



SOWING SEEDS for the *Kingdom*



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DID YOU KNOW THAT GOD HAS A MISSION STATEMENT?

Dearly Beloved in the Lord,

Because of so much erroneous teachings and understanding, some individuals have gotten to the point in their lives where they have taken the devil and God and have “switched” their places in their relationships to mankind.

You need to realize that Jehovah God has a “mission statement!” In other words, this is what God desires for you or His will for you. It is actually found in John 10:10, which I sometimes refer to as the “Mason-Dixon” line of the bible!

So, even though God has a mission statement, the devil also has one and they are both easily defined in that one verse: **John 10:10 (KJV)**

¹⁰ The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

This scripture clearly defines what God does and what the devil does. It divides what they do into categories and everything that happens in life can be placed in one of these categories.

First and foremost, the “thief” is NOT your friend! He is your enemy! The thief represents satan and John 10:10 gives his mission statement: **“to steal, kill and destroy.”** So, who is it that he wants to steal from? **YOU!** Who is it that he wants to kill? **YOU!** Whose life does he want to destroy? **YOURS!** And he wants to do the same thing to me and every other person born on this planet! Satan is the prince of darkness, the father of lies, and the source of chaos, confusion, and destruction. Look at what Jesus said of the enemy: **John 8:44 (KJV)**

⁴⁴ Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a

murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

But, I HAVE GOOD NEWS! God sent His Son so that the world would not perish but have life, abundant and everlasting (John 3:16). After Jesus stated satan's mission statement, He proclaimed His own. The mission statements are completely and diametrically opposed! While satan's purpose is death, destruction, and lack in our lives, Jesus came to bring life, restoration, and abundance.

A *mission statement* can be describes as a guideline to keep members and users aware of an organization's or leader's purpose. Jesus clearly states His purpose. He came to give life!

So, the next time you may hear someone say or you begin to wonder, "Is it God or is it the devil," the answer will be crystal clear. Which category does "it" come under? If it steals in any way, if it brings death or leads to death, if it destroys or brings destruction, it's the devil. If it brings ABUNDANT LIFE full of SHALOM, it's JESUS! Jesus is NOT the thief. Jesus is NOT the one who brings death and destruction. Jesus is NOT the destroyer. JESUS BRINGS LIFE!

The Word tells us to "rightly divide the Word" (2 Timothy 2:15). If we are told to RIGHTLY divide the Word, then that must mean that the Word can be WRONGLY divided!

I believe that a lot of misunderstanding of the Word could be cleared up if we would gain understanding of the first three chapters of Genesis. We need to recognize a very simple yet profound truth: GOD IS A GOOD GOD and the devil is a bad devil! James 1: (the half-brother of Jesus) in 1:17 says that every good and every perfect gift comes from the Father and then it goes on to say that God does not change. Jesus said in John 8:44 that satan was a liar and a murderer and that there was not truth in him. And according to Jesus, satan does not change!

When someone says that sickness is of God, then they are attributing the work of the devil to our Heavenly Father. ***Isaiah 5:20 (KJV)***

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! Once after Jesus healed a man, the Pharisees attributed this work of the Holy Spirit to the devil. Jesus said that their accusation was blasphemy against the Holy Spirit (Matthew 12:22-32).

When a person attributes the work of God to the devil or a work of the devil to God, he is in very dangerous territory.

There was a minister who stated in a letter to the editor that sometimes healing is God's will and sometimes sickness is His will. This individual clearly does not know God's heart. For if he did, he would know that Satan is the destroyer, but God is the healer. Satan brings death, but God brings life. The devil destroys and brings defeat. God brings recovery and restoration.

I want you to think about something, would you put cancer on your child to teach them a lesson? Of course you wouldn't, because you love them and want the best for them. But, that is what a lot of individuals do; they blame God for their problems, sicknesses, diseases, poverty and turmoil on God. Because we get religiously "brain-washed" instead of SCRIPTURALLY TAUGHT! GOD IS LOVE and HIS WILL IS THAT YOU CAN HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY!

Here are a few scripture references that will help you:

Romans 12:9 (KJV)

⁹ Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

3 John 1:11 (KJV)

¹¹ Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.

James 1:17 (KJV)

¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

1 John 3:8 (KJV)

⁸ He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

John 8:44 (KJV)

⁴⁴ Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV)

¹⁵ Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

John 10:10 (KJV)

¹⁰ The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

James 1:13 (KJV)

¹³ Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:

James 1:13 (WEY)

¹³ Let no one say when passing through trial, "My temptation is from God;" for God is incapable of being tempted to do evil, and He Himself tempts no one.

ARE YOU READY?

Throw out the nets, bring in the lost, proclaim the gospel, heal the sick, cast out demons! JESUS IS ALIVE AND HE IS COMING BACK.....**ARE YOU READY TO MEET HIM?**

IF YOU ARE NOT SURE PRAY THIS OUTLOUD:

I believe with all my heart that Jesus died for me. I believe with all my heart that He was raised from the dead for me. I turn away from sin. I turn away from everything that is not pleasing to Jesus. From this day forward I declare that JESUS IS LORD OF MY LIFE. I expect the Holy Spirit to lead me and guide me into all the truth. Thank you Lord Jesus for making me a new creation...I will serve you the rest of my days...COME ON IN JESUS!

If you prayed that prayer, you are a NEW CREATION, please, please, please contact me so I can help you get started on the journey of your New Life In Christ Jesus.

Kathy and I are so grateful for your faithfulness in giving of prayers and offerings to help us spread the Kingdom of God throughout the whole earth. SHALOM!

KATHY AND I DECREE YOU BLESSED IN JESUS NAME!

Pastor Dave and Kathy

Matthew 6:33

You are loved. You are welcome. You belong.

A TRIBUTE TO THE BIBLE

The Bible is not an amulet, a charm, a fetish, or a book that will work wonders by its very presence. It is a book that will work wonders in every life, here and hereafter, if acted upon and obeyed in faith and sincerity. It is God's inspired revelation of the origin and destiny of all things, written in the most simple human language possible so that the most unlearned can understand and obey its teachings. It is self-interpreting and covers every subject of human knowledge and need now and forever.

As a literary composition, the Bible is the most remarkable book ever made. It is divine library of 66 books, some of considerable size, and others no larger than a tract. These books include various forms of literature—history, biography, poetry, drama, and others. They embrace all manner of literary styles in human expression.

It is the book that reveals the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners, and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts binding, its histories true, and its decisions immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. The Bible contains light to direct you, food to support you, and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword, and the Christian's charter. Here heaven is opened and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good is its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill your memory, rule your heart, and guide your feet in righteousness and true holiness. Read it slowly, frequently, prayerfully, meditatively, searchingly, devotionally, and study it constantly, perseveringly, and industriously. Read it through and through until it becomes part of your being and generates faith that will move mountains. The Bible is a mine of wealth, the source of health, and world of pleasure. It is given to you in this life, will be opened at the judgment, and will stand forever. It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the least to the greatest of labor, and will condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents.

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