

# When the Children of God Mix With the World

by C.H. Spurgeon

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*Children of God must maintain a peculiar walk of separation from the world to avoid mischief and evil.*

**Scripture:** Genesis 6:2-3, Exodus 33:16, 2 Corinthians 6:17, James 4:4, 1 John 2:15-17

**Topics:** "Separation from the World", "Holiness"

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## Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes the divine intention for God's chosen people to remain separate from the world, highlighting the dangers of conforming to worldly ways. He illustrates that the inclination to blend with the world leads to mischief and harm, drawing parallels to biblical examples where such mixing resulted in judgment. Spurgeon warns that the distinctiveness of God's people is crucial, as they are meant to be a separate tribe, and that joining what God has separated brings abundant evil.

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## Transcript

The chosen family was intended by the divine purpose to dwell alone and maintain a peculiar walk of separation. The seed of Abraham was ordained to be in the highest sense a Nonconformist tribe, a race of separatists. Their God meant them to be a distinct people, entirely severed from all the nation among whom they dwelt; and so they must be, but the inclination to be like their neighbors was very manifest in Jacob's family....

Children of God cannot mix with the world without mischief. The world does hurt to us and we to it when once we begin to be of the world and like it. It is an ill-assorted match. Fire and water were never meant to be blended. The seed of the woman must not mix with the seed of the serpent. It was when the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair, and took of them as they pleased, that the deluge came and swept away the population of the earth. Abundant evil comes of joining together what God has put asunder.

From a sermon by Charles Haddon Spurgeon entitled "Family Reformation."

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