



Refuse to Waste God's Time

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I REFUSE TO WASTE GODS TIME! If you are like me, it is so important to me that I remain TOTALLY guided and led by the LORD only, so that I can stay in His peace, and love. This only is the way I can be truly happy, and fulfilled IN HIM.

I cannot be concerned about every silly opinion, or every false doctrinal wind that blows by, and go catering to every evil spirit that comes to steal my time.

As a minister of God's WORD, His Love, and His Spirit, if I paid attention to or gave "air time" so to speak, to every busy, "wrangling" as the Word calls it, I would be "worshipping" someone or something other than the Lord God Almighty. That would mean that I would have allowed an "addiction to people pleasing" to govern how I am acting or what I am doing or saying.

Jesus had the truth about it in one pertinent passage that I would like to share with you, Matthew 12: 46-49 says, *While he yet talked to the people, behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him. Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee. But he answered and said unto him that told him, "Who is my mother and my brethren!" And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples and said, "Behold my mother and my brethren! For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister and mother."*

No, instead I will daily pay attention to or "worship" GOD only. The Word says that I must do that "In Spirit and in Truth"... and we know that His Spirit is what Jesus commanded the early acts church to be empowered with BEFORE they went out to preach the Gospel. Jesus commanded this because He said it would benefit THE CAUSE, of saving lives from the pits of hell to the Kingdom of Light! There are many "spirits" that would like to govern our thoughts, actions and words. Unfortunately, unless we have the BAPTISM of the Holy Ghost, we cannot be assured of which spirits are affecting us. It is a "hit & miss" life-style, and those who refuse the Baptism of the Holy Ghost are "playing religion" and playing with the possibility of being influenced by other spirits, other than GOD'S SPIRIT.

I will not be governed by the spirits that drive and guide worldly people, or carnal Christians. Evil familiar spirits often times influence even the most well-meaning people (in their ignorance), and most of the time it is because those people have not learned to truly hear the Holy Ghost's leadings for them. I refuse to compromise God's leading in my life by listening to those that don't have the Holy Ghost's leading. I will only be led by God's LOVE shed abroad in my heart by the HOLY GHOST. The Word says that is where God's love comes from, through the Holy Spirit. That is why I pray in the Spirit daily. I care about God's opinion of me only. I seek His approval of me only. I refuse to be wary or afraid of GOD'S leading in my life, I trust Him and know that He has never failed me.

By the authority that God has given us, Pastor Bob and myself, take the Sword of God's Spirit, which is the Word and His Holy Ghost abiding in us, and we handle people and the spirits that may be driving them,

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who cause divisions, strife, confusion and who disrespect the anointing of leader and pastor that has been placed on and in Bob and myself. We do this by first of all seeking God's direction and guidance by the Holy Ghost. Interestingly enough a lot of time His leading is simply ignoring the attention that evil spirits try to demand of us....they try to steal time and divert attention from the sheep (those who need us). In other words, we do not pay too much attention to them. When led by God's Spirit at times we may even lead them out of our intimate church fellowship, or cast those spirits out or off of them, and we most certainly will protect those that the Holy Ghost has put us in responsibility for shepherding. Wolves must be taken out and away from God's pastures (churches and also in particular, The Embassy's Of Christ).

At other times we may be led to correct or upbraid, or even cast these spirits out (familiar, rebellious, or religious spirits). But often people like these familiar spirits and cling to them, they are addicted to them. So, anyone in my life who is walking in another spirit other than Christ, I must follow detailed and deliberate instructions from the Holy Ghost on how to handle these spirits.

We can be assured that our communications are coming from a pure and innocent source when we seek the guidance of God's Holy Spirit only, and listen closely matching any leading we get to the Word of God and the peace that only He can provide. When we are led by the Holy Ghost, and are operating by the compassion (God's love in action) that the Lord has given us, then even if someone else is being led by a spirit other than God's Holy Spirit we know we are doing our part to correct the situation. If we remain focused and listen closely to God's leading then even when a person mistakes or misunderstands what we are saying or how we are saying it, then all of heaven will back us up.

Offense is GODS enemy, and strife is the beginning of every evil work. Let us put away offense and strife every minute of every day and WALK in GOD'S LOVE regardless of the "outward conditions" or the "perceived (mistaken or misunderstood) offense" that may come knocking at the door. Do NOT be **hindered** by concern about what other people think of God's leading in your life. God's example through Christ in dealing with even those who were closest to him in the human or natural realm, was to recognize the attempt of the enemy and familiar spirits and to put them in their place under His authority, by TRUE LOVE (which by the way is not appeasing or catering to familiar or evil spirits). The fact that his natural mother and brothers were asking for his attention, did not matter in the least to Jesus. Only what the Father God had told him mattered. So, herein is a huge lesson to ministers and leaders everywhere.

So, today, do not take any offense on, and do not allow strife to rule and reign in your life. Instead, forgive, and pray for those who despitefully use and persecute you, knowing that God will lead and guide in how to handle those who are not your brethren, mother or sister, but who want because of evil spirits who drive them, to distract you from devoting time to God's will and ways.

Be blessed as you learn to hear more clearly daily God's Holy Spirit leading and guiding your every move, so that you can give God Glory by elevating His Cause on this earth! Hallelujah!

In Christ's unending perfect love (smiling),

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