

Violations in the Office of Marriage Part 7

Sacrificing Children to the Devil, and Marrying with Non Believers

We continue to discuss in this message the violations in the office of marriage.

E. God warned them against bestiality or sex with animals: “23 Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it is confusion.” (Leviticus 18:23 KJV) “15 And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast. 16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.” (Leviticus 20:15-16 KJV) The Scriptures mentioned no incident of such, but bestiality or sex with animals is recorded and is occurring in the world.

F. God warned them against scarifying their children to Molech and to other gods: One of the detestable things that God hates much, not only that He hates His people to sacrifice to other gods, but that they will sacrifice their children to those gods. The following are the Scriptures where God had warned His people not to do that: “21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through the fire to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I am the LORD.” (Leviticus 18:21 KJV) “31 Thou shalt not do so unto the Lord thy God: for every abomination to the Lord, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.” (Deuteronomy 12:31 KJV) God hates much that His people would offer their children as sacrifices and burnt offerings to other gods, demons, and idols.

And in the following Scriptures we can read that His people did what God forbade them to do, by mingling themselves with the heathen nations around them and offered their children as burnt offerings to their idols and demons: “34 They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD commanded them: 35 But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works. 36 And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them. 37 Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto devils, 38 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood. 39 Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions. 40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance. 41 And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them.” (Psalm 106:34-41 KJV) “2 Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not that which was right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father. 3 But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.” (2 Kings 16:2-3 KJV) “17 And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire, and used divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.” (2 Kings 17:17 KJV) “20 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me, and these hast thou sacrificed unto them to be devoured. Is this of thy whoredoms a small matter, 21 That thou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through the fire for them?” (Ezekiel 16:20-21 KJV) Selling the lives of their children to the devils and making them walk through the fire and destroying their lives with ungodly

practices and wrong ways of life was an abomination unto the Lord; God punished His people in the past who did such and He will punish us if today we do the same.

That had happened in the Old Testament but how about now? Are still the people of God doing these detestable things?

Literally this may not be taking place, but when the people of God allow their children and their youths and permit them the following:

- To go out with friends and learn bad things.
- To watch bad things on TV, the internet, U Tube, Facebook, etc.
- To play games and toys that have demonic inspirational thoughts and spoil their minds.
- To go to bars, clubs, discos, etc.
- To mix with other gender and give them the freedom to be in privacy and prone to fall into the sin of immorality.

Our children are the elements of the next families of the next generation, and if they are corrupted in such a way, then what a hope we have in them to make Godly marriages, Godly families, and Godly children?

G. God warned them not to intermarry with non-believers: Let us meditate on the following Scriptures:

I. Exodus 34:10-16: “10 And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou art shall see the work of the LORD: for it is a terrible thing that I will do with thee. 11 Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. 12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee: 13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves: 14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God: 15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice; 16 And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.” (Exodus 34:10-16 KJV)

II. Deuteronomy 12:1-4, 28-32: “1 These are the statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, which the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth. 2 Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree: 3 And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place. 4 Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God. 28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest that which is good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God. 29 When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them,

and dwellest in their land; 30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise. 31 Thou shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every abomination to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods. 32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.” (Deuteronomy 12:1-4, 28-32 KJV)

III. Deuteronomy 20:16-18: *“16 But of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth give thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth: 17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee: 18 That they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods; so should ye sin against the LORD your God.” (Deuteronomy 20:16-18 KJV)*

The Lord promised Moses that He will do marvelous things that were not done before for any other nation and that all people will see and wonder. God told Moses also that He will drive the inhabitants of the land and He will make them settle in their place. Therefore, for such privileges, God instructed Moses the following:

- *“13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves.” (Exodus 34:13 KJV)* So in this way, God will abolish all the evil effects that these nations may introduce into His people and ultimately into His church.

- God also instructed them that they should not do any covenant with them, so they will not be snared by them and go and prostitute themselves with their gods, and entice them to intermarry with them. *“15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice.” (Exodus 34:15 KJV)*

- *“16 And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.” (Exodus 34:16 KJV)* So in this way God had forbidden them to intermarry with the nations that the Lord would drive from the land so that the children of the Israelites will not go and prostitute themselves with their idols and gods.

Marrying with idol worshippers' nations that the Lord would drive ahead of the Israelites will destroy the foundation of the Godly family. **Marrying with non-believers will allow idol worship to enter the family and finally, the idols will enter and infect the church, and that what had happened at the time of the judges:** *“5 And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites: 6 And they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons, and served their gods.” (Judges 3:5-6 KJV)*

Marrying a partner who does not know God and who does not fear Him will raise ungodly children who worship idols and do evil things. Not only because of the influence of the parents who are non-believers but as well as the bad influence of the evil society that they came from with all their idolatrous practices and beliefs. *“1 When the LORD thy God shall*

bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou; 2 And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them: 3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. 4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly. 5 But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire. 6 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.” (Deuteronomy 7:1-6 KJV)

The Lord wrote that in His Word, not only because He wanted to warn them, but He wrote it because previously they had married from the same nations that God would drive from before the Israelites. The following are examples of such marriages:

A. The marriages of Esau from the Hittite women: *“34 And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite: 35 Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.” (Genesis 26:34-35 KJV)* Isaac and Rebekah grieved for such marriages because they were aware of what havoc it would create. Further, Rebekah expressed her grievances from such marriages in what she said to Isaac, *“46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these which are of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?” (Genesis 27:46 KJV)* Esau did something not good with such marriages, and he grieved his parents and was not willing to repent and humble himself before God and before his Godly parents. Jacob was a better example than Esau in this matter. Jacob obeyed the instruction of his parents when he did not marry from the Canaanites women and when he listened to them from whom he will get a wife. Esau was doing his own, even after seeing a good example of Jacob, he did not humble himself and asked his parents the needed guidance. Let us read what he did, *“6 When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padanaram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan; 7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padanaram; 8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father; 9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.” (Genesis 28:6-9 KJV)* Esau was destroyed with such marriages; he not only was taken away from God by these marriages, but as well as a big nation of enmity toward God and toward His people was created. In **Genesis 36**, the whole chapter speaks about a large number of people, the Edomites that came from Esau, who became an enemy of God's people. *“1 Now these are the generations of Esau, who is Edom. 2 Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite; 3 And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth. 4 And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel; 5 And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these are the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan. 6 And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the persons of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had*

got in the land of Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob. 7 For their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle. 8 Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: Esau is Edom. 9 And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir: 10 These are the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of Esau. 11 And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz. 12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these were the sons of Adah Esau's wife. 13 And these are the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife. 14 And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah. 15 These were dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn son of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz, 16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, and duke Amalek: these are the dukes that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these were the sons of Adah. 17 And these are the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these are the dukes that came of Reuel in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife. 18 And these are the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these were the dukes that came of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife. 19 These are the sons of Esau, who is Edom, and these are their dukes. 20 These are the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, 21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these are the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom. 22 And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam; and Lotan's sister was Timna. 23 And the children of Shobal were these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and Onam. 24 And these are the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this was that Anah that found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father. 25 And the children of Anah were these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah. 26 And these are the children of Dishon; Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran. 27 The children of Ezer are these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan. 28 The children of Dishan are these; Uz, and Aran. 29 These are the dukes that came of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah, 30 Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these are the dukes that came of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir. 31 And these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel. 32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city was Dinhabah. 33 And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead. 34 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead. 35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Avith. 36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead. 37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead. 38 And Saul died, and Baalhanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead. 39 And Baalhanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pau; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab. 40 And these are the names of the dukes that came of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth, 41 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon, 42 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar, 43 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these be the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he is Esau the father of the Edomites.” (Genesis 36:1-43 KJV) **Any marriage as such, not ordained of God, will reproduce many people who will trouble God’s people and**

God’s church. God wrote His Word to us so we can analyze and see what are the bad effects and the bad consequences of our disobedience to God’s commands.

My Dear and Beloved: Let us heed what we had received today from this message and fear God and put into practices His instructions in our lives. Let us do all what we can to protect our children from the threats of this world and from the threats of the devil through bad friends and the media. Let us take heed about the warning of God not to intermarry with non believers and cause defilement in the offices of marriage and family and bring troubles to the people of God. 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 opening my mind about the truth and thank you for all the warning, teaching, the corrections and the rebukes I received in this message.

Come now to God and confess and renounce all your sins. Confess and renounce your lack of discipline to your children, and that you are allowing them to intermingle with bad friends, the Media and the people in this world. Confess and renounce your yoke with non believers, having many friends, and in bondage with the Media, News and games. Confess your marriage with a non believer. Confess and renounce your bad example and your non willingness to serve God and suffer for Him as He ordained in His Word. Confess and renounce your lack of reading God’s Word and life of prayers. Lord forgive me, I repent of the following sins _____.

Lord I commit myself to go along your will to protect my children and to cleanse them from bad friends, the influence of the Media and the influence of the world on them. Lord I commit myself to read the Bible, to pray daily with my family, and to teach them your ways. Lord I commit myself not to approve intermarrying with non believers. Lord I commit myself to serve you as you ordained for me in your Word. Lord fill me with the Holy Spirit and provide for me as I am willing to go forward and serve you.

Lord thank you for my Brothers and Sisters who committed themselves and are willing to teach and raise their children according to your Word, and thank you for those who repented and decided not to approve marriages with non believers. Lord help them in their lives so they can do your will. Lord use their repentance and their testimonies to bring others to you.

Lord help us as your church and sustain us as we endeavor to teach your people your Word and discipline them with your commands. We come against all the works of the devil, demons and all the power of darkness and we rebuke them all in the name of Jesus. Lord we commit ourselves to go forward reaching new people and places with the gospel of Jesus Christ. Lord refill us with the Holy Spirit and give us the spiritual gifts that we need to go and evangelize, and make new disciples and train new workers to go and plant more Bible studies and congregations for the church. Lord we pray for more people to get water baptized and receive the Holy Spirit baptism. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, ‘Multiplication in peace with implementing the whole will of God.’ 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 you all in Jesus name, Amen.

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