

"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 WORD OF GOD!

-Part Seven -

"The seed is the word of God." (Luke 8: 11)

"And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!"

But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God And keep it!" (Luke 11:27&28)

"Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who delights greatly in His Commandments." (Psalm 112:1)

When the "seed" (the Word of God) falls on fertile ground, (ears that can hear and a heart that can receive), that seed will always reproduce after its' own kind. If that Word was peace, it will reproduce peace. If that Word was healing, it will reproduce healing. If the Word was deliverance, salvation, protection, joy, etc. ---- whatever the seed, it will reproduce after its own kind, in the soul who's heart is filled with the fertile soil of a love for Father that supercedes all other affections. When ever good seed falls on good ground, that seed will reproduce, and God, Himself, will see to it!

"These are the ones sown on good ground, those who hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit: some thirty-fold, some sixty and some a hundred." (Mark 4:20)

For God's word to reproduce, to bear fruit, it must fall on good ground. The Word of God can lay on a shelf for 10,000 years and never reproduce itself; or it could lay on a bench in a shopping mall where thousands of people walked by it every day, and never reproduce so much as one jot or tittle of its own fruit. Just as the farmer's seed in a burlap sack provides no harvest, so it is with the Word of God; Until the Word falls into the "good ground" of a man's soul, it will provide no harvest what so ever! As long as the Word of God falls on the rocky soil of unbelief, or soil that is full of a love for the things of the world, one is guaranteed a harvest failure. This is as certain as God, Himself!

"These are the ones sown on stony ground who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with gladness; and they have no root in themselves, and so endure only for a time. Afterward, when tribulation or persecution arises for the Word's sake, immediately they stumble.

Now these are the ones sown among thorns; they are the ones who hear the Word, and the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the Word, and it becomes unfruitful." (Mark 4:16-19)

Dear reader, I humbly ask you, “are you good ground”? Is the Word of God reproducing itself in you and through you? I know you believe in Jesus Christ, and practice your form of Christianity, otherwise you would not be receiving these messages; that is not what I am asking you. Again, I ask you before our Father, are you good ground for His word ---- for every word that proceeds from His mouth (Matthew 4:4)? Are you? If not ----- why not?

Jesus said that those that were considered “good ground” were persons who ----- heard the Word and accepted the Word. If one hears and accepts only a part of God’s word, while refusing to hear and accept that part of His word that they are uncomfortable with, is that person considered by our Lord to be “good ground”? Just because we are known for our many good words, our faithfulness to our church, and our confession of faith ---- are we counted in the heavens as Father’s good ground? The answer to my question, as always, is found in Father’s word.

“Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord?

Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.

Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, He also has rejected you from being King.” (1 Samuel 15: 22&23) *Emphasis Added*

“My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge (Matt. 4:4). Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me (1 Peter 2:9 & Revelation 1:6); because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.” (Hosea 4:6)

“- - - when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (2 Thessalonians 1:7&8) *Emphasis Added*

“Good ground” receives God’s word, accepts it as truth, and chooses as a child to obey it, regardless of what any human being might say to the contrary----regardless of all persecution that arises from family, friends and churchmen.

“Bad ground” receives only that portion of God’s word that pleases their own affections (2 Corinthians 6-12), and rejects that portion that exposes their wickedness (Hebrews 4:12). “Bad ground” rejects the “full counsel” of God from Genesis to Revelation, and does not accept it as truth.” “Bad ground” turns a deaf ear to the Holy Spirit of Truth, and a hearing ear to the lying spirit of a priest, prophet, Bible teacher, Preacher or Pope that fails to “tremble” at God’s word (Isaiah 66:2). “Bad ground” produces briars and thorns of doubt and unbelief ---- “Bad ground” by virtue of its fruit, calls man “truth” ---- and God ---- a liar. “Good ground” calls man a liar, and God ---- TRUTH (Romans 3:4)!

“For the earth which drinks in the rain that often comes upon it, and bears herbs useful for those by whom it is cultivated, receives blessing from God; but if it bears thorns and briars, it is rejected and near to being cursed, whose end is to be burned.” (Hebrews 6: 7&8)

Every person who calls themselves a Christian is either “good ground” or they are “bad ground”; the word of God, in its entirety, will be confirmed and reproduce itself in “good ground” it will do just the opposite in “bad ground”. I highly recommend to all who are serious about following Jesus, that they make an honest self-evaluation of their heart as it relates to God’s word. Should one’s heart not be pure toward God’s word, it would be better to find out now, while there is still time to do something about it; than to find out after crossing over into eternity, where our future is sealed, according to our past response to the Word of the Living God.

“He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him ---- the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day.” (John 12:48)

“A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.” (Matthew 7:18&19)

Today, the twin sister of the “politically correct” spirit ---- that being the “spiritually correct” spirit ---- has taken over the vast majority of what we refer to as the Christian Community ---- the church. This lying spirit of deception has infected virtually all denominations, including those who call themselves “independent”. Contending for the faith (Jude 3) and voicing support for the purity of our Father’s word (Psalm 12: 6&7) is no longer the “spiritually correct” thing to do. Maintaining peace, experiencing church growth, keeping the money flowing and the programs of good works going, is our ultimate goal. We proudly proclaim that we do all in the name of Jesus Christ, and no doubt our intentions are good; but will good intentions, excuse man’s lack of reverence for the voice of God as He speaks through His word?

Is God’s word His “bond”? Does God count it a small thing when man chooses to follow the voice of man rather than His voice, as expressed and confirmed through His word? Are we free to follow the dictates of our own hearts, when those dictates blaspheme (show a lack of reverence and fear) God’s word? Is there such a thing as a “pure word” from God? Is God true? Is He Truth (John 14:6)?

Please listen and take heed, lest your soul be counted among those who are called “unclean”, not having been washed by the Word of God (Ephesians 5:26).

“These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.” (Matthew 15: 8&9)

“Why do you call Me Lord, Lord, and not do the things which I say?” (Luke 6:46)

“No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other.” (Matthew 6: 24)

“Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient, the stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. And, a stone of stumbling and a rock of offense.

They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.”
(1 Peter 2: 7&8) Emphasis Added

God's people stumble when they are disobedient to His word. Disobedience comes either from ignorance or from choice, neither of which gives us a free pass to receive our Father's blessing. Disobedience to God's word is never excused or overlooked by our God, apart from sincere heartfelt repentance and a turning back to His word. We may think our disobedience is excused due to our not suffering the consequences immediately, but that is nothing more than a fanciful illusion. Suffering the loss of Father's blessing always follows disobedience. Even our Lord Jesus Christ had to learn the certainty of this spiritual law, just as we do. Listen to the word of God:

“In the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.”

And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.” (Hebrews 5: 7-9) *Emphasis Added*

Who among us would deny the suffering and loss of blessing that now seems to have spread throughout the Christian community like gangrene? The overall spiritual condition of the church seems to be identical to the overall economic condition of the world ----- WE ARE IN MELTDOWN!

Everywhere I turn; there are reports of division, family strife, financial troubles, sickness, disease, addictions, divorce, fornication, adultery, idolatry and the loss of spiritual power. Lying signs and wonders (Matthew 24: 24) now draw Christians as honey draws bees. All of these conditions are now found in the church ----a clear indication that the Glory and favor of God has departed from our midst leaving us with our “form” of religion (2 Timothy 3: 5) to live on. This indictment stands, without fear of contradiction, sealed by the Word of God.

In light of the evidence, what has been our response in this late hour of time? While the Word of God declares that we are “guilty as charged”, we say --- “we are spiritually rich, spiritually blessed; we are the King's kids, have all things, and are in need of nothing, except more and more wealth” (Revelation 3: 17). As each day passes, “many” within our ranks continue to drift further and further from the peaceful harbor of “obedience”. Father's loving warnings are now heard by fewer and fewer of us-----

“You are wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked ----- as many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent.” (Revelation 3: 17&19)

“Now go, write it before them on a tablet, and note it on a scroll that it may be for a time to come, forever and ever: That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children who will not hear the law of the Lord; who say to the seers, “Do not see”, and to the prophets, “Do not prophesy to us right things; Speak to us smooth things, prophesy deceits.” Get out of the way, turn aside from the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.” (Isaiah 30: 8-11)

As it was in days gone by, so it is once again. Biblical history, as it relates to the behavior of God's people is being repeated, and Biblical prophecy is being fulfilled (Matthew 24: 1-44 * 2 Thessalonians 2: 3 * 1 Timothy 4: 1-5 and 2 Timothy 3: 1-7).

Father has always warned His people, prior to the arrival of His judgment. Judgment always begins with His people first (1 Peter 4: 17). It begins with His people because we are the people that He has a

problem with. We have been told ---- we are called to reflect the likeness and image of God. As His children, we should set the example of holiness and righteousness to the rest of the world. Pagans are true to their own nature, and therefore are not to be considered “the problem”; we, God’s people, as a whole, are not being true to His nature, which is supposed to be “our nature”, as reflected in and through His word. To those whom much is given, much is expected (Luke 12: 48 & Luke 19: 12-26).

Dear reader, God’s word clearly tells us that as His people go, so goes their nation. When we drift away from the old paths of truth and leave “The Way” (Psalm 81: 13), our nation soon follows. Where God’s people walk in the Spirit, they enjoy the favor and power of God; they are a stabilizing force within the nation. However, when God’s people drift away, they lose the favor of God along with His power, and they become of no value to the nation what so ever ----the nation then soon self-destructs. We are now eye witnesses of this spiritual principal once again being confirmed, as it was in days gone by. The law of “sowing and reaping” cannot be set aside (Galatians 6: 7&8); nor can we deny, that we are repeating the past behavior of God’s people. As it was written ---- so it is:

“That which has been is what will be, that which is done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun. Is there anything, of which it may be said, “See this is new”? It has already been in ancient times before us.” (Ecclesiastes 1: 9&10)

Dear reader, these are exceedingly serious days in which we live. God’s judgment is upon us; and He is justified (Psalm 51: 4 & Romans 3: 4) in all that He does. We have neglected, ignored and rejected His pure loving word; and chosen instead to follow the dictates of our own hearts. We have, either intentionally or unintentionally allowed ourselves to be programmed by lying religious spirits that “add to” or “take from” the Word of God; in either case, the results are always the same: loss of blessing and judgment. So, what are we to do? Turn to Father’s word ----

“When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people,

if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” (2 Chronicles 7: 13&14)

“And I heard another voice from heaven saying, “come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.” (Revelation 18: 4)

What we are now seeing, are but the outer bands of a firestorm of God’s holy judgment. The severity of the storm will be determined by the response of God’s people to His word of warning ---- and time is not on our side. For those who have ears to hear, be encouraged. Father has always kept a holy remnant out of harms way; those who will preserve the seed ---- His word. May we be found worthy to be numbered among the over comers (Revelation 2: 11 & 21: 7), and may God have mercy on us all. Your brother,
Thomas

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