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Mark 3:24-26 And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. 25 And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand. 26 And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end. (KJV)

Divide and conquer is a term used when opposing factions go to war. If the opposition can get their opponent to doubt or fear then they have gotten a foothold and the opponent will eventually fall. When a Christian goes outside of our Lord’s realm they open themselves up to a lot of things, none of which is good. Notice that the devil and his angels work together as one, and for those that have the eyes of their understanding enlightened they can see the influence he has in this world; and yes it’s sad to say, but even in the so called church. Now if the enemy can work in unison and cause so much confusion, what do you think would happen if the Christians would follow suit (work in unison), worshipping and teaching sound doctrine in Spirit and in truth; what an influence that could have!

Hosea 10:1-2 Israel is an empty vine, he bringeth forth fruit unto himself: according to the multitude of his fruit he hath increased the altars; according to the goodness of his land they have made goodly images. 2 Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty: he shall break down their altars, he shall spoil their images. (KJV)

If you have ever gone through the Old Testament you will find that the downfall of God’s chosen people involved intermingling with those of this world. You will find that they were warned ahead of time not to do this because it would have a negative effect on them, leading to their downfall which is clearly illustrated throughout the Old Testament. You will find the same thing happening in your walk if you don’t keep the mind renewed daily in the one realm that is eternal. Doing this will keep the temporal things of this world from having such an influence on you and your decisions.

2 Corinthians 5:6-9 Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: 7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) 8 We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. 9 Wherefore we labor, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. (KJV)

So today the question begs to be asked, are you truly walking by faith or are you being misled by your outward sight? Without faith (not just the hearing, but the actual part where you step out in faith) it is impossible to please God, and remain in the one place He would have you to abide in today.

God bless dearly loved, and have a prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord.