

You Are The Man

“You are the man.” These words were spoken by Nathan My prophet when David sinned. David knew what he had done, but until he realized he was the guilty man (alluded to in Nathan’s parable,) he saw no need to repent.

I have declared the presence of sin in My church many times. Many of these sins in My church flow out of the sin of the leaders. So far no one has seen the need to repent. You hear My call to repent, but you say, “It’s not me.” You choose one aspect of your life that you perceive yourself to be faithful in, and you compare yourself with others in that area. If others don’t measure up in that area, you say, “Aha, they are the ones who must repent.” You even go so far as to preach against these people and their sin.

Until now I have declared the presence of sin, but now I will declare plainly who the sinner is. It is YOU! You are the man! You lead your congregations and give tithes faithfully. You work hard and always pay your bills. You are a model citizen, striving to obey laws of your land, and you pay your taxes. You fund your own mission trips, and you volunteer your time and talents to those in need. Perhaps you have given much to feed the poor.

YET YOU ARE THE MAN.

Do you not remember Cain and Abel? I asked for a sacrifice of My own choosing. Abel gave Me what I asked for. In doing so, He declared that I am right—that I know the difference between good and evil—and most importantly, that I Am God. Cain, on the other hand, gave Me a sacrifice of his own choosing. In doing so, he declared that I don’t know what is good or evil. And ultimately he declared himself to be *not only* equal to Me—but above Me.

You look back at Cain and ask, “How could he be so foolish?” I ask you now, “How can you be so foolish?”

When I brought the children of Israel out of Egypt, the first thing I did was tell them about Myself. I told them clearly Who I have always been. Righteousness is defined by Me. It has always been defined by Me. Righteousness reflects My nature, which does not change. Apart from My nature, there is no good and evil. When I came to earth in human form, I was righteous because I acted only according to My nature (and thus My Law.)

You claim to know Me, but you are an utter failure and embarrassment. Look around you. You have strayed so far from My written Word, that you now claim many of My words don’t apply to you. You claim to live by faith, but you don’t trust Me for more than you already possess. You say you don’t worship idols; yet you disobey Me in order to earn money and preserve it. You claim to love Me, but you care more about what your friends think. You say that I am a God of justice—yet you think that if you join a disobedient congregation, I will accept you.

You vote among yourselves to justify your disobedience. I only allow votes between two good things. When I say a thing is bad, My vote is the only one that counts. How can you vote against Me, when I hold your breath in My hand? I am the source of all that is good—including life itself.

My creation functions around you, as a reflection of your righteousness before Me. When sin is harbored in your life, it manifests physically as death around you. You can even now see death visit your land. It appears as the shedding of innocent blood, crop failures and dead animals.

You have constructed many idols that you hope will protect you from the fruit of your sin. You have churches, insurances, government programs, investments and bank accounts. You have thought carefully about every possible judgement, and have erected man-made institutions to protect yourselves from Me. You now disobey Me with impunity, because you trust in what you have created and believe that I will allow you to continue. You don't realize that I have allowed you to continue for a while, because I am merciful. But you have tested Me, and you have presumed upon My extreme patience.

By giving you more time, I have only enabled you to continue to defy Me and everything I am. The time is late. I give you a choice—love Me and serve Me—or follow your own heart and die. These are the only two choices you have. I alone decide the consequences for your choice. You are not God. I AM.

You say you have love for the brethren, claiming this is evidence that you have My Spirit. I AM Love; I define it. True love can only exist by My Spirit. I love without measure. My love isn't measured in terms of My resources or what I can get in return. When you love by My Spirit, it surpasses human wisdom because it manifests through loving obedience to Me.

I will guide you in every way when you surrender to Me. You will be able to operate without prejudice or bias in any way. My love only seeks the good of those around you. What you call love is selfish at the root. Thus it is false. Your "love" is predicated on whether a person agrees with you and makes you feel good about yourself. You look at the number in your bank account, and weigh, in your human wisdom, how much to give. But I care about WHY you give. Some give out of a sense of duty to avoid guilt or to elevate their reputations. But I ask you, "Do you love ME?" If you love Me, then you will give as My Spirit leads you. Sometimes you will give nothing and appear to be a fool. Sometimes you will give all you have, and appear to be a fool. Do you love ME? I come to TEST YOU. I am able to fill my OWN COFFERS.

You practice "tough love" to justify controlling those who you don't like or who you disagree with. I tell you in My Word that if someone wishes to borrow from you, you must not refuse them. (Mt. 5) This is a test of My design to see whether you trust Me enough to provide for you, even when your possessions may never be returned to you. You often loan to others based on a person's reputation and ability to return it to you. This I forbid. I have also required My people to release all debts every seven years. Why have you not followed these directions I have laid out, for your own benefit? You find conniving ways to subvert My laws of Love.

Tell Me. How are you different from the godless world around you? You are my chosen one, My king David—and yet you murder those under your charge.

You justify your disobedience and call it “God-given wisdom.” You are those I speak of in My word when I say “these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face.” Ezekiel 14:3

I have borne long enough with your false attempts to please Me by your own power. I now hide My eyes from you and will refuse to hear your vain prayers. Your hands are stained with the blood of My precious ones.

Isaiah 1:16-18 “Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.”

Isaiah 65:24 “Then it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.”

Hebrews 8:10b “I will put my laws into your mind, and write them in your hearts: and I will be to you a God, and you shall be to Me a people.”

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