

The Fear of God Part 4 In Building Godly Families and God's Church

We will continue to tackle examples from the Scripture of men and women who feared God to learn what God wanting from us to do.

6. Men and women suppose to teach their children to fear God: After the fall of man in sin God said the following: ***“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.” (Genesis 3:15 KJV)*** That what God said to the serpent, that there will be enmity between her and its seed and with the woman and her seed; the seed of the woman shall bruise the head of the devil. This was the gospel, the good news of God to mankind, and even to this day. And is fulfilled when Jesus was born from a woman and as we read here: ***“But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,” (Galatians 4:4 KJV)*** Jesus died on the cross for our sins and had victory over Satan and bruised its head.

Paul said to Timothy, ***“11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. 12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve. 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. 15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.” (1 Timothy 2:11-15 KJV)*** What Paul referred in verse 14 was to the temptation of the woman in the Garden of Eden when she was away from her husband and was near the devil. That is why he wrote, ***“11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection” (1 Timothy 2:11 KJV)*** because God created first Adam and gave him the instructions needed and the woman that He gave to the man should follow the instruction of God that He gave to Adam her husband who taught her those instructions. Therefore Paul said, ***“12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence. 13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.” (1 Timothy 2:12-13 KJV)*** When the woman did not follow that order of God and did not keep closeness to Adam she was exposed to the work of the devil and she sinned, ***“14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.” (1 Timothy 2:14 KJV)***

Let us also make it clear when it says, ***“11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. 12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.” (1 Timothy 2:11-12 KJV)*** that does not mean woman should not teach man, but woman should not teach and take authority over the man that God already taught and instructed him of what to do. But if the man was not taught and instructed by God or he is doing sin, then the woman who is instructed by God and His Word should teach him and instruct him.

On that setup at the garden of Eden when the woman sinned, her repentance would be manifested in this way, ***“15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.” (1 Timothy 2:15 KJV)*** That means her repentance would be manifested in reproducing children and she will be saved if she will ***“continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety”*** and this will be manifested when woman will teach her children how to bruise the head of Satan by obeying God's Word and commands, and in submitting to His will. Likewise this command is not only for women but

also for men, that both men and women as parents are accountable to raise their children in the fear of God.

7. We need to discipline our Children and raise them, and others, as disciples who fear God: Let us read this Scripture: ***“27 And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. 28 But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. 29 For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.” (Luke 23:27-29 KJV)*** Jesus here was in the mid of His people, and the scene was a terrible and horrible one; Jesus was taken to be crucified. Great company of people was following Him, and the women were wailing and lamenting. But Jesus would not be taken by emotions or admired or appreciate such things, but instead He told them the following: ***“weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.”*** Also He said, ***“Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.”*** That is almost a curse. **Loud voices or shouts would not be considered but rather actions and deeds needed.** You may ask why Jesus said that to them? Instead he should be telling them ‘Thank you for your feelings toward me’, because they were sympathizing with Him and crying for Him. Let us read the previous verses to understand fully what was going on. Jesus was on trial before Pilate, ***“20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. 21 But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. 22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. 23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. 24 And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. 25 And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. 26 And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.” (Luke 23:20-26 KJV)*** Pilate who was non believer was better than God's people. He was telling to them that he will release Jesus but they insisted on him to crucify Him; more than that they preferred a criminal to be released for them. They were God's people; the men voted against Jesus to be crucified, but the women who followed Jesus, were the mothers of those men's generation who voted against Jesus. Those mothers of those men's generation were crying and were lamenting because Jesus was going to be crucified. But they were unaware that their own children's generation was the one who pushed for that, therefore Jesus answered them in this way: ***“weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.”*** They did not discipline their children, and that was their failure and that is why their children did that disgraceful thing on that day.

Jesus further told them, ***“29 For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.” (Luke 23:29 KJV)*** * Wombs and paps are given for human ladies for reproduction and for raising Godly offspring who fear God. * But those who will remain unmarried or who are married and has no children are better than those who are married and have ungodly children. * They are blessed not to have children at all rather than give birth and raise ungodly children who do not fear God and do all the sins and the transgressions that God had shunned and forbade. * Listen, better to be unmarried than to marry and have such children who do not fear God.

* The church that continue to bless and ordain or officiate marriages composed of ungodly parents does not fear God and so not doing well, because the outcome will be ungodly children who will ultimately blaspheme God and crucify Jesus all over again. * The church is not doing well if the non believers are doing better than our children or they are better than the church members. Like what we had seen that Pilate was better than the people of God. He was releasing Jesus but the Israelites refused. * The church that does not train and discipline and equip parents to discipline and raise Godly children does not fear God, because it will end up with ungodly families and ungodly church leaders.

The church that continue to evangelize but does no discipline or disciple is not fearing God, because those who are reached out will continue to live in their previous norms and tradition that contradict the Word of God and would at the end betray the Lord.

When Jesus told the weeping women, *“Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children”*, as if He was telling them, *‘You first discipline your children and teach them to do what is right and good, and that would be the way that you would come and follow me.’*

“Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.”: This will come true if wombs and paps would be used as instruments of devil to raise wicked generation who are arrogant, do not fear God, who tell lies, steal, cheat, indulge in the world and in parties, immoralities, who support evil doers, who compromise and who condone sin and corruption. * Church multiplication and increase in numbers with members who do not keep the Word of God and who do not fear the Lord is a bad thing that Jesus is not happy with. * Before we go to others to evangelize, Jesus wants us to look to ourselves, to our families, and to our children, and see if they are with Him or they are standing with the world to condemn the righteous.

* It is so important requirement for Godly marriage is that men and women fear God. Because the purpose of marriage is to raise children who fears God, and who would ultimately build God’s church. * But if the man or the woman do not fear God then neither their children would fear God. So better for the children to be without a father or without a mother who do not fear God, and they will be raised up in a better way. * Also if you are single and looking to have a family then you need to put in your mind to marry someone who fears God.

8. The women or parents who fear God, and the church of Jesus are commissioned and are responsible to raise up disciples who keep God’s commands and hold fast their testimony about Jesus: For Godly families and for church service and ministry, it need much fear of God to stand the strain in facing the opposing work of the devil which is against the process of raising Godly offspring and in raising up mature and accountable disciples. The devil and its demons will continue to fight, and they are targeting our children from the day of their birth. Therefore now and in conclusion you need to know that our children are the target of the devil and we need to do our best part to protect them. The example of that are the two midwives who were asked by Pharaoh to kill every male child. Also other example is in *Revelation 12* in which we found that the devil is watching the woman who is in delivery waiting for her to deliver to devour her child. Let us read that: *“1 A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. 2 She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth. 3 Then another sign*

appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on its heads. 4 Its tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that it might devour her child the moment he was born. 5 She gave birth to a son, a male child, who “will rule all the nations with an iron scepter.” And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne. 6 The woman fled into the wilderness to a place prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1,260 days. 7 Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. 8 But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. 9 The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. 11 They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. 12 Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.” 13 When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. 14 The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her in the wilderness, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent’s reach. 15 Then from his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river, to overtake the woman and sweep her away with the torrent. 16 But the earth helped the woman by opening its mouth and swallowing the river that the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. 17 Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to wage war against the rest of her offspring—those who keep God’s commands and hold fast their testimony about Jesus.” (Revelation 12:1-17) The woman here can be a symbol for the church, the wife of Jesus; or can be any mother or parents who fear God. And in giving birth can symbolize the new disciples that the church is making and including our own children that we raise up in serving the Lord. * The illustration that we read in *Revelation 12* it shows us that spiritual battle is very real and we need to fear God and obey Him, and do our best to be away from worldliness, and to trust Jesus and get hold on Him. * We need to trust Jesus and His blood and not love ourselves so much, so we can overcome the power of darkness. * Let us do all what we can to protect our children from the attacks of the devil and from the bad influences of the world, The woman in verse 6 and 14 was directed to the wilderness and there she will be safe. Twice written, *“place prepared for her”*, and twice written, *“where she might be taken care of”*, that means to be in the wilderness she will be well cared by God, and will be well protected and provided. In the same way for us to be in the wilderness we will be well cared by God, and will be protected and well provided. That requires from us that we should not be selfish, should be denying ourselves, and not love the flesh, but to rely and trust on Jesus so we can overcome as it is written, *“11 They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.” (Revelation 12:11 KJV)* Let us know that the more we move toward the wilderness (which means prayer, fasting, reading, meditating and obeying the Word of God, living simple life, saving, working, homeschooling our children, worshipping and serving God), and the more being away from worldliness (which means away from parties and friends and Media and News, Mobiles, games, YOU tube, Facebook, etc, away from business, wasting, loans, eating in restaurants, wearing expensive clothes and shoes, etc.) then the more we are in the right

place prepared for us and we will be taken care of; for in that place the more the devil is far away from us and from our children; and so we will win the battle against the devil.

The woman that is giving birth in **Revelation 12** and the devil, the dragon wanted to kill her child is similar to what Herod did in trying to kill Jesus in dealing with the wise men who came to worship Jesus: “**8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.**” (Matthew 2:8 KJV) But the wise men would not obey him but obey God, “**12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.**” (Matthew 2:12 KJV) Therefore, “**16 Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.**” (Matthew 2:16 KJV) **God’s church is the wife of Jesus who should be faithful to God her husband by raising disciples who fear God and knows how to make an end to the work of devil like those wise men.**

My dear and beloved: Wake up O Church of God and wake up O parents to protect your children from the attack of the devil. From the moments of birth our children are the target of the devil. The war is going on and we need to be ready, as we read in **Revelation 12:17**, that the devil is waging the war against those who keep the commands of God and their testimony for Jesus.

Jesus had won the battle on the cross; therefore the church should not be weary or give up; therefore let us rise up from our despondency and come to the Lord, and fight for our brethren, our sons, and our daughters, our wives, and our houses. O parents raise up the standard of fearing God and the victory is for us as we continue to labor and stand firm and fight the good fight for Him. O parents, let us repent from all our sins and complacencies and compromises. Let us commit ourselves to fear God and protect our children and families, and shield them from the work of the devil, and raise them according to God’s Words and commands.

To fear God is to nurture Godly families, to raise up Godly children and disciples, who obey and abide with the commands of the Lord and who understand the will of God and stand firm with His purpose and plan and work with God to achieve all that are needed in building His church and in building Godly families.

Understand the message and commit yourself to Him.

Let us pray.

My Prayer: *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus, who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for showing me clearly the truth of your Word, and the way that you wants me to go through and live my life to you. Lord builds in me the fear of yours in my life so that I can stand firm for your cause and purpose.*

Lord forgive me that I did not discipline my children, and my disciples, and I blessed marriages that are not in line with your will and your Word. Lord I am willing to correct my life and the wrong that I did. Give me a new opportunity and uphold me with your grace to do

that. Lord gives me discernment to be able to grasp and understand your will and your good plan in my life and in the life of your people. Lord I am willing to suffer and go along with your will in serving you.

Repent and renounce all your sins. Repent of the worldliness, selfishness, breaking the commands of God, lack of commitment, yoked with non believers and being loyal to them, Repent being yoked with the Media, News and YOU tube. Repent of your corruption, compromises, pride, speaking lies, doing your own will, etc. Lord I confess and repent from the following sins _____ .

Lord thank you for the rebuke, correction and the warning that we received from your Word; Lord have mercy on us and build in us the fear of yours in our lives.

Lord thank you for my brethren and my sisters who repented of their sins and who are willing to discipline their families and children and to raise them in the fears of you. Lord provide all their needs and give them sufficient resources that serve that purpose of yours in their lives. Lord protect them with their families and their children, and give them discernment and wisdom to discern the work of the devil and to avoid it. Lord fills them with your Holy Spirit and gives them the Spiritual gifts to go on and serve you.

We come against all the works of the devil and we rebuke it in the name of Jesus. Devil go away from our children, we cast you away in the name of Jesus. Lord release all our children from all the works of the devil. Lord I pray that you will bless us as a church, and let the fear of yours be upon the workers and the church members and all the families, that each and everyone will do your will, that we will raise up our children and disciples in the fears of you. Lord prepares us for your coming to take us with you when you come. Lord enable us to evangelize and to spread your Word. Lord help us to make new disciples and to train others to serve you to plant new congregations and Bible studies. Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us, and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all in Jesus name, Amen.

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