



God's Word For Today

Friday, April 05, 2013

Spiritual Adultery

Jeremiah 3:16 KJV And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, **in those days**, saith the LORD, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the LORD: neither shall it come to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit *it*; neither shall *that* be done any more.

You might ask, "In what days?". If you read Jeremiah chapter three, with an open heart, You might be able to see that this chapter is dealing with the past conduct of Israel and Judah, their perversion of the good things that God had blest them with; their love affair with the false god's of their day (**Spiritual Adultery**), and the call of God's Holy Spirit for His chosen nation to return to the land (The **land of Israel, beginning in 1948, until this present time.**) that he had given to them. In my humble opinion, this awful form of adultery, also caused a split in the chosen nation of Israel resulting in the two groups, Israel and Judah. This division will be healed in the soon to come salvation of the people of Israel. Most of my readers will probably get to see this from the portals of Glory.

Adultery, whether the real physical kind, or even worse, the spiritual kind, is a very awful and destructive thing. It can ruin relationships, careers, families, and in the case of the spiritual kind, it can ruin churches, ministries and maybe even worse, someone's eternal soul. Adultery is a very bad thing. The thing that I have learned is that sin that has burst forth into the open, probably has been growing into this ugly flower for a very long time before it is ever made public. All forms of **Adultery** are wrong and all forms of **Adultery** are destructive.

The form **Adultery** that I have to deal with here, is of the spiritual kind. BUT, one thing we need to remember first, that we all need some real sober humility here. Listen to what God has to say:

Galatians 6:1 KJV Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

The Word of God has some very strong words to say about **Spiritual Adultery**

1 John 2:15-17 KJV 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. (16) For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is *not* of the Father, but is of the world. (17) And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

James 4:1-10 KJV From whence *come* wars and fightings among you? *come they* not hence, *even* of your lusts that war in your members? (2) Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. (3) Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts. (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.** (5) Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? (6) But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. (7) Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (8) Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, ye sinners; and purify *your* hearts, ye double minded. (9) Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and *your* joy to heaviness. (10) Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.