

**"THE WORDS OF THE LORD ARE PURE WORDS, LIKE SILVER TRIED IN
A FURNACE OF EARTH, PURIFIED SEVEN TIMES.
YOU SHALL KEEP THEM, O LORD, YOU SHALL PRESERVE THEM FROM
THIS GENERATION FOREVER." (PSALM 12: 6 & 7)**

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“The Pure Word of God”

**“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”
(John 1:1)**

**“Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him.” (Proverbs
30:5)**

**“Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from
the mouth of God.” (Matthew 4:4)**

Dear saints, I trust that we are all familiar with the above scripture. In fact, some of us are so familiar with these words, that they no longer have an effect on us. They have become church words – Sunday school words – Prayer meeting words. In truth, they have little or no effect on our majority. Spiritually, for the most part, God’s word has become no more than a collection of words that have no power in them – they have become as dead words falling on ears that hear physically, but cannot hear spiritually. Jesus addressed this problem while He was here with us when He quoted Isaiah as follows:

**“Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, and seeing you will see
and not perceive; for the hearts of this people have grown dull.”
(Matthew 13:14 & 15)**

As this message began to rise up in my spirit, I was allowed to receive a revelation that revealed clearly our present spiritual condition. I saw the people of America covered with food. I mean it was stacked up all around us. As I looked, I saw the vast majority as being overweight, with many having reached the stage of obesity. There was much sickness and disease spreading throughout the people. Much of which was hidden.

While I was meditating on this vision, it was revealed to me that what I was seeing was a reflection – an image of our true spiritual condition. What I saw were a people that are covered up with the word of God. It was all around them everywhere. As I looked, the people appeared to be emaciated. Their bones could all be counted. Their eyes were sunken into their heads and their bellies were swollen from malnutrition. They were literally starving to death spiritually, and did not realize it.

As I continued to meditate on these two visions, I began to see clearly the natural and spiritual parallels involved. In the natural, we have no shortage of food. In fact, we are covered up with food. We are a people who are given to filling our stomachs daily. However, our weight problem is not due to our eating alone, but rather what we eat. We are not eating God's natural (pure), healthy food. Rather, we are eating man's tampered with, unhealthy food. Most of us do not even like God's healthy food any longer. We prefer to have man put his touch to it so that it pleases the lust of the palate. The result is sickness, disease, and disability. Not to mention an ever expanding health care and drug industry that robs God's people of their financial resources in an effort to keep them alive so that they can continue their lust for the cravings of the flesh.

In the spiritual realm, I saw the same cause and effect. We are feeding ourselves a word that has been tampered with by man. I mean, we have added our touch to it. We twist it, add to it, take from it, and interpret it so that it pleases our flesh and satisfies our own personal affections. The end result is a people who are spiritually malnourished – spiritually deformed – a people who have a form of Godliness but no power (see 2 Timothy 3:5). Sadly, most of us believe that we are in harmony with God, and His word. We have reached a point where the vast majority of those who call themselves followers of Christ, no longer know the difference between the pure and the impure. We have fulfilled the prophetic word of God. It is written:

“There is a generation that is pure in its’ own eyes, yet is not washed from its’ filthiness.” (Proverbs 30:12)

“Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord God, That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, But shall not find it.” (Amos 8:11 & 12)

Notice that God declared that He would send a famine, not of the lack of His word, but of the “hearing” of His word. There is no benefit to man if he has God's word but does not hear it with his spiritual ears. Remember, it is written:

“The natural man does not receive the things of the spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.” (1 Corinthians 2:14)

Dear saints, even though we are living in the days of a famine of hearing God's pure word, do not be discouraged. If you have a sincere desire in your heart to hear Father's word – If your hearts desire is to seek out the Truth, and you are willing to go where ever Truth leads you -- If your greatest desire in life is to seek out the Living Word, and to enjoy an intimate relationship with Him 24/7 – then you are blessed indeed. You are called of God and are a candidate to become one of the few who make up His remnant of over-comers. Father has never failed to maintain His remnant seed in the earth, regardless of how backslidden or apostate the majority becomes. My prayer is that you and I will be found worthy to be counted among His chosen. I urge you not to take your election into God's chosen remnant for granted. Rather submit yourself to Him in meek humility as you "hear" His word:

"Many are called, but few are chosen." (Matthew 22:14)

and

**"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven."
(Matthew 5:3)**

If you have an inward desire for, and love of the Truth in your heart, you may be assured that you are one of the "called" under the terms of the New Covenant. Listen—

**"For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people."
(Hebrews 8:10)**

For those of us who have an inward love in the heart for God's Commandments, Judgments and Precepts, there should also be an inward witness that God has done something "within" that only He could do. We know that we are not perfect. We know that we are in a spiritual battle with our flesh—

**"For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish."
(Galatians 5:17)**

Never-the-less, we are confident that our Father's living Word "in us" will reproduce after its' own kind and likeness –

"being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;" (Philippians 1:6)

As a part of God's remnant people, we sense no condemnation when His pure word falls upon our ears. Regardless of how hard the sword of the Spirit strikes our flesh, we only feel conviction, as our spirit cries out in unison with the Spirit of God within—" Yes and Amen"! We are confident above all things that our God will be true to His pure word, and in His word we rest, and find our Peace, Knowing that it is written:

"that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit: For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.” (Romans 8:4-8)

Today, we have a mixture within what we refer to as “the Church”. I liken the modern day church to the Baskin-Robbins Ice Cream Company. We have a flavor to suit all tastes. We have even been known to go from one church or fellowship to another “taste testing” until we find a flavor that appeals to our own personal affections (2 Corinthians 6:12), not realizing that in doing so, we limit ourselves with God.

Our tendency today is to fall victim to the father of lies as he transforms himself into an angel of light, and his ministers into ministers of righteousness (2 Corinthians 11:14&15). We loose our love for the Truth, if we ever had it at all, and the spirits of religion attach themselves to us and we become casualties of war. The lie becomes our truth, and we are convinced that God is on our side – He is just like us! We set His word aside in favor of what “we” believe – not what He says. In doing so, we are referred to, by God Himself, as wicked. Listen—

To the wicked God says: **“What right have you to declare My statutes, or take My covenant in your mouth, seeing you hate instruction and cast My words behind you?”**

These things you have done, and I kept silent; you thought that I was altogether like you, but I will rebuke you, and set them in order before your eyes.” (Psalm 50: 16, 17&21)

When it comes to our calling the impure or diluted word of God, “light”, Jesus calls it darkness!” Listen --

“If therefore the light that is in you is darkness, how great is that darkness!” (Matthew 6:23b)

Dear saints of God, please listen with your spiritual ears: God and His word are One. God interacts with man through His word. If and when God speaks to man, His words are pure, undefiled, and holy. God will not allow any man to add too, take from, or alter His word, for any reason what so ever, and go unpunished. We have a long list of examples in God’s word, which confirms what I am saying. From Moses and Uzzah to Achan, along with Ananias and Sapphira, we see clearly that God is very serious about His word! As it is written:

“As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.” (2 Samuel 22:31)

“The words of the Lord are pure words, like silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.” (Psalm 12:6)

“Your word is very pure; therefore your servant loves it.” (Psalm 119:140)

“Therefore all your precepts concerning all things I consider to be right; I hate every false way.” (Psalm 119: 128)

**“Do not add to His words, lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.”
(Proverbs 30:6)**

**“But on this one I will look: On him who is poor and of a contrite spirit,
and who trembles at My word.” (Isaiah 66:2b)**

**“As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,”
(1 Peter 2:2)**

**“For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book:
If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are
written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy,
God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things
which are written in this book.” (Revelation 22:18 & 19)**

Only a fool would deny that God holds the honor of His word even above that of His name. Again, it is written in His pure word:

“You have magnified Your word above all Your name.” (Psalm 138: 26)

Yes, there is a “pure” word of God, and His “called out ones” hunger and thirst for that word. They search for that word. They reject all who deny the purity of God’s word, including those in positions of leadership, such as Pastors, Preachers, Prophets, Priests, and Teachers. God’s remnant cries out from the mountaintop; It is written,

“Let God be true but every man a liar.” (Romans 3:4)

I challenge you dear reader, to examine carefully, in light of this message, who you are listening to, what translation of the Bible are you using and who you are fellowshiping with. When it comes to the purity of God’s word, God does not make exceptions. He did not make an exception in the case of Moses, and He will not make an exception for you or me – where the purity of His word is concerned.

I am fully persuaded that the church is headed into the very face of the firestorm of the holiness of God. Judgment **is upon us** even as I write, and it will grow worse and worse, until our spirit of rebellion against His word is broken and we flee back to Him in deep repentance.

I conclude with our Lord's words:

“It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit; and they are life.

But there are some of you who do not believe.” (John 6:63 & 64a)

What about you, dear friend? Do you believe God – or man?

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