

GOSPEL DELIVERED BY THE FATHER

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BROTHERHOOD OF THE CROSS AND STAR.

“GET OUT FROM AMONG THEM AND SEPARATE YOURSELVES”

First Bible Lesson: 1 Cor. 5:11

Second Bible Lesson: 1 Cor. 6:9-10

Golden Text : John 3:5

Brethren, what has been read out to you constitute the revelation I have for you. What is the use of anyone indulging in sin? The Scriptures shows that those who continue in sin will not inherit the Kingdom of God. Your only hope is to enter the Kingdom of God. And this is the greatest promise that our Lord Jesus Christ made to his disciples as their reward for faithfulness. In the world today you have food, money, riches, children and everything and luxuries, what else will you look for other than the kingdom of God? It is pitiable because many people here in Brotherhood have come here in order to get employed, to have children and riches of this world, they are not interested with the kingdom of God. Christ has stated that you should not work for the food that perishes but for the food that will give you everlasting life in which the Lord will give you upon this the Lord God has fixed His real seal of approval. Do you see the deplorable condition that some of you have placed yourselves? Because your earnest desire is to get money, children and luxuries of this world. How many of you are seeking for the Kingdom of God? The word of God says, what shall profit a man if he gains the whole world and gives his life a ransom? It further states that you should knock, seek and ask for you will receive what you need.

This was the reason, Paul who was formerly a lawyer had to surrender all that he had and considered them as a refuse in order to gain Christ.

Before you hope to enter this Kingdom of God, do you at all count how much it

will cost you if you have that much to pay. And if it is not by money but by certain stipulated qualities. Brethren, if you do not ask, knock and seek for this Kingdom you will never attain it. Today here in Brotherhood, when this group of lawless fellow finds a young girl or boy who does not fornicate, they will begin to discourage her on her rightful course. They will tell her here in Brotherhood, fornication is not forbidden, you can always get away with it, after all you are still young you cannot stay just that way. Why not enjoy your youthful days? It is a shameful thing to see someone who says that he does not tell lies. When such one is found out he will start to defend himself that he is only telling small lies in order to defend himself whether small or great lies, it is lying. You remember that Christ compared the kingdom of God to a treasure hidden in the field, in which a man discover and went to sell his possessions and buy that field. Remember that lawyer who approached Christ and asked him what to do in order to enter the kingdom, Christ replied, "You must love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart and with thy whole soul and with thy whole mind and your neighbour as yourself. He said he had done this, Christ told him that there was something still remaining, go and sell all that you have, come and be my follower. The lawyer became sad and went away. Then Christ turning to the disciples he said: How difficult for the rich man to enter into the kingdom of God: Take note that the Bible does not condemn riches or marriage. In fact it does not condemn anything created by God. All things are good but no all things are advantageous and I will not allow anything to control me said the Apostle Paul. Therefore, when you see anyone distributing his riches to the poor and becoming liberal do not think that he is mad, remember that the love of money is the root of all evil. You can-not enter the kingdom through riches unless you are liberal. Let the first Bible lesson be read.

FIRST BIBLE LESSON: 1 Cor. 5:11

"But rather I wrote to you not to associate with any one who is called a brother if he is guilty of immorality or greed, or is an idolater reviler, drunkard or robber, not even eating with such one."

Brethren have you heard that Biblical instruction and warning? You must not keep company with any person called a brother who is a fornicator, drunkard, a liar, a thief, a deceiver, an angry person, of dubious character, in short, a lawless fellow, you must not eat with such a person. As you have heard brethren, supposing a robber is your best friend, or a liar, is the person

assisting you, or a fornicator is your guardian or let say that a drunkard is your companion, what are you to do with this scriptural principle? Will you still keep company with such a fellow because of these material advantages and wrong your creator? If you decide to keep company with such a person who is lawless, what is your hope of the Kingdom of God? This lawless man will continue to use your good name to get his favour being your bosom friend. If you continue to keep company with him you are encouraging him to sin. But when you disassociate yourself from him you are free. You must shun all those who practice evil things. Let us take the example of Jonah whom God commissioned to go to Nineveh and deliver the judgement message to them. When Jonah finally came down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish, so he paid its fare and went down into it, and hid himself in the innermost parts of the decked vessel and proceeded to lie down and sleep. Then God hurled forth a great wind at the sea, and there came to be great tempest on the sea and as for the ship it was about to be wrecked. Therefore the captain of the ship made enquiries to find out what must have been the cause of the fate they were having. After a thorough search Jonah was found to be the one responsible and was taken out of the ship and thrown into the sea. When this was done the sea became still and quiet. Do you see what could result if you start to keep company with any one who is disobedient to God's instruction? This can happen to you if you keep company with fornicators, liars, drunkards, and all lawless persons. Another warning example was that of Achan, because of him the whole house of Israel suffered defeats in Battle. And they enquired what was the cause of their heavy defeat in battles, God told them that they were tolerating things meant for destruction in their midst, except they removed that thing meant for destruction from their midst they would not prove successful. Lots were cast and Achan was found to be guilty and he was brought out with his entire household and stoned to death. Therefore those who keep company with sinners must share the same punishment with them. The Lord God was annoyed because Achan was allowed to remain in their midst, a man who had converted things meant for destruction to his personal property. Likewise if you condone a lawless fellow just because of some material advantages, you must be prepared to suffer along with him. Let the second Bible Lesson be read.

SECOND BIBLE LESSON: 1 Cor. 6 : 10

“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Do

not be deceived; neither the fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor robbers will inherit the Kingdom of God.”

Brethren you have heard yet another warning from God. If you keep company with such ones, it means you have no hope and faith in the Kingdom of God. Oh! you who is still fornicating, drinking, lying, stealing up till now! What is your hope for the future? What is your hope for the kingdom of God? This is no dream, you will actually see with your eyes the retribution of the lawless ones. This is the reason that all those who hope for the Kingdom must abstain from every bit of sin. If you have forsaken all sins, why then do you choose sinners? The word of God further warns you, to flee from desires incidental to youth but to pursue love and hope with those who call upon God with a clean heart. But how can you have peace of mind if you harbour a fornicator in your house? Will you endure to see him fornicating in your house? How again will you have peace if you allow a robber, a drunkard, a liar to remain with or keep company with such ones? You just can not have peace of mind unless and until you disassociate yourself with such fellows. Therefore quit mixing in company with lawless ones. Do not be happy because when you commit sins, you are not reprimanded by the leader then you think that the leader condones evil doers. I may give you riches and all that you require now while still in your sinful state, but one day we shall meet and that will be final. You can not deceive God because his eyes are wide open and He sees everything and knows everything. If you are still a fornicator, a liar, a drunkard, an angry fellow, you have no portion in the Kingdom of God. God has never favoured any lawless fellow at anytime. It was because of lawlessness that the world of Noah was destroyed. You have read of a field owner that planted wheat in the field and the later on the enemies went and planted weeds among the wheat. When the servants of the field owner discovered this they ask their master to permit them uproot the weeds, but he told them to allow them to grow together until the harvest. Now is the harvest time and the separation work is going on now and it has gone to a very high standard. Let the golden text be read.

GOLDEN TEXT : JOHN 3: 5

“Jesus answered, Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.”

The Holy Spirit is the weapon. This Holy Spirit is God. When you come into

Brotherhood of the Cross and Star, and you are baptized then you are endowed with the Holy Spirit. This Holy Spirit is the weapon to help you fight against lawlessness and to remain pure and chaste through out your life. Baptism alone washes away your sins, the Holy Spirit gives you the ability to fulfil your dedication vows. Brethren, the time remaining now is short, and not long you will see what I am telling you now. All those who have forsaken sin on the other side, where there is weeping and gnashing their teeth. Where will you be? You who still indulge in sin that day will be terrible for you. I know there is no son of perdition in your midst. Rather some of you Thomases, you are waiting for the time I will take my drastic action on lawless ones, then you who are here will strip off the remains of sin in you. That time is at hand. But do not be deceived; things will be difficult. Consider for a moment, dear brethren, when the gate is closed and you are locked out in the world. The worldlings will mock at you and even over there you will have double torture!

The torture will be great for all lawless ones. Yet for a moment I do not want to lock the gate against you because of my love for you which is very great and mercy is at stake, that is why I have extended time for you as a period of grace for you to forsake sin and to be in this kingdom for ever.

Brethren, those who have ears to hear, let them hear. May God bless His Holy Words. Amen.

THANK YOU FATHER.

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