

Dealing With Problems

What Is A Problem?

The dictionary definition of a problem is “a situation regarded as unwelcome or harmful, needing to be dealt with and overcome.” Nobody likes to deal with unwelcome or harmful situations; however, if harmful situations are not dealt with the situation will obviously be harmful.

Two Problems Paul Dealt With

Paul's first *unwelcome, harmful situation needing to be dealt with* had to do with some people in the church at Galatia, who “would pervert the gospel of Christ” (Galatians 1:7).

Paul said “there be some that trouble you” (v.7).

Paul continued “I would they were even cut off which trouble you” (Galatians 5:12).

Those that were causing trouble needed to be dealt with because they were having a major influence on the people in the church.

Paul said “I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel.”

Paul proceeded to give instructions as to how to handle this problem.

He said “But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed” (v.8,9).

What Does Accursed Mean?

The Greek word translated “accursed” is *anathema*. It means to set apart for judgment. It was a temple type of our New Testament church discipline. Strong's Concordance says *anathema* was to prepare a proclamation that was to be “hung upon the walls or columns of the temple, or put in some other conspicuous place.” The lesson is obvious, when we have church problems they need to be taken care of through church discipline.

Paul's Other Problem

Paul had another “*situation regarded as unwelcome or harmful needing to be dealt with and overcome.*” This time his problem had to do with the actions of a very close friend by the name of Peter.

Galatians 2:11-14

“But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed. ¹² For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision. ¹³ And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation. ¹⁴ But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?”

Why No Church Discipline Here?

It is very important to note that this situation was not handled by local church discipline because it wasn't a local church problem, it was a problem outside of the local church. The problem had to do with a very influential leader doing things contrary to the Scriptures, and because of his influence he was causing others to follow him. Verse 13 says that “other Jews” were influenced by Peter and even “Barnabas also was carried away” as a result of Peter's actions.

How Paul Handle This Problem

Peter and Paul were friends. Paul had just said that he had spent fifteen days at Peter's house; (Galatians:1:8) however, Paul had a situation we can be sure he regarded as unwelcome but it was harmful and needed to be dealt with and overcome.

Paul Immediately Took Care of The Problem. The Bible says “Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in

them to do evil” (Ecclesiastes 8:11). Paul did not take Peter into some back room and talk to him privately. Neither did Paul conduct church discipline in this situation. The Bible says he confronted him **“before them all”** (v.14).

International Influences

Today, we have hundreds if not thousands of preachers who are influencing people outside of the local church. Some of these ministries are scriptural and some of them are far from it.

What do we do when someone who has an influence outside of the local church creates a problem? The first thing Paul did was to take immediate action that included confronting Peter to his face *“before them all.”*

In First Timothy 1:18-20, Paul commanded the pastor to fight the good fight against false teachers. He then went on to specifically name Hymenaeus and Alexander and in his next letter to the pastor, He mentioned Hymenaeus again and added Philetus to the list (Second Timothy 2:17). Even John, the disciple noted for love exposed Diotrephes by name for his sin (Third John 1:9). It never ceases to amaze me how those of us who are in what we called the fundamental independent Baptist movement have no problem exposing people, but only if it concerns someone outside of our camp.

A Recent Problem Needing To Be Dealt With

Jack Schaap, a man with a very influential position was recently sentenced to twelve years in prison for his despicable, loathsome, actions that have caused much harm to the cause of Christ. Recently, Jay Leno opened his show ridiculing Jack Schaap by name. Schaap has *“...given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme.”* (Second Samuel 12:14). Schaap’s disgusting actions are all a matter of public record.

According to Court Records...

1. Schaap fired an employee who went to his wife with information about his affair with a teenage girl.
2. Schaap asked a tech employee of the church if the photos and texts could be erased.
3. Schaap called and texted the teenage girl 657 times in the month prior to him getting caught. He received calls from her another five times.
4. In his letters to the girl that were filed in court Schaap said their relationship was *“God’s plan.”*
5. Schaap said he was helping to put her on a *“better path of living — that’s what we call Righteousness.”*
6. The girl said she was shocked when he first kissed her. When she asked if it was wrong, Schaap told her it was OK. He told her he was sent from God. He said *“I was His gift to you.”*
7. Schaap duped church employees into helping transport the girl across state lines, telling them the girl was *‘in an extremely vulnerable state’* and that he needed prolonged time alone with her to help her.
8. On June 20, 2012, Schaap had the young sixteen year old teenager brought from Indiana to Illinois where they engaged in sexual activity.
9. On June 27, 2012, he went to Illinois with her again to engage in sexual activity.
10. During the week of July 10, 2012, he had her taken to Michigan where they engaged in sexual activity.
11. Schaap spent 36 hours alone with her in his cabin in Cadillac, Michigan (250 miles from Hammond).
12. He engaged in sexual behavior with her in his office at the church during a youth conference.
13. The judge noted that in the aftermath of the scandal, the girl was expelled from Hammond Baptist High School and the family from the church.
14. In a sentencing memorandum, federal prosecutors said that Schaap *“groomed”* the victim and exchanged nearly 700 text messages, phone calls and love letters with the girl. They pointed to evidence including photographs found on his computer that show Schaap kissing and groping the victim. *“Photographs taken at (Schaap’s cabin) feature the defendant grinning like a Cheshire cat while rubbing cheeks with the victim, and, in another shot, engaging the victim in what one witness described as a ‘very romantic lip-lock,’”*
(Question - Who took the pictures?)
15. Schaap had a church member bring the girl to meet with him at a forest preserve in Illinois, where Schaap told staffers he went once a week to *“spend time with God walking and praying.”* From there he took the girl to his home in Crete.

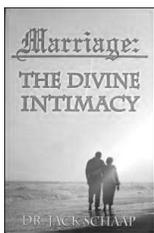
16. In one transcript, a text from Schaap reads: "Yesterday was 'off-the-charts!' :)))". Another read, in part, "[this] is exactly what Christ desires for us. He wants us to marry + become eternal lovers!"

17. The father of the girl wrote in a victim's impact statement. "I will never forget how [he] looked me in the eyes...and told me how great my daughter was doing, It is sickening to me that a man who claims to be a messenger of God, with a daughter of his own, would take advantage of a young girl in such an evil and immoral manner."

I can't help but wonder if some of you who call yourselves fundamental independent Baptist pastors who have chosen simply to remain silent about Schaap's actions, if you would remain silent if Schaap had done this to your daughter.

Schaap's Blasphemous Heresy

1. Schaap wrote the book he called - Marriage: The Divine Intimacy. On pages 42,43 he likened communion to having sex with Jesus.



2. Consider the following blasphemy promoted by Schaap. He said, "Psalm 119:30 says, 'I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid before me.' He said "That word laid is a sexual term which literally means the same thing as a man laying with a woman" (Schaap, The Divine Intimacy, p.42).

3. Schaap said, "In the next verse [Psalm 119:31], David gets more graphic. 'I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.' Schaap wrote, "That word stuck means the act of a man entering his wife; it is sexual intercourse" (Schaap, The Divine Intimacy, p. 44)

Schaap's blasphemy is as immoral and sick as it can get.

He is guilty of those who Jude referred to as "...turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness."



David Gibbs

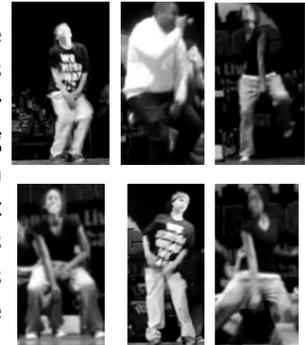
However, rather than correct and reprove Schaap, Men like David Gibbs and Clarence Sexton continued to endorse this wolf in sheep's clothing in spite of his blasphemy.



Clarence Sexton

They knew that at a previous Pastor's School Schaap publicly praised Geronimo Aguilar and his very worldly Richmond Outreach Center. Schaap said he met with Aguilar every year to teach him how to build a church. See the video at - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yjVZGUWRJgA>.

Pictured here, from our March, 2012 article, are young people from Aguilar's church grabbing at their crotch area while singing Satanic music in a church service. Schaap said what they were doing was "awesome," while thousands of puppet pastors at the Pastor's School applauded.



A Bigger Problem Than Jack Schaap

Knowing Schaap promoted this blasphemous heresy many influential fundamentalists continued to openly promote him. I find it amazing that we can publicly disassociate ourselves from evangelicals who have a little hair touching their collar or their ears, but if you call yourself a fundamentalist you can teach any heresy you like.

Another sickening thing about this situation is while David Cloud - Way of Life Ministries - has warned us about Schaap and his methods for many years, influential men like David Gibbs and Clarence Sexton, **and many others**, some in Canada also, have openly rejected David Cloud, as someone with a bad spirit while remaining silent about Schaap and the unscriptural philosophy of ministry that has flooded out of Hammond for many years.

On August 6, 2012, David Cloud printed the following. The following is republished by permission of Pastor Bobby Mitchell, Jr., Mid-coast Baptist Church, Brunswick, Maine, bobbymjr@gmail.com www.midcoastbaptistchurch.com www.apurechurch.com

"I want to go on record with preacher friends and acquaintances concerning what I find most troubling about the wickedness of Jack

Schaap. First, it is troubling that many are writing about his 'fall' as if he were a man of God that sinned. Matt Olson and Paul Chappell are two that have weighed in on this and referred to this as a 'fall.' The truth is that Schaap didn't fall from anything. A cursory glance at his doctrine and deeds over the last eleven years would have revealed to any discerning Christian that he was a false prophet, a wolf, a viper, a dog, and an evil worker. Those are Biblical words. It is sad that he used the name Baptist but he was no more a Baptist than was Balaam. It is sad that he hurt many people and has misrepresented Christianity, but his preaching and practice plainly evinced that he was never what he claimed to be."

Second, it is troubling that so many refuse to acknowledge the obvious fact that Schaap was the product of the belief and behavior of his father in law. If Scripture is our authority then we must agree with it in its condemnation of the preaching and practice of Jack Hyles. If you don't know what I'm writing of, then it is time to do your research for Hyles has been a major influence in leavening Baptist churches. You have no excuse for remaining in ignorance if you have read Matthew 7, Acts 20, Philippians 3, I and II Timothy, Titus, 2 Peter 2, I, II, III John, and Jude."

Brother Mitchell continued, "The men who have continued to promote the influence of Jack Hyles need to repent. These include Jack Trieber, Tony Hutson, David Gibbs, Paul Chappell, Clarence Sexton, Jeff Fugate, Doug Fisher, and Keith Gomez. Some of them have roundly condemned Schaap in recent years but they still have promoted the root of the fruit that is Schaap. Didn't Someone tell us to either make the tree corrupt or make it good? Some of them have broken from Schaap but have not sounded a clear warning as to why they ceased fellowship with him. Their silence has been deafening for the last several years. It has contributed to him having the influence that he did have until his recent exposure.

Clarence Sexton was implored by many brethren to not promote Jack Schaap. He ironically criticized the criticism but pressed on with his

newfound "friend" until last week. Now one can search all of his websites for his friend and it is as if Schaap never existed. The filthy doctrines were excused, but at least there was a standard somewhere concerning when to not be friends. I fear the Schaap issue will only be treated as a moral fall. The doctrine and practice was un-Godly long before the sexual perversion was known. When will it be repudiated by FBCH, David Gibbs, Clarence Sexton, Jack Trieber, et al? Is sexual immorality the only sin that Baptists cry out against anymore? Is false doctrine no longer worthy of our rebuke?"

The Price of Politics

We will lose many of the next generation of young people if influential Christian leaders remain more concerned about the politics of fundamentalism than they are about defending the faith. Are we not teaching our young people that if you get a crowd and call it fundamentalism you can preach heresy and we will look the other way?

What Do We Do Now?

The title of this article is dealing with problems. We have a problem. Only someone with absolutely no spiritual discernment would think the fundamental independent Baptist movement is not in serious trouble. Our problem is not the recent issue with Jack Schaap our problem goes much deeper than that.

We Must Judge

First Corinthians 2:15 says "he that is spiritual judgeth all things." **Jesus said**, "Judge righteous judgment" (John 7:24). **Jesus said**, "Ye shall know (recognize) them by their fruits" (Matthew 7:16).

Consider the fruit from the church Jack Hyles referred to as the "hope for fundamentalism."

March 1993, [AV Ballenger](#), Former FBCH Deacon, convicted for molesting a child. Jack Hyles had the church give him a standing ovation and kept him in the bus ministry.

July 1995, [Russell K Overla](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, pleads guilty to molesting two underage girls at various locations over a period of months and years.

July 1999, [Kerry Martin](#), former Hyles Anderson student, is sentenced to 205 years in prison for raping a teenage girl in his church office.

March 2001, [Joe and Evangeline Combs](#), former Hyles-Anderson staff members who took a girl from the orphanage in 1978 but never adopted her. Joe used her for sex. Evangeline repeatedly tortured her in a jealous rage. Both of these monsters were convicted and are now in prison.

May 2001, [William Beith](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, kidnaps an 11-year old girl and takes her across state lines stopping at various motels to have sex with her. He had previously managed to get into a counseling program instead of facing charges of exposing himself in public but was allowed to become principal of Liberty Baptist Academy anyway where he met his victim. He was released from prison in 2009.

May 2003, [David Joseph Jorgensen](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, pleads no contest to two felony counts of committing lewd acts upon a child, according to online court records. After he completed probation, he sought to have the crimes reduced to misdemeanors and had his record expunged in September 2006, but is still part of a civil lawsuit for allegedly “committing lewd acts” on a female when she was 14. He then reportedly went on staff at the First Baptist of Hammond.

April 2006, [Craig Sisson](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, convicted of first degree child molestation of an 11 year old girl.

May 2011, [Chris Settlemoir](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, convicted for Criminal Sexual Conduct with underage males.

May 2011, [Matt Jarrell](#), former Hyles-Anderson student, was arrested on suspicion of rape and sodomy after picking a woman up in a West Virginia bar. He then committed suicide in his jail cell before he could be made to face the charges against him.

October 2011, [Greg Neal](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, escapes charges of sexual misconduct by hiding evidence of his video voyeurism until the statute of limitations had run out. The church refuses to cooperate with the investigation.

January 2012, [Tedd Butler](#), Hyles-Anderson graduate, is sentenced to twelve months in the county jail for Criminal Sexual Misconduct (in two separate counties) for his molestation of a five-year old boy.

And then there is [Dave Hyles](#), former heir to the Hyles empire, who has never been convicted but was attached to numerous scandals, and pleaded the fifth amendment when questioned about the death of Brent Stevens.

If you need more proof so you can “judge” (First Corinthians 2:15) check out the following testimonies.

Linda, the daughter of Jack Hyles said, *“My dad lived a double life, one of a righteous family man and of a dynamic speaker in the public eye, but [another] one of sordid sexual secrets privately, secrets that only my siblings and me and my mom knew. My older brother became another version of my father. He pastored a church in Texas and was found to be having affairs with 14 different women. He divorced his wife and married one of the 14. My father tried desperately to cover it up. He moved him to another church where he was found to have had 17 affairs with different women, and he just recreated what he had seen my dad live. And my dad did nothing but cover it up.”* <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pxdtxM0rD86I>

Face The Truth

Vic Nischik testified that his wife received “Passionate love notes from Jack Hyles to Jennie, all signed ‘Your aching guy, Jack!’ They expressed undying love, telling Jennie that she was the only woman he loved...There were references to secret meetings with him in different places” (Nischik, *The Wizard of God: My Life With Jack Hyles*, pp. 57, 58).

Nischik’s office had a door opening to Hyles’ office; however, Hyles lied about the existence of the door, saying, “There IS no door;” which was technically true at the time, since it had been removed after the matter became public! **The truth is,** I met with Jack Hyles in his office three times and I saw the door that he said did not exist.

Consider the testimony of Nischik’s daughter. After Jack Schaap, got caught in the adulterous relationship with a teenager Judy sent the following e-mail to David Gibbs, who had been called in by First Baptist for the purpose of damage control.

From: Judy (Nischik) Johnson

Date: Monday, August 6, 2012.

Mr. Gibbs,

“I just watched the video on the First Baptist Church website where you, Terry Duff and Eddie Lapina discussed the church’s current scandal. Your statements that your investigation will reach far and wide, and that unbelievers will see at its conclusion that the church didn’t try to hide wrong doing were encouraging. If you mean what you said, you have a lot of work to do.

I’m Jennie Nischik’s daughter. The earliest memory of my mother’s affair with Jack Hyles that I can remember dates back to the 1960’s. Maybe you could start your investigation there.

Both Terry Duff and Eddie Lapina can help you fill in the details. Terry was a deacon in the late 1980's when the deacon board rejected my family's appeal to them to -- finally -- deal with Jack Hyles and his decades-long affair with my mother. This, of course, was well after his son, Dave, had wreaked havoc on the youth department and had moved on to terrorize more than one church in Texas. Eddie Lapina was witness to all of that. But, of course, I'm not telling you anything you don't already know.

If you and your client really want to do the right thing, you'll face the fact that First Baptist Church has had a cancer growing in it for nearly 50 years. Forgive me, but the shock and awe of this latest scandal is only felt by those faithful who have turned a blind eye to the systemic corruption and sin that has plagued FBC for decades. So, best of luck. I anxiously await the day that I can say with all honesty, "They did the right thing".

Judy Nischik Johnson

I watch the same disgusting video where David Gibbs led the people in the *audience* at First Baptist to clap for Eddie Lapina and then for all the men who have covered up this immorality for many, many years.

Consider the testimony of Jack Hyles daughter-in-law.

The following are excerpts from Dave Coleman's Interview with Paula Hyles Polonco, first wife of Jack Hyles' son, Dave November 1, 1989 (A testimony nearly 25 years old, ignored by Hyles supporters.)

"Did David's dad know that he was adulterous before we went to Texas? The answer is definitely yes and there are a hundred people who know that. Why he lies about that I will never know. I went to him twice about things I had heard about Dave. One of the girls told me and Dave's sister that she was sleeping with him, and we told his dad. Another occasion was the girl who was working at the cemetery. I told his dad about that. There were so many mothers who went to him who David was having affairs with and told him. Brother Evans' daughter was one of the ones that David had an affair with.

When I was dating David, the books that Hyles has written on teenagers and dating, we never did one thing that he taught. We never double dated. He came and went as he pleased. That boy had not one rule for his life. Never. And his dad would get

up and preach this and browbeat everybody to death to do their kids that way, but David didn't have to live that way. I would just sit there, and he would say, 'My son David and Paula never single dated,' and I would look at David and start laughing and think, 'This is hilarious; I can't believe that he gets up and says this.'

His dad gave me six months of sex counseling before David and I got married, and I could nail him just with that and what he said to me. And the night we got married, he told everybody it was our first kiss! I about laughed in his face. I was embarrassed and humiliated that he said that, because David had kissed every other girl in the church, too, and they were all sitting there laughing. What I can't comprehend is telling a lie that so many people know is a lie."

What Is the Purpose In Printing This Article?

For 30 years the purpose of Local Church Ministries has always been to "Invest In Eternity By Strengthening The Local Church." We are living in a day when we need to "Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die." (Revelation 3:2)

Apostasy Is Prophesied

We should not be taken off guard by the apostasy of our day. It is prophesied in the Word of God.

First Timothy 4:1,2 says "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith..."

Sadly, our Fundamental Independent Baptist movement has many influential leaders who have departed from "the faith." Our movement is now *far* more apostate than was the Evangelical movement when I got out of it in the mid 60s.

Forget the Movement

We have no scriptural grounds whatsoever for a *movement*. Calling it a fundamental *movement* does not change that fact. Calling it a fundamental, independent, Baptist *movement* does not change that fact either. **With every movement comes politics.** There is enough politics in our fundamental Laodicean movement to choke a horse. We are living in an age when leaders in our *movement* are more concerned about what other people think than what God thinks.

How Are We To Handle This Problem? The answer is plain. It was in the context of our present day apostasy that we are given the following charge.

Second Timothy 4:1-5

“I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

Silence Gives Consent

It is not enough to quietly disassociate yourself from immoral leaders or those who promote unscriptural heresy. Jude said, “...it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints” (v.3). The dictionary says to contend is to “...state a fact or belief confidently and forcefully.”

Stand up and be heard. All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good pastors to say nothing about the blasphemous heresy being promoted under the banner of our so-called fundamental movement. As pastors we need to *withdraw* ourselves “from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received,” **and our people need to know why.**

Peter wrote concerning the congregation understanding and making proper judgments “...in the house of God” (First Peter 4:17). The congregation will only be able to “...judge righteous judgment” if they have the facts.

Do not think for a moment that the young people in our churches have not heard *something* about what is going on in Hammond. We need to understand that silence always gives consent.

Dealing With Problems

We began this article looking at two problems that Paul had to do something about. The first one was a local church problem, and he gave us instructions as to how to handle church problems. The second problem was an issue outside of the local church and we also have an example concerning how to handle those kind of problems.

I have a formula that I have used for many years when it comes to making decisions about problems. I attempt to answer the following questions.

1. What is the problem?

The problem is not Jack Schaap and his immorality or his blasphemous doctrine. The problem is, what we call fundamentalism is sick and nigh unto death.

2. What is the cause of the problem?

The cause of the problem is the carnality of what we call fundamental leadership. I am not referring to Jack Hyles or Jack Schaap alone. I am referring to those who are leaders today who are so carnal that they don't know any better than to support blasphemous heresy.

3. What are the possible solutions to the problem?

When Paul was faced with the problem concerning his good friend, doing things contrary to the Word of God there were several things that he could have done. He could have done nothing; however, if harmful situations are not dealt with the situation will obviously be harmful. Peter was a very influential leader who was leading others astray. Something had to be done.

Paul could have taken Peter aside and discussed the problem privately; however, he did not do that. In First Timothy 5:20 the subject is the pastor. In the next verse it says “*Them that sin rebuke **before all**, that others also may fear.*” That is why in Galatians 2:14 we read Paul rebuked Peter, “**before them all.**”

4. What is the best solution?

Following the Word of God is always the best solution. The dictionary says a solution is “a means of solving a problem or dealing with a

difficult situation.” Paul faced a very difficult situation and he handled it according to the Commandments of the Word of God.

5. What action does God want me to take?

The answer to that question will be different depending on what position in this world God is trusting you with. If you are a father in a church that supports heresy the answer is simple. Find a church that honors the Word of God. If you are a Pastor, do your job or get out of the ministry.

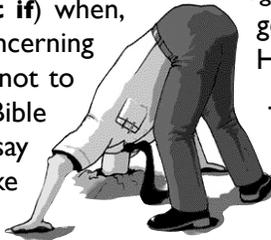
God’s Charge To His Pastors

First Timothy 5:21 says, “I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.”

It seems like most fundamental independent Baptist pastors have only learned from this verse is **“doing nothing”** Read the verse again. This is a very serious charge.

(1) “I charge thee **(2)** before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, **(3)** that thou observe these things **(4)** without preferring one before another, **(5)** doing nothing by partiality.”

The context here is plain. When, **(not if)** when, we bring charges against someone concerning the violation of Bible doctrine we are not to favour our friends over others. The Bible says, “observe these things.” It does not say bury your head in the sand and act like nothing is wrong. We are commanded to observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.”



Malachi 3:18 refers to God’s people coming back to doing things God’s way. It says, “Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.” It is “...high time to awake!” It is time to “...return, and discern.”

First Peter 4:17 says, “For the time is come that judgment (discernment) must begin at the house of God.” It is impossible to make a proper judgment without knowing all the facts. The fact is our fundamental movement is a disgusting failure.

The title of this article is dealing with problems. If you want to lose your young people to the apostasy that is coming just act like there is no problem.

Judged For What They Did Not Do

In Ezekiel’s day God was angry, with His leaders, not because of what they were doing but for what they were not doing.

Ezekiel 22:26

“Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean...”

What God Demanded

Ezekiel 44:23

“And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.”

Did you read that part where God says “they shall teach my people the difference...and cause them to discern”?

Our Mandate In The Age of Apostasy

Isaiah 59:19 reads, “When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.” The word standard isn’t talking about getting a haircut and acting like a fundamentalist. The Hebrew word is *nwvc*.

The same word is translated In Psalm 60:4 where we read, “Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth.” It refers to letting everybody know where you stand.

“Sound the battle cry! See, the foe is nigh;
Raise the standard high for the Lord;
Gird your armor on, stand firm every one;
Rest your cause upon His holy Word.”

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