



What Does God Have Against You?

The word of the Lord came to me this morning in this scripture while I was in prayer: Rom 6:16-19

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey , his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

Matt 6:24-26

24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

26 Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

I will ask you this question what Spirit do you obey the most?

· If today we would have to answer to God for the life we have lived would we be able to answer God's questions truthfully?

· Would we be able to say yes Lord we have obeyed your every commandment and we have given all for the sake of the Gospel.

Since the beginning of time mankind has been given commandments to live by; those who kept them were blessed those who didn't came under the curse.

1 Sam 15:22-29

22 And Samuel said, Hath 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 hearken than the fat of rams.

23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.

Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD *and thy words*: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD.

26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.

27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle and it rent.

28 And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day and hath given it to a neighbor of thine, that is better than thou.

29 And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he is not a man that he should repent.

Even though King Saul repented, the word of the Lord from Samuel was still brought to past,

King Saul died at the hand of his enemies and so did Jonathan his son and the army of Israel.

So one man's disobedience brought the death of many, just like Adams disobedience to God brought condemnation for all mankind.

Whether we are leaders or just a part of the church ones disobedience can cause a whole church to die.

Josh 7:1 But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.

Not all Israel had a part in this only one man but the scripture says "But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing:"

Josh 7:4-8

4 So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men: and they fled before the men of Ai.

5 And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them from before the gate even unto Shebarim, and smote them in the going down: wherefore the hearts of the people melted, and became as water.

6 And Joshua rent his clothes and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel and put dust upon their heads.

7 And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord GOD, wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? Would to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!

8 O Lord, what shall I say, when Israel turned their backs before their enemies!

Remember Saul and all the armies of Israel were afraid to face the giant Goliath they trembled in fear even though God was with them to deliver.

When there is fear and disobedience and slothfulness the spirit of the Fear has kept the church from continuing to grow, fear and disobedience is the enemy of today along with the Spirit of slothfulness.

The enemy is slowly but surely conquering the body.

These things may conquer humanity but it can never conquer the true church of the Living God.

Matt 16:18-19

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

1. The true church cannot be conquered by man

2. Nor can Satan and all of hell over power a church that is full of the Holy Ghost and Fire!

Jesus said: "and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

That means it cannot be defeated, it is not weak, it is powerful and strong lead of the Holy Ghost.

People who are full of the Holy Ghost and POWER cannot be overcome by sin!

Romans 8:36-39

6 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

But there are many that want to be Disciples of Christ that are not willing to be overcomers but they are overcome by the things of this world.

Mark 10:21-23

21 Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor , and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.

22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.

23 And Jesus looked round about, and said unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

How many people since then have lacked one thing, just one simple thing, the unwillingness to follow, to separate from things, have caused many not to be worthy to be his disciples!

Does God have anything against you? Have you lost your first Love?

Adam Clark's commentary reads like this: Rev 2:4 [Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee] They did not retain that strong and ardent affection for God and sacred things which they had when first brought to the knowledge of the truth, and justified by faith in Christ.

Rev 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

We can just continue the way we are; listen he said to "*Repent and do the first works or else I will come quickly and remove thy candlestick out of its place.*"

When you have lost your zeal to Pray and to be faithful unto the Lord your candlestick is out of oil it has to be replenished daily with the Spirit of God.

When he comes how will you go out to see him? A king's wife had to spend a whole year in purification she was washed daily; she had to be pure and acceptable to the King.

If she was rejected it was because she refused the daily cleansing of her body to make it acceptable before her King.

Rom 12:1

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

The word beseech means, To beg for someone or something.

Paul was saying to the Church of Rome, "I beg you to present your bodies a living sacrifice to God."

Too be willing to do whatever God ask of you; Too be faithful in all things!

In the seven churches God speaks directly to the angel of the church he tells him I know thy works, he acknowledge all the good things that was going on, but he said "I have somewhat against you!"

God pleads with the church to repent and if it doesn't he said I will remove thy candlestick out of its place.

Can you imagine being a vital part of the worship of God like the candlestick, which represents the Holy Ghost that leads us and guides us into all truth to be removed?

If we have forsaken our first love and no longer have the desire to enter God's house and give him worship, do you suppose that many have had their candlestick removed?

Is this the reason that many people cannot worship god but must occupy themselves with distractions to keep them away from their convictions?

Romans 1:19-23

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them.

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

23 And changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four footed beasts, and creeping things.