4/10/17 **Come out of her my people** (48)

<u>Matthew 16:23</u> But Jesus turned and said to Peter,

"Get behind Me, Satan!

You are a stumbling block to Me.

For you do not have in mind the things of God,

but the things of men."

<u>Colossians 3:2</u> Set your affection on things above, <u>not on things on the earth</u>.

<u>1 John 2:15</u> Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

One of the most painful parts of walking in love for a Christian can be that those around them do not recognise love as love. Just as we ourselves so often don't recognise Gods love working in our own life, people around us—-even Christians who don't understand Gods love, will not recognise that same love of God working through us. Because Gods love is contrary to the world and the worlds ways. We cannot live for this world and for God.

<u>Revelation 18:4</u> And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

<u>Revelation 18:2</u> And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

We cannot afford to believe we are in Jesus Church, and be fornicating in the harlot church(Babylon church)— the habitation of devils. The church that fornicates and lives in the world and like the world. We are the habitation of God—The Holy Spirit dwells within us! Not a habitation for devils—- desires & idols of the world—-and flesh.

<u>Revelation 18:5</u> For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.

<u>2 Peter 1:4</u> Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, **having escaped** the corruption that is in the world through lust.

<u>2 Peter 2:19</u> They promise them freedom, while they themselves are slaves to corruption. For a man is a slave to whatever has overcome him.

<u>Ephesians 4:24</u> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed

by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.

We do not compromise or conform to this world. We are spirit—-not flesh—do we believe the gospel or no?

<u>2 Corinthians 5:17</u> Therefore <u>if</u> any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a <u>new</u> creature: **old things** are passed away; behold, **all things** are become new.

<u>Galatians 3:3</u> Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

Gods ways are far above our ways and so often we can't see His love in the things that are happening to us. Our circumstances can seem so contrary to the fact that God loves us, that we can go into doubt and double mindedness. Because we don't understand what He is trying to do, we can begin to believe God is not with us at all, but against us.

John 15:18 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you **out of the world**, therefore the world hateth you.

Love is so contrary to the worlds ways, that we need to grow in wisdom and knowledge and understanding — to even recognise the true from the false. Many times, we do not recognise Gods ways or Gods love, because we still love the worlds ways and

still have a worldly mindset instead of an heavenly mindset. We still see our identity as being "in the world" and so find it hard to think "in the spirit".

John 17 13And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves. **14**I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, **because they are not of the world**, even as I am not of the world. **15**I pray **not that thou shouldest take them out of the world**, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. **16They are <u>not of the world</u>**, even as I am not of the world. **17Sanctify them** through thy truth: thy word is truth. **18**As thou hast sent me into the world, even **so have I also sent them into the world**. **19**And for their sakes I sanctify myself, **that they also might be sanctified through the truth**.

We are no longer part of this world—-**but sent** to allow Jesus to work in and through us —-part of His body. To be set apart and sanctified—-lead by The Spirit. The mindset of the world tends to think about oneself and the world. A deadly snare. Enjoyment of this life for the flesh. A Christ mindset thinks of others and spiritual things—meditating on The Word and conforming to a heavenly mindset. We are sent—-for the body of Christ —-we work toward this. Our kingdom is found in Jesus—-seated at the right hand of The Father. A Christ mindset sees life now in another place. In this life we are now just pilgrims passing through. Many problems we have are rooted in the fact we are still living for this world—-and trying to be part of it. Instead of living for Jesus—-The Body of Christ. Living for Jesus—-**causes sacrifices to this life**—-for a far better one. Eternal.

Romans 15:3 For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me.

Philippians 2:5 2Fulfil ye my joy, **that ye be likeminded**, having the **same love**, *being* of one accord, of one mind. **3***Let* **nothing** *be done* through **strife** or **vainglory**; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. **4Look not every man on his own things**, but every man also on the things of others.

John 4:34 For I have come down from heaven, **not to do My own will,** but to do the will of Him who sent Me.

{Our work is not doing our own will but Gods will}{vain religion is a terrible snare} {Remember—-Jesus is in us—-He still wants to do His Fathers will}—self must die

Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **unto good works**, which God hath before ordained **that we should** <u>walk</u> in them.

If one person is attempting to do Gods will, and one person is still carnally minded—-more interested in being happy in this life than the next—-there will most likely be many mis-understandings between the two. Strife will be constant—-because one will never understand what the other is doing and why. One sees life in the spirit – – and one sees life in this world. One lives to please God -- one lives to enjoy life. One wants to sacrifice this life — — the other will never understand. It is a problem of the mindset and of what one sees as being important. We see the temporary, or we see eternity. We see this world or we see heaven. We see ourself -- or we see Jesus. We We live for above——or we are stuck below. see in spirit——or we see in flesh still. We are a son of God — or a slave of satan. Flesh? Or spirit? We must see our identity or we will be deceived by false doctrine that allows us to live in the world. If one minded christian will be constantly annoyed with the spiritually minded Christian -because one lives for the world and the other for Jesus.

Romans 8:6 For **to be** *carnally minded is* **death**; but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.

Loving the world could perhaps be <u>**THE**</u> most dangerous deception there is. It's also very tempting because it is easy on the flesh—-and comfortable—-false comfort. We should be extremely careful to follow Spirit lead doctrine. Not doctrine given and fed to carnal men by seducing spirits and demons. That say it's ok to live for this life. Our life is in Jesus—-not the world. We must must not allow ourselves to conform to the world doctrine—-doctrine of demons. Let go of pleasing the flesh. **False deadly comfort.**

<u>1 Timothy 4:1</u> Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that **in the latter times** some shall **depart from the faith**, **giving heed** to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

{*listening* to doctrine that allows us to live as the world and not as Jesus Christ walked}

It is so very hard for those that have this deception to see it. We all do this to some degree—-it is part of the walk. Learning to be "in The Spirit". We learn to leave the world and be sanctified as we go. It is very painful for Christians that can see this deception of loving the world—-to watch others in it—-and not be able to wake them up out of the stupor. Telling them will usually cause offence. Knowing the awful fate of Baal worship—-loving the world and seeing others caught in it—-in the false comfort of it—-is painful—-because telling them will most likely cause strife. Being caught in the false comfort of the world and not wanting to let it go—-to avoid the pain of facing what Love(Jesus) requires. satan is the prince of this world. Jesus didn't come to challenge his rule of the world through man—-he came to save us out of it.

Luke 4:6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.

{Jesus wasn't interested in ruling on earth—-His kingdom is not here}

{worshipping this world is worshipping satan—-it is an extremely disastrous deception} {Baal worship—-another jesus—-another church—-another gospel}

<u>John 18:36</u> Jesus answered, **My kingdom is not of this world:** if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.

<u>Revelation 18:4</u> And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people,** that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

Amos 3:3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

If one is in the world—-and one is in the spirit(attempting to be)—-there will be strife. The two minds sets are so vastly different it will be hard for one to understand the other. Therefore strife and anger will surface. One person is trying to come out of the world and the other is trying to keep them both in it. The heavenly minded Christian, being more concerned with Gods kingdom than the world—- will be able to see the danger the other person is in—and will be grieved for them. Few there be that find the narrow way—-**let this sink into to the mind.** Eternal life is at stake. **Come out of the world!** Many are they that walk down the broad way to destruction.

Romans 11 4But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of* Baal. 5Even so then at this present time also **there is a <u>remnant</u>** according to the election of grace. 6And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

<u>Hebrews 13:8</u> Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Romans 11 7What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the <u>election</u> hath obtained it, <u>and the rest were blinded</u>

8(According as it is written, <u>God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;</u>) unto this day.

9And David saith, Let their table be made a **snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock,** and a recompence unto them:

10Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway.

<u>1</u> Corinthians 10 6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

The carnally minded or worldly minded Christian will not understand. Idols of the world. The love of the world blinds our minds just as the Pharisees who loved the world were blinded. It can be very difficult and painful to see others that are close to us—caught up living for this flesh life—-when we know the consequences—- and they won't listen. And telling them will just bring strife—-because the idols—-the demons behind them will rise up and cause strife. Love of the flesh life and world is an awful trap. Awfully hard for those trapped in it—-to see it. Awfully hard for loved ones to watch. We each need ears to hear—-the world has so many snares.

{God has always saved the remnant}

{Don't allow what the majority of Christianity does to make us feel safe} Others can see what we ourself cannot. **God will use others to tell us**—-but it won't help—- if we refuse to listen or hear them. If we get offended or angry. **God will certainly let us know**—-pride will block it though. Being told to let go of the flesh and world that is. The flesh hates it—-allow our soul to be drawn to God. Being offended when told will **block the Truth.**

Matthew 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for **wide** *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and **many** there be which go in thereat:

Mark 4:23 If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

Romans 8:6 For **to be carnally minded** *is* **death**; but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.

<u>Galatians 6:8</u> For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

<u>1 Corinthians 15:42</u> So will it be with the resurrection of the dead: What is sown is perishable; it is raised imperishable.

The flesh will perish. Treasure your soul. This world is reserved for fire. The things satan entices us with are of the world—-**let it go! And of the flesh—-let it go!** Love is spiritual, the carnal man and mind cannot possibly understand Gods ways. The carnal mind will rail against love at every opportunity we give our carnal mind to do so. A carnally minded person—-which we all were before we came to Christ—-will simply not recognise love. We each may be at different levels of being carnally minded—-we are all striving to have The mind of Christ. To be more and more spiritually minded. We are all learning and need to look out for one another and listen to one another—others can see what we cannot. Our freedom relies on having ears to hear and eyes to see. That's

how idols work—-they blind our eyes and block our ears. Through offence—being proud and offended when God uses someone to tell us the truth. If you will hear His voice! Don't be overthrown in the wilderness.

<u>1 Corinthians 10</u> 5But with <u>many</u> of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. **6Now these things were our examples,** to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. **7Neither be ye idolaters,** as *were* some of them;

God will use others to tell us **if we will but listen and hear.** Getting offended and being prideful will keep us blinded. Being humble—-refusing to get offended(love) and then **deliberately and carefully considering what others say**—-and checking in the spirit and with The Holy Spirit will set us free of these deceptions. There by—<u>Allowing</u> <u>what is truth—-</u> to <u>enter</u> our heart. Idols of loving the world and the comforts and pleasures of enjoying the flesh—will lead us down, not up.

Luke 14 16Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: **17**And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. **18**And they all with one *consent* **began to make excuse**. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee **have me excused**. **19**And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee **have me excused**. **20**And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I **cannot come**. **21**So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. **22**And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. **23**And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled.

24For I say unto you, That <u>none of those</u> men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

If we do not understand love, we will not recognise others showing us love. Leading us to truth. Offence blocks. Learn to consider what offends—-most likely it is a demon within protecting an idol we have—-it gets angry when it is challenged with truth. Love will defeat it—-so do not get offended—-learn to consider things first —-and weigh them up. The whole problem so often rests in loving this present world and wanting to enjoy this present world. Pleasing the flesh instead of God. Not understanding that we are born again. Not understanding we are a new creation, which upon believing- now has a new hope—-which is not a temporal hope of enjoyment upon this world of dust- but an eternal hope. A hope that causes each of us to want to see others also enter that same hope. Having the mind of Jesus.

Amos 3:3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

<u>2 Corinthians 6:15</u> And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

{vain religion is dangerous}{listen to spiritual men—-not worldly minded men} Λ Λ Λ Philippians 1 15Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will: 16The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds: 17But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.

{If we love the world—-or are still living to enjoy the world—-there will be strife}

{the demons inside us—-the idols of the world(which have demons behind them)—will cause division and strife between two people....the truth will cause anger and offence}

{walking in love—- which takes no offence—allows the truth to enter our heart—love protects us and guides us—-do not allow offence—it is demonic}

{allow God to use others—-To correct us—-being humble protects us}

<u>1</u> Corinthians 1:20 Where *is* the wise? where *is* the scribe? where *is* the disputer of this world? hath not **God made foolish the wisdom of this world?**

<u>2 Corinthians 2</u> 15For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish: 16To the one *we are* the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life.

<u>1 Corinthians 10:21</u> You cannot drink the cup of the Lord **and the cup of demons too**; you cannot partake in the table of the Lord and the table of demons too.

{the cup of demons—-the lures and enticements of the flesh—-according to this physical world}—-and the false comfort of enjoying a worldly lifestyle/Vain religion}

If one person has this eternal hope in mind—-whilst the other does not—-then there will be strife. One wants to live to enjoy this life and world and the other wants to live to please God and have fruit in the next kingdom—-the kingdom that really matters —-eternal. To stop worshipping the world—-**we see this hope.** IN CHRIST. LOVE.

<u>1 Corinthians 13</u> But now abideth faith, **hope**, love, **these three;**

Romans 8 18For I reckon that **the sufferings of this present time** *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us. **19**For the earnest **expectation** of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. **20**For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected *the same* in hope, **21**Because **the creature itself also shall be delivered** from the bondage of corruption **into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22**For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. **23**And not only *they*, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, *to wit*, the redemption of our body. **24For we are saved by hope:** but **hope that is seen** is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? **25But if we hope for that we see not**, *then* do we **with patience wait** for *it*.

{It is a walk of faith—-believing in our higher life—-in the spirit—-in Christ—-not flesh and not this physical world——this physical world requires no faith—-it's a trap}——full of temptation. But the carnal mind hates to be told—-BEWARE!!! BEWARE!!!BEWARE!!!

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

{We must not expect our carnal mind to like The Truth being told to us—-demons resist}—-{Beware—-the truth offends us}

<u>1 Corinthians 15:48</u> As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly.

<u>Philippians 3:20</u> For our citizenship is in heaven; whence also we wait for a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

<u>Colossians 3:1</u> Therefore, since you have been raised with Christ, **strive for the things above**, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Love is denying oneself- serving each other. To truly do this—-we must let go of the love of the world and its comforts and entertainment which can so easily ensnare us. How can we claim to love our neighbour as ourself if we are busy enjoying this world —-instead of allowing The Holy Spirit to use us. We have a new hope and that hope is an eternal hope. We want others to also come into that same hope. It is Gods love - as we are lead by The Spirit—- He leads and guides us each into this understanding. To let go of the temporal pleasing of the flesh—-in order to be useful for His Eternal Kingdom. We have a work to do here now in this flesh. To please God and not ourselves. How many Christians go to destruction because they have no faith in where their real life is now found. Our identity is **IN** Christ. Jesus did not stay on the earth—-he rose to heaven. If we have any faith at all—-we realise we are going to do the same—-our real life is with Jesus. But we still have a work to do in this flesh. A very important work. A high calling—-not a mediocre calling. What we are saved—-but let everyone else go to hell? How does the love of God abide in that? **Jesus in us** wants to save others not just our**SELF.** Selfishness at the core is to live for a comfortable flesh life here and now whilst everyone else around us, go to hell. It is a walk, we are learning to see these things. We are learning to walk in spirit. Don't feel condemned—-just allow the truth in. Gradually—-there is no condemnation—-we see gradually, then begin to transform and we see the hope and see our calling. We begin to see as God sees.

Philippians 3 12Not as though I had already attained, <u>either were already perfect:</u> *but I follow after,* if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. **13**Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do, forgetting those things which are behind,* and reaching forth unto those things which are before, **14I press toward the mark for the prize of** <u>the high calling</u> of God in Christ Jesus

It is a process of understanding that we are now a member of Gods family in the heavenly realm. It is a process of letting go of this life to gain and eternal life—-in a far better place and for eternity. If we do not let go of this life we cannot enter our new life and inheritance given us through Christ. **We cannot keep the temporal life** and grab hold of our eternal life. Pleasing self in this world is what will keep our soul bound to it—and the flesh. Bound to the prince of the power of the air. Our Soul-Enslaved to flesh.

Ephesians 2 1And you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins; 2Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that <u>now</u> worketh in the children of disobedience: 3Among whom also we all had our conversation in <u>times past</u> in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. 4But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) 6And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: 7That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

We are set free(by grace—the **power of grace**) from this world and slavery to its enticements and snares. We have <u>power</u> to walk away from enslavement. But we must realise the things our flesh love in this world are what snare us and keep us from God. Gods Kingdom is spiritual and heavenly, not earthly and fleshly.

John 8:36 So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

<u>Galatians 5:1</u> Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

<u>1 John 2:15</u> Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. **If any man love the world**, the love of the Father is not in him.

<u>James 4:4</u> You adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore, whoever chooses to be a <u>friend of the world</u> renders himself an enemy of God.

Remembering, it is those who are lead by The Spirit who are the sons of God. Not those who are still clinging to and enjoying this present world and interested in having a good time here. The Spirit will always be leading us away from the love of this life —- to laying it down and serving others and serving God. The high calling. The Spirit will not only convict us of our idols in this world --but he will also speak through those around us -- to draw us out of the world and the love of it and the fleshly desires that the world offers. To our calling in Christ Jesus. Called to be part of a family—-to edify and build up. Our eternal family. What's more important—-enjoying the flesh or our eternal family? The Spirit will often speak through people and if we are humble and listening -- we will hear them -- because we also have the conviction in our heart-which agrees—-because it is The Same Spirit. If we are loving the world and pleasing our carnal man--someone that loves us, may be sent to tell us, it is not The Way. God speaks through each of us—-to each of us. Sometimes we may not even be aware He is speaking through us. When we ignore each other we may be ignoring God. He even speaks through non-believers—-to us—- and if we are not too proud we will *hear His voice*—-speaking through them. When we get offended at people—-we block ourself from hearing what God may be telling us through them. If we listen to --and then weigh up what we are being told carefully --we are then able to make a sensible decision based on whether God is also putting the same thing in our heart. And based on The Word of God. Remembering anger and offence is demonic and demons will try to bring us into offence -- use offence -- to stop us hearing or listening to the truth. It will leave us deceived. Obey Love.

<u>Matthew 8:8</u> And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath **ears** to hear, let him hear.

<u>Revelation 2:7</u> He who has an **ear**, <u>let him hear</u> what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will grant the right to eat of the tree of life in the paradise of God.

{ears are our physical sensors to **hear**—-people} {**hear** The Spirit speaking to us—-through people} **Revelation 2:11** He that hath an ear, <u>let him hear</u> what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

{we need to learn to listen to The Spirit speaking to us through <u>others</u> close to us and even through those we do not know—-we <u>HEAR</u> and <u>then discern</u> if it is The Spirit telling us what we need to hear}

It is very very important not to be proud against others and what they have to We always weigh what we are told against The Word of God. We test it with the sav. Word and in our spirit. The Holy Spirit testifies to the truth. Don't become angry at others--learn to HEAR and then calmly weigh up what they are saying before judging if it is of The Spirit or not. **Don't become OFFENDED**—-that's satan. That's how the enemy blocks us HEARING the truth and blocks what The Spirit is saying to us. So often through those close to us and also sometimes through those we've never met. If we **dis-obey** love and allow satan to rule through our carnal nature — - and flesh --we will not hear -- we do not have ears to hear!!!!!!! Evil spirits within use offence and anger and hurt and pain and depression and self pity and past trauma to block us hearing what we need to hear. Then we can spend years bound to trauma hurt and pain because we refuse to hear The Spirit--through pride--that is in us. Leviathan is the king of pride—-let leviathan rule over us no longer. Bind leviathan and cast leviathan out!

<u>Job 41</u>

1Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord *which* thou lettest down?

2Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?

3Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee?

4Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?

5Wilt thou play with him as *with* a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants? 7Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?

8Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.

9Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not *one* be cast down even at the sight of him? 10None *is so* fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?

11Who hath prevented me, that I should repay *him? whatsoever is* under the whole heaven is mine.

12 will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13Who can discover the face of his garment? *or* who can come *to him* with his double bridle?

14Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth *are* terrible round about.

15*His* scales *are his* pride, shut up together *as with* a close seal.

{leviathan will try to stop us hearing – -PRIDE will try to stop us listening – disobedience and allowing anger and offence will prevent us weighing up the truth of what we are told}

{Do not play with pride -- we must humble ourselves} -- it keeps us safe.

16One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.

17They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.

18By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes *are* like the eyelids of the morning.

19Out of his mouth go burning lamps, *and* sparks of fire leap out.

20Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as *out* of a seething pot or caldron.

21His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him.

23The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.

24His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether *millstone*.

25When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.

26The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon.27He esteemeth iron as straw, *and* brass as rotten wood.

28The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.

29Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.

30Sharp stones *are* under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.

31He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.

32He maketh a path to shine after him; *one* would think the deep *to be* hoary.

33Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.

34He beholdeth all high *things*: he *is* a king over all the children of pride.

{the only power leviathan has—- is the power we give him through pride and deception to not obey The Truth}

{The only power satan has over us — (he usurps authority-he was never given it)- — is the places where we are deceived and not walking in truth}-because of pride.

{LOVE WILL STOP LEVIATHAN IN HIS TRACKS} {BE CAREFUL TO NOT BECOME OFFENDED AT PEOPLE—-learn to HEAR} {The Spirit speaks to us through those around us}

If we won't listen to those family or friends or even strangers that The Spirit is using to talk to us—- we are caught in our stiff necked pride and snared by dis-obedience —**not obeying love.** We then cannot be reached by The Spirit to lead us to The Truth. He wants to set us free. Don't be offended at someone for trying to lead you into the light. Sometimes it is God at work in them. If we simply obey love we are not caught with this evil snare that prevents us becoming free. We need patience and understanding—-before we judge what others say to us—-taking it to The Spirit and carefully seeking if it may be true. Obviously not everything we are told by others is from The Spirit. But **if anger or offence rises**, that's a sure sign of satan's kingdom at work in us. If we get offended we should be awake to the fact that the enemy do not want us to hear what we are being told. This is how pride destroys us. Through offence. We must learn to be patient and hear and listen first—-calmly—- then judge the truth of it. Offence rising up is usually an indication that the enemy is blocking Love(Jesus) reaching us. Jesus speaks to us through those we love especially. Often those close to us can see our weaknesses and we can see theirs. Pride prevents us helping each other. When we do try to help, we are rejected and hurt because the person we love will not listen to The Truth. Of course we must always speak in The Spirit of Love or it will never help. If we speak out of a spirit of criticism or anger or offence there will be no good result. We are pounding them with evil when we do this.

<u>Titus 3:2</u> To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, *but* gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.

<u>2 Timothy 2:25</u> In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

{we each often oppose ourself in different ways—- because we can't see the problem—-God will use those around us to instruct us—-and <u>IF</u> they are <u>not</u> speaking out of pride but <u>speaking in meekness and love</u>—- we may learn to listen and to hear and to be set free}

{if we allow offence to rise—we simply won't hear and won't be set free} {offence and anger block Love and block sanctification and can hurt those whom are only trying help—-WITH THE TRUTH!}

<u>Matthew 11:15</u> He who has ears, let him hear.

{come out of the world}

Revelation 2:11He that hath an ear, let him hearwhat the Spirit saith unto thechurches:He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

{<u>HEAR</u> what <u>The Spirit</u> is saying <u>to</u> the church—-we are the church—-Jesus in us the people are the church—-HEAR Him}

{Our freedom relies on us listening, hearing and discerning -- *don't let pride block* God from reaching our hearts with The Truth -- often The Truth isn't what we WANT to hear -- but what we <u>NEED</u> to hear}

<u>1 Corinthians 13</u> 4Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not; love vaunteth not itself, **is not puffed up, 5**doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not its own, **is not provoked**, taketh not account of evil; **6**rejoiceth not in unrighteousness, but **rejoiceth with the truth;** 7beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

There are eternal souls at stake, Jesus died for all who believe. Think of a soul saved for all eternity— because they stopped loving this world and served Jesus. **Because they stopped attempting to be happy now**(temporary happiness and fleshly) in order to have eternal joy(spiritual-eternal). No longer feeding the flesh but maturing in the spirit by being lead by The Holy Spirit to do awesome things for His body The Church. God has an awesome plan for each of us—-to serve His Kingdom—-**here and now** on the earth, but until we direct our interest toward His kingdom we cannot walk in this plan. Serving Jesus. By serving each other—-Jesus body. Living to our new creation—-which is spirit. Dying to this life and its temporal pleasures and comforts. Sacrificing ourself as Jesus did for us. For a far exceeding better life with everlasting joy and peace. Jesus showed us The Way—- the only way—and said we should each <u>take up our cross</u>, **deny ourself** and <u>follow Him.</u> Taking up the cross means to spiritually crucify the flesh, dying to the pleasures of this world and of the flesh.

<u>Galatians 2:20</u> I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Romans 8:10 But if Christ is in you, <u>your body is dead because of sin</u>, **yet the Spirit gives you life** because of righteousness.

<u>1 Corinthians 6</u> 19What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, **and ye are not your own? 20**For **ye are bought with a price:** *therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit*, which are God's.

God, if we are not hearing Him in the spirit, or are not wanting to hear, will send people to also tell us. If we have a love of the world or love of pleasing the flesh, instead of a love for serving God—-He will lead us into spirit—away from flesh. We die to this world so as to bear fruit for the Kingdom of God. **To not understand this is an awful flesh pleasing deception.** Watch out for vain religion! Come out of the world! Do not be conformed to the world! Come out of vain religion! Die to the flesh—-die to the world—-and it's false comfort. False and deadly. It is false vain religion and unbelief and disobedience. Don't even listen to vanity.

<u>2 Corinthians 6</u> 14Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath <u>righteousness with unrighteousness?</u> and what communion hath light with darkness? 15And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16And 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.

17Wherefore come out from among them, and <u>be ye separate</u>, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,

18And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

<u>Revelation 18:4</u> And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye <u>be not partakers of her sins</u>**, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

<u>2 Timothy 4:10</u> For Demas hath forsaken me, **having loved this present world,** and is departed unto Thessalonica;

<u>Jude 1:12</u> These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds *they are* without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, **without fruit**, **twice dead**, **plucked up** by the roots;

<u>John 12</u> 24Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but <u>if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.</u> 25He that loveth his life shall lose it; and <u>he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it</u> unto life eternal. 26If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.

Again, we should not despise or get angry at someone who points this deception of living for this life, out to us. It may be God -- it may be The Holy Spirit -- trying to speak to us-through them-to save our soul from destruction. Becoming offended will block us hearing. Coming out of the love of the world is a very unpopular concept and experience for us in this present world. We really don't like to hear this message, it does not suit the flesh. It does not suit demons in our flesh-they resist the truth. It is an awful concept to our continued enjoyment of this life on this physical world to let go of But the truth is, The Way is to deny self and serve one another. So many times if self. this is pointed out IN LOVE, to those we love or to those we see snared, we are misunderstood or we are even hated for it, or the person will be offended. It is a fearful mistake or deceit to make to allow the evil spirits within and without to bring offence or anger. Love is the victory. Standing in Love --walking in The Light. We can't love God with all our heart if we still love the world. Many go down the wide way of vain religion, not receiving a love of the truth. Follow Jesus-don't be fooled.

<u>2 Thessalonians 2:10</u> And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; **because they received not the love of the truth,** that they might be saved.

<u>Mark 12</u> <u>30</u>And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment. <u>31</u>And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Proverbs 29:1 He, that being often reproved hardeneth *his* neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

<u>Acts 7:51</u> Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised **in heart and ears**, ye do always **resist** the Holy Ghost: as your fathers *did*, so *do* ye.

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If we allow offence instead of obeying love—-we remain offended AND deceived by the idols of the world. By evil spirits. This is why it is so important to **not get** offended when we are told things. Again it may be The Spirit speaking through someone to us. If we get offended—-we miss out on receiving the truth and will remain in our deception—- which suits us—-but won't save us——it is false comfort for the flesh and food for demons to have power over us. The veil of deception remains, we can't see or hear. We have accepted a web of deceit over our will and cannot change. Jesus has tried to reach us—- but we won't listen—-our idol has control over us. The love of the world. The lust of the eyes, the lust of the flesh and the pride of life. If we want to keep enjoying his life instead of living to God and becoming a servant as Jesus showed us—we are deceived—-God will try to tell us—-but we must have ears to hear.

<u>2 Timothy 4</u> 3For the time will come when **they will not endure sound doctrine;** but <u>after their own lusts</u> shall they <u>heap to themselves teachers</u>, **having itching ears; 4**And **they shall turn away their ears from the truth**, <u>and shall be turned unto fables.</u>

<u>2 Corinthians 4</u> 3But if our gospel be hid, **it is hid to them that are lost: 4**In whom **the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not**, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. **5**For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and **ourselves your servants** for Jesus' sake.

Jesus came as a servant, the apostles were servants, don't let the "god" of this world blind us—-God has a work for each of us in His Kingdom—-serving The Body of Christ. This is why we need to see things, the way Gods now wants us to see things. IN THE SPIRIT. Our real life is <u>NOW</u> in the spirit. Enjoying this world and pleasing ourselves and our flesh in this present body is all lies and deceit—-and if we are doing this— and someone that loves us tells us so—-we may not like it! <u>But it is</u> <u>critical</u> to our salvation. Vain religion though—-will allow us to remain in this deceit. We must all come to the truth—-our kingdom is in Christ and the souls of men are eternal.

<u>1 John 2:15</u> Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

{Love God—-Love people}—-come out of the world—-we are a new creation—-spirit {Find out what our purpose in God is} **Ephesians 2:10** For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **for good works**, which **God afore prepared that** <u>we should walk in them</u>.

{We EACH have a purpose to fulfil in The Body of Christ—we are not saved to live to ourself—-but to others—-to serve Jesus body}

We should grasp and understanding where our real life now is. It is spirit. It is above in heavenly places in Christ. We are now sojourners here—-we are not here for a good time—-we are here for God to use to reach the lost and trample satan's kingdom underfoot. Jesus in us reaching the lost world. If we think we are here for a good time still we've missed the whole point of the gospel. We have not yet understood. We are Jesus hands and feet, sanctified **through love.** To learn to love our neighbour as ourself as we are **sanctified**. Enjoying this world and the flesh does not sanctify us. Serving Jesus in Love sanctified us. Being lead by The Spirit. Not being lead by enjoying ourself and the world and the flesh. That will lead to death. The way of the many. The big deceit.

<u>Philippians 3</u> 17Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. 18(For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, *that they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ:

19Whose end is destruction,

and whose glory is in their shame,

whose God *is their* belly, who mind earthly things.)

<u>**1** Peter 2:11</u> Dearly beloved, I beseech *you* **as strangers and pilgrims,** abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

<u>Hebrews 9:14</u> How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience **from dead works** to **serve the living God?**

We are now In Jesus Christ. Love is the denial of self. Self hates denying self —-so don't expect it to be pleasant knowledge to the carnal nature. Be ready to be told to stop loving the world—-have ears to hear. The Holy Spirit gradually leads each of us out of the world and into the spirit. Love is giving up what we love doing and want to do, because we see a higher purpose for this present existence on this Earth. We each have an awesome purpose in Christ. If we will let go of pleasing our self. God will be trying to tell each of us this through various methods. Very commonly through those near and dear to us. If we get angry at them for loving us and telling us the truth—-how can they then help us? Or we help them. We will hurt them by our response to their love each time they try to tell us if we get offended. Our purpose is to serve each other and lift each other up—- to reach the high calling in Christ Jesus. Eternity is a long time, the flesh is short lived. Serve Jesus—-serve His body—- we even fulfil the law when we serve one another—love one another. We are serving Jesus when we serve

His body. Our family is huge now, it is worldwide and many members of our family need our help and love to escape the trap—-of loving this present world for the comfort it gives. We may have an earthly family as well, but we also each now have a very very large spiritual family. Our real family—-our spiritual family is forever and Jesus showed us The Way to enter and edify that family. Our true Father is in Heaven—-our spirit is born of God **from above.** One of the biggest pits used by satan is to keep us bound to enjoying this life and this world. The problem is though, that if we still love the world and do not wish to give this idol up—-we will become angry and offended—-when we are told the truth. We may block our ears and remain deceived—-headed for destruction. **Love The Truth—-NOT the truth that suits us**—-but The Truth.

John 15:19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

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The world hates the truth and so does our flesh. Allow not ourself to become a carnally minded Christian—-a worldly Christian that clings to the world—hating The Truth. <u>Become aware</u> of the danger—*-listen* when The Holy Spirit guides us out of the world and the love of it. Allow the truth into the heart! satan will keep offering us whatever idol is still in our heart concerning our carnal nature. Any part of our heart not yet surrendered to God is a danger to us. An idol. To keep us from understanding our new identity, which is in Gods family. It is spirit and it is not temporary upon the earth but eternal in God. Jesus gave up the pleasures of this world for us. Jesus wants us to follow Him.

Luke 9 59And 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.**

God is in us, and we cannot be used by Him if we still love this world. Busy being happy and comfortable—-unwilling to face the pain that showing Gods love will bring to our flesh. Why will it bring pain? Because people in the world and Christians that are not yet grown in spirit(that don't yet understand), do not understand Gods ways OR Gods Love. Jesus had The Spirit and obeyed the Spirit and He sacrificed his flesh life for us. He understood the higher hope—-the far more exceeding better hope and He understood the lost —-and their hopelessness, without a way to escape. Jesus made a way for everyone of us. We must realise the importance of letting this current life go and

denying the things that please our flesh—- so that we can be used by God to reach the lost and also help those brothers and sisters who do not yet understand this. Love leads us out of the world.

<u>1 John 3</u> 16Hereby perceive we the love *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and **we ought to lay down** *our* **lives for the brethren. 17**But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

Have ears to hear and eyes to see. Allow The Truth in. The Spirit is leading us out of this world so that we can claim our inheritance as a son of God. To do that we must be able to be taught to let go of pleasing our flesh. Love is very unpopular to our present carnal nature. Our nature is to get angry--our carnal nature that is. The carnal mind is at enmity with God. The temple infested with demons will block love with everything they still have within us. Every idol of the world we still cling to -- let them go. Especially trauma from our past, and pain and hurt feelings and emotions and past disappointments. Failed relationships and the negative memories and emotions associated with it. They all will block love--until we take the sword with boldness--go to God and ask and receive healing. After all forgiveness this can be done--ask also for God to give forgiveness—-do this **WITH GOD.** Received The Truth—deny the flesh --don't serve hurt pain or trauma or depression or self pity and certainly do not justify these things in order to abide in these lies. It is false comfort -- and why? Because facing pain and hurt is very very very hard. It is easier to get angry at the people around us trying to lead us to freedom—-than to face the traumas and pain within. Anger blocks others from getting through to us-because we fear dealing with inner turmoil and pain. Getting offended at others serves the purposes of the demon holding us in bondage to our innermost hurt and pain. Fearing to allow love-receiving or giving love.

<u>Matthew 10:22</u> You will be hated by everyone on account of My name, but the one who perseveres to the end will be saved.

John 15:19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because **ye are not of the world**, but **I have chosen you out of the world**, therefore the world hateth you.

The truth is blocked from reaching our heart if we get offended. Our stiff necked pride is blocking love from and truth from entering our heart. We then rail at the person God is using to reach us and hurt them as well. It is a very very evil cycle. Love can be very painful. If we always obey Love—- we will pause long enough—- to realise the truth —- and then can get back onto the narrow way. People that love us want to see us on the narrow way—- and they will continue to tell us. We need to learn to **deny self and listen**—- so The Holy Spirit can reach us. To let go of the world and live to God. Through Jesus body. If we are not willing to obey —-to not be offended and angry—-our enemies will rise up in our flesh and prevent us **hearing** those sent to help us from being deceived. We will just get angry at them so we can avoid the places of pain in our heart

and soul. We can find comfort in the world. False comfort. It masks the pain. But our hope is so awesome, that if we can grasp just some of it, it will give us strength to let go of this world and the things of this world we love. To let go of, and face trauma and pain, and stop avoiding the dealing with it. As we are healed we will begin to see the souls of our heavenly family that need help, our help instead of thinking of our own The pain causes us to seek comfort and enjoyment in this present turmoil and pain. world. To ease the pressure. Gods wants total forgiveness so our soul can be healed and restored. Forgive from the heart everyone. Eternal souls that Jesus wants to reach through us -- if we will but allow The Holy Spirit to use us. He can't use us whilst we are still pleasing ourselves and finding comfort for our temporary flesh. But as we begin to understand what is at stake and how **unimportant** it is to please ourselves in this current world -- we begin to become usable to God. God cannot use someone that is serving Sacrifice the flesh, we are to sacrifice this flesh life for a far better one. the flesh.

Ephesians 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering **and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.**

Romans 8 12Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. **13For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die:**

but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

This is why God puts such a premium on wisdom and knowledge and understanding. If we understand our true identity, we are then able to let go of the love of this world. Our identity is above -- in Christ. If we understand our identity in Jesus Christ we are able to let go of pleasing ourself and doing what we want to do, so that we can begin building unto our new identity. Our new identity is spirit and our spirit is a member of Gods family. Why do we continue to live like paupers upon this earth grasping at temporary comfort, pleasure, and entertainment. It is all false and part of our old identity -- it is all passing away. Enjoying life in the flesh is a lie to our new identity. The flesh is crucified with Christ, and satan is stuck in it, desperately trying to keep us bound to it so that he has dominion over us. The only authority satan has over us is through the deceit of loving this present life and body and the desires of it. When we understand our new life is in the spirit, and is spiritual -- when we grasp this -- we can begin to let it go and start building upon our new identity and kingdom. Through walking Our new kingdom is our family across the world in Jesus Christ. This present in Love. world is passing away, but the souls of Gods sons and daughters are eternal and we can each begin building into that identity and family—-in Christ. We are sons and daughters of God. We are not of this world, we are of God, we are not flesh, we are spirit. We are totally re-born. Our soul is caught in flesh for the present time, but is now just our temporary tabernacle or tent or home until we enter our eternal life(our glorified body). Hanging on to this life becomes less and less important as we understand our new identity more and more. Hanging on to this world and it amusements and pleasures is a deceit which satan relies on us being trapped by. It is all he has left. Jesus defeated him.

<u>Hosea 4:6</u> My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me:

There are many levels of understanding this new identity we have. We each start off as babes in spirit, and have no idea how to let go of this flesh life. We each learn as we follow The Spirit. The world has trained our flesh, the physical world has taught us to think of ourselves and how to be happy and how to get what we want to please all our desires and all our lusts and how to entertain ourselves and receive comfort for our flesh. When we do this we can avoid any suffering. satan relies on this avoidance of sacrificing the flesh to avoid suffering.

<u>2 Timothy 3</u> 10But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, **longsuffering**, love, patience, **11Persecutions, afflictions,** which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; **what persecutions I endured:** but out of *them* all the Lord delivered me. **12**Yea, and **all** that will live godly in Christ Jesus **shall suffer persecution.**

13But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, <u>deceiving</u>, and being deceived.

The world is an enticement to avoid denying ourselves and serving Jesus and serving our brothers and sisters, many of whom are headed for destruction because they do not understand this very thing. The Holy Spirit cannot lead, if we are someone that is busy "being happy" and enjoying the life of the flesh and enjoying the ways of this world.

Romans 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

<u>Joshua 24:15</u> Elijah came near to all the people and said, "How long will you hesitate <u>between two opinions?</u> If the LORD is God, follow Him;

but if Baal, follow him."

But the people did not answer him a word.

We have been saved **out of the world**—-why go back? Why like the Israelites that perished in the wilderness would we want to return to Egypt—-we have been saved out of Egypt(the world). There are many voices that will speak to us to hang on to happiness and fun and entertainment and even to hang on to past trauma and pain and emotional hurt, because for some reason we are able to find some kind of comfort by **not facing up to these things.** *It is when we realise that these things are not now our identity*—-we have a new life in spirit—- eternal. As we realise this, we begin to realise we also have a new focus and responsibility to our heavenly family, to bring others to this same realisation. Many of our brothers and sisters are still living for the world and for their flesh and are bound to hurt and pain and trauma and rejection. They haven't come to this place of knowing their identity yet. We are all still learning our identity—-it is a matter of how much we each have grown. As we mature, we see more and more our true identity. There is no pride in this. It's all given us by God. Revelation. This knowledge and wisdom and understanding is given to us by The Holy Spirit as we mature. It is a gift and the more we understand this the more responsibility we are given to lift others and to also serve the body—-The Church—-to serve each other. Sacrificing temporal comfort for eternal gain. For Jesus. Not serving the fallen world—-serving The Kingdom of God. Our life is now found IN Jesus Christ body. Why serve a temporal world when we have an eternal one we can serve. Look to the glory and the heavenly hope which is eternal—-have understanding of what we have been offered. Have ears to hear and eyes to see.

Colossians 3 1If ye then be risen with Christ, **seek those things which are above**, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **2Set your affection on things above**, *not* <u>on things on the earth</u>. **3**For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. **4**When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, <u>then</u> shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Our flesh and the carnal nature is the enemy and our true enemy – -satan and his whole demonic body is desperate to have us enjoy ourselves in this life. So we don't come into our true identity in Christ. **To prevent any sacrifice of self.** There are many levels of understanding – a mature Christian who sees his identity will be mis-understood by those Christians who do not yet understand this. A more mature Christian will be, through The Spirit leading those around them to let go of the world and to come into their spiritual identity. Less mature Christians will, without understanding, not like this. It is a walk and we are brought gently and slowly by The Holy Spirit to this understanding as we can bear. The less mature we are, the less we understand Gods love. Gods love is that we serve one another. That we sacrifice self. God himself serves us. Jesus said "if Jesus sacrificed his flesh life and served. He you've seen me you've seen The Father." listened and obeyed The Holy Spirit to set the captives free. The same Spirit we now each have in us. Jesus wants to do the same through each of us as He did in his own flesh body. Jesus wants to use our flesh body to serve his heavenly body The Church. How can we say say we love Jesus if we refuse to serve His body. How can we say we love Jesus if we are all busy pleasing our flesh and serving the lusts and desires of demons who are fed and strengthened by our obedience to them in our flesh. To whom we obey is to whom we are made servant or slave. How can we claim to believe the gospel if we then refuse to come to the knowledge of the truth. Our identity is no longer in the flesh. Our identity is in the spirit. How can we say we believe, if we go on living as though we belong to this world -- instead of Jesus. It is not a small mistake --it is a huge and terrible deception which the many do not come to, nor want to understand.

James 4:4 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.

<u>Matthew 7</u> Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and **broad** *is* **the way, that leadeth to destruction,** and many there be which go in thereat:

This world is physical, the flesh is physical. How can we say we believe if we live for the physical. We are born again, we are a new creation. How many of our brothers and sisters will end up in destruction for lack of understanding? How many will end up in destruction **because we are busy pleasing ourselves in this life** instead of coming to the truth. Instead of serving our new kingdom, setting the captives free. Loving one another. It truly is a battle. Each of us battle with this. To lay down our enjoyment and fun and entertainment and desires and even to lay down depression and self pity, and pride. It is very unpleasant to the flesh. But to lead each other to do this is love. **Beware** of false teachers and prophets, we know them by their fruits. Live to God—to the body of Christ—to the spirit—-or—-: to the world.

<u>Matthew 7</u> **15**Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. **16Ye shall know them by their fruits.** Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? **17**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. **20**Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

Many times we will be despised by our brothers and sisters for telling them the truth. Because many still want to live for this life and live and enjoy this world. It is very very painful walking in Love -- telling others to let go - and having them despise every word. When we love the world, we cannot understand Gods love. The idols -- of our love of this world—- blind us from seeing the love of God in others. And it can be very very very very difficult for others to lead us out of this deception. We will see them as unloving, because they do not match up to the worlds standards of love. If we truly love someone we will not back down to please them or to please their emotions, to allow them to remain serving their flesh. We know it is not The Way. Denying ourself and this world is The Way. Sacrificing this flesh life is The Way. It is love to lead others away from pleasing the flesh. But many times we will be despised, even hated for speaking the truth. Telling the truth will raise up anger and separation and offence, because the love we are showing will be seen as condemnation instead of what it really is -- Love. Truth. False spirits/demons will constantly be using the power given to them (by our love of the world) to justify that love of the world. To cast down the truth. So the truth is scoffed at and is a scorn. We are given the truth. "Let go the world, serve Jesus, help eternal souls to escape destruction, think of what is important to Jesus, Jesus died for this".

LET GO OF THE WORLD !!!!!!! LET GO OF THE WORLD !!!!!!! LET GO OF THE FLESH !!! DO NOT DESPISE SOMEONE FOR TELLING THE TRUTH !!!!!!! TRUTH IS NOT PLEASING TO THE FLESH!!!!!!

THE FLESH HATES THE TRUTH !!!!!! SOMEONE THAT LOVES YOU WILL LEAD YOU TO LET GO OF THE WORLD !!!!!!

THAT IS LOVE !!!!!!! TO SERVE THE BODY OF CHRIST FROM THE HEART WITH THE MIND, SOUL AND STRENGTH !!!!!!! FOLLOW JESUS. Follow The Spirit.

<u>Matthew 7</u> 21Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that <u>doeth the will</u> of my Father which is in heaven. 22Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? 23And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

We must let this truth into our hearts—-so that the idols will fall away at the knowledge and understanding of The Truth. The idols we won't let go of—-give the tormentors the right to deceive and veil our minds. Leading our brothers and sisters out of the the world is love. If we don't lead those close to us away from the love of the world, how can we say we love Jesus. That deception can lead them to destruction. Wide is the way that leads to destruction and many there are that go that way. Narrow is the way that leads to life. Denying the flesh, turning from being happy and pleasing the flesh is the narrow way. It is not the popular way though. We may be railed at for speaking up. It is a terrible trap for those caught in it. God answers us to the multitude of our idols.

Ezekiel 14:4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

We will get lying spirits, pretending to be The Holy Spirit leading us to please our flesh. Men, false prophets, teachers, preachers will tell us exactly what our itching ears want to hear—according to our idols. We will seek out doctrine that suits our own itching ears. Not loving the truth, but what suits the comfort of our flesh. God is not mocked! Putting in a token effort of serving God and serving others but not from the heart is dangerous. It is not a change of heart but a work of flesh. Pleasing self and putting in the occasional effort is dangerous. Not serving the Kingdom of God from the heart. Serving the flesh and those whom rule in our flesh is dangerous. Not understanding our identity is now in the spirit and not in this world. Our identity is IN Christ.

2 Thessalonians 2 10And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

11And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion,

that they should believe a lie:

12That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

When we truly love others we tell them, and we may be despised each time and rejected and hurt. Just like Jesus was. If we still love the world, the voices in our mind and the idols in our heart toward this world—will rail up against denying the flesh and the world. To keep us in deception because we don't want to hear the truth that is so clearly written in the bible --- The Word of God. It is a terrible torment to watch people deceived by the love of the world. We cannot afford to just believe the parts of the bible that suit us—- and leave out the parts that don't. That's foolishness. The demons within, controlling and lying to us through lusts and enjoying the flesh life, **Will** lead us down the broad way-if we allow. Love will simply not be recognised because of the power of deceit through the **agreement to please the flesh**, which is the same as pleasing the carnal nature and serving satan. If we love the world and pleasing ourselves, someone pointing out and leading us out of this deceit will not be popular. We must discern this evil or how can Jesus save us? Jesus uses each of us to talk to each of us. If we are not listening because of the idols of this world and pleasing ourself and our flesh, how will we be lead to the light. We will remain deceived by the idols in our heart. We will be hearing the voices of demons- our idols-and agreeing with them.

Romans 15:1 We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

ONCE WE DESTROY THE IDOLS And let Go of this flesh life, and take dominion, we are then able to go back into the world free of its control. Once we remove the demonic spirit behind each idol, we are then able to enjoy our flesh life by serving God instead of being forced to serve our flesh. Our soul is set free from demonic control and bondage. We now have control(**if we choose to walk in it-Love**). We have control over our actions instead of being driven by our flesh and desires and traumas and pain. Our relationships can prosper because we are now no longer driven by the wants and lusts of demons and evil spirits and our own carnal nature. We become free in Christ. We have Gods grace for victory over condemnation. Allowing us to escape sin. Once we let the idols go and give sin and the idols to God, much of it He can then give back. Free of manipulation from darkness and evil. And we are then in control of it—instead of it controlling us. Relationships thrive on being in service to Jesus body, in service to each other. When we no longer serve our flesh but sacrifice it for each other.

Galatians 6:2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.