

# Led by the Spirit of God - Part 4

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*Milton Green emphasizes the necessity of a pure heart and true love for God to fulfill His commandments and avoid the pitfalls of false teachings and idolatry.*

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**Scripture:** Proverbs 9:10, Proverbs 12:1, Proverbs 14:12, Proverbs 21:2

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## Description

In this sermon, the preacher emphasizes the importance of following God's commandments and avoiding sinful behavior. He warns against being lovers of self and money, and highlights the consequences of disobedience to parents and other actions that break God's love. The preacher urges the congregation to recognize their need for instruction and discipline, and to avoid being deceived by pastors who entertain and seek idolatry. He references various passages from the Bible, including Proverbs, Galatians, Matthew, and Deuteronomy, to support his teachings on wisdom, the law of God, and the commandment to love one's neighbor.

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## Transcript

See, you're fulfilling God's law with a form of godliness. You're not doing nothing, but be honest with yourself. All you do is show up and bring your money.

The more you give, the more you do, the better Christian you are. And you don't know how to deal with nothing. The only thing you know what to do is what this man tells you.

He's got this word chained to the pulpit. That's the only thing you know, because he's got academics. He knows foreign languages and things.

So you put your trust in men, and you follow a blind leader to the pit. So what is the purpose, folks, of the commandments of God? Did he say over there you're going to love the Lord with all your heart and your neighbor as yourself? Look at verse 14. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word, in the statement.

You shall love your neighbor as yourself. May I ask you something? The man that has a pure heart and has put to death the deeds of the flesh, you're going to bear this fruit of love, joy, peace, long-suffering. Does this man up there love the Lord as himself? That's what the Spirit of God and Jesus came to do in you, to put a heart in you like him.

Because the commandment of Jesus says this, John 15, 12. This is my commandment, that you're going to love one another just as I love you. That's no idle word.

This is something, a form of godliness. That's another scripture just plain the way it's in your Bible. Greater love has no one than he lay down his life.

Have they ever explained, have you ever known in your whole life what laying down your life was? No, you've not known. Be honest about it. We haven't known what laying, it's just words that we use.

We don't know. Laying down your life is laying down the whole flesh and you have to give it up. If you don't give it up, it's going to remain idolatry to you.

If you give it up and lay down your life, then the Spirit of God leads you to overcome it because you love the Lord. The only way you're going to lay it down is to love the Lord more than you do this fleshly nature and character of Satan. That's the church of Jesus Christ.

And then when you have a pure heart, what kind of heart do you think you'll have? You're going to be holy. You're going to be blameless. You're going to be spotless.

And that's the bride that Jesus Christ is coming for. That was a pattern that we saw last night. The Israelites, they didn't go in and possess the land.

And then their bodies fell in the willows. Isn't that right? Can I tell you something? If you don't go in and possess the land, your bodies will also fall in the wilderness. How many see that? Hold up your hands.

Now, all of a sudden, you're learning the fear of God. How many have learned the fear of God right now? It's not no jokes and funs and games anymore, is it? It becomes a pretty serious thing. The whole law is fulfilled in the word, you shall love your neighbors as yourself.

That's the reason you have to have a pure heart. This is the reason Jesus comes. Hey, folks, how many know what salvation is now? Which end is it? Back over here when you start? Or you endure it to the end? There you go.

See, folks, listen. We learn to say we're saved. Saved from what? We learn to say, well, I repent of my sins.

What is sin? Don't even know what sin is. Sin is when I go to a beer joint or I'm a homosexual. We learn to say these words in a religious language and don't even know what they mean.

Sin is breaking the commandments of God's law. That's what sin is. And that's the reason it can't be explained and defined what sin is, because it turns down all the theology.

When you start defining what holiness and righteousness and where the powers and armies are working and what sin is, it messes up all the theology. And it's better to change the Word of God than it is to stop and it's captured your heart like doctrines that do not conform you to Godliness. Honey, there's over 400 teachings and doctors in this country.

I hope you, and we sit around asleep and don't realize that somebody's got to be wrong. And now what's happening today is the grace of God's moving in. People have been taught all our lives to be bored by the Word of God.

Hear a little sermonette for Christianettes. The clock strikes 12 and the dead arise. You know, the powers of darkness start attacking you.

Don't sit there over 20 minutes. Give me two scriptures and tell me some nice stories faster. And then a pastor entertains you because he wants to be an idol in your heart.

He pulls out good things and tell you how righteous you are, and you're stiff-necked, stubborn, and hellish rebellion. While hell and demons are eating you up right, you sit in a pew. Can you hold all these places? Turn on me to Proverbs.

I'm going to show it to you as we come to it right there. And when God says look at it, we're going to look at it. I'll tell you what, you can just let Galatians go, but you keep holding on to Matthew 5 and Deuteronomy 6. We're going to Proverbs here a minute.

I want you to turn to Proverbs 5. All right, now let's just see there. We're in Proverbs 5, okay? Here we go. For the lips of a what? Now, let's just stop here just a minute.

Let me just have you to understand what adulterous is. Just stop and look at me up here. Adulterous is someone that comes into a form of godliness.

And over here they bless God. And they go over here and they curse their neighbor. They still walk out of the nature and character of Satan.

If you're led by the Spirit of God, you're going to overcome it. See, when you practice these things, it proves you're not being led by the Spirit of God, or you'd put it to death. And number two, it proves you're not walking in peace.

Amen? You don't have peace. So then that's what it says, This wisdom, not that which comes from above, where you come here and bless God, I love you, God, and then come over here in anger and unforgiveness, resentment and criticism and everything towards your neighbor. Amen? Are you hearing what I'm saying? Now, see, that's the way we've been taught to walk.

James 4, verse 4 said, You adulterous, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? If you wish to be a friend of the world, in other words, you're going to kill them with their gossip and unforgiveness and slander. You're going to speak to these churches like this. You make yourself a friend of the world, you are the enemy of God.

You whore, you harlot, you adulterous, you're not the bride of Christ. This wisdom doesn't come from above, but it's worldly. It's the way the world walks and talks.

It's fleshly. Prepare to God, be led by the Spirit of God, puts you to death. It's fleshly, natural, and it's all your listening and being led by the mnemonics.

You're still listening to these demons of unforgiveness, hatred, and criticism. You're not taking every thought that catches you. Are you hearing what I'm saying? You're adultery.

Now that's the ones who lead you in the form of godliness and they deny the power of God. How do you deny the power of God? You're born again through the Word of God. Amen? The Word of God warms your heart.

Amen? So you have a pure heart and fulfill God's will through Christ. Amen? There's no other way to do it. Now, let's just look there.

Let's look at this adultery, poverty, and sin. My son, give attention to my wisdom. You know what wisdom is? Jesus is our wisdom.

The Word is wisdom. Isn't that right? Incline your ear to my understanding that you may observe discretion and your lips may reserve knowledge. For the lips, that's the mouth of adulterous, poor, harlot church.

They drip honey. Then smoother as all is her speech because they'll lead you in fleshly achievements and boast in you and tell you how great and sweet you are in your stiff-necked, stubborn rebellion. But in the end, she is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two-edged sword.

Her feet go down to death because they lead you into the flesh and to walk into the flesh is death. Her steps lay hold of shield. She does not ponder the path of life.

Her ways are unstable and she doesn't even know it. Is that the way it is today, folks? They're walking the walk of death and don't even know it. Being burned up and destroyed by the powers of darkness just like a moth eating away at rottenness and don't even know it.

Now then, my son, listen to me and do not depart from the words of my mouth. Keep your way far from her and do not go near the door of her house. It's a distorted gospel.

And if you do go there and become a part of it, lest you give your vigors to others and your ears to who? I can't hear you. Wonder who that cruel one is. That's the powers of darkness.

When you go in and walk with a harlot right there who's obeying to God, see, that's another gospel and another Jesus. And you give your ears to a cruel one because she leads you, adulteress leads you after the things that breaks God's law and the powers that aren't there. A cruel one can come in and destroy you.

Sickness, disease. Are you hearing what I'm saying? Torment and hell. It's what we've been living in.

Now, verse 10. Lest strangers be filled with your strength. That's them.

They'd steal your strength and your hard-earned goods go to the house of an alien and you groan at your letter in. See, your days are not prolonged. Are you hearing what I'm saying? You're wiped off the face of the earth when your flesh and your body are consumed.

Are you hearing what I'm saying? And you have to admit you're going to have to say in your heart, you're going to have to say how I have hated instruction and my heart has respurned what? Proof. See, look here. The adulteress, listen to me, folks.

Look at me. The adulteress shows you a way in. She shows you a way to heaven where you don't have to take up your cross.

She uses all the Bible, but she leaves out the parts. That's discipline and reproof. You don't have to take up your cross.

You don't have to die. They show you another way into heaven. That's adultery.

Jesus said anyone that loves his life is going to lose it. But whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel, he's the one who's going to save it. If you have to give up selfish ambitions, the harlot tells you not to do that.

So that's the reason the form of God has had lovers of self, lovers of money, pride, unholy, ungodly, disobedient to parents and all the things that breaks God's law. And then you think when your flesh and your body is consumed, you're going to have to admit and say how I've hated instruction and my heart has spurned reproof and discipline. Verse 14, I was almost in utter ruin.

Right in the middle of the assembly and the congregation. Do you see it? This is where we find ourselves. Look at verse 21.

For the ways of a man are before the eyes of the Lord. And he watches all his past. His own iniquities are going to capture, will capture the wicked.

In other words, you know the righteous, look at me, folks. The righteous judgment of God by your standard of measure, it's going to be measured. When you walk on that stuff, you get captured.

When you obey God, he's got a hedge around you and you walk in peace. Because when you walk in God's way, you walk in love. When you walk in a harlot's way, you walk in double-minded.

The double-minded person receives nothing from God. The most amazing thing, folks, there's a whole new Bible right here. And I want to tell you something, beloved.

I don't care where you come from, the Lord will show it to you. He put you, you quit, get your eyes and heart off of men. Now, that doesn't mean that we don't have authority and everything, spiritual authority.

But you're going to recognize authority. You don't submit to a man just because he goes by the name of evangelist or pastor or teacher and everything. He's someone that's walking and going the way of the Word.

Amen? That's how you submit. Now, and his own iniquities will capture the wicked, verse 22, and he'll be helped with the cords of his sin. Are you seeing how that happens? That's the law of God.

He will die for lack of instruction. And in the greatness of his folly, he will go astray. Let's look at chapter 8. Here's Jesus.

Jesus is wisdom in here. You know Jesus is wisdom, okay? Verse 34, chapter 8, 34, Blessed is the man who listens to me and watch daily at my gates. He's waiting at my doorpost.

In other words, he's listening for the Lord. Folks, when you get your mind on the Lord, he's always got something good to say. Verse 35, For he who finds me, Jesus says, finds life, and he obtains favor or blessings from the Lord.

But he who sins against me, if you sin against the Lord, what does it say happens to you? You injure yourself because you break the commandments of God's law, righteous judgment, and then a hedge comes down, the power structures move in, and then you get wounded. Is that what your Bible says? And those who hate me, what do they do? Love death. In other words, the ones who do not obey the commandments of God through Christ hate death.

I mean they love death instead of life. Is that true? Now look what Jesus says right here. Wisdom, that's Jesus, verse 1, chapter 9, verse 1, hath built her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars, she hath prepared her food, where it says prepared her food, put the word there.

She hath mixed her wine, the wine is a teaching, that you drink, we take a teaching, you drink it by taking it to heart. She hath also set her table, that's Jesus, hath set his table, now we got the word teaching and the table is covenant. She hath sent out her maidens, that's the body of Christ, now we got the word teaching, covenant, and the body of Christ.

The maidens this body of Christ does, she calls from the top of the heights of the city, whoever is naive, let him turn in here, he who lacks understanding, spiritual understanding, she says, in other words, turn in here. Jesus said, come eat of my food, the word of God, come drink of the wine, my teaching I've mixed. Forsake your folly, limit the nature and character of Satan and live, repent, and proceed in the way of wisdom of God.

Which you can see, you're walking out the wisdom of the world, you're getting destroyed. Verse 7, he said, he who corrects a scopper, a scopper is someone who loves the character and nature of Satan, he gets dishonored for himself. And he who reproveth a wicked man, gets insults for himself.

Do not reprove a scopper, lest he'll hate you. You reprove somebody that walks out of the flesh, and they'll turn around and hit back. But you reprove now a wise man, and he'll love you.

You know why? A wise man knows he doesn't want any strongholds in his life. And see, let me tell you something, folks. I've got a lot more discernment about you than I have about myself.

I need other parts of the body of Christ to help discern some things I'm blind to in my own life. Amen? But we do it in a loving way, to come and help one another. We don't condemn one another.

I ain't showing somebody a speck, you gotta remember your own logs. Amen? Give a righteous man and he'll be wiser. Teach a righteous man and he'll increase in learning.

The fear of the Lord is beginning a wisdom. Now, folks, are we understanding what the fear of God is? And we didn't understand it before because we just sleep. Is that correct?

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