

## **A wise man and a wise woman- Bro. Tim (23.9.12pm)**

We have received good food over the last couple of months. This food is served no where else.

Are you free from sin?

We have received some pointed messages over the last couple months. Some of them have been bitter- Prov. 27:7. We have a choice to receive or reject the words- one says it is heavy and hard, not necessarily something that I want to address; the other says, that doesn't relate to me. If you want to follow the Lamb, then take hold of the message.

The Egyptians journeyed out of Egypt, God delivered them thorough the Red Sea and from the life of bondage, but they began to think on these things, and they became bitter. They began to think that it was better to go back. When you consider to do the same thing, take stock of your life, deal with those bitter things. Take responsibility.

1 Pet. 5:5

If you think you need to harden up, this is not going to work. The world needs humility. When you resist God, you are in a dangerous location. vs. 6, 7- God cares for each one of us.

Are you wise? James asked this very question.

James 3:13

There were all sorts of people, theologians, philosophers, workers, husbands, wives- the same as there is today. There are a lot of people who would like to show their works, considering that to be wise in works. But James says that the works needs to be done in meekness. The people in the world can say and do what ever they like- but the those in the kingdom have their behaviour and works measured. It is one thing to say it, but another thing to live it.

This life is not a train ride- you can get into the habit of coming, listening and going to and from church; coming, listening and going. We need the Lord in every step. We need to actively take part in the body of Christ. It is one thing to take part and another to just partake. Singing, listening is not taking part- that is just riding the train.

vs. 14- if there is bitter, envyings and hatred in your heart, be honest with yourself.

vs. 15, 16- harsh words, not the type of words that you want to hear if you have been found out. If you have anything of these things, you aren't wise- deal with it. The first thing that the flesh wants you to do, is to push back the truth, the reality or sting of the words of truth. If any thing has bubbled to the surface over the last few months, deal with it- it is foolish to avoid conviction.

Envy, strife and confusion ought not to be in the church of God. They will destroy your life and that of your brothers and sisters. In Gods eyes, not the worlds eyes, that is what matters.

Acts 5

They probably didn't wake up and decide that they were going to deceive the brethren. It was something that grew. Ananias should have said to his wife, why don't you care for the brethren like you use to? Sapphira should have said to Ananias, why aren't you praying on your knees for the brethren like you use to? They thought that it was a wise thought, but it was earthly and devilish, which cost them their lives.

James 3:17

Take all of these things when you take the gospel to the unsaved. Wisdom needs to be taken from on high- not that of mans. It is pure- perfect. You should be convinced- Ps. 19:8- captivating the heart. You have to want to receive something from the Lord.

Real wisdom starts with purity. When you received the revelation, it was pure, like the breaking of day, something that you can only receive from the Lord. The world thinks that it can solve problems; to fix a problem you need to drown your sorrows in drink, alcohol, working harder, have some fun. God says get the pure word from him- give up earthly concepts, and get it from God.

Peaceable- wisdom is pure and full of peace. Purity brings peace. Wisdom of the world builds frustration and anger, instructing people to go here or there to get the answers, bringing anything but peace. God will always offer true peace and satisfaction. There are many people that will try and lead you to a peaceful location, but only God can put the peace into your life.

Gentle and easy to be entreated- appropriate, patient, good for persuasion. You ought not to wrestle each Sunday with the truth, you ought to seize it.

Ez. 11:19

The harshness should be long gone. Your heart should want to please their brothers and sisters. The heart of stone is gone. Patience is gone in the world today.

Mercy- true mercy looks beyond the outward. Food and water doesn't change anything spiritually; it might bring physical relief for a while, but not spiritual change. When the woman was being stoned, Jesus could have done anything, but he saw that hearts needed to be changed. He wrote in the sand and one by one, the people left, as their heart was pricked. The lady remained- she could have gone.

Mark 6:34

Many in the church believe that you give the world fun and food and then give them the spiritual but this is not what we are called to do. Take care of the spiritual first. Next time you have a choice, spiritual or physical? Next time you are put under pressure, your words and actions should be full of mercy and compassion.

Good fruits- how many of us want to go through the tough times to produce the good fruit? How many are willing to dig, toil, labour, sweat in order to get a grand garden? Just hire someone to do the job but you can't do that in the kingdom- you can't just come and sit and listen to the message, you have to dig, water, fertilize and weed. Good fruit comes from good food.

Without partiality- do you love the brethren? 1 Cor. 12:25- do you care for the brethren each the same way? Care means to be anxious about, take thought about. You might feel like- oohhh, why do I have to do.... for brother/sister...? You might not feel like coming to church, but come to encourage a brother or sister. If you don't, you are pushing yourself out of the body.

Without hypocrisy- the world doesn't need anymore hypocrites. Matt. 23 talks about hypocrites 7 times, rails on them. We avoid it by staying close to Christ. If we don't live it, don't preach it. Your life and my life is on display- the world doesn't need any more hypocrites.

This message has been a testimony of Bro. Tim- if you have not be moved over what you have heard in the last few months, you need to go over it again and again (you should be concerned). If you don't deal with the issues that have been raised over the last couple of months, you will be the one that misses out.

Ps. 36:9

Think on this verse this week.