

The Scribe

"Every Scribe which is instructed into the Kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old" - Matthew 13:52



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MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE - PART 7

The following message was preached by Brother Amos, on Sunday, 10th January, 2010, at Bible Faith Tabernacle, Lagos, Nigeria. The last of a seven-part message, it was subsequently rewritten in July 2020, by Brother Amos, to take in any world developments pertinent to the subject of Marriage and Divorce, so the Universal Bride of Christ can have a solid grounding of issues affecting the body, as we prepare to leave this world. This message in its entirety, is a well written and most comprehensive, yet simple template for Marriage and Divorce. May the Lord have His way in our lives as we study.

May God bless you all, and may He help us in our meeting today.

Brothers and sisters, by the grace of God, today, we simply want to continue and conclude our message, titled, **Marriage And Divorce**. We will be considering a few material and very crucial issues, a mixture of things I have been asked, and things that currently need to be addressed within our Universal Bride following, and then we will close. The first issue we want to consider is this: When a Brother asks for a Sister's hand in Marriage, and she accepts the offer, does this really constitute Marriage? Can this be taken as Marriage? Saints, this question is usually asked, based on the misunderstanding people have of what is written in Matthew Chapter 1, beginning from verse 18, which provides: **"Now the birth of Jesus**



Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was Espoused to Joseph", (Meaning, Engaged or Betrothed to Joseph), **"BEFORE THEY CAME TOGETHER"** (AS HUSBAND AND WIFE), **"she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph HER HUSBAND"**, (Not her suitor, but HER HUSBAND), **"being a just Man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily"**, (secretly. He wanted to Divorce her secretly, thinking that she had committed an act of Fornication, Uncleanness, which had resulted in the pregnancy that she was carrying, which was the lawful ground for Divorce under the Torah. Now listen to what follows, particularly what the Angel of God said to Joseph): **"But while he"** (Joseph) **"thought on these things, behold, the Angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary THY WIFE: for that which is conceived in her is of the**

Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now ALL this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the Prophet" (Isaiah), **"saying, Behold, a Virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the Angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him HIS WIFE: And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name Jesus."** Brothers and sisters, we can ALL see with absolute scriptural clarity, that this situation gives us nothing but a situation where Joseph had already been officially Engaged, also called **"Espoused"**, but they had not yet come together in a sexual relationship to consummate the Marriage, except that Mary had been taken, given to Joseph, **"Betrothed"**! The Branham Movement use

this passage to carnally justify the idea, that once a sister accepts a proposal for Marriage, that it is as good as being Married, and they seal it with a quote of Brother Branham, when the case of Joseph and Mary was much more than just a mere proposal! They were already formally **"Espoused"**, meaning that they were officially Engaged (Betrothed), as Husband and Wife, and hence, Mary had been formally given to Joseph, in an engagement ceremony involving the two families, which was why the Angel of God could rightly call Mary Joseph's **"WIFE"**! He said categorically: **"... fear not to take unto thee Mary THY WIFE"**; not **"Mary who Will Be THY WIFE"**, but **"Mary THY WIFE"**! That was also why Joseph wanted to **"put her AWAY PRIVILY"** (secretly), secretly Divorcing her, so as not to put her to public shame! The very fact that Joseph deliberated on the best way to **"put her away"**, lets us know that it was not a mere private proposal and acceptance situation, but one for which there could be a putting

away under the law, IF it had truly been an act of Uncleaness! Come on! If it was just a mere promise, a word for a word, having No Seal to it, then, Joseph would not have needed to put her away, because Mary would not have been deemed his Wife on any account to begin with! YOU CANNOT "PUT AWAY" A WIFE YOU DO NOT YET HAVE! A case that settles this issue, is one we saw much earlier in this message, and that brings us back to the Book of Deuteronomy. In Deuteronomy Chapter 22, verse 23, it is written: ***"If a damsel that is a Virgin be Betrothed"***, (Formally Engaged) ***"unto an HUSBAND, and a Man find her in the city, and lie with her; Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones THAT THEY DIE; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the Man, because he hath humbled HIS NEIGHBOUR'S WIFE: so thou shalt put away evil from among you."*** Did you hear that? She is referred to categorically as

a Wife, ***"his neighbour's WIFE!"*** In case you still do not get it, please turn with me to Deuteronomy Chapter 20, and for a material background, we will begin from verse 1, where it records: ***"When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, and a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the Lord thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the Priest shall approach and speak unto the people, And shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them; For the Lord your God is He that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you."*** (Now see what happens next): ***"And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What MAN is there that hath BUILT a new house, and***

hath not dedicated it?" (Not a proposed house, but a real house, one that has been built), ***"let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another Man dedicate it. And what MAN is he that hath PLANTED a vineyard, and hath not yet eaten of it?"*** (Not a proposed vineyard, but a real vineyard), ***"let him also go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another Man eat of it."*** (Now listen closely to this, for this is precisely the case we want to see, and it is spoken of in the same vein, for it is in the very same context, by the same Spirit of God. Verse 7): ***"And what MAN is there that hath BETROTHED A WIFE, and hath not taken her?"*** (Not a Proposed Wife, but a real Wife, one that he has truly Betrothed, or been Engaged to), ***"let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another Man take her."*** ALL these cases let us see undoubtedly, scripturally speaking, that TO BE "ESPOUSED" IS TO BE MARRIED! It is just as in

the Ibo land of Nigeria, the formal traditional Engagement ceremony, is what is even deemed as The Wedding! Brothers and sisters, to be truly Espoused, Engaged, is to pay the Bride price, the dowry, along with other formal ceremonial things that involves the two families, which is The Seal that makes them Husband and Wife! That is why the Woman, being caught in the act of Fornication, as recorded in Deuteronomy Chapter 22, verse 23, invites the death penalty, along with the Man who Fornicated with her, because she is Married as far as God and the law of Moses are concerned! That is also why an Israeli soldier can be left behind, even in time of war, so he can enjoy his Wife, the Woman he has just Betrothed, newly Engaged, for he is deemed lawfully Married! However, brothers and sisters, it is a different thing to turn this around, and say that a mere promise, or that a mere acceptance of a proposal for Marriage, privately made, is equal to Marriage, for it is most definitely not! And before

you argue with me on this issue, I will simply ask you to show me just one lone verse of Scripture, just one place in the Entire Bible, from the Book of Genesis to the Book of Revelation, where such a promise was made, and construed as Marriage, without one token, seal, or dowry being paid! You will not find it, for it is not there! I do not care for any quotes that you may have, because one thousand quotes of a man, any man, does not establish a truth, without a Bible base! Because the Only Foundation of True Revealed Faith is the Holy Scriptures! I am only asking you for just One Scripture dealing with Marriage and Divorce, that justifies and vindicates this carnal teaching, that a mere promise to Marry, is as good as being Married, because Marriage is a very serious thing, being a great holy institution of God! We just cannot continue to hold to these nonsensical traditional ways of looking at truth, for the Return of the Lord Jesus is very close, **“even at the doors”**, and we want to get our souls robed with only the pure and unhybridized

revelation of the Word of God. Full stop!

In Genesis Chapter 24, for instance, when Abraham sent Eliezer to get a Wife for his son, Isaac, and he got Rebekah, Eliezer did not just take her away, but he first had to ask for her from her parents, because she did not jump down from the moon, and neither did she give birth to herself! And although Rebekah was the one who had to make the decision, for it was her choice to accept or reject, but nevertheless, it still involved her parents, her family, who had to give her away in Marriage, **For Marriage is Not A SECRET; it is a thing of joy, calling for much celebration!** Hence, THE ESPOUSAL or ENGAGEMENT IS FORMAL; IT IS A FORMAL EVENT IN THE PRESENCE OF WITNESSES, HOWEVER LOW-KEY, AND HOWEVER SIMPLE IT MAY BE, AND IN GENERAL, IT INVOLVES THE PAYMENT OF A BRIDE PRICE OR DOWRY! That is why it is as good as being Married! Yes, I am aware that with

some brethren, because they are following the Bible Restoring End Time Message of Elijah, their Wife's parents have stood in stiff opposition to their Marriage, despite the fact that they are grown-ups, adults, and despite the intervention of other family members, and this has eventually caused them to go to the Government Registry for Marriage, to be legally Married under the Law of their country, having waited on the parents for a number of years in vain. God has been gracious, and He has used the passage of time, and the legality of the Marriage, to break the resistance of these parents, particularly with the introduction or birth of the grandchild or grandchildren of such parents, and they have now been forced to accept the Marriage. May I add, that in such Marriages there has always been brethren present as witnesses, however few they may be, for as believers, we do not Marry secretly without the saints being made aware of it; we just do not hide our Marriages from the saints, for the simple reason that

we do not enter into questionable Marriages! FOR AS **“SAINTS, SANCTIFIED ONES”**, WE HAVE NO CUNNING (DECEPTIVE) WAYS; FOR OUR WAYS ARE UPRIGHT AND PLAIN! Notwithstanding the fact that such saints have been legally Married at the Marriage Registry Office, it is still good to give to Caesar, what belongs to Caesar, and pay the Bride price, the dowry, making right with the families concerned. The fact remains, however, brothers and sisters, that an Espousal or Engagement, is a formal event, and it is equal to Marriage, however humbly and simply it may be performed. In his sermon dated December 1963, and titled, *We Have Seen His Star And Have Come To Worship Him*, paragraphs 65-66, Brother Branham confirmed this truth, declaring, and please pay close attention: **“... Now, Joseph was a good man, he was the son of David, and he was ESPOUSED to Mary. [Matthew 1:18, 20]. Now I'd like to pass this on, before we go further.**

“ESPOUSING,” IN THE EAST, WAS THE SAME AS MARRIAGE, IS BETROTHAL. AS SOON AS THEY WERE ESPOUSED, THEY WERE MARRIED.” (And that is a fact, for it is the truth!) **“When that sacred vow between them was taken, read Deuteronomy 22:23, and you'll find out that when this Woman and Man agreed to be Married, (yet they did not take the vows for months later), if they even broke that vow, they were guilty of Adultery. That's right! WHEN THEY WAS ESPOUSED, THEY WERE JUST THE SAME AS MARRIAGE.”** BECAUSE TO BE ESPOUSED IS TO BE LAWFULLY ENGAGED AS A COUPLE, FORMALLY ENGAGED, WHICH IS THEY HAD BEEN FORMALLY GIVEN TO EACH OTHER, BINDING THEM TOGETHER AS HUSBAND AND WIFE UNDER THE TORAH! Brother Branham now added, taking clarity away from this truth, by making Espousal a mere promise, which it is certainly not,

stating: ***“The law had not given them rights to live together as Husband and Wife yet, but before God, when they promised one another, their words were sealed in God's Kingdom. And, to break that”*** (promise), ***“was just committing Adultery.”***

Saints of God, it was more than their promised words that made them Betrothed, Espoused, Engaged, for to be Espoused or Betrothed, is to be lawfully Engaged, formally Engaged, hence, Married under the Torah, which most certainly involved the payment of the dowry or Bride price to the family of the Woman, or you were not Espoused! I am speaking in general terms, what applies generally! Even where I come from, in the Yoruba land of Nigeria, Engagement, which is Betrothal, is formal, for it is a formal traditional ceremony, where a Man takes his Wife in the presence of the two families, paying the dowry and other material things, sealing the Marriage! Therefore, it is much more than mere words spoken in private between a Man and a proposed Wife, and you

have to see this difference! Brother Branham concluded, saying: ***“And now Joseph was “Espoused” to Mary. If ministering brothers; if you'd study that right good, it'd clear you up on this Marriage-and-Divorce case that's so hard, and different amongst the people today. Now notice Joseph, her Husband, being a just Man, see, now we find out that this could not be broken. [Deuteronomy 22:23], [Matthew 1:18]”*** Church, for Joseph to have been considered and declared Mary's ***“Husband”*** under the Torah, a formal Engagement ceremony had been performed, ***A BETROTHAL HAD TAKEN PLACE***, which is the formal giving of a Woman to a ***Man!*** Because an Espousal is much more than a mere promise, and unless you see this truth, you will be blown away by the ***“FAN”*** that has been built into this very quote, which is true in many respects, but is also untrue in a small respect! I do not care for any dictionary that you may use, for scripturally speaking,

Espousal will never give you just a mere promise, because the law of Moses granting Divorce, is not enforceable on a mere promise, but on a True Marital Relationship that has been firmly established, which Espousal or Betrothal gives us, having a Seal, thereby making a sexual defilement or violation of it, punishable by death! That is precisely why in the Entire Bible, you will not find one example of a Marriage that was established and adjudicated upon, based on a mere promise! The Song of Solomon Chapter 3, verse 11 records: ***“Go forth, O ye daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his Espousals”***, (the day of his Marriage), ***“and in the day of the gladness of his heart.”*** (Because the day of a Man's Espousal or Engagement, is a day of open joy and gladness)!

In another case, when David was to be made king, look at what he demanded from

Ishbosheth, the son of King Saul, in 2 Samuel Chapter 3, verses 14-16, which records: **“And David sent messengers to Ishbosheth Saul's son, saying, Deliver me MY WIFE Michal, which I ESPOUSED TO ME for an hundred foreskins of the Philistines. AND ISHBOSHETH SENT, AND TOOK HER FROM HER HUSBAND, even from Phaltiel the son of Laish. And her Husband went with her along weeping behind her to Bahurim. Then said Abner unto him, Go, return. And he returned.”** This case proves just how serious and weighty True Espousal is, because there had been No Divorce between David and Michal, who was the younger daughter of King Saul, that could have legitimised Michal's subsequent Marriage to Phaltiel! Brothers and sisters, David had not Divorced Michal, when Saul gave her to Phaltiel, (or Phalti, for short), as recorded in 1 Samuel Chapter 25 verse 44: **“But Saul had given MICHAL his daughter, DAVID'S WIFE, to Phalti the son of Laish, which was of**

Gallim.” Hence, under the law of Moses, Phaltiel and Michal were both living in Adultery! Moreover, may I also remind you, for we must not forget, and just in case you did not know, before Michal was given to David as his Wife, King Saul had FIRST PROMISED to give David his elder daughter, Merab. And despite this PROMISE of Marriage, King Saul gave Merab **“unto Adriel the Meholathite to Wife”**, and he could do so, because it was only a Promise! The Book of 1 Samuel Chapter 18, verses 17-27, plainly records: **“And SAUL said TO DAVID, Behold my elder daughter MERAB, HER WILL I GIVE THEE TO WIFE: only be thou valiant for me, and fight the Lord's battles. For Saul said, Let not mine hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him. And David said unto Saul, Who am I? and what is my life, or my father's family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?”** (Now see what happened): **“But it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's**

daughter should have been given to David, that she was given unto Adriel the Meholathite to wife.” (How could this happen? It was because it was a mere Promise, for which No Dowry had been paid, to make it an Espousal, which would have made it binding under the law of Moses! Now pay attention, brothers and sisters, and see the marked difference in the SECOND PROMISE which Saul gave to David): **“And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him. And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be MY SON IN LAW in the one of the twain. And Saul commanded his servants, saying, Commune with David secretly, and say, Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and all his servants love thee: Now therefore be the king's SON IN LAW. And Saul's servants spake those**

words in the ears of David. And David said, Seemeth it to you a light thing to be a king's son in law, seeing that I am a poor man, and lightly esteemed? And the servants of Saul told him, saying, On this manner spake David. And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not ANY DOWRY, but an hundred FORESKINS of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies." (This was to be the token of the Marriage, the Espousal, the lawful bond of the Promise). "But Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines. And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son in law: and the days were not expired. Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their FORESKINS, and they gave them in full tale to the king, THAT HE MIGHT BE THE KING'S SON IN LAW. AND SAUL GAVE HIM MICHAL HIS

DAUGHTER TO WIFE."

What made the difference in these two cases, these two promises of Saul, and the acceptance of the promises of both Merab and Michal by David, was the token paid, the dowry given, FOR IT IS WHAT SEALS A PROMISE, TURNING IT INTO AN ESPOUSAL, WHICH IS AS GOOD AS MARRIAGE! That is precisely why it is written in Luke Chapter 2, verses 4-5: "And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) To be taxed with Mary his ESPOUSED WIFE", (his ENGAGED WIFE), "being great with child." Saints, we must know assuredly, that Marriage is more than just a mere Promise given, and as such, we must distinguish it from a mere Promise. Church, even on a spiritual level, just look at what Apostle Paul declared to the Gentile Bride in 2 Corinthians Chapter 11, verse 2: "For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have

ESPOUSED YOU to One HUSBAND, that I may present you as a chaste Virgin" (of the Word) "to Christ." That is exactly what is going on right now! Brothers and sisters, there are myriads and myriads of Marriages or Espousals in the Holy Bible, and consequently, until you can give me just One Place in the Holy Scriptures, where a mere promise, privately given and accepted, was considered as Marriage, I defy every quote of Man, on the full authority of the Word of God! May I even ask you: What if the Man making A Private Marriage proposal to a Sister, is already secretly Married to another Woman?! Think about it seriously, for some things do not make sense, and will not work! You have to see the true meaning and application of what it is to be Espoused, or Betrothed, or Engaged, for IT IS PUBLICLY DONE, BEING A FORMAL EVENT OR CEREMONY, ONE THAT IS AS GOOD AS BEING MARRIED! It is a scriptural fact, which is not denied in any way, that as believers, we are expected to be people of our word, for our word is our bond;

but nevertheless, the truth also remains, however, that when we talk about E S P O U S A L or MARRIAGE, that is a different issue, and it involves more than a Man simply Proposing to a Woman in the closet, in private! And if you cannot see that, I cannot help you! Just look through ALL the Holy Scriptures, and see IF you will find a precedent, where a mere proposal that was given and accepted privately by the intending couple, without the two families being involved, and without a dowry being paid, was taken as Marriage! Even on a spiritual plane, of which the natural Engagement is a perfect type, Jesus Christ had to come down in the spirit at this evening time, in March 1963, at the Opening of the Seals, for a divine Engagement to his Elect Bride, and he clothed her soul with the rich bounties of heaven, an unparalleled revelation of his Word, even as Matthew Chapter 25, verse 10, records: ***“And while they”*** (who are the Foolish Virgins) ***“went to buy”*** (Oil), ***“the Bridegroom CAME”***,

(strictly in a supernatural revelation); ***“and they that were ready went in with him TO THE MARRIAGE”***, (WHICH IS REALLY AN ESPOUSAL, AN ENGAGEMENT EVENT, AN ONGOING SPIRITUAL REALITY AS WE SPEAK): ***“and the door was shut.”*** (The door has not yet been shut, but it will soon be shut, ending accessibility to this divine Engagement of the Bridegroom to his Bride)! Now that is an **Espousal**, an **Engagement**, for it is what it means to be **Betrothed**, on a spiritual level, and it is by this Engagement that we have had access to ALL that Christ has, revelationally, an incredibly rich, and unlimited depth, and great expanse of divine revelation, which was why it was even recorded in this verse as ***“Marriage”***, Meaning, Espousal, Engagement! Revelation Chapter 19, verse 7 seals it, clearly prophetically declaring: ***“Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the Marriage of the Lamb is come, and his WIFE hath made herself ready”*** (on earth, prior to this heavenly

event, and she could rightfully be called ***“his WIFE”***, only because she had been Engaged to Christ)! In short, until you enter into a formal Engagement, which is to be Betrothed, ALL you have is a mere promise that is not enforceable under the law of Moses, **BECAUSE IT HAS NO SEAL, NO TOKEN!** Period! Mark you, I am not teaching or implying that people should break their promises; I am simply saying that a private Marital offer made and accepted by a sister, does not amount to Engagement, scripturally speaking, and as children of light, we should be able to see the marked difference!

Brothers and sisters, may I also add, and this is a general counsel, and I speak as a Lawyer, that under the Law of Man, legally speaking, the Traditional Wedding is not recognised in most countries today, and hence, it is legally unenforceable, as such, it is very necessary that the saints ensure that they get Married Legally, in a

Government Marriage Registry, and obtain their Marriage Certificate or Licence, so that they do not enter a Marriage that does not hold under the Law! I plead and appeal to you! Once legally Married, they are now Husband and Wife, and they can begin to live together, even IF they are not able to have a Marriage Blessing in Church. When my Wife and I got Married at the Government Marriage Registry in Lagos, we had No Minister to bless our Marriage, as ALL we had at Bible Faith Tabernacle in that day, were brothers who were merely standing in the gap over the Local Assembly, and it was not until many years later, that Brother Jackson was gracious enough and most happy to bless our Marriage at Faith Assembly, during one of our visits. We had already had our two sons, Jason and Mark, before this Marriage blessing had taken place. It is very crucial that the saints enter into a Legal Marriage, because no one knows tomorrow. That was why before Brother Branham Married a certain poor

couple, he first asked them to go before the Law to be legally Married, and then, they were to come with their official Marriage certificate! May I also add, that in this Scribe, we will not be addressing or considering any hypothetical situations, and neither are we going to be concerned about Marriage situations of those who are not following Jesus Christ in his Continuous Divine Revelation of the Holy Bible! But let it be settled, that unless and until you are Formally Engaged or Married, you are not Married! For you cannot **“put away”** a person you do not yet have as your Wife! That was why in another recorded scenario, a Man who Fornicates with a Virgin that has not been given to any Man in Marriage, who has not been betrothed, becomes Married automatically, because he will be required to pay the dowry, performing the official act of Marriage! Deuteronomy Chapter 22, verses 28-29, provides: **“If a Man find a damsel that is a Virgin, which is NOT BETROTHED, and**

lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found; Then the Man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty shekels of silver”, (which is the dowry that Moses prescribed in the law), **“AND SHE SHALL BE HIS WIFE; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away ALL his days.”** We have gone into the law, not because we are under the law, for we are not under the law, but under Grace; but we have gone into the law of Moses, just to prove that to be **“Espoused”** is to be Married, which is precisely why a **“Espoused”** Woman that is found guilty of Fornication, incurs the sentence of death, along with the Man she has Fornicated with, because she is officially or lawfully another Man's WIFE, **“his Neighbour's WIFE”!** In total contrast, a mere acceptance of a Proposal remains a Proposal, which does not translate to Marriage, until they are formally Engaged, Espoused, Betrothed, or Wedded, under the law of Moses! This reminds me of a quote the Branham

Movement also use, to establish their most unscriptural teaching on Divorce. In his message dated 1956, and titled, *The Worst Sinner In The City*, paragraph 73, Brother Branham declared: "... **The Bible said, "The hair is given to a Woman for her glory." And the Bible rights gives any Man A RIGHT TO LEAVE AND DIVORCE AND LEAVE HIS WIFE, THAT'LL CUT HER HAIR. That's the Bible. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD"**, (Meaning, That is Thus saith the Lord God in His Word). Again, in his message dated 1961, and titled, *The Mark Of The Beast And The Seal Of God*, paragraph 59, William Branham also stated: "... **Let me tell you something. Any Man that will let his Wife smoke cigarettes and wear shorts, I got little respect of him even being a Man. He's so sissified, he don't even know what he belongs to. He ain't a Man. That's right! Oh, hallelujah! That's right! He's a poor excuse for a Man. Oh, he may be six-foot-tall, weigh two hundred pounds, but**

that don't look like a Man to me. That shows who's boss around your house. She will stomp her foot, "I will tell you right now," and you'd bow down like you was a sick kitten. What's the matter? What we need today is Men. We need Gospel Preachers. And any Preacher that will stand in the pulpit and hold back on those things, I got little respect of him being called of God. Right! A Man that's ashamed to stand in the pulpit and tell the God's truth, when he knows it's an immoral thing for a Woman to cut her hair... The Bible..." (says), "**A MAN'S GOT A RIGHT TO LEAVE HIS WIFE AND GIVE HER A DIVORCE, WHEN SHE CUTS HER HAIR. THE BIBLE SAID SO. Who's the head of the Woman? Her Husband. And the Bible said, "If a Woman cuts her hair she dishonors her head."** **No dishonorable Woman should be lived with. Amen. She cuts off her glory. And so does the Church.**" In the first instance, you would have to walk over the Holy Bible

to believe and teach that, because she does not dishonour the Man, no more than a Woman who disgraces her Husband in public, by scolding him! Secondly, throughout the law and the Prophets, and throughout the Gospels, as well as in ALL the Epistles, meaning in the Entire Holy Scriptures, there is not One shred of Scripture, that allows for Divorce, outside of the Ground of Uncleanness, let alone on the ground that a Woman cut her hair! In other words, **The only ground that God allowed for Divorce, is Uncleanness**, except under the New Covenant, where an Unbeliever simply Divorces the Believer! Yes, it is true, that according to 1 Corinthians Chapter 11, verses 3-7, **A Woman praying or prophesying with HER HAIR CUT, dishonours her head, which is her husband; but nevertheless, brothers and sisters, Apostle Paul who was inspired to write this very passage of Scripture, DID NOT ADD THAT SHE COULD BE DIVORCED ON THIS GROUND! HE DID NOT SAY THAT!** And he could not say so,

because he could not nullify what he had already laid out by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, in an earlier Chapter of the same Epistle, that is, in 1 Corinthians Chapter 7, where he dealt with the issue of Marriage and Divorce! You would have to walk over 1 Corinthians Chapter 7; Matthew Chapter 19, verse 9; and Deuteronomy Chapter 24, verses 1-4, TO BELIEVE AND TEACH THAT IF A WOMAN CUTS HER HAIR, SHE CAN BE DIVORCED ON THAT GROUND, FOR SHE MOST CERTAINLY CANNOT BE DIVORCED ON THAT GROUND, FOR IT IS TOTALLY ANTI-WORD! You will be overturning the revelation of Moses, of Jesus Christ, and that of Apostle Paul! What is more, and as we have stated, Apostle Paul did not say or even suggest that she could be Divorced, because she cut her hair, anywhere in 1 Corinthians Chapter 11, verses 3-16! It is one thing to see the seriousness of an issue that the Prophet dealt with, which was Women cutting their hair, which plainly dishonours their head; it is

quite another issue entirely, to take that issue out of its scriptural bounds, by giving it an unscriptural sanction, a sanction that is clearly Anti-the Word of God! Whatever offends the Word of God is Error, and as such, you must ALL clearly see that this quote of Brother Branham is nothing but a **"Fan"** of Matthew 3:12, and consequently, it must be laid on the shelf! It is too late in the day to hold to hand-me-down traditional ideas of Men, and carnal ways of looking at the truth, for we must follow Jesus Christ strictly in a divine revelation of his Word, as ALL else is sinking sand! We cannot afford to robe our souls with nothing other than the Pure and Unadulterated Revelation of the Word of God!

Church, as we stated earlier, in this message on Marriage and Divorce, we will not be dealing with hypothetical cases, and neither are we going to bother ourselves trying to untangle the devil's web of the total entanglement of the messed-up lives of his children on Marriage and

Divorce, for they are tares! We are dealing strictly with **"the children of light"**, the wheat seeds, for this Scribe is exclusively for the Elect Bride of Jesus Christ. Full stop! Brothers and sisters, do not forget, that earlier on, we said that we would close our message on *Marriage and Divorce*, by considering a few issues. The first issue we considered, is the implication of a Marriage Proposal that has been accepted, to determine if it really constitutes Marriage, and we saw that it does not constitute Engagement or Marriage. Now, we will consider a few additional issues, and then close. Let us now consider a case where a Married Woman got converted into the End Time Message by a Pastor in the Movement, and the Woman, in her ignorance, was deceived into believing that she needed to leave her unbelieving Husband, because he is not in the Message, even though her Husband, a Man for whom she had had a number of children with, did not want her to leave, for he begged her not to leave him. Upon leaving her Husband, she

got Married to that Pastor, only for her to come in contact with the Continuing Light of the Holy Scriptures of Jesus Christ, which she believed. Because she now believed the Present and Continuing Light of the Word, this Pastor, on finding out this fact, now ended their Marital relationship, and sent her packing, because of her stand for the Truth. The material question is, what is she now to do, seeing how completely messed up her Marital life has become? Brothers and sisters, I will first warn, that I am not the smartest man on this planet, and neither am I the custodian of knowledge, for I am not God, but only a man, the greatest sinner ever saved by grace, and who, as such, is most limited in understanding. In short, I do not have ALL the answers, and I will not be pretending with anyone that I have ALL the answers, as I most certainly do not, for only God does! When I am asked a Bible question, and I do not know the answer, I am never afraid, and neither am I ever ashamed, to tell the person

or persons that I have no clue; for pride has nothing to do with it, because I am only a Man! God expects us as Ministers of the Gospel, to be humble, and sincere, and faithful, and to act as Men, who are grossly limited! We are not to play God, for He alone is the Custodian and the Fountain of ALL knowledge! Therefore, we should be able to tell the brethren that we do not have the answers, when we truly do not have them, and the brethren will understand; rather than the Ministry talking about things they do not know, misleading innocent souls! However, whatever God helps me to see and know in His Word, there are not enough devils in the whole wide world, that can take it away from me, and neither can anyone stop me from sharing the same with the elect children of God around the globe, for the truth of God must be sounded from the roof tops! I care less who disagrees with me, as long as I can find myself solidly in the Word of God! Back to the case at hand, the material question is, what is this sister to do?

Brothers and sisters, the case of this sister is no different to that of the Samaritan Woman, whom Jesus revealed himself to, at the well of Jacob, as recorded in the Gospel of Saint John, even though the sister concerned is not a prostitute. However, she also has a completely messed up Marital life, having been twice Married, and now Divorced! Church, in the Book of John Chapter 4, beginning from verse 13, it is written: ***“Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into Everlasting Life. The Woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw. Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy Husband, and come hither. The Woman answered and said, I have No Husband.”*** (Now listen to this, for this is what is material, what I want you ALL to see): ***“Jesus said***

unto her, Thou hast well said, I have No Husband: FOR THOU HAST HAD FIVE HUSBANDS; and he whom thou NOW HAST is not thy Husband, (FOR SHE WAS LIVING IN SIN): **“in that saidst thou truly. The Woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a Prophet. Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where Men ought to worship. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. GOD IS A SPIRIT: AND THEY THAT WORSHIP HIM MUST WORSHIP HIM IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH. The Woman saith unto him, I know that Messiah cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come,**

he will tell us ALL things. Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee AM HE. And upon this came his disciples, and marvelled that he talked with the Woman: yet no man said, What seekest thou? or, Why talkest thou with her?” (See): **“The Woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men, Come, see a man, which told me ALL things that ever I did: is not this the Christ? Then they went out of the city, and came unto him”**, (based on her testimony concerning Christ). Saints of God, I will have to ask you, and you must answer me sincerely: Now that this ill-famed Woman had come to the True Light, Jesus Christ the Light of the World, Can she still Marry, or is she to remain Single for the rest of her life?! Please note, that whatever answer we give this ill-famed Woman at the well of Jacob, is the very same answer that we will have to give this sister under reference, because their state is the same, in that both of them have Married a number of times, and then they came into

the Light, The True Light, Jesus Christ IN “THE PRESENT TRUTH”! (2 Pet. 1:12). Brothers and sisters, may I say this: The state of the sister under reference is a very sad one, because she has had her Marital life messed up by the Pastor who brought her into the Message, ALL because these Men are preaching and teaching things they do not understand, things that are way beyond their understanding; while others are wilfully teaching downright deceptive things, religious “cowboys”, like the Pastor under reference, and ALL of them are ruining many lives by it! To begin with, and as we should ALL know by now, she should not have left her First Husband who loved her, just because she came into the End Time Message, when the Man was happy to live with her in her new found Faith! The warped understanding that these Men have in the Message, with the many erroneous teachings that they peddle, is majorly responsible for the very messy Marital lives that the people in the Movement have! He

deceived her into leaving her Husband, and Married her, and now that she found the True Light of the Message, being strictly A Bible Message, this Pastor has left her, ALL on account of her new found Faith, in the Present and Continuing Light of Jesus Christ of the Holy Bible! This case most certainly makes the Pastor a stark unbeliever, and an imposter, and the sister, having been put away, is at total liberty to Remarry, but this time, **“ONLY IN THE LORD”**, and **ONLY IN THE LORD, IF SHE TRULY BELIEVES!** For despite the Five-Times Married state of the Woman at the well of Jacob, having had her life turned around by the truth, and her sins washed away by the blood of the lamb, we must ALL know that she would have Remarried in that day, but only to a follower of **“This Way”**, this Revealed Way of Christ! Period! It is a different kettle of fish, however, IF she had come into the Continuing Message of the Holy Bible, and then she went to secretly Marry someone who was already Married, because it would only

prove that she is nothing but a raw unbeliever, a stumbling block in **“The Way”** of Truth, a person who is not ready to live for God in any light, but merely deceiving herself! Because it would show that she had not yet really repented! Otherwise, we must ask, for the purpose of making a very serious point about true belief, true conversion, based on true repentance, which has evident fruits to show: Just why would the Woman at the well of Jacob, having been set free by the Message of Grace that we have in Jesus Christ, return to co-habiting with yet another Man, when Christ told her: **“... For thou hast had Five Husbands; and HE whom thou NOW hast is NOT THY HUSBAND”**, (BUT SHE WAS LIVING WITH HIM, CO-HABITING WITH HIM OUTSIDE OF MARRIAGE, LIVING IN PURE INIQUITY?!) Consequently, we would expect that having been forgiven, and having been saved by the mercy of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus, that she would not return to her old iniquitous ways! If any person does, it

just nullifies his or her Faith, and it confirms that he or she is not yet saved, because God does not have sinner saints, only saints, TRUE BELIEVERS! This reminds me of Men who profess to believe, but still maintain close relationships with other Women, whether they are work colleagues, or neighbours, or old flames, always Face timing, WhatsApping, Skyping, Texting, Phoning, Emailing them, using ALL sorts of social media to relate with them, and they even have the audacity to do things with them, when they are Married Men! And when their Wives question them about it, they even vehemently defend and justify such iniquitous communications, such iniquitous relationships, proving that they are Men without any prick of conscience, and are unconverted souls! It is not just gross irresponsibility and blatant infidelity, flirting with other Women, because that is what it amounts to, but it is also sinful, and most unbecoming of even a Nominal Christian, let alone someone professing

to believe the Continuity Light of Jesus Christ, someone professing to possess the higher wisdom! What a mockery of Faith! It lets us realise that people are just playing silly little games with the Message of Life, and hence, with their own eternal destiny! To top this, some even go into outright infidelity, having extra-Marital affairs, and their Wives cannot speak to them about it, because they have the godless audacity to even mistreat their Wives over such iniquitous relationships. ALL these ills, brothers and sisters, let me know that something serious is coming down the road, because there has got to be total separation of seeds, so that the Bride can have peace, and attain spiritual maturity, which is perfection! Final separation has to come, and it will come, because you will never get tares, who are the tag-alongs, the "speechless friends", to live right, for they are vessels of offence, stumbling blocks, clogs in the wheels of the progress of the Bride! That is precisely why Satan brings

them in, for that is the evil purpose that they are designed to serve! That is hot, but it is the truth, nonetheless, and I have a right to say it, for I have the God given right to condemn ALL acts of iniquity, because I speak generally, to shake people, and not to any particular individual! However, IF the cap fits, wear it!

Church, having scripturally established what Betrothal, or Engagement, or Marriage, is, the fact that it takes more than a mere oral proposal which was privately accepted, to constitute a Betrothal, or an Engagement, or a Marriage, in order to fill the gap, we must now ask: How do we then look at Marriage Proposals that are accepted? That is the issue we now want to address, leaving no stone unturned, in our consideration of this message on *Marriage And Divorce*. May I warn, however, for we must continue to reiterate, that we are looking strictly at proposals among the body of saints following the Light, and not among unbelievers, and neither is

this about unbelievers, for this message has absolutely nothing to do with the unbelievers out there. So, how do we look at proposals for Marriage that have been accepted? May I first say, that in answering this material question, there is not one answer that will fit ALL cases, and as such, every case must be determined individually, and on its own merit, sincerely, honestly, and impartially, with the fear of God, for as I said, there is not One Size Fits-ALL! Therefore, we will only give a few examples, and move on, leaving the Spirit of God to make the difference in the lives of God's children. To begin with, and based solidly on the principle of truth, that a believer is bound by his Word, generally speaking, we expect that a brother who made a Marriage proposal, and the sister who also accepted the Marriage proposal, would honour their Word. That is the general rule, because we are people of our word, for our word is our bond. However, let us consider a case where a professed brother proposed to a sister, without letting the

sister know that he is impotent, and the sister agrees to the Marriage, only to later find out that the brother is impotent. The question is, is she obligated to honour her promise to Marry the brother?! That is the issue! May I first say, that the conditions we are now considering in this message, have no precedent in the Holy Scriptures, and as such, we have to rely solely on God for revelation. That is why I warned earlier on in the message, that we are under a divine obligation to disclose material facts, so that the person we are seeking to Marry, can weigh up ALL the facts before deciding whether or not to accept a Marriage proposal; for if we do not do that, we are being deceptive, inconsiderate, and wicked, leading someone else into a perpetual life of misery and sorrow, an impossible condition! We are to know exactly what we are going into, so that we are prepared for it in our minds, so that we enter into the Marriage, out of our own freewill, our own personal choice, with full knowledge

of the facts, the knowledge of the true state of things, the reality of things! Therefore, IF a sister later realises that the brother proposing to her is impotent, then I ask you, just how is she to avoid the effects of 1 Corinthians Chapter 7, verse 2, which is Fornication?! How is she supposed to avoid “burning” for the rest of her life, without the avenue to avoid Fornication, which Marriage is supposed to give her?! She will live a life in which her heart would be perpetually defiled! This fact, therefore, most certainly gives a ground for avoiding the proposal, because she was not given a choice in the matter, particularly IF she cannot restrain herself, not having the grace to be celibate! In the same vein, any sister that has had her womb taken out, or that that she cannot biologically conceive seed, ought to let the man know from the outset, before accepting his proposal, because this issue goes to the very root of Marriage, which is procreation! The point is, IF, as it is written in 1 Corinthians 7:28B, “a virgin” that had been

Promised to an Unbeliever, in an Arranged Marriage, can “Marry” in the Faith, overturning that Promise, that Arrangement, and “she hath not sinned”, then, what stops a sister from revoking her acceptance of a Marriage Proposal, IF she has a very serious cause, legitimate reasons, to do so, such as impotence, when she has not been given away, Betrothed? Think about that! The second example or case we will consider and then move on, is the case of a brother or a sister having killer diseases like AIDS, (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome), any cancers, leukaemia, and most especially, anything that can be passed on to the other partner, and to your offspring, it is crucial that it be disclosed. The fact is, if someone loves you, truly loves you, disclosing it will not stop them from Marrying you, even if you are crippled, and in a wheel chair! Yes, we ALL know that God can heal, and He is also a miracle worker, but the truth also remains, that God is sovereign, and as such, He may not necessarily bring that

person out of the wheel chair, or heal that person! However, disclosing these facts, gives the person a choice, knowing full well the medical condition that he or she is going to face in that Marriage, for the rest of his or her life, unless God intervenes! We have already established the fact, that God does not lead people into impossible conditions, making His children victims of circumstance! For these and many other reasons, just as we stated in an earlier segment of this message, brethren should be very careful before proposing and before accepting proposals. They should first get to know one another, giving themselves the opportunity of knowing whether they are compatible, and whether they truly have feelings, love, for one another, that they may assess each other's character, before saying I want to Marry you, and also before accepting, saying I agree to Marry you. You do not want to propose to someone you do not really know, and neither do you want to accept the proposal of

someone you also do not really know, for it could be a great snare, one that will take away your peace and joy, your happiness, and wreck your life! For as the saying goes: **"Appearances are deceptive."** That is why as a true believer, an elect Bride saint, living in these extremely evil and dangerous times, you cannot be dating Online, using Dating sites, or using Online dating apps to get a Wife or a Husband. You definitely cannot get a spouse through the Internet. Saints, I plead with you. It does not make any sense to not have a close-range practical knowledge of the person whom you want to share the rest of your life with, getting the opportunity to observe his or her character first-hand, and this is apart from the very serious fact, that he or she might even be a transgender, or a con-artist (a catfish)! Come on! **Perilous Times Are Here!** Open your eyes, and be wise! Also, may I warn, that going out with one brother after the next, or even secretly going out with more than one brother at

the same time, like the unbelievers do out there, is most unbecoming and unacceptable. As a saintly sister, a Bride saint, you should not be fleeing from brother to brother, getting entangled with every brother who shows an interest. You are just behaving like a Jezebel, for that is not even Christian! And the reverse is also true relating to brothers. We do not want to make a mockery of our Christian Faith, playing the hypocrite, living double lives, for we will pay a great bill if we do, as this is not a game! We will lose, and we will be deceiving ourselves, for we should be able to see what the day is saying! Some just have no clue about what this way is really is, for this is home going time! That is why we must be very careful with the issues of proposals, prayerfully considering making one, or accepting one. The bottom-line is, however, and I must continue to reiterate, that a proposal privately given and accepted, does not constitute a Betrothal, or an Engagement, or a Marriage, and it will do us

good to understand this distinction, for it is a scriptural fact. Stop holding to traditional ways of looking at truth; stop holding to hand-me-down traditional ways that amount to nothing but wind; for until you have a Bible base for something, ALL you have is man's ideas. For there is a marked difference between a Proposal and an Engagement, a Betrothal, and I hope we can ALL see this clear distinction. May I add, that as a brother, it makes no sense proposing to a sister, asking her to Marry you, when you do not have a job, and you do not also have a roof over your own head, a place to house her, where you can start your Family life together, because you are living with people! It would be irresponsible to Marry someone when you are jobless, and have no funds with which to take care of your Newly wedded Wife, and you have to sleep on someone else's floor with her! Come on! That is completely irresponsible, because if you cannot wipe your own bottom, it is not a Wife that you will be able to

take care of, regardless of how much you desire to Marry, because it is not about being of Marriageable age! Age may be on your side for Marriage, but you may still be irresponsible in your attitude to life, and to what a Marital life requires of you, having the mentality of a young man, who has no clue about life!

Saints of God, another issue we now want to deal with, relates to the attitude of brethren towards those Marrying people outside the Faith; dealing with what our attitude should be, to people Marrying outside the Faith, people Marrying unbelievers. Please turn with me to the Word of God, and may God give us understanding. In the Epistle of 2 Corinthians Chapter 6, we will take verses 14-18, which provides in very clear and categorical terms: **“BE YE NOT UNEQUALLY YOKED TOGETHER WITH UNBELIEVERS: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light”,** (truth), **“with darkness”,** (untruth,

error)? **“And what concord hath Christ with Belial”,** (a rebellious person)? **“or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel”,** (an unbeliever)? **“And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell IN them, and walk IN them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, AND BE YE SEPARATE, saith the Lord, AND TOUCH NOT THE UNCLEAN THING; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.”**

This passage of Scripture tells us in crystal clear terms, and it sets forth an elementary principle of Faith, that **WE ARE NOT TO MARRY UNBELIEVERS, AS WE WOULD BE UNEQUALLY YOKED.** FULL STOP! It will not only create a great conflict of Faith in that Marriage, which may take away your peace and joy, your happiness, bringing only sorrow and misery to

your life, and to your home; it will also greatly affect your children, but more importantly and seriously, it can also be a snare for you, one that can take you out of **“This Way”** of Revealed Faith. It is just like the many strange Wives of Solomon, who turned his heart away from God, as they led him to sin; they made him commit idolatry, for he worshipped other gods, whose temples he also built in Israel, ALL in order to please his strange Wives! And for this great iniquity, God broke the Nation of Israel into two, and gave ten whole tribes to Jeroboam, leaving only the two southern tribes with Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, who succeeded Solomon. (1 Kings 11-12). As I testified to in an earlier segment of this message, I have seen such unequally yoked Marriages take away many precious souls, and today, they are no longer walking this way, having Married Denominational seeds, who are unbelievers, and are not subject to the absolute rulership of the Holy Scriptures, but are ruled only by the creeds, dogma, and traditions of

t h e i r C h u r c h Organisations, their Denominational beliefs! That is the very great danger that unequal yoking, Marrying an unbeliever, poses, for it may be the devil's means of taking you out of this way of True Faith! So, it is evident, that we are not to Marry people who are not following Jesus Christ in his Present and Continuing Divine Revelation of the Holy Scriptures! Because to be a True Disciple of Jesus Christ, to be a True Believer, you must believe ALL that is written, and you must live by ALL the truths of Jesus Christ: “Every Word that proceedeth”, (Presently and Continuously), “out of the mouth of God”, as laid out in the Holy Bible! (Matt. 4:4; John 8:31). That is what it means to be a True Believer, for every other person is an Unbeliever! Full stop! Brothers and sisters, it is a wonderful thing to be able to sit and share the precious truths of life with your Wife and children, as you ALL rejoice in the truth, being greatly enthused by it, ALL appreciating the grace and mercy of God that has

been bestowed on you, showing you this straight and narrow way that leads to Eternal Glory! The fact remains, however, that although Marrying an unbeliever will not take away your salvation, IF you are truly saved, nevertheless, and more often than not, it will injure your walk with the Lord, as it did to Solomon's, and you will pay a price, by having a miserable Marriage, a miserable home, one that takes away your peace, joy, and happiness! And IF you are not truly saved, but only think that you are, it may be what will take you out of this way! Period! You just cannot walk over the Word of God and not pay a price: You will definitely pay a price, a hefty price! Having said that, we must still ask: What should be our attitude towards brethren who Marry unbelievers, people of other faiths, or Denominational people, for they are also unbelievers? We have to ask, because we have a lot of children that are born to believers, children who are born in this way. The truth is, the fact that children are born in this way to

believers, does not make these children themselves believers, unlike the Jews who were believers from birth, by virtue of the circumcision. In total contrast, every Gentile has to be individually brought into the Covenant of Grace, because God deals with the Gentiles as individuals, for salvation is by Faith, even as it is written in the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Ephesians, Chapter 2, verses 8-9: ***“For by grace are ye SAVED THROUGH FAITH; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”*** In Romans Chapter 10, verse 11, it is also written: ***“For the Scripture saith, WHOSOEVER believeth on him shall not be ashamed.”*** In verse 13, Saint Paul reiterated this truth, declaring: ***“For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved.”*** It is all based on the absolute, infallible, and unchanging truth that Jesus Christ laid down in the Gospels, declaring in John Chapter 3, verse 16: ***“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten***

Son”, (Jesus Christ), ***“that WHOSOEVER believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”*** Salvation is for whosoever will believe, salvation being strictly an individual experience, an individual thing, a personal decision. This simply means that the salvation of fathers or mothers, does not save any son or daughter, and it certainly cannot save any son or daughter, and vice-versa, for salvation is an individual, personal experience. Therefore, ALL the parents can do, is to show the true way to their children, particularly when they are still young, encourage them in this way of revealed Faith, bring them to Church, and also pray constantly for them, for their salvation, for it is personal. When these children grow up and become adults, brothers and sisters, what they do with ALL that they have heard in Church, is up to them, for they are now left to make up their own minds, which way they will follow. A lot of times, we just assume, that because the children were born in this way to believing

parents, and because these children have been coming to Church with their parents for many years, that they also believe. It does not work out like that, however, because the fact that they were born in this way, does not make them believers; it does not put the conviction of their parents into their hearts! They will have to know the Lord Jesus in a personal way, for their personal salvation, otherwise, the day will come, when they will leave this revealed way of truth, simply because it is not what they truly believe, for it has no anchor in their soul! We are to show our children this way of Faith, and we are to love them, take care of them, and also pray for them, but remember, God is sovereign, and as such, He is not under obligation to save them, even though we should hold faith for their salvation. When they come of age, become adults, they are at total liberty to make their stand, for they will be accountable to God for what they do with the truth, and as such, at this age of accountability, we cannot force them to follow this

way. It just will not work, because we ALL know, or should know, that **“whatsoever is not of Faith IS SIN”**, whatsoever is not done out of faith, is not acceptable to God! (Rom. 14:23). It is spiritually useless, worthless! The enforcement of it may make the parents feel very good and religious, self-satisfied, nevertheless, spiritually speaking, it is a sheer waste of time, because there is Nothing a person does, IF it is not done out of real Faith, genuine Faith, it is only for the dunghill, FOR GOD WILL NOT ACCEPT IT! This is the message of Grace, for it is the law of Liberty! Consequently, what are the brethren to do, when a child is born in this revealed way, this Present and Continuing Light of Jesus Christ of the Holy Bible, to believing parents, and he or she comes to a Marriageable age, and takes an unbeliever as his or her spouse, whether of another faith entirely, such as the Hindu faith, or the Islamic faith, or a Denominational person, or even a Mainstream End-

Time Message Follower, who are ALL Bible haters, people who not only blatantly and wilfully reject Jesus Christ in **“The Present Truth”**, but who also hate Jesus Christ in his Continuing, Climaxing, and Concluding Bible Revelation, exactly what are we to do?! That is the issue! What should be the attitude of the brethren? And what should also be the attitude of his or her parents to this Marriage? We have to ask this important question as children of light, **“the wise”** of this end time, people following Jesus Christ strictly in his continuing scriptural revelation, and hence, people who are ruled by a higher wisdom, which is Christ's wisdom. We have to ask, because it still relates to what we are talking about in this message, which is **Marriage And Divorce!** May I admit and confess, saints of God, that our response, more often than not, has been very terrible in such situations, and it is very crucial, therefore, that this issue be addressed, so that we can make right, and do better, as a people

bearing a higher divine understanding, one that is much greater and much better than the law of Moses, which was extremely legalistic, and without mercy or grace!

Church, to begin with, ALL we owe one another, is love and understanding. I repeat: The only thing we owe one another, is love and understanding. It is not for nothing, that the Holy Bible admonishes us in Romans Chapter 13, verses 8-10: **“OWE no man any thing, BUT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit Adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR AS THYSELF. LOVE WORKETH NO ILL TO HIS NEIGHBOUR: THEREFORE LOVE IS THE FULFILLING OF THE LAW.”** And that is the Gospel Truth, a golden

virtue that is seriously missing in the present world that we are living in, a world that is so perverse and depraved, so evil, so wicked, so mean and so hateful, so selfish and so self-seeking, so self-centred, so inconsiderate and so uncaring, except when they do their so-called good deeds publicly, to be seen and applauded by the world! Brothers and sisters, ALL that we owe one another is love, and love is very considerate and very kind, and it causes you to always put yourself in the shoes of others. It does! **For love always asks: WHAT IF IT WAS ME IN THAT SHOE?!** What if I was the one?! Come on! Coming back to the issue at hand, when a known or an assumed brother or sister, or even someone born in this way to believing parents, being an adult, decides to Marry an unbeliever, what choice do his or her parents have, but to support that child? And what choice do brethren have, but to also support that person?! In the first place, it is his or her faith that is affected, not yours! It is his or her walk with the

Lord that is affected, not yours! Because you truly believe, does not make everyone who darkens the door of the Church a believer, for people are at total liberty as to their choice in Marriage, having been told the truth, for they have been presented with the truth! If an assumed brother or sister chooses to Marry an unbeliever, ALL we owe him or her, is love and understanding, for it is their choice; we cannot throw him or her to the curb because of it, for that is mean; it is most uncaring! **Where has love gone?!** I have to ask, because God still makes His rain fall upon the Just and the Unjust, and He also makes His sun shine upon the Just and the Unjust! We do not kick our neighbours to the curb, not to talk about our loved ones! When parents bring a child into the world, having laboured long and hard over that child, and he or she now comes of age to be Married, it is their joy that their baby of yesterday, is now to be Married, and as brethren, we should not be the ones to spoil their joy, but to rejoice with them, and support them in any

way we possibly can! Come on! God forbid that it be brethren that will spoil their day, when the unbelievers out there would rejoice with them! Men have turned the Message of Grace into the height of legalism, and may God have mercy! May I warn: The law of Moses, legalism, did not work for the Nation of Israel, and it is most certain, that legalism will not work for the Gentiles, and we cannot make the Message of grace legalistic, making a law out of Grace! It will not work! It is written in Romans Chapter 12, verse 15: **“REJOICE WITH THEM THAT DO REJOICE, and weep with them that weep.”** It is to show our love and care, our support, for we are not to crucify and devour one another, turning the day of someone's joy into sadness, or deserting them in the day of their sadness, when they need our comfort! It is sad enough for believing parents to see their adult child falling in love with, and Marrying an unbeliever! But for the brethren to now add to that sadness and distress, by

shunning the Marriage like a plague, instead of helping to lighten the burden of the parents, is so sad, and we are ALL guilty of this, ALL because of our self-righteous legalistic way of looking at truth! Yes, we ALL are, including myself! Let me shock you to spiritual reality. King Solomon, the son of prosperity, a man who brought great idolatry into the land of Israel by his many strange Wives, was still loved by God, nonetheless! May God help me in setting forth this issue, and may God also give understanding to His children, so they do not take liberty for license, and kill themselves with the truth that I now present. Church, just look at what God said to King David concerning Solomon, as recorded in 2 Samuel Chapter 7, verses 12-15: ***“And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee”,*** (Solomon), ***“which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build an house for my name”*** (in Jerusalem), ***“and I will***

stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. I will be his father, and he shall be my son.” (Now listen to this, for it is what I want you to see): ***“If he”*** (Solomon) ***“commit iniquity”,*** (any iniquity), ***“I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men: BUT MY MERCY SHALL NOT DEPART AWAY FROM HIM, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.”*** Did you hear that?! God's love for Solomon was an unreserved love, an unconditional love! Why was it so? IT IS SIMPLY BECAUSE THE LOVE OF GOD IS ELECTIVE, STRICTLY ELECTIVE, IT IS ELECTIVE LOVE! The Book of Romans Chapter 9, verses 15-18 records: ***“For He”*** (God) ***“saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.”*** (Period!) ***“So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy. For the Scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I***

might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout ALL the earth. Therefore hath He mercy on whom He will have mercy, and whom He will He hardeneth.” Absolutely! Yet, the Book of 1 Kings Chapter 11, beginning from verse 1, plainly records: ***“But king Solomon LOVED many STRANGE WOMEN, together with the daughter of Pharaoh, Women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, and Hittites; Of the Nations concerning which the Lord said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: for surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: SOLOMON CLAVE UNTO THESE IN LOVE. And he had seven hundred Wives, Princesses, and three hundred Concubines: and his Wives turned away his heart. For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, THAT HIS WIVES TURNED AWAY HIS HEART AFTER OTHER GODS: and his***

heart was not perfect with the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father. For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites. And Solomon did evil in the sight of the Lord, and went not fully after the Lord, as did David his father. Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that is before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon. And likewise did he for ALL his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods. And the Lord was ANGRY with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the Lord God of Israel, which had appeared unto him TWICE, And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the Lord commanded. Wherefore the Lord said unto Solomon,

Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant. Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for David thy father's sake: but I will rend it out of the hand of thy son. Howbeit I will not rend away ALL the kingdom; but will give one tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen. For ALL this evil that Solomon did, brothers and sisters, we must not forget that the covenant of God concerning Solomon, still stood firm! What does 2 Samuel Chapter 7, verses 14-15, say? The Lord declared: **"If he"** (Solomon) **"commit iniquity"**, (any iniquity), **"I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men: BUT MY MERCY SHALL NOT DEPART AWAY FROM HIM."** Now think about that! And IF God did not take away His love and mercy from

Solomon, despite ALL his iniquity, evidently caused by his outrightly wrong Marital choices, we should also be able to show love and mercy to fellow brethren, even when they are making the wrong Marital choices, because after ALL, it is their own life that it affects! And it is their personal walk with the Lord that is also affected! This is not a case of joining hands in iniquity, because their Marital choice is theirs, and this is their day of joy! ALL we owe one another, brothers and sisters, is love and understanding, producing nothing but grace and mercy, not legalism, which produces meanness!

Brothers and sisters, we must not even forget, that attending a Marriage ceremony is a social event, which does not take away our Faith, and that is the very reason we show our love to ALL our unbelieving friends, families, and neighbours, by attending when they are Marrying, whenever we can, rejoicing with them on their day. Then, what about our brethren?! There is a right way to look at things, and

there is a wrong way, and as the Elect Bride of Jesus Christ, living here in this Third and Final move of God, we want to look at things in the right way. Now consider this fact, for our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ attended a Marriage, and he even performed a miracle there, in order to bless that Wedding, to bring joy to the occasion! I say this, because he could have refused to do something, for he was not forced! Wake up! John Chapter 2, beginning from verse 1, records: **“And the third day there was A Marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the MOTHER of Jesus was there: And both JESUS WAS CALLED, and his disciples, TO THE MARRIAGE.”** (And they went, honouring the invitation, however Judaistic that family may have been in their faith, following the Torah; for it was not about that, as it was only a social event, which called for rejoicing with a couple on the day of their Marriage! Full stop!) **“And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.**

Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the Bridegroom, And saith unto him, Every Man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when Men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his

glory; and his disciples believed on him.” Now I ask: If our Lord and Master could attend this Marriage ceremony, this Marriage event, what stops brethren from showing their love and support for fellow brethren who are also Marrying, even IF it is to an unbeliever?! What would it take away from them, when it is the compromiser that will pay the bill, and reap the reward of going against the will of God in his or her personal Marital choice? Wake up! Let me even remind you of a Marital case that is very similar to the one we are considering, which is the Marital choice of Samson, and we are using it, only because it perfectly mirrors the case we are considering. The Book of Judges Chapter 14, verses 1-5, records: **“And Samson went down to Timnath, and saw a Woman in Timnath of the Daughters of the Philistines. And he came up, and told his father and his mother, and said, I have seen a Woman in Timnath of the Daughters of the Philistines: NOW THEREFORE GET HER**

FOR ME TO WIFE. Then his father and his mother said unto him, Is there never a Woman among the Daughters of thy brethren, or among ALL my people, THAT THOU GOEST TO TAKE A WIFE OF THE UNCIRCUMCISED PHILISTINES? And Samson said unto his father, GET HER FOR ME; FOR SHE PLEASETH ME WELL. (THAT WAS HIS PERSONAL CHOICE). **“But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the Lord, that He”** (God) **“sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion over Israel. Then went Samson down, and HIS FATHER and HIS MOTHER, to Timnath...”** You can read the rest of the very interesting account. However, the material issue in this passage, in relation to the case at hand, is not the fact that God was behind this Marital choice, even though God was the one that had inspired this Marital choice. But the material issue, was that

Samson made the personal choice of Marrying an unbeliever, and his parents, having seriously voiced out their objections, had no choice but to give support to Samson their son, in his Marital bid, as responsible and loving parents! Yes, God was in it, but at the material time, neither Samson nor his parents knew this fact! We ALL know, just as we have proven in an earlier segment of this message, that this Marriage was an exception to the General Rule on Marital Choices for A True Believer, especially Men in the Ministry, an exception which only God can make, ONE which No True Believer, and No True Ministry, can use to justify Marrying an Unbeliever. Nevertheless, brothers and sisters, the material issue right now, is not the fact that God used this Marital choice as an exception, or the fact that God was behind it, but it is about the right attitude and support that the parents of Samson gave to him, in his Marital Choice, given at a time when none of them knew that God was behind this choice! That is what we

must see, the pure love and necessary support that the parents of Samson gave to the Marriage of their son, even though they were totally against that choice, and they had even made this known in no unclear terms, because it was clearly to an unbeliever! We owe our loved ones no less, because it is their day of joy, their day of celebration! The only thing, however, is that in cases where a believer is Marrying an unbeliever, the believing parents must know that there are certain things that as believers, we cannot and should not do, and we should not be afraid to let the family of the spouse know that! It is something that we ALL know, just as Romans Chapter 13, verse 7, says: **“Render therefore to ALL their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear”**, (meaning, reverence), **“to whom fear; honour to whom honour.”** Nevertheless, we do not give or take alcohol, and neither do we do idolatrous things that the family of the spouse may require! There

is no blanket example that I can give to a Universal Body of saints, as God gives conviction and understanding to ALL His elect seeds. It is called standing for Christian principles, and you will do so, IF it really means anything to you! We ALL have our stand to make, and not be compromisers of the truth, because there is an offence, a trial we face, for standing for truth, a price that it costs us ALL! This concludes our consideration of what our attitude should be, to brethren who choose to Marry unbelievers. We are not to encourage them to do it, but IF after counselling, they refuse, we cannot stop them from Marrying whosoever they choose to Marry, for it is their life. That is that!

Moving on to speak about children, I also counsel, brothers and sisters, that if you want to have many children, and you are biologically able to have them, and are also financially capable of taking good care of ALL these children, so they do not suffer unnecessarily, in these evil and economic

hard times, you are at total liberty to bear as many children as you desire, as long as both of you, Husband and Wife, are on the same page on this issue, having discussed it, and are agreed on it. It is not for nothing, and we should not forget, that in Psalm 127, verses 3-5, the Spirit of the Lord provides: ***“Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is His reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty Man; so are children OF THE YOUTH”***, (young parents who have age, health, and time on their side). ***“Happy is the Man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.”*** That is the truth! Nevertheless, knowing just how late time is, and also knowing that the more children you have, the less time you will have for your spiritual growth, because not many Women have the discipline of Susanna Wesley, who had nineteen children, losing nine in infancy, but still able to set aside time to pray daily. You do not want to have too

many children, so you can prepare your soul for the soon return of Christ, for the rapture is at the doors! So, unless you have the financial or economic means, it does not make any sense, bringing so many children into the world, for them to suffer greatly, and be left uncared for, and I say this, because we should ALL be able to see the day we are living in, that we are now living in very hard and harsh economic days, most unlike in days of yore, days of old! Just consider the innumerable number of jobs that have been scrapped, businesses that have been closed, never to be reopened, and the untold tens of millions of people around the world that have now lost their jobs, and ALL those who will also lose their homes, ALL because of COVID-19! These are perilous times! The harsh economic climate of this end-time, makes the application of Psalm 127:3-5, a tall order, a near impossibility, having many children, except you also do not care for their welfare, how they will be taken care of! The bitter truth is, only a few brethren

can afford to have many children today, if they are not to starve and suffer, facing inadequate care, even medically, for as the Holy Scriptures declare, Most of God's elect children are poor people! James Chapter 2, verse 5, plainly states: ***"Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God CHOSEN THE POOR OF THIS WORLD rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which He hath promised to them that love Him?"*** Absolutely! (Also see 1 Corinthians 1:26-28). That is why it is important that before you Marry, issues of the number of children that you would love to have, IF God wills, should be discussed and ironed out, when you are getting Engaged. On the other hand, if your medical condition as a Woman makes it very difficult, or even dangerous, being life-threatening, to have children, for I know some sisters who are in this shoe, it only makes perfect sense to have just one or two children, the Lord helping you, and be grateful to God for that child, because many other saints are earnestly

looking to God for just one child, male or female! Saints of God, on the basis of why Brother Branham refused to talk about family planning or contraception in public, but left it to private individual sessions, is the very reason I will also not be discussing contraception in this or any other Scribe, for I have to respect and appreciate the wisdom of God that motivated him to take that stand, as the Elijah-Star Messenger to Laodicea. This has to be so, particularly because there is not one advice that fits ALL cases, as the situation of the brethren around the globe are not the same, except to say this: If a sister has had a number of children, having gone through several pregnancies and birth pains, and they do not want to have more babies, it is only fair that the husband be the one to seek contraception from a qualified doctor, as the sacrifice he makes in that Marriage. Please note that this is only a counsel, and not a law. But I believe that such a Woman has suffered enough; do you not think so?

Nevertheless, the decision remains between the Husband and the Wife.

Brothers and sisters, may God help us ALL in our Marital lives, and may God help us to be submissive to the perfect will of God in Marriage, because everything in life runs in continuity, fulfilling the perfect will of God, except Man, and it is only because of the Fall, for our God is a God of continuity. Please permit me to make this plea, for we are at the end of our message, although I still have a few things to say to you in closing. Zeroing in on headship within Marriage, we stated in the last segment of this Scribe message, that headship is exampleship, and hence, it is considerate, gentle, kind, and loving, though firm. So, yes, it is true that the Man is the head of the Woman, and God wants Women to be submissive to the headship of their Husbands. However, because true headship is exampleship, and it also motivates, is the reason I often say that as brothers, we need to love our Wives, appreciate and commend

them for their endless toil and tireless labour over the children, and over the home. And IF we truly love them, they will only be too happy to submit to our headship, rather than us having to demand and compel submission, saying to them: **“Look, I am your head! Submit!”** Brother, just love your Wife, and she will submit with ALL her heart! If you want her total and unreserved submission, one that she will heartily and joyfully give, I CHALLENGE YOU TO LOVE HER! Because true divine (godly) headship, is not forceful! Love will bring forth submission, for there is no power like the power of love, true love! It can even overturn the barrel of a gun, when it projects! Let me ask you: Just exactly how do you think Jesus Christ gets our total and unreserved submission? Why do we submit with joy, and with our whole hearts to him? It is because he overwhelms us with his love! That is the love of God! That is precisely why, when we look back, and think seriously about ourselves, our lives, past and present, we cannot but

say to God: *“Despite ALL my horrible ways, my wayward sinful ways, you still love me so?! With ALL the evil I have done, and still continue to do, who can even make a stone furious by my foolish ways! This useless me! What is it that you see in me, that makes you love me so, and you elected me, out of about 7.5 Billion people on earth, even though I am absolutely nothing, being the worst of the worst of men?!”* Brothers and sisters, who can describe or explain God's elective love?! How grateful we are that He loves us, and that He chose us, for God's love is elective! What a great, phenomenal, and mindboggling eternal difference the love of God has made in our lives! There is nothing we do, God still forgives us, and helps us on, because He loves us! And yet, every day we sin against Him, and grieve His heart; but His love remains constant, unchanging, and undiminishing! That is why we feel so ashamed of ourselves, and cry many times, because of the love of God! We stumble and fall many times in our walk

with God, but He simply lovingly picks us up again, saying: *“Go on, for the battle is not yet over. Do not give up, for it is just a little while longer my son, my daughter, and everything will be alright; it will be okay. Do not be afraid. Move on, for a great glory lies just ahead for you.”* What is He showing us? He is showing us His great phenomenal love! It is His love that makes us break down, and we weep, because we realise our complete unworthiness! It is the love of God that motivates us to submit to the Lord, and that is why we love Him so, the very reason we do not want to offend Him! As it is written in 1 John Chapter 4, verse 19: **“We love Him, BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US.”** So, it is not because He is standing over us with a sword hanging over our heads, or that He is brandishing a rod in his hand, threatening: **“I will kill you now, and send you to hell, if you do not submit! Submit to me!”** No! It is His love that breaks us down, and makes us completely submissive to His will! Because He can so love

us, until we are ashamed of ourselves, and that is exactly how a Man ought to love his Wife! LOVE IS THE KEY! Brothers, IF you lose the key of love, you lose everything! Look for that key, and pray that you recover that lost key in your Marriage, particularly as the head, for the head is who takes the initiative. If there is true love, you will not need to stand over your wife, demanding submission, bellowing: ***"I am your head! Do you not know I am your head?! Submit!"*** True headship is not coercive! You do not demand submission, except you are a Pharaoh, a despot! You earn submission with love! If you treat that Woman with love, she will never want to do anything to hurt you! The slightest sadness in your eyes, is going to break her heart, tearing it to shreds, because she knows you love her! The Lord Jesus Christ has won us by his love, and we should do the same for our Wives. That is why, no matter how far we go in our set (iniquitous) ways, we just break down at our point of realisation; we collapse there,

because his love gently tugs at our hearts, and we see ourselves. Sometimes, in such situations, we do not even know what to say to him, and our mouths are so heavy, because of the burden of unworthiness, and the guilt that we feel! It becomes so hard to even open our mouths, to say anything, because of the heaviness of our hearts, for we are so ashamed of ourselves, and burdened, knowing his immense and immeasurable love for us! We should not even forget, for we must continue to reiterate this absolute and unchanging truth, a truth which the Holy Scriptures set forth, that the Woman is ***"the weaker vessel."*** (1 Pet. 3:7). And if this Scribe message has proven anything, scripturally speaking, it is just this very truth, for indeed, the Woman is ***"the weaker vessel"***, and it is ALL because the Woman was not in the Original Creation, but was a By-Product, made to be the means of the Fall of Man, a vessel that the devil could use! Consequently, as Men, Husbands, we are supposed to have wisdom,

and understanding, and love, to motivate us to have patience with our Wives, to bear with them, because they are ***"the weaker vessel!"*** So, let us show maturity; let us show that we are indeed the head! This is where our "machoness", our masculinity, which is our headship, should show, for it should be in our wisdom and understanding, in our patience and forbearance with our Wives! It is not yelling at them, and being unreasonable, merely demanding submission! Sure, she can annoy you at times; sure, she can hurt you at times, but it will not necessarily be intentional. You have also hurt her, many times! But even when you are wrong, because you are the Husband, the head, you find it very difficult to say sorry, and you never admit that you are wrong, when you should; because refusing to acknowledge a wrong, and not being able to say that you are sorry, is not even good for you, spiritually speaking! Because a true son of God is expected to be humble, having a broken heart that can be pricked, convicted

when wrong, and humble enough to admit wrong! Real men are humble! The sons of God are humble, because they are chips of the Old Block, Jesus Christ! Do not look at the bouncers in the movies, who have no ounce of grace or decorum, but only know how to use brute force, falsely thinking that that is what it means to be a Man! Let the Husbands be kind and affectionate towards their Wives, showing love and understanding, bearing with them in their failings, for we ALL have our failings, for which we are looking to God for grace and mercy. And when both of you disagree, do not let twenty-four hours pass before settling it, for you should be able to come together later, when the heat has gone down, and resolve issues amicably as adults, particularly as saints! However, when you are having a disagreement, the neighbours do not have to know that you are disagreeing; they do not need to hear your voice! Come on! Have you no shame and self-respect?! Why will you turn your home into a market place, spreading ALL your dirty

linen in public?! And regardless of your disagreement, my sister, you must never fail to cook for your Husband; and my brother, I do not care how hurt you may be, you cannot refuse to eat the food that your Wife has prepared, and placed on the table for you, ALL out of love, with labour, and out of godly dutifulness! And when you are disciplining the children, both Husband and Wife should please be on the same page, otherwise, it will not work! Also please understand that **“the rod of correction”** recorded in Proverbs 22:15, is not necessarily beating, but discipline. You can discipline him with words, a firm rebuke, and you can use what a child likes to discipline him, by denying him that thing. You can also motivate him with it as well. In addition, you should look out for their ability, and encourage that, and work with that. Sister, do not disrespect your Husband, but love and respect him; take good care of him, and make him proud! Never seek to have the last say, for as we said before, then you become the boss, the ruler, the head! You

can express your disagreement, but it should be done humbly and respectfully, and leave it there, IF he does not see it! Some sisters cannot be told what they do wrong, however nicely it is done, because they hate being corrected or told anything negative, and that is self-destructive, because no one is perfect, and hence, free from correction! This is apart from the salient (or pertinent) fact, that God hates pride and haughtiness, for it is the root of over sensitivity, being too sensitive, and hence, being too easily hurt, when everything hurts and upsets you. If you can accept appreciation and commendation, which the Lord expects Husbands to give often to their Wives, you should also be able to accept loving and sincere criticisms. In turn, I will also have to say, that IF your Wife cannot tell you the things that you do wrong, humbly and in love, who can?! You have to listen to your Wife's complaints and say something! Do not be a passive listener, but an active one, who responds after hearing her complaints, so your Wife's pain can be soothed!

Listening and saying nothing, is meaningless, because it makes no difference that she has complained to you, without your positive response! Sisters, also learn to appreciate and commend your Husbands, for we ALL need appreciation. Brothers and sisters, building a home takes a joint effort, a conscious effort, one that demands making sacrifices, and we will make these sacrifices, because we want to please the Lord in our Marriages. It is also written in Proverbs Chapter 14, verse 1: **“Every wise Woman BUILDETH HER HOUSE: but the foolish PLUCKETH IT DOWN WITH HER HANDS.”** You want to build your home, not destroy it, particularly as a Woman, a wise Woman, and especially on account of your children! Come on! You just do not suddenly take off one morning from your Marital home, completely abandoning your children, making them motherless, simply because things are not going well between you and your Husband, for that is gross irresponsibility! That is not motherhood! Mothers care for their

children, and that is apart from the crucial fact, that you are supposed to iron things out with your Husband, when you are both following this way, and got Married in this way! My! As it is written: **“Every wise Woman BUILDETH HER HOUSE: but the foolish PLUCKETH IT DOWN WITH HER HANDS.”** That is a serious message for Wives, particularly mothers, for you do not want to make yourself a Foolish and Irresponsible Woman! The same thing applies to Men, for as a Husband, you also cannot just take off, abandoning your Wife and your home, behaving so heartless and irresponsibly, for it takes two to build a home! May I also say this to both Husbands and Wives: Let your wants be few, and be content with the essential things of life, thanking God for the extras, and live humble lives, maintaining simple tastes; not being high minded, running up bills, and incurring stifling debts, but being lowly minded, so that you do not add too much financial pressure on your Marriage, which has been the cause of a lot of Marital disagreements and stress.

Undue financial burden and stress, creates unnecessary problems in Marriage, and this has been the means of the wreckage of many Marriages, the cause of the breakdown in the relationship between Husbands and Wives, when the Man can no longer cope. It is wise, therefore, that we temper our tastes, and live simple lives, and be content with the necessary or essential things of life, knowing that life itself is vain and frail. We take nothing out of this world, for we came with nothing, we came naked, and we will return naked; but having Jesus Christ in this mortal life, is ALL that really matters, for in him is Life Eternal. Therefore, let the Word of God rule your lives, your Marriages, and your Homes, and you will be the better off for it, for the Word of God, is the divine balm for the home of the righteous.

Saints of God, how I love this Holy Bible, for there is No Book like it in ALL the earth, none that can be compared with it! How extremely rich and enlightening, and just how perfect and complete, how wholesome! Hence, we can

take something from Genesis, a truth, and run it straight through to the Apocalypse, Revelation! Brothers and sisters, we will close this message, titled, *Marriage And Divorce*, with the divine objective of God for instituting Marriage. The Book of Genesis Chapter 1, verses 27-28 records: **“So God created Man in His own image, in the image of God created He him; male and female created He them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.”** The Lord first created the spirit man, and commissioned them to Procreate (Reproduce), that they might fill the whole earth. Hence, in Genesis Chapter 2, verses 20-25, the Holy Bible now provides: **“And Adam gave names to ALL cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field”,** (for they ALL preceded the creation of the Woman on Planet Earth. Hence, the Holy Bible states), **“but for**

Adam there was not found an help meet for him”, (a human companion, one with whom he would carry out the Commission). **“And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and He”** (God) **“took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from Man, made He”** (God) **“a Wo-MAN, and brought her unto the Man. And Adam said, This is now BONE of MY BONES, and FLESH of MY FLESH: she shall be called WoMAN, BECAUSE SHE WAS TAKEN OUT OF MAN”,** (AS A BY-PRODUCT OF MAN). **“Therefore shall a Man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his Wife: and they”** (both) **“shall be One Flesh”** (in their Offspring). **“And they were both naked, the Man”** (Adam) **“and his Wife”** (Eve), **“and were not ashamed.”** Now they were in the position to carry out the Commission of God, of Reproduction, that they might fill the earth with sons and daughters of God, who were to make up God's Human Family, the Lord God having already

gotten to Himself an Angelic Family. For as it is written in the Book of Prophet Isaiah Chapter 45, verse 18: **“For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God Himself that formed the earth and made it; He hath established it, He created it not in vain, HE FORMED IT TO BE INHABITED”** (BY HIS ELECT HUMAN FAMILY): **“I am the Lord; and there is none else.”** Brothers and sisters, as it stands today on Planet Earth, we have a population of about 7.5 Billion, for the devil got in the picture, and he was able to produce seeds for himself vicariously, through the Serpent, Evil Seeds who took over the earth, giving us a world that is filled more with Serpent Seeds, than with God's Seeds. Nevertheless, the last baby that will ever be born on this Planet, and the last Marriage that will ever be instituted on this Planet, will be at the very close of the Millennium, because in the Eternal Age, there will be no babies born, just as there will be no Marriages in the Eternal Age, for God's holy institution of Marriage would have served God's divine purpose, of producing on this earth,

God's Elect Human Family, who would have ALL gone through the process of Redemption, through Jesus Christ, and who are the rightful inhabitants of Planet Earth in Eternity. For God will use the coming Battle of Armageddon, and the Day of the Lord, plus the White Throne Judgment, to remove ALL Serpent Seeds, for they are nothing but encroachers on God's Green Planet! None of them will be on this earth in the Eternal Age! It is written in the Gospel of Saint Matthew Chapter 22, verses 29-30: ***“Jesus answered and said unto them”, (the Sadducees), “Ye do err, not knowing the Scriptures, nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they Neither Marry, Nor are given in Marriage, but are as the Angels of God in heaven.”*** In his sermon dated February 1965, and titled, *Marriage And Divorce*, beginning from paragraph 299, the Star Messenger to this Laodicean Age, gave the following admonition, declaring: ***“This is to my Church only. Not my Church...”***, (Not just my Local Church). ***“The Little Flock that believes me***

and follows me” (around the globe), ***“this is to them. The other day, knowing that when I tell you anything, it must come Thus Saith The Lord, then I had the Scriptures as He revealed it to me. But”*** (I prayed), ***“Lord God, what can I say to that congregation? I'll have separations. Man will be sitting on the porch and out in the yard, and everywhere else”***, (asking me), ***“Shall I leave her?” Women, ‘Shall I leave my Husband?’ ‘What shall I do?’”*** I said, ***“Lord, what can I do?”*** Something said to me, ***“Go up yonder in the mountain, and I'll talk to you.”*** And while I was up in the mountain, not knowing that down in Tucson (Arizona) ***“they were seeing It. But even the teachers called the children... my little girl and them from the schoolroom, and said, “Look yonder in that mountain! There is a fiery-looking amber Cloud going up in the air, and coming back down, going up in the air, and coming back down.”*** ***Glory to God!”*** (Skipping to paragraphs 306-314, the Prophet testified): ***“And***

the whole city, people, looked at It. On a bright day with no clouds nowhere at all, with this big amber Cloud hanging there; coming down like a funnel, and going back and spreading out. Friends, and then I'm closing, you can go from this. That's when This was being revealed to me, what I'm going to tell you right now, so don't miss It. Now I'm speaking to our followers only, who is following me and this Message only, Not the outside” (people). ***“Bear me record of this before God. Just to this group only! Now we are found in this Mess”,*** (in this Marital Mess), ***“because of Misinterpreted Theology”***, (Carnal Interpretations of the Word of God about Marriage and Divorce). ***“Is that right? That's why you Women Married the second time, and you Men”*** (did the same thing, you Married the second time), ***“because Misinterpreted Theology”***, (because of Carnal Interpretations of Men). ***“Now I want to show you something that He told me. And if God, our Creator, was questioned the question***

when He was here on earth, Jesus Christ”, (who was the incarnate God). “And when His Delivering Prophet came forth, Moses, down in Egypt, to bring the children out of Egypt, to put them in the Promised Land; and Jesus said here, that Moses seen the people in this condition, and he granted them a writing of Divorcement, because the situation was what it was”, (a very bad one). “... God permitted Moses, that Prophet sent to the people, to grant this writing of Divorcement to them. And in 1 Corinthians, the 7th Chapter, the 12th and 15th verses in the New Testament, Prophet Paul”, (who is actually Apostle Paul, for he was not a Prophet, but an Apostle, “The Apostle” to the Gentiles), “who met the same thing in the Church, and spoke this, “This is I, not the Lord.” Is that right? Because of the Divorce conditions” (that existed in his day, in that day). “It wasn't so from the beginning.” But Moses was permitted it, and God recognized it as righteousness. And Paul also had a right, when he

found his Church in that condition”, (that terrible Marital condition). “Now you believe This to be true, and believe It to come from God! And by the vindication of His Cloud”, (the supernatural Cloud), “and His Message that's brought me this FAR, should not God upon the mountain permit me to do the same thing, to suffer you to go on the way you are, and do it no more?! GO WITH YOUR WIVES AND LIVE IN PEACE, FOR THE HOUR IS LATE. THE COMING OF THE LORD IS AT HAND. We haven't got time to break these things up. DON'T YOU DARE TRY TO DO IT AGAIN! I'm speaking only to my congregation. But if you are Married... And God bore me witness of that, on the mountain, that I could say This, a supernatural revelation, because of the opening of The Seven Seals, and this is a question in God's Word. “LET THEM GO ON IN AS THEY ARE, AND SIN NO MORE!” “It wasn't so from the beginning.” That is right, it wasn't so, AND IT WILL NOT BE AT THE END. But under modern conditions, as

God's servant... I won't call myself His Prophet; but I believe maybe, if I wouldn't be sent for that, I'm laying a ground for him when he does come. So, under the modern conditions, I command you to go to your home, with your Wife now. If you are happy with her, live with her, raise your children in the admonition of God. But God be merciful to you if you ever do that again! You teach your children to never do a thing like that, bring them up in the admonition of God. And now that you are as you are, let us go now, at the late evening hour that we're living in, and “PRESS TOWARDS THE MARK OF THE HIGH CALLING IN CHRIST,” where ALL things will be possible.”

Brothers and sisters, may I add, and I say this only by the grace of God, based on the understanding of the truth that the Lord has given me, in His sovereign elective love and mercy, and knowing the justice and faithfulness of the Lord, for I am nothing. To those of you who are living under serious Marital oppression,

living in constant and perpetual misery and pain, with no peace of mind or joy, being treated as foot mats, slaves, and constantly tormented and terrorised, put down and abused, even physically abused (beaten), IF God, under the blood of bulls and goats, could deliver the righteous Abigail from the hands of **Nabal**, her spouse, **“a son of Belial”**, how much more will God, under the most precious blood of His Son, Jesus Christ, deliver you from your horrible and wicked spouse. But He will do it in His own way, and in His own time. Only be faithful, and live humbly for God in the Continuing Light of the Word of Jesus Christ, and He will show His hands of

mercy, for He sees and knows the pain you bear. We most certainly want to live for God, and get ourselves ready to leave this accursed demon-possessed world, a most chaotic and tumultuous world, one that is on its way out, a world taken over and ruled by Serpent Seeds! For as it is written: **“Now The Just Shall Live By Faith.”** (Heb. 10:38). There will be deliverance for the Elect Bride Seeds, for God will give His people Peace and Joy, for the Great Revival of the Royal Bride is Coming. Therefore, let us ALL stay in the Light, and live the Truth, looking to God for grace, as true **“children of Light”**, that our lives may reflect his Light. And although we

cannot have a Perfect Marriage, because there is No Perfect Man, except the Man Jesus, but we can at least have a Good Marriage, one that is exemplary. May our Marriage, therefore, be a reflection of the beautiful, harmonious, and loving Marriage Relationship that Exists between the Royal Christ and his Royal Bride, that our Marriage may be a Light in Darkness, a Shining Light in an extremely Dark and Evil World, where God's Marriage Institution, a Holy Institution, has been turned into a total mess. May God help us ALL. Let us bow our heads in prayer. (Brother Amos prayed).

The Lord bless you.

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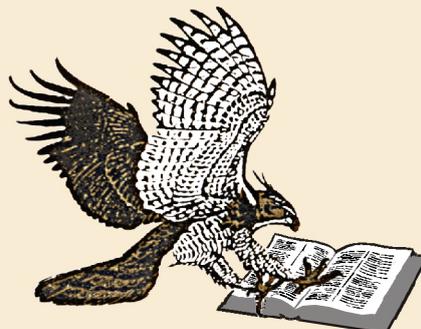
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