROMANS 6:14

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Genuine repentance is the key!