Galatians Lesson 2-10-19

1. Last week I taught in part Gal 5:20. When the clock tolled 10:45 we were in the middle of a study of the Greek word **Pharmakeia** by way of a review of the *Doctrine of Demons*.

- 2. Before continuing, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.
- 3. Here is an expanded translation of Gal 5:19.

Gal 5:19 "Understand, the production from the old sin nature is certainly seen in various sexual sins such as adultery, filthy thoughts and shameful sexual conduct ...

4. Now let's continue the study of Gal 5:20. The entire verse has been rendered in the NIV:

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Gal 5:20 idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, ...

5. When time expired last week I was in the process of reviewing the modern perils of demonism.

The Modern Perils of Demonism

- 1. Satan would have loved for Stalin and the International Communist movement to have been successful.
- 2. Lucifer's demons according to Daniel are involved in the affairs of national leaders.

Dan 10:12 Then he continued, "Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them.

Dan 10:13 But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia.

- 2.1 So you think you have a bad job, think of the leaders of the world with a special demon in their office whose goal it is to get them to think and act globally.
- 3. Satan does not want nations to exist. He wants internationalism to prevail. His strategy began rather early when the inhabitants of the planet decided to build a tower in deference to their false gods. One world with one language, religion and a giant tower reaching into the heavens was thought to be a good idea by mankind.

Gen 11:8 So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city.

3.1 Though many years passed nothing really has changed; demons have continued to be active just as they are today.

Acts 19:14 And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so ...

Acts 19:18 And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.

Acts 19:19 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

- 4. Did you ever wonder who is behind the move to get recognition in our country to sanction various languages rather than encourage the use of English and English only? From God's reaction at the tower of Babel, no doubt, he wanted national boundaries where people speak a national language. God's plan is for nations to exist with unique languages, customs, laws and music.
- 5. Our nation was originally begun by people coming from all over the world to seek a new life. And therefore, we are called the melting pot. In Thomas Sowell's Book *Ethnic America* this tall brilliant black man points out how acculturation is paramount in determining success or failure in any new land. Today we celebrate quite the opposite.
- 5.1. Thomas Sowell speaks to the causes of poverty among immigrants who come to America. He also talks of the many success stories among many immigrants. Satan loves to get people all hot and bothered over the lack of immediate equality for all.
- 5.2 God however, is not impressed with equality. He knows there are differences in people, i.e., IQ's, education, drive, expectations etc. The Bible teaches that even in the perfect environment of the millennium and the perfect environment of heaven, there is no equality. Jer 31:34
- 6. Satan loves international organizations of all types, certainly to include political, economic, military, religious and social. How has internationalism and world government fared over time? The Persian Gulf Coalition of George Herbert and George W. Bush come to mind.
- 6.1 Well, we rescued Kuwait and ousted Saddam but more than ten years later we are still fighting and American's are still dying.

- 7. The world is a crazy place and it would seem every time that we get involved with the UN, NATO and/or SEATO Americans die. Americans died in Korea, Americans died in Viet Nam, Americans died in the Persian Gulf and when special forces were sent to Somalia American rangers died, and an American ranger's body was dragged through the streets and desecrated.
- 8. President Obama gave billions of dollars in cash to Iran, the world's most infamous supporter of terrorism and now we find Iran in Lebanon threatening Israel from the north while the Palestinians threaten Israel from the south.
- 9. Why am I pointing all this out? Because the futility of internationalism is evident and has been since the end of the war to end all wars W.W.I. And we seem to learn nothing from history or the Bible. We will continue to have wars until the Lord Jesus returns. You have Jesus' promise on this.
- 10. Before we grab for our **drug of choice**, and hide our collective heads under the covers, let's put a positive face on things. What should we as a nation do?
- 11. We as the United States of America should act nationally from a position of moral and military strength to support policies deemed in our national interest.
- 12. This should be done without a whit of concern for the national interests of any other nation unless such nations are needed as allies. That's the Biblical perspective.
- 13. Well, now that we have exposed internationalism as the farce that it is. Will there ever be a time when it will be successful and the answer is yes!

13.1 During the first three and one-half years of the Tribulation under the leadership of the Antichrist internationalism and globalization will be successful but it will be short lived.

13.2 In the middle of the Tribulation Satan is cast out of heaven and begins working on motivating the nations of the world to attack and eradicate Israel. At the last battle of Armageddon Jerusalem is surrounded and the Lord of the Armies Jesus Christ intervenes to save Israel; for God shall send a deliverer out of Zion.

14. Let's look at a few verses from Zechariah where the attack and deliverance are described.

Zec 14:2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

Zec 14:3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

Zec 14:4 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

Zec 14:5 And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal ...

Zec 14:6 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:

Zac 14:7 But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

Zec 14:8 And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. Zec 14:9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

15. And after 1000 years of perfect environment Satan (who is chained during the 1000 years) is released for a short time and convinces the world that he and his minions can get rid of Christ and make it a better place.

Rev 20:8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog, and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

- 16. For now however Satan is the leader and the prince of planet earth. It is his world under the permissive will of God.
- 17. A new movement has replaced the cold war. A movement subtler than its predecessor, International Communism, and that movement goes under various names; it is called Socialism, Liberalism, Internationalism, etc. It is subtle and seemingly innocuous but that's what makes it so dangerous.
- 18. Perhaps the most insidious and thus the most dangerous is International Environmentalism. I don't want to dwell too long here but listen to what a famous but confused American has written about man and his relationship with the trees of this world.

"Most of the species unique to the rain forests are in imminent danger, partly because there is no one to speak up for them ... The Pacific yew can be cut down and processed to produce ... taxol (a raw material for a cancer fighting drug) ... "It seems an easy choice - sacrifice the tree for a human life ... Suddenly we must confront some tough questions. How important are the medical needs of future generations? Are those of us alive today entitled to cut down all of these trees to extend the lives of a few of us, even if it means that this unique form of life will disappear forever, ..." End of Quote from Al Gore's book, *Earth in the Balance*.

- 19. We have gone crazy in our nation with an apotheosis of diversity even to the point of injuring the very people we are trying to help.
- 19.1 Not only do we not help them by not demanding they acculturate but by giving them excuses for their failure; it is the cruelest of sympathies.
- 20. Statistical imbalances are seen today as evidence of discrimination even when reality would seem to prove otherwise. Minorities are taught that they fail not because of reasons for which they may be responsible but rather they are taught their failure is the system which is loaded with prejudice and warring against their success.
- 21. Politics rather than hard work is seen as the answer to the dilemma. The prophecy of Lord Macaulay on May 23, 1857, has come home to roost.
- "A democracy cannot survive as a permanent form of government. It can last only until its citizens discover that they can vote themselves largess from the public treasury."
- 22. To think that short people are not in the NBA because of discrimination is thought by most to be absurd and we can all laugh about it.

- 23. Thomas Sowell has written "Americans wouldn't tolerate inferior basketball on television just to accommodate short people and white people."
- 24. To think that white people are not playing in the NBA in proportion to their number in the general population because of discrimination is in the mind of most people laughable and rightly so. And yet when applied to fields of study, jobs, test scores, etc. we immediately jump to the conclusion that skewed statistical representation spells discrimination.
- 25. Sowell goes on to write, "Amazingly Americans will tolerate inferior plumbers, brain surgeons, teachers, lawyers, law clerks, etc. but not inferior basketball players ..."
- 26. If all this sounds ludicrous, we must face the indisputable fact that government agencies have been born and exist today based on often ill thought logic. There are lawyers, judges, administrative clerks and politicians who owe their livelihood to such balderdash.
- 27. Though it be balderdash to the thinking man, these people take it quite seriously and the long arm of government often reaches deep and into the operation of family, school, business and military organizations. Just think of the impact on our military when physical fitness requirements are dumbed down in order to accommodate same sex fitness tests.
- 28. Our former Attorney General Eric Holder was quoted as saying "Americans are cowards because we don't talk about racism." In fact, many have been talking and writing about racism but if you are not a wild eyed liberal, little distribution of your product will be made.

29. In this lesson I have quoted some of that written by Thomas Sowell. Many have wondered why we never get to see or read in the mass media the views of men like Dr. Sowell. Could it be because his views do not fit the guidelines established by the so called "free-press?"

30. Walter Williams, a former professor at George Mason University, who, like Thomas Sowell, happens to be black, has written recently:

"Black illegitimacy stands at 70 percent; nearly 50 percent of black students drop out of high school; and only 30 percent of black youngsters reside in two-parent families. In 2005, while 13 percent of the population, blacks committed over 52 percent of the nation's homicides and were 46 percent of the homicide victims.

"Ninety-four percent of the nation's homicides had a black person as their murderer. Such pathology, I think much of it precipitated by family breakdown, is entirely new among blacks. In 1940, black illegitimacy was 19 percent; in 1950, only 18 percent of black households were female-headed compared with todays 70 percent. Both during slavery and as late as 1920, a teenage girl raising a child without a man present was rare among blacks.

"If black people continue to accept the corrupt blame game agenda of liberal whites, black politicians and assorted hustlers, as opposed to accepting personal responsibility, the future of many black Americans will remain bleak. Clearly, there are differences in performance between races and even religions; for example, Muslims have won only 7 Nobel prizes whereas Jews, the hated enemies of the Muslim, have more than 120 Nobel prizes. So why would we want to discuss differences?"

- 31. It isn't cowardice Mr. Holder, so much as a contrived blackout of facts; a blackout perpetrated by the major media outlets. I refer you to supra paragraph 28 page 8 for Mr. Holder's quote.
- 32. Please do not forget there are exceptions in every racial discussion which disprove the rule; didn't a Jew Karl Marx give us communism, didn't Jimmy Carter the white southern male give us 17% interest rates, 12% inflation and 9.7% unemployment and wasn't it an Irishman named Reagan who solved these horrible problems?
- 33. The views set forth herein are symptomatic of the chaotic thinking born and encouraged by God's enemy, Prince Lucifer.
- 3. Now let's see what we can learn from Gal 5:21 where the list of the fruits of the flesh continue.

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Gal 5:21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

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Gal 5:21 and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

1. So far Paul has listed for the believers in the Province of Galatia the following production emanating from their collective uncontrolled old sin natures: sexual sins, filthy thoughts, adultery, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness and orgies.

2. Let me give you a translation of Gal 5:20-22 from the Berean Bible:

Gal 5:20 idolatry and sorcery; hatred, discord, jealousy, and rage; rivalries', divisions, factions,

Gal 5:21 and envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit, is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness ..."

3. Now let's see what we can learn from an exegesis of Gal 5:21. The entire verse has been rendered in the NIV:

KJV-Sentence Continues

Gal 5:21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

1. Let's first look at the three fruits of the flesh listed in verse twenty-one:

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- 1. **Phthonos** is well translated "envyings."
- 2. **Phthonos** is a noun/adjective declined as a nominative plural.
- 3.**Phthonos** appears nine times in Scripture where it is translated "envy, Envyings" and "envies." Examples:

Mat 27:18 For he knew that for **envy** they had delivered him.

Mat 27:19 When he (*Pilate*) was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

Phi 1:15 Some indeed preach Christ even of **envy** and strife; and some also of good will:

Phi 1:16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:

Phi 1:17 But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.

Phi 1:18 What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.

Jam 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

Jam 4:5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to **envy**?

Jam 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

1Ti 6:2 Those who have believing masters are not to show less respect for them because they are brothers. Instead, they are to serve them even better, because those who benefit from their service are believers, and dear to them. These are the things you are to teach and urge on them.

1Ti 6:3 If anyone teaches false doctrines and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching, 1Ti 6:4 he is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in **envy**, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions

1Ti 6:5 and constant friction between men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain.

1Pe 2:1 Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, **envy**, and slander of every kind.

1Pe 2:2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation,

1Pe 2:3 now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

End Lesson

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