

THE PROGENY OF LIES

John 8:44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Translation: The devil is your father, and ye willingly perform the lusts of your father. He was also a manslayer from the first and continued not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When anyone speaketh a lie, he, therefore, speaketh according to his own kindred: and as his offspring, they too become complicit with his lies, for their father also is a liar and a progenitor of lies.

The insight shared by Christ reveals a spiritual dynamic worthy of our consideration. Throughout chapter 8, Jesus contrasts His Father in heaven with that of the Pharisees' father, the devil. He pointedly and repeatedly informs them of their spiritual pedigree. The Pharisees continually refer back to their natural lineage in Abraham, all the while Jesus continued to point them beyond Abraham and towards their spiritual family. Jesus made a distinction between the natural and spiritual lineage of men throughout the chapter.

Through the natural characteristics or physical actions of men, we too can now also appreciate the same manifestations and ongoing activity in the spiritual realm. Spiritual principles, along with any subsequent spiritual networks in heaven, are emphatically revealed on earth in nature through creation. For the invisible things to be known of God's holy nature in the heavenly's, is manifested to men through the physical world on earth even His identity, eternal power, and authority (see Rom. 1:19-20).

What we witness in the manifested physical world without argument has its beginnings in the invisible spiritual realm. It is no riddle as to why so much of our preaching and spiritual ministration deal primarily with the unseen world. We ideally preach to the spirit of the problem long before it is revealed in the physical. For we wrestle not with flesh and blood, but be sure, we do wrestle. If we only preach what we see, in many cases, we waited too late.

So, for the disciples, the revelation that lying was actually a familiar spirit was quite astonishing on its face. A familiar spirit, simply defined, is very straightforward; it is a spirit extremely familiar with that individual, and in this particular context regarding a lie in John 8:44, it is very familiar with the natural offspring of man through the family pedigree of that man. The natural family lineage is affected and influenced physically by the lie as it traffics among men and is translated from the spiritual realms unto the physical. What a revelation!

Christ wanted to reveal the evil networking that the lie operates through. By doing so, we should not be ignorant of Satan's program and the devices whereby he operates through even now both in the revealed world of the physical and natural or in the realms of the invisible and spiritual.

UN-NATURAL ALLIANCES

The Natural: There is a term called incestuous symbiosis. Some psychiatrists define this as one of the darker sides of mental disorders whereby family members worship the network of family regardless of the evil workings within. It is a sinister mental disorder surrounding the worship of family and leaves many victims in its wake.

Allowances for transgressions are made for family that others outside of the tight-knit lineage are not afforded. As this evil disorder metastasizes, families begin to lie for each other, knowing they are willingly shielding the family name, which eventually becomes paramount. Their family name and the legacy of their name trump truth.

At some point in time, a spiritual threshold is crossed whereby the continual cover-up of evil through excuses and justifications to immortalize the family name becomes normalized and even expected. This depraved lifestyle is passed down through the family lineage until evil is historically at best sympathized with, or worse, completely exonerated altogether simply for the exalting of the family name. The decades of this deplorable behavior render the entire family circle a lie to the point that they all need each other to support the facade of family unity. What begins as family first ends as family only. Lost in the chaos of evil and unrighteousness is truth.

EVIL ALLIANCES

The Spiritual: The same process occurs in the spiritual realm as is also revealed in the natural realm, with the spiritual lineage beginning in Satan. The church is not exempt from such activity today. As a spiritual family, there is no better venue to propagate lies than through the pulpit.

Theoretically, the pulpit is actually Satan's venue of choice to propagate deception and lies. Spiritual seed, both righteous and unrighteous (and preferably a combination of both), can be cast forth from the pulpit each time a deceitful minister preaches. Pergamos fell victim to this very abominable process by experiencing that same level and dimension of evil in its midst also (see Rev. 2:13-15).

The potential for evil men to operate in witchcraft is an inherent danger we should all be acutely aware of. The Bible sounds the alarm regarding falsity in the sacred desk. Evil men networking together in their lies will only increase the closer we arrive at the coming of the Lord, and many shall be deceived (see Matt. 24).

They often protect each other by offering pulpit shelter to each other. By day's end, all parties willingly and knowingly participate in a master cover-up of lies and deception. Deceived and being deceived, they ultimately assimilate with the current culture by becoming one in spirit and one in purpose, with the mind and trends of this age. A uniquely sinister family bond is cultivated among them as they war together against our historical standards and traditions of holiness and righteousness. They ultimately hold truth in unrighteousness (see Ro.1:18).

They consequently need each other, and the “spiritual family” connections become mandatory spiritual refuges to justify their deceptive natures. They start as living a lie until they become a lie. As God stripped the first man-slayer, Cain, of any future legacy of safety through righteousness, we read the context of John 8:44 to understand that Cain was also given over to a reprobate mind. As Satan, the father of lies, influenced Adam to sin, he also led Cain to commit the sin of murder. Jesus revealed, “...He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him...”

Cain’s spiritual father was a murderer and liar; thus, he deceived Cain to the extent that Cain became both a murderer of righteous men and a reprobate concerning truth, like father, like son. Henceforth, everything spiritual, such as in worship, sacrifice, spiritual authority, etc... was perverted by Cain to reflect his spiritual lineage. Whereas Abel operated under a Spirit of Truth, thus producing a more excellent sacrifice, Cain was clueless. He had no ability to exercise righteous judgment. As his spiritual father Satan was, so Satan’s spiritual offspring Cain was, “because there is no truth in him” also.

This adequately describes so much of what we see today through these newly formed spiritual “fellowships” of certain ministries coming together that at one time in their past would have never been united. Holiness men bonding with worldly men, forming unnatural if not evil, alliances. As the spirit of deception abounds, they all miraculously realize their collective need for each other. As a spiritual family, they willingly lay aside long-held convictions each had individually held for the sake of the family name. They now deserve each other and must protect both their image along with the collective image of the entire group.

TRUTH VS. LIE - Lies and deception become a spiritual family tradition through a spiritual family circle of abounding corruption and evil.

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