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**Slice of Life**

2 Corinthians 2:14-17 Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place. (15) For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish: (16) To the one we are the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things? (17) For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ. (KJV)

When you see the word ‘knowledge’ mentioned you see the word ‘know’ right in the middle of it. You also find Christ in the middle as well, because He is our only go between and mediator that God chose. While many have been called by God you can see what has happened to the many, in the end only a few are chosen. Many corrupt the gospel and the teachings of God by making determinations based more on the carnal and not the Spiritual. Many today put a price tag on the Word, and make outrageous claims on how if you give them more money you will get more favor from God. Yet when reading the Word we see that in the teachings of Christ, He Himself never made such stupid remarks.

Matthew 7:17-19 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. (18) A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. (19) Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. (KJV)

Eventually, if you are not bringing the true doctrine of Christ which is based on Spirit and truth, well then, you will end up being fired. A corrupt tree cannot bring forth good fruit, which aptly describes many religious organizations today that are rotten to the core. Oh they may look good and sound good on the outside, but inwardly it is dead and the doctrine they bring has no life in it.

Ephesians 4:29-30 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. (30) And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. (KJV)

Nothing is more grieving to the Holy Spirit than when we speak contrary to sound doctrine and what our Lord intended for us to speak. If the doctrine is not something that came from above, pointing the people to the Father through His Son, then it will not minister grace to the hearers; rather the end result will be disgrace and shame.

1 Timothy 6:3-6 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; (4) He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, (5) Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself. (6) But godliness with contentment is great gain. (KJV)

When is the last time that you turned on the TV and heard some preacher talk about contentment? I got a better question, has there ever been a first time for these false prophets? Most of what we see and hear being peddled is that bigger is better; and all the giving is done in their direction. Instead of withdrawing from this junk many flock to it like sheep heading to the slaughter by the many that bring in destructive heresies.