

## July — September 1987 Word

“Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: **It is good for a man not to touch a woman...**” (1 Corinthians 7:1)

“**But if they cannot control themselves, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to be consumed with lust.**” (1 Corinthians 7:9)

“**He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord: But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife [or husband].**” (1 Corinthians 7:32,33)

“**Art thou bound unto a wife? Seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? Seek not a mate.**” (1 Corinthians 7:27)

“**But this I say, brethern, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none...**” (1 Corinthians 7:29)

“**For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.**” (Matthew 22:30)

Whoa! Are these scriptures in the Bible? Why do we never hear these in our wedding ceremonies or wedding instructions? Let us think upon this. What is God saying to us?

1. Throughout Paul's Epistles, God beckons us to come out of the dead church and the dying, lust-filled world and yield our lives to Him. Nowhere does the Scripture say one should come out of the world and enter a seminary, convent or Bible school. **God wants to own our lives and free us from being subject to the will of another or the doctrines of a phony church.** Please people!!! For the kingdom's sake, hearken to the call of the Spirit; the hour is late. God's judgments are in the land.

2. In 1 Corinthians 7:9, Paul says that the only reason for marriage is to keep our lust in abeyance. **The roots of marriage are in the lusty, greedy world.** He doesn't say that God wants more children, therefore get married. He doesn't talk about “falling in love” (Notice in that

cliché, the word is “falling” in love). He just says if you're too horny and do not have the faith that God can crucify your flesh with its lust — get married.

In Galatians 5:24, Paul also says that those who are **truly Christ's and are truly born of God, these have crucified the flesh with its affections and its lusts.** Once the flesh is crucified, marriage is annulled — the two that were one flesh are not united. They each belong to God. That flesh with its affections is sick and cannot enter the kingdom (1 Corinthians 15:50). Please, do you hear the cry of the Spirit? Married or unmarried, the flesh is sick and must be crucified; but it is easier to follow Christ and get free from our flesh if we're unmarried.

3. Now let us study 1 Corinthians 7:33. If you marry, you will love the things of the world — “how” [we] may please [our] wife [or husband].”

What's this? The Scripture says that if we are married we will love the things of the world, how we will please our husband or wife instead of pleasing God. Yet in 1 John 2:15, the Holy Spirit is admonishing us: “Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.” Now the problem arises, do we obey God or man? If we obey God, we will eventually

get freed from our jealousies and covetousness, our lust, and also the relationship with our mate. For our union in the flesh will give way to the Word [or Christ] becoming our flesh, and a joining to the Lord by the Spirit.

Can you see now why the family unit is being shaken? There is a “still hidden” church yielded to the work of the Holy Spirit who have dared to believe God for total redemption from the world. And this beginning of the birth of a new creation is shaking the old foundation. Remember, in the resurrection there is no marriage (Matthew 22:30). When and where is the resurrection? Here and now — hidden from the eyes and ears of the greedy, carnal nature. When Christ sat down on the throne with the Father, he had completed the work for us to follow.

How many of you are aware that a new creation is being birthed by the Holy Spirit? This new creation is as different from our old “animal human nature” known as the first Adam, as day is from night (1 Thessalonians 5:5 and Ephesians 5:8). This fallen family we are all a part of is having to give way to a brand-spanking new child of God. The first family are children of wrath, envy, jealousy and are children of disobedience and children of the night. Thank God He is bringing forth His children fashioned after the image of His Son — gentle, easy to entreat, without desires, competition or jealousy.

Don't let any glib-tongued pastor, evangelist or teacher tell you that Christ paid the price for you. To become this new creation, you too will drink the cup (Matthew 20:23) — you too will pay the price. What price? Every bit of your old life — husband, wife, money, possessions, children, kingdom: ALL! He is the way, the truth and the LIFE, and we are to follow Him through the cross where we will find our freedom from envy, jealousy, striving for a family and striving for a kingdom. All is wrenched from us at the cross, the doorway to LIFE.

Father, a new day is dawning. Those attuned to Your Spirit are aware of it. Put a spirit of truth in Your children and then give us that courage and that compass that will direct us through the eye of the needle into Your heart.

In that painful experience where we eat Your flesh and drink Your blood, let us trust You as we trade our old life for Yours.

Remember, Christ said He would come as a thief, not to bring peace, but a sword; setting at variance the members of the sick “human” family. He has come not to make us a better person, not to improve the old fallen nature or put patches on old wineskins, but He has come to kill off our old nature, our old personality, and bring forth a new creation.

We have yet to see the ministry of the Father or the people who know Our Father who can purify the church. Thus far, all ministries have fallen short of reconciling the people to God. The price to pay is too great, so they give a message using the name of Christ in vain, subtly avoiding the cross. Oh, wretched church that has sold its soul to the world, wake up, for time is running out. The Kingdom of God is at hand.

Remember also that Jesus promised that all we give up will be returned in the kingdom one hundred fold and three hundred fold, with God having jurisdiction over everything and everyone. Sorrow and tears endureth for the night but joy cometh in the morning (Psalm 30:5). We are coming out of the dark, perverted night into a beautiful new morning. Can you hear the angels sing as they see all of us returning to our heavenly estate?

God's judgments, which seem so negative, are indeed very positive, life-producing and cleansing and to be desired by us all — painful as the healing process is.

Wonderful Counselor, oh holy Father, thank You for Your magnificent transforming power. Thank You for Your plan for the ages that is upon us setting us free from death, hell and the grave. We pray You remove the false leaders so the people will turn solely to You. The hour is late, the night is far spent, and the Kingdom of heaven awaits those of us who will enter in. Thank You for going before us and preparing a place for us. We worship Thee, oh One, True God. We bless Thee, oh Gentle Savior, Jesus, and we magnify Your persistent Holy Spirit.



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*Dear Friends,*

*Hello once again. We all consider this a very special privilege to just chat with you every three months. Thank you all for your kind prayers, letters and calls as we at Piecemakers continue to lay down our lives and pioneer through spiritual powers as we find our way back to our precious Creator.*

*As you all know by now, our first priority is our obedience to God, making Piecemakers a tabernacle for Him, and secondly, attending the store so His people can partake of His presence and also tap their own creativity.*

*A lot of new things are bursting forth at Piecemakers. First off, hip, hip, hurray! Our Julian dream is becoming a reality... and as usual, not the way we expected. We purchased a house where we can begin to have “pajama party” weekends of classes, walks in the woods, and smell the bacon frying.*

*Well, there is much more. We will provide the transportation for a weekend of classes in Julian. Call and ask for Kathy or Joanna or any of us for further information. The Ketchersides in Julian have been most gracious and helpful getting us situated. They also have a fun “Bed and Breakfast” in Julian.*

*Have you visited our warehouse village? Please make this your own delightful experience. Reduced prices for quantity buying and a large year-round sale table make this a unique experience.*

*You’ll see the men and women at work in the village stores... furniture making, wood for the classes being cut in our woodshop, pictures being matted and framed in our matting shop... Carol, Marilyn and Deborah busy making books and calendars... bag machine cranking out plastic bags, shipping and receiving, and oh, yes, if you come on the right days, you’ll see little Leigh Ann toddling up “the street”.*

*Have you seen our new ribbon imported from France? It is wired, and is so beautiful and different from any other ribbon we’ve ever seen.*

*How many of you have tried our candies? We will be getting several new lines — fine chocolates, some made locally and some imported. There is nothing better than a little “lift of energy” to keep your hands busy far into the night.*

*We will also be starting spinning classes and will have spinning wheels for sale soon. Talk about “back to basics”!*

*Fourth of July “Festival of Booths” will be a special time for all members of the family. See the original creations of local talent for sale in individual booths. Valerie will be there with her miniature pony and pony rides, compliments of Torelli Realty! The Yankee Doodle Dancers from Linda’s Dance Studio of Costa Mesa are earning their way to Russia and will entertain us with their creative dancing. In addition, on the 4th, there will be a family-style picnic barbeque and a chance to win a door prize, plus games for the kids, top-spinning contest, nail-pounding contest and more. Check the store for details about a quilt raffle too! See you all then! Be sure and check the rest of the schedule for more new happenings at Piecemakers. All for now — ‘til next time — we all send God’s blessings from us here at*

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