



Are We The Church Of God Or The Church Of The World?

Introduction:

For years I have watched as the church that was once broken and saddened by the condition of the world..... but now it has become more like the world.

I have watched as gimmicks have taking the place of the gospel.

Where Pastors are having fewer services....just to please themselves and the people.

The reason for that is simple....It lets them have more time for pleasure then seeking the Face of God.

A time when ball games and golf and other activities have taken the time that once was used to worship and praise the Lord.

We live in a time where churches dismiss services so that people can watch

1. The Super bowl...the fights the World series
2. And men will seek out the pleasures of this life and not God.

But the Scripture proclaim this: Heb 10:25-

25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

And the results of not obeying this is Heb: 10:26

26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,(are we willing to take this chance?)

Another thing that has separated the church from the Power of God is:

Holiness has gone and the way of the world has become what people are seeking.....the church is looking more worldly then Godly.

And the reason behind this is this

Hell has intimidated people to the point where they are making up their own rulesand the word of God to them is legalism and they want no part of it

We live in a time:

1. When television has taken the place of family time.
2. Cell phones get more attention than your own family and God.
3. When you can't sleep at night afraid of missing a text or a call.

Seldom or never reading the bible, seldom praying.... and when you do it doesn't touch the heart of God. Because you are too preoccupied.

The church is crying out to God but it is saying....NO TIME NO TIME I don't have time to commune with you. **I will call when I need something.**

I want to tell you this.....this is the very reason when you cry to God he doesn't hear you...because you have sinned against him in worshipping other Gods.

In the time of you desperation God has said;

Matt 15:8-9

8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

I have never seen a time when prayer meetings;

A. Have no brokenness no heart to weep before the Lord.

B. Even though friends and even family are going to Hell.

There can be no Revival until we become broken over the condition not of the world..... but of the Church.

- We have no anguish in prayer,
- no desire to grow close to God
- no remorse for our sins.

We think we have God figured out.... but we don't.

We don't even know God

1. If we can sit and watch the television and neglect time with God.
2. If we can allow the ungodly Hollywood entertainers into our homes...
3. The same people that blasphemy the very God that we say we love and it doesn't disgust us.....I would say that we are far from God.

If you allow the adultery and the fornication and the ungodliness of Hollywood into our homes what has become of our convictions?

If we have gotten to the point that ungodly music has become our entertainment then we are far from God.

If you can sit and watch a fight between two men as they beat each other half to death for money..... something is wrong with our spirituality.

- We have become a carnal nation..
- A church with no vision for Revival...
- No vision of the coming of the Lord.

As the Scripture says; Prov 29:18.... Where there is no vision, the people perish : but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

The reason so many people are miserable is:

1. Their relationship with GOD is weak.
2. They have no prayer life...no desire to build a relationship with God
3. No knowledge of the word of God because we are too busy to study.
4. Too occupied with your own life to let God in.

We are too obsessed with the inventions of mankind to spend time with God.

Ps 106:29 Thus they provoked him to anger with their inventions: and the plague brake in upon them.

Ps 106:39-42 Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions.

40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.

Isn't it a shame that we have driven God away from us.... instead of us drawing nigh unto him?

Listen to what happens when we displease the Lord: Psalms 106:41:42

41 And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them.

42 Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand. KJV

Ps 106: 43 Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked him with their counsel, and were brought low for their iniquity. **(Their sin kept separating them fro God)**

But because of his compassion the Scripture declare in: Ps 106:44-45

44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry:

45 And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies. KJV

But we continue to disregard what saith the Lord of Host.

The word of the Lord came to me and spoke this into my spirit: Thus says the Lord:

The devil has lead the church on a pathway of destruction and taught the people that they are their own priest and they can make their own sacrifices and they can do whatsoever they will and still be saved but they shall fall in the day of my vengeance saith the Lord of Host.

Matt 7:22-23 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works?

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

But listen church.... the word of the Lord is boldly proclaiming this to the end time church:

Matt 7:24

24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: KJV

David cried this out in: Ps 66:18....If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me: KJV

God is not pleased with our frivolous prayers and fasting.

The word of the Lord came to Isaiah the prophet saying:

Isa 1:15-17

15 And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.

16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

Isa 1:19-20

19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it. KJV

The Word of the Lord went out to Israel many times but they continued to Rebel against Him and his Prophets and they died by the thousands in the Wilderness.

And even so shall it be in the last days because the prophets have spoken it and it shall come to pass and is already

happening in our day.

2 Tim 3:1-5 NIV

1 But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.

2 People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy

3 without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good,

4 treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—

5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.

We already live in this prophesy: It's not about God anymore it's about us.

1. It's about how much we can acquire in this world of the carnal things
2. It is about our pleasures and not what pleases God.
3. I have never seen a time when children or so disobedient to their parents and Elders then this day right now.
4. I have never seen such a time when there is not respect for the house of the Lord.
5. When you bring in food and candy and chew gum and talk among yourselves while the Preacher is reaching for someone souls.
6. This is displeasing unto the Lord.

I have never seen such disrespect in the house of the Lord as you make yourself comfortable... as if you were at home and you distract others with all the moving around.

When children dictate to you what they are going to do and you allow it. It is an abomination to the Lord our God.... we are commanded by the Lord in:

Prov 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

- Is God pleased with such things as this? What is this generation saying to their children?
- When you say no and they say yes I am.... and you allow them to lead you about instead of you leading them.
[It is an abomination to God.]
- God has called his church to Holiness and righteousness but we are not hearing what thus saith the Lord anymore!

That goes for this church also. God spoke by the Prophet in: Eph 4:10-13

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ LHow long do we have to endure?

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

But the word of the Lord also proclaims this in: 2 Tim 4:3

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

We will have to get back to being obedient to God in all things before we can see a Revival that will shake the foundations of the world!!

