

The Most Cruel Of All Men

Ye mountains of Gilboa, *let there be* no dew, neither *let there be* rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, *as though he had not been* anointed with oil. (2 Samuel 1:21)

Of all men in God's creation, the meanest of them, and the most cruel, are those who once had the anointing upon them and lost it. Not only have they lost their anointing, but they have also lost all the things that accompany that anointing.

First of all, they lose their God-given discernment. They have no way of determining what is right and what is wrong. And so often, they call what is right wrong and what is wrong right.

Titus 1:15-16

15 Unto the pure all things *are* pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving *is* nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny *him*, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

Secondly, they lose their ability to lead spiritually, so now they lead through manipulation and fear. Those who are "lead" by the Spirit are those who are submitted. When a person loses the precious anointing, they lose the ability to submit. Qualified leadership understands that authority is

nurtured by submission. An unsubmitted soul cannot lead spiritually, so they manipulate, politic, coerce, threaten, and bribe.

Thirdly, Those who lose the anointing lose God-given compassion. And since compassion is gone, All they know how to do is to despise and hate. What cruel souls they become. They will go out of their way to injure or destroy anyone who they feel will outdo them. Since it takes love to nurture, and they have no compassion, they seek to destroy.

Fourth, because they lose their anointing, there is no more conscience. This means they no longer have the ability to feel conviction. These once noble and righteous men are now able to justify every evil deed and action they commit because they have no righteous sensitivity. When a soul loses its ability to feel shame and remorse, they become the epitome of evil.

Instead of loving the anointing and enjoying the fellowship of those Who are anointed, they seek to destroy anyone who has the touch of God on their life. They throw javelins and chase them instead of chasing the real enemy. They even seek to destroy innocent preachers, churches, and saints in their madness.

Lastly, when men lose the anointing, they are tormented by a spirit from hell. This does not mean that they are demon-possessed, but they are tormented and driven by another spirit.

Consider Saul

Saul had the anointing oil poured upon him and was given a new heart. He prophesied. Yet, he was disobedient, rebellious, and lost that precious anointing (1 Samuel 10:1-12). When God gave a great victory through Jonathan and his armor bearer, Saul attempted to destroy him, and blame him for heaven's silence (1 Samuel 14).

Heaven became silent to Saul because he was disobedient to Samuel, and instead of accepting his responsibility of disobedience, he blamed the people. He became image-conscious. He never repented; he never sought forgiveness but wanted Samuel to pray for him in front of the people (1 Samuel 15). IT WAS ALL ABOUT IMAGE. Because of his arrogance and pride, it opened the door for a tormenting spirit to replace the anointing. No soul is entirely empty (Matthew 12).

From that time on, anyone who was blessed by God became his enemy. He threw a javelin at Jonathan, who stood up for David. Instead of fighting the Philistines, the real enemy, he spent his energy chasing David from one Hill to another. On one occasion, he ordered the destruction of all the priests at Nob, At the hands of an Edomite named Doeg.

On the last night of his life, Saul is eating supper in a witch's tent, seeking to hear from God, who has been silent. He desires now the voice of his beloved preacher, whom he never

submitted to in the past. He finally ends his life by attempting suicide and had to be finished off by the product of his disobedience – AN AMALEKITE.

What a terrible spiritual monster a soul becomes when they lose the anointing! He died as though he had never been anointed with oil.

2 Peter 2 - FALSE PROPHETS - Once Were Real...

2 Peter 2:1-3

1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily (Privately or secretly) shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

2 Peter 2:10

But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous *are they*, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

2 Peter 2:12-13

12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

13 And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots *they are* and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you.

2 Peter 2:18-19

18 For when they speak great swelling *words* of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, *through much* wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error.

19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.

Original Greek: slaves of destruction by internal decay...
(Premier Study Bible)

2 Peter 2:20-22

20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog *is* turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Remember Judas

Matthew 26:24

The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born.

Matthew 27:3-5

3 Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What *is that* to us? see thou *to that*.

5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.

IN SUMMARY

Matthew 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.

How Great is that Darkness!

Matthew 6:23

But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great *is* that darkness!

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