

BIBLICAL TEACHINGS

“ADMONITION TO LEADERS PT2”

FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH...



ADMONITION TO LEADERS II

Scripture reference: John 15: 1-7

15:1 I am the *true vine*, and my Father is the husbandman.

2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

4 Abide in me, and I in you. *As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.*

5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

In order to maintain truth, purity and singleness of purpose there must be a continuing of the servant/master relationship, and a determination to live by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.

No matter what area in the work of the ministry that we undertake, except we remain in Christ, and in alignment with his purpose, plan and will, we stand a very good chance of **us** increasing and Jesus decreasing, and the fruit that is produced will not be that which comes from the Father, but rather that which we have brought forth, (ex: Cain's gift to God, the tower of babal, Abraham/Haggar and yes, even Peter's decision before Pentecost to chose someone to replace Judas when Paul was God's choice).

So the command is to realize that Jesus is the vine (or source) and the Father is the husbandman (or inspector). Many will come to me in that day saying, "Lord, Lord have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And I will profess unto them, I never knew you: Paul the Apostle understood the severity and responsibility that was given to him when he wrote in 1Cor. 9:16: "yea, woe is unto me if I preach not the gospel!"

But now in modern Christianity some have left the command to abide in the vine, and he in us, and have used the name of Christ and all that is connected to him as a means for personal profit and gain, so that the fruit that is produced is not that which is birthed by the Holy Spirit, but rather that which is birthed by corporate America.

And the church, the bride of Christ, instead of being lead by the Holy Spirit of God, it is being instructed by Fortune 500, top Business Executives and Wall Street CEO's all in the name of church-growth to produce Mega-churches, while winning souls to Christ, the preaching of the gospel has been compromised.

Fellow Saint, I pray that you have not compromised the leadership office that the Father has entrusted to you, and that your office is not for money, notoriety or for the praise of men. AMEN!

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I truly pray that this brief insight has been a blessing to you. If you have any questions and or comments, please contact me at:
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B-blessed;
In Christ:

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