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**Slice of Life**

2 Corinthians 6:14-16 Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? (15) And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? (16) And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. (KJV)

You know, we overlook these verses and then wonder why our walk with the Lord becomes stagnant and stale. Some have a tendency to hang on to old carnal relationships even with their physical families and end up more influenced by them than the Lord, which will lead to being unequally yoked with unbelievers. Many do get called and answer their calling for a season, but they don’t end up chosen anymore because evil communications truly will corrupt good morals and intentions.

2 Corinthians 6:17-18 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, (18) And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. (KJV)

If our Lord is asking you to come out and be separate it is for your benefit, not so that He can watch you throw a fit. You will find that many of those from your past are not going to be on board with what our Lord has in store for your future, which is unending if you choose to endure. Again take note of the fact that we are God’s sons and daughters, and for those of you that are parents you will find it much easier when you turn your own offspring over to Him, no matter what age they are.

Matthew 12:46-50 While he yet talked to the people, behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him. (47) Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee. (48) But he answered and said unto him that told him, who is my mother? And who are my brethren? (49) And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, behold my mother and my brethren! (50) For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother. (KJV)

This statement was made by a man that I know was chosen of God and fulfilled His calling, and look where He ended up. When you entered salvation you entered an entirely new realm where you inherited a new Father, as well as the true family in Christ. Many still hold to the carnal realm and do not answer or fulfill their calling with God because they spend too much time trying to please man and not our Lord in heaven.

Romans 8:5-8 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. (6) For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. (7) Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. (8) So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. (KJV)

You cannot please a Spiritual Father by your limited carnal ways; it just does not work that way people. So many begin in the Spirit and then try to perfect their walk according to the flesh and fall away, no longer chosen of God.

Luke 9:59-62 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father. (60) Jesus said unto him, let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God. (61) And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house. (62) And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. (KJV)

All through the Word we see where many miss their calling because they try to hang onto the old rather than reaching forward for the new. God chose you before the foundation of the world; and unless you answer that calling in Spirit and according to His truth, someday you will have to stand before Him and call Him a liar if you don’t follow through.

Galatians 5:16-17 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. (17) For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. (KJV)

In conclusion this week, if you desire to be chosen of our Lord then walk in His realm, which means you need to walk away from the old. Quit looking at things according to the old way of thinking; instead, start seeing all things from a new vantage point and you will see clearly how our Lord would have you handle them. God bless and stay new.