The Collision of the Restless

Matt. 12:43-45

- 43 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.
- 44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth *it* empty, swept, and garnished.
- 45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.

I was looking at the Thayer definition of seeking, and the first definition that pops up is: to seek in order to find. Those of us whom the Son has made free from the entanglements and entrapments of sin well remember when we were seeking in order to find from the things that offered us no hope, no joy, nor any peace.

Rest in Greek is an intermission. No longer did those unclean spirits have any "rest" in us, therefore making them restless and seeking in order to find some other lonely, unsuspecting soul in which to find "rest."

As the people of God, we shouldn't ever forget where our rest comes from:

Matt. 11:28-30

- 28 Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
- 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.
- 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Isa. 28:11-12

- 11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.
- 12 To whom he said, This *is* the rest *wherewith* ye may cause the weary to rest; and this *is* the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

This is where the restless finally find rest!!

In all of my years of serving the Lord, I have never seen as many "restless" Apostolic's looking for "rest" outside of the Spirit of God and our real and genuine relationship with Jesus Christ as I have today.

We are experiencing the collision of the "restless," "restless" Apostolic's looking for rest outside the confines of God's parameters of holiness and separation, colliding with the "restless" unclean spirits looking for another poor unsuspecting soul to find "rest."

When a child of God no longer gets their "rest" from a genuine relationship with Jesus Christ, they are no longer not only "restless," they become restless in their decision-making process and start looking for "rest" in things that will never give them that "rest" that they no longer have. When the "restless" collide, the results are catastrophic.

My prayer for the "restless" Apostolic is that they would quit fleeing to the passing fad that everyone is doing and is "supposed to be great!" and listen to what the Spirit is saying about their restlessness.

Isa. 30:15-16

15 For thus saith the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not.

16 But ye said, No; for we will flee upon horses; therefore shall ye flee: and, We will ride upon the swift; therefore shall they that pursue you be swift.

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