

What Is in the Forefront of Your Mind?

Scripture reading: Ezekiel 8:1

Let us look at the following issue: Satan discovered the function of the human body and the human being, and he decided he was going to get us to think a certain way. For if he could get you to think a certain way then he would get you to do what he wants you to do. So, in the world we began to think a certain way. The thinking of the man of sin is that he becomes a sexual creature and his wife becomes a thing to be used. I am not saying that some women are not like that also, but I am saying that if the men take the lead in anything, they are going to make a difference, for the women cannot overcome this situation alone.

People who get married have certain ideas planted in their minds. "I am marrying so that I can have a picnic; so that I can have a ball; so that I can live morning, noon, and night to satisfy my carnal desires." Do you know what happens? You find that sometimes you are talking to a person, but something is in his mind apart from what you are saying. He wants to get home. Why does he want to get home quickly? Because he has something in his mind – he wants to have a good time with his wife.

I am talking about Christians! You see, I was very shocked when God revealed to me that Christians are involved in sexual promiscuity just as the world is and that they are committing sin in their lives, as Christians, believing that they have a license to do that which should have been the world's business! Do you understand me?

I have discovered a certain condition among the brethren – the men are "dull." They are not leaders in the things of God. They are not coming forth as God leads men into righteousness and into glory and into power. They are not marching upon the hilltop. It is because there is an image in their mind. Let us read about it. Turn with me to Ezekiel 8:1.

"And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord GOD fell there upon me."

What is he saying in this verse? You read this chapter and how it says that this happened in the sixth month of the sixth year, and on the fifth day of the month—you must know that it has a meaning. God is not going to waste words. He is talking about man (six), man (six), and ministry (five)! Yes! He is saying it is the sixth month of the sixth year and the fifth day of the month. Now, six speaks of "man," and five of "ministry," so Ahh!—the ministry! He is going to deal in this chapter with the ministry. He said, "...the elders of Judah sat before me," and "the hand of the Lord fell there upon me." It is like Jesus talking to His disciples and seeing house business rising up in their minds while he is talking. What a terrible thing it is! What a terrible thing it is to have the flesh in the forefront of one's mind. The Lord told the Jews to bind the "Word" upon their foreheads. They did it literally; we should do it spiritually.

This is why God has not given us that "clear" vision that we could see through one another. Some of us would not have the strength. We would despise one another for what we are. You see, some of us only love one another because we do not know one another. Some of us are only buddy-buddy, nicey-nicey, because we do not know the thoughts that go through one another's mind. Thank God, that we do not know it, but one day we will know as we are known. When things are purer, we will be able to take it more.

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Thought for today: We are commanded to bind the Word of God upon our foreheads. Therefore, let us fill our mind with His Word so that we would not be found straying from righteousness.