

## **A Being Living inside of You**

*Scripture reading:* John 14:16 & 26

Beloved brethren, let us talk about sin and righteousness today. I have noticed that many of us do not know what righteousness is, because we fail to recognize righteousness. Let me tell you something: you have righteousness inside of you. Once you are born again of the Spirit of God, God is going to find ways and means to get His Word into your mind and into your heart. When you reject that Word you reject God. I don't know if I can impress that hard enough. **YOU MUST HEAR GOD FROM INSIDE OF YOU.** You must hear God so that when you do God's will you feel blessed inside. Sometimes it is just the exact opposite of what you feel like doing. You don't want to do it, it is not your cup of tea, but thus saith the Lord God Almighty, "I command it that you do what I am saying to you in your heart to do because that is God." Not necessarily what the counselor tells you, not necessarily what the friends like about you, not necessarily what all your family might want you to do. God Almighty wants you to do something and that something is in your heart and there is no denying it. You cannot say, "I have not heard God." Because God says, "Conscience is the voice of God speaking in the soul of man." Let me repeat that. I used to learn that at Sunday school. "Conscience is the voice of God speaking in the soul of man." God speaks to your soul. Beware of listening to other voices: for you can hear with your ears; you can hear with your heart; you can hear with your emotions; you can hear with your desires; you can hear with your will; you can hear with your own mind. But thus saith the Lord God, "I speak to you inside of your own being." Your conscience will tell you, "This is right." "I should not do this. This is wrong for me to do."

I want to tell you something more, brethren. Whenever you reject God, you have committed a sin that is very, very hard to even repent from. Do you know that there are some decisions you can make in life on which you have no return? No return. God gives you an opportunity to choose and you make the wrong choice and you know it is wrong - in your heart you know you are making the wrong choice, but you are determined to make it. If you make it, it is going to stick with you for the rest of your life. This is what God showed me that sometimes if you make the wrong choice, you make it for the rest of your life. You can't reverse a choice that is made. God Almighty is saying to all of us, "...Choose you this day whom ye will serve..." (Joshua 24:15).

Righteousness, therefore, is not just a condition, but it is just like a being living inside of you that tells you, "This is right and that is wrong." You know, the scripture says, "I will send you another Comforter even the Spirit of truth. He will guide you into all truth and He will show you the difference between right and wrong" (John 14:16 & 26). Another scripture says, in speaking of Jesus Christ, "*Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good*" (Isaiah 7:15).

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