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Gen 26:12-13

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What you eat can make you healthy or sick, depending on the type of diet you indulge yourself in; generally a diet consisting of junk food will bring a person to have all types of diseases such as heart attacks, high blood pressure and the like; a healthy diet on the other hand, increases the lifespan of a person and makes the person more active, lively, energetic and more productive.

The same applies to our spiritual lives; whatever we eat spiritually will either have a positive effect on us or it will lead us to spiritual decay or eventually spiritual death. Our spiritual ears and eyes are one of the best used gates for information intake; whenever something needs to be conveyed to us, it’s in most cases either conveyed to us through our eye gates or our ear gates; therefore it is imperative that we watch ourselves and see to it that no junk food is inserted unto us; ,(Luke 11:34-36) we can’t avoid what we see or hear; but we surely can avoid what we allow to enter us. As the saying goes;”you can’t stop a bird from flying over your head, but you can stop it from making a nest over our heads” There are so many well intentioned people who come with the intention of helping us, yet they end up destroying our lives when they are done. More like a baby trying to help its mother on a house chore, instead of packing things for example, the baby ends up unpacking everything! As much as the mother loves the baby, the mother might take the baby away or give him/her something to play with while the mother finishes doing the chores. Many people however are not like the babies we examined previously; *with good intentions*. Many are people with evil intentions to destroy us; the devil always uses such people to pollute us and we can’t allow such people around us. Psalms 1;1.Teaches us not to sit in the company of the scorners, the bible is very clear; “…evil company corrupts good habits” (1 Cor 15:33) we are sometimes deceived that we will change those relationships, to the better; far be it from the truth! Generally such cases are very rare. God will not support something he has not told you to do, whenever you associate yourself with people whom God has already told you to distance yourself from, he won’t support you in your endeavor to win that person over to him, generally it starts with a little chit chat and that is it. Next time you see yourself giving ears to all the negative things that “friend” has in store for you; you eventually start to sympathize yourself with that person and then all of a sudden you are speaking and acting just like that person. Psalms 1 from verse one, says that the person starts by *walking*, then *standing* and eventually *sitting* with the scornful. When the snake came to Eve, the mother of all creation; it said words, and when she gave hid to the words, the words started building up in her and eventually they gave rise to a decision. If only she would have stopped listening to the enemy of our soul…

When a snake bites, it does not kill immediately, the snake might run away but the poison in the body starts moving slowly, until it eventually reaches the heart and the victim dies. The enemy sets poison in peoples lips that can poison us through false teachings, preaching, songs that are not in line with God’s words and certain scenes in movies, television programs, internet, magazines etc. We need to watch what we see and hear, with whom we spend time with, if we are serious about our relationship with God. ”…A little leaven lifts up the whole lump” The Holy Spirit helps us in censoring what we allow in us and what we don’t allow, however it ultimately depends on our ***obedience***; if we are ***obedient*** to God’s voice we will eat the good of the land! We need to cut off relationships that are not godly, cut off programs that we know are offensive to the name of God and grieve the Holy Spirit; we need a change in our perspective for if we want to see God move powerfully in our lives, we need to divorce ourselves of all evil communication, obviously that does not mean people we cannot avoid; such as those living with us or those we find ourselves working with; in such cases we should use Godly common sense and let them know our stand as far as certain our relationship with God is concerned, lest you be polluted on a daily basis. The point here however, is those relationships we allow to penetrate into our lives and we have the power to say no to, but we continue living with and agreeing to what they say knowing full well, that it is against God’s will for us. God is a jealous God; he won’t show us much unless we decide to let go off those people and things that are a destruction to our spiritual lives; you cannot choose your family, but you can certainly chose your friends, Jesus knew that, and that is why when it came to choose his disciples whom he called friends; he prayerfully considered each one of them. That included even Judas whom he knew would eventually betray him; prayer made him discern each one’s ideals and motives; he knew that Peter was a loyalist and would help him advance his cause, therefore he kept him close to himself; the same applied to John and James whom Paul the apostle later said seemed to be the pillars(Galatians 2;9);Jesus knew that his friends could either help him or break him, therefore he chose wisely. Those we spend intimate time with are the ones who contribute greatly to our lives, if they are positive minded they will inject that in us as well; if they are negative minded and sinful in action then , just as a flu is contagious it’s just a matter of time before it contaminates you. Abraham found himself in a position where he had to choose between God and his nephew Lot, when his herdsman started arguing over grazing land and pasture (Gen 13).

I believe that Abraham had to leave Lot behind when God told to leave his kinsman behind; because Lot was his kinsman. When we disobey God and still continually follow our desires, we will struggle in our spiritual lives eventually those friends we took along with us will cause us problems, and we will have to separate from them if we want to hear God again,(Gen 13 v 8-9) Those “Lots” in our lives whom we thought would be helpful to us eventually have visions and dreams that are contrary o God(v10-11), Just a few chapters down and we see were Lot went to find himself (Genesis 19); amongst one of the most sinful people that ever lived: Sodom and Gomorra!

Only when we separate from Ungodly relations will God manifest himself again in a mighty way and we will be able to communicate to him unhindered ;Genesis(13;14-18).

Then and only then will our vision be clear, our lives will have greater meaning and we will be able to fulfill God’s great purpose for our lives!

Abraham is today called the father of faith; we are called the seed of Abraham, all this because of his obedience and faith in God; what great covenant God made with Our father Abraham; it is no coincidence that even The Lord Jesus came as a seed of Abraham. Jews are proud to be associated with him and Moslems clam his lineage as well.

Abraham was great, and God wishes to make you great as well, in your walk with God there is nothing as great as being what Abraham was called; a friend of God! You are a friend of God because Jesus called us friends!

Peace and Grace unto the saints!

Amen!