**1 Cor. 16:22**

If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maranatha.

**For years we have encouraged evidence for the Judgement Seat.**

**This morning is no different and we will show the scriptures mandating this.**

In theology or your bible study of God, words matter.

Understanding the words, help us understand the message.

The text is about love= a certain type.

The text is also about a curse= for a certain reason.

As to the words, we find an Aramaic word among the Greeks language to a Greek church.

To translate or transliterate?

**Let’s study in 2 segments:**

If any man **love not** the Lord Jesus Christ…

No evidence of love for Jesus, means no evidence of genuine regeneration.

Paul is not calling for "perfection!" but commonality and such.

**Love-** φιλέω (phileō *fil-eh'-o)* [**ἀγαπάω**](http://studybible.info/strongs/G25)is also the word ordinarily used of men's love to God, but

 [**φιλέω**](http://studybible.info/strongs/G5368)is once used in **1 Cor. 16:22.**

**Baptist doctrine:** If it’s to be practiced, it is Baptist truth.

**1 Cor. 8:24**

**Must be proof:** Wherefore **shew ye to them**, and before the churches, **the proof of your love**,

and of our boasting on your behalf.

**How:**

O how I love Your law! **Ps. 119:97**

Ye that love the Lord, hate evil." **Ps 97:10.**

…let him be **Anathema. Maranatha.**

Aramaic word.

Period or no period.

Translation or not.

**Anathema** This word means accursed, or devoted to destruction;

**1 Cor. 12:1-3**

**1** Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

[**2**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Corinthians-12-2/) Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.

[**3**](http://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/1-Corinthians-12-3/) Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus **accursed**: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

**Maranatha** translates: Our Lord, come! **Or** Our Lord has come!

I don’t believe we know why the translators chose transliteration, but it could be the question of how to translate it. Most modern version translate.

The words Maranatha adds weight to the anathema.

**If** Our Lord, come! **=** While most may be disillusioned by the “good time” they think they will have in heaven **this word invokes the time of judgement** is at hand!

**Heb. 9:27**

And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

**If** Our Lord has come! It would sober anyone about they have treated him or think about him. And to the Jews it would be a solemn rebuke for their rejection of him.

**Mt. 21:42**

Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures,

**The stone which the builders rejected,** the same is become the head of the corner: