

In Whose Eyes a Vile Person Is Contemned

Scripture reading: Isaiah 7:15 & 22

The world has almost completely reversed the human concept of right and wrong. The only true basis of what is right and what is wrong is the accepting of God as the paragon and Jesus Christ as the “Plumbline”.

Isaiah 5:20, *“Woe unto them that call evil good and good evil; that put darkness for light and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!”*

Darkness is covering the land and gross darkness is taking hold upon the people.

The meaning of the word “contemned” is to disdain or to be contemptible. The Word of God is saying here that we should not esteem those who are evil. The Christian conscience that has been washed by the blood of Jesus Christ abhors evil and does not allow us any kind of pleasure in those who are evil both by their actions and by their life style. On the other hand we find an increasing number of those who profess to be “born again”, freely fraternize with those who are living and fostering an evil and ungodly way of life.

If I should ask my readers, “What is the greatest evil of today that is called good?” I am sure I would receive a multitude of good answers, but most of us would either be afraid to even think of the truth, or if we do, we would shy from the expression of it. The greatest force for good in the world is the CHURCH. There is no doubt about it that God called out a people in Jesus Christ to come out of the world and the things of the world and to be part of His kingdom on the earth. This people are to eventually deliver the earth from all its evil and in the end the “earth will be filled with the glory of God as the waters cover the sea...” BUT if this people, who are the called out of God, who accept the name and the right to be called CHURCH, but refuse to come out of the ways, deeds and thinking of the world, thus looking like the kingdom of God on the outward, but speaking like the world from the inward, then this people would be evil parading as good, darkness parading as light, and bitter showing itself as sweet. There is such a mixture in our present day church system that unless one sees from the eyes of God, it would be almost impossible to discern good from evil.

Romans 12:2, *“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind THAT ye may prove what is the good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.”*

In conclusion let me quote from Isaiah 7:15 & 22:

7:15, *“And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk that they shall give, he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall everyone eat that is left in the land.”*

7:22, *“Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the EVIL, and choose the GOOD.”*

Butter and honey represent the pure unadulterated WORD of GOD. The people’s taste is being confused between bitter and sweet, but God has promised that those who desire to know the truth will know it by divine intervention.

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Thought for today: Let us eat butter and honey, the unadulterated Word of God, so that we may be able to refuse the evil and choose the good.