I'll Confess or Deny you before My Father

Mat 10:32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

Mat 10:33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

Does this sound like the Jesus we know and love? "I'll deny you before my Father"? Sounds a bit more like 'kid's speak'. You hit me and I'll hit you. You take my toy, then I'll take your candy. You do this to me, so I'll do that to you.

On the surface, this *sounds* like, what Jesus is saying, but we know Him better than that, so He must be getting at something else, something deeper. I notice in both verses He says, almost as an aside 'my Father which is in heaven'. He's saying, if you do this, then I'll say that in front of my Father, (oh yea, bye the way), who is in heaven. But if you do that, then I'll say this in front of my Father, (and again bye the way, who is in heaven).

These verses are only read in the light of the 'kid speak', if you are picturing a distant, separate God with a long white beard, sat on a throne in His Kingdom, the other side of the Universe. But these scriptures take on a totally different sense when we recognise Jesus' words, that "the Kingdom of heaven is within you". Ah ha. So this is all going on within me? Yes, that is why Jesus said in both cases that His Father is in Heaven, and that Heaven is not here or over there, but within.

Of course, my consciousness, is the mind, that makes me aware of who I AM, or who I think I am. My consciousness is the throne of God. It's where the Christ mind (yes, that's the one, the one we have to *let* be in us), IS. Therefore, this being true, Jesus' words in the two verses, take on a different light. Jesus is really saying, this is not something I will do in a revengeful type of manner, but rather something I will do, that is inevitable, for you do it to yourself. For, if before your conscious mind you confess 'self' - I am just me - then you will have no awareness of my Father's presence. No awareness of your oneness with Him. You will only have the conscious awareness of just being you, yourself alone, and you will be the one responsible to live. You will have to keep the rules, work by the sweat of your brow, and do the best you can. This is the yoke that is not light. This is the yoke, that Christ offered to trade you for, by you taking His. Your yoke Lord? But what is your yoke?

My Yoke is My Self. My Being, My Spirit, This IS my Yoke. I AM your precious and Great Reward. See ME in all your ways, and I will be unable to deny you before my Father. I would only be able to confess you before Him, for you yourself are confessing ME before him - AS YOU.

I remember a young lad, many years ago now, who attended the church I used to attend, who got a serious 'kicking', in his work place, when his work mates jibed him to deny Jesus Christ. They knew he was a Christian, and

loved to give him a hard time. Well, he was a brave lad, and would not submit to their antagonism, so they beat him up.

I know all things work together for good, for those that love God, and they sure were here, had he but seen who sent the assailants in the first place, but he could have saved himself the pain. All he had to say was, "OK I deny Jesus Christ". They would have let him go. For this is NOT what Jesus was talking about, when He said, if you deny ME before men. He did not mean if you deny the carpenter from Nazareth of 2000 years ago. He meant if you deny ME. The ME of your me. The I of your I. Hence the scripture; "If you acknowledge ME in all your ways, I will guide your paths. It follows therefore, that if I confess Him before men, (myself being one of these men), then I acknowledge Him in all my ways. I deny Him, before men, (myself being one of these men), when I say, "Oh that was just me", and if I do say that, (and sometimes I forget, or am tempted, and I do say that), I'm introducing a someone onto the planet, that God has never heard of. He only knows His Son, for that's the only person there is. There is only One person in the universe. God. We are who we are, (God's son), NOT who we think we are, the person our parents gave a name to.

Mat 23:9 And call no [man] your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

I am ME, I am I, but who is the I? It is not the person I've been led to believe I am all my years. No, that is the one that must lose it's life to gain it. But it is actually losing nothing; accept maybe a denial before the Father, for NOT confessing Christ.

Be Brave, be Bold, Be Him.

Mat 7:23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Here's another wonderful example of what is, or isn't, as the case may be, of what is going on within you. As my good friend Boyd always says. "It is all an inside job". But he's so right. From the story of Job, Adam and Eve, all the old testament stories, even Jesus Himself painted allegorical truths for us, with His very life. Don't misunderstand me, I am not saying he didn't do the things the bible tells us he did, not at all. I believe these stories about Him to be true, but the Spirit meaning and allegorical truth about them is far more reaching. Here's just one of hundreds of examples:

Jesus goes in to the temple and throws out all that shouldn't be in there. That's exactly what He does with us, when the Truth comes to us the ignorance and lies fly out of our temple, for they can not remain there with the Truth. You shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. What sets us free? Jesus? The Truth sets us free. That, I AM the Truth. Is the Truth. Or perhaps I should say, The Truth is the *real* ME of me. So yes, it's all an inside job alright. We are not going to Know God in our feet, or our liver, or even heart, if by heart we mean the pump. No, it is in our consciousness we will meet Him, for that is where his throne/kingdom (rule), IS.

Mat 7:23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

What iniquity? You may ask.

The iniquity of living as if you are a separate being from your creator, with power of your own, having no need of God. Being your own god. The good news is though, that God subjected His creation to this vanity. This, 'self', 'The I am just me', mindset, so fear not, He's the very one who will bring you to your right mind, which IS the mind of Christ.

Be Brave, be Bold, Be Him. Fear not. You already Are. It is finished. Done and dusted. Step in to your new coat.

Jhn 6:28 Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

("What? If you don't want ME to deny you before my Father, is this what you mean?")

Jhn 6:29 Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the ONE he has sent."

("This One, to believe in, is the real YOU, within. I and My Father are ONE as we are all ONE".)

So there you go -

Philippians 2:12b

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

You only need to believe.