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**Two Many**

James 4:1-3 From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? (2) Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. (3) Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. (KJV)

Too many of God’s people fall away again and back to the world, many times without them even being aware of it. Instead of the peace of God working within them there is wars and fights manifesting. Many of God’s people instead of fighting the good fight of faith end up fighting with each other. All the while the enemy is sitting back with his remote watching what is taking place, which must resemble a lot of the old slapstick comedy movies.

James 4:4-6 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. (5) Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? (6) But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. (KJV)

Do keep in mind Church that we are described as being the bride of Christ, and that the wedding does not take place until after we leave this earth. Now I don’t know of anyone who would desire to marry a prostitute or adulterer, so what makes anyone think our Lord does either? Most of what man calls a church today is not much different than the world and its way of thinking, they just throw a few scriptures out there and make it appear that God is on board with them.

Galatians 3:1-3 O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? (2) This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? (3) Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh? (KJV)

You didn’t really think you could mix and match the things of God with the ways of the world and end up with a perfect formula did you? Well becoming double minded and unstable is a perfect formula for failure.

James 4:7-8 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (8) Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. (KJV)

You know, when there isn’t peace, and when your heart is convicting you, that‘s the time to back off and not try to move forward on your own. If you are not sure then you need to be still until you know it’s of God, otherwise it will be considered sin.

Galatians 3:4-5 Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain. (5) He therefore that ministered to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, doeth he it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? (KJV)

That desire you have been praying about, that thing you think you just can’t live without, is it something that you can do faithfully, or is it going to draw you away from God instead of closer? Your faith is developed by hearing, and you hearing personally from God the message that He intended to build you up with, not to watch you fall back into the snare of the enemy by the many others who began in the Spirit, but doubled back by their carnal thinking.