

PEACE & JOY IN THE HOLY GHOST

Judging & Despising

- I. **Don't judge and despise others-Rm14:3**-Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not **judge** (pronounce an opinion concerning right/wrong) him that eateth...¹³Let us not therefore judge one another any more
- A. You have to know what people know before you are qualified to judge sin in their life-Js4:17-Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin-**1Tm1:13**-Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief-**1Sm16:7**- for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.
- II. **The Kingdom is about righteousnss, peace, joy in the holy Ghost-Rm14:17-KJ**-The **kingdom** (rule, realm, reign) of God is not meat and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost-**CEB**-God's kingdom isn't about eating food and drinking but about righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit-**IC**-In the kingdom of God, eating and drinking are not important. The important things are living right with God, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit
- A. They are making the kingdom about something it's not about-Peace and joy are that important the God said this is what the Kingdom is about
- B. One way you can tell how well you're doing spiritually is by monitoring your peace and joy levels-If you're living in a twisted state of being upset all the time, you're missing it-**Rm14:27-VO**-When God reigns, the order of the day is redeeming justice, true peace, and joy made possible by the Holy Spirit;
1. If you really are standing up for righteousness and doing it the right way, you're going to have joy and peace in the Holy Ghost
- III. **There's joy and peace and believing and joy and peace should mark believers-Rm15:13**-The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.
- A. Your hope is connected to your peace and joy-When you have hope, it gives you peace and joy because you're expecting something good
- B. Rejoice ALWAYS, be careful for NOTHING-Ph4:4-Rejoice in the Lord always...⁶Be careful for nothing; ⁹ Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you; **1Pt5:7**-Casting all your care upon him-**Jn14:27**-Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.
- C. A merry heart does good like medicine-Yielding to sorrow effects more than just your mood, it affects you spirit, soul and body-**Pr17:22**-A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones-**Pr15:13**-A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.
- D. Serve the Lord with gladness-Ps100:2-Serve the LORD with gladness
- E. In the kingdom of darkness, where the devil reigns, there is fear and sorrow-Not joy and peace which is the opposite of the kingdom of God
- IV. **Judging and despising affects your joy and peace and the moment you judge or despise you've lost your peace and joy-Js3:7**-For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind: ⁸But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹Therewith bless we (speak well of) God, even the Father; and therewith curse (Doom-Judge, condemn to punishment; Execrate-Abhor, despise) we men, which are made after the similitude of God. ¹⁰Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. ¹¹Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet (mild, soft, gentle) water and bitter (sharp, harsh)? ¹²Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so

can no fountain both yield salt (bitter) water and fresh (sweet). ¹³Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness (mild, humble, gentle, kind, not fierce, prone to anger) of wisdom. ¹⁴But if ye have bitter (sharp, harsh) envying (anger, indignation, fiery wrath) and strife (contention, provoke-angry, enrage, irritate, agitate) in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. ¹⁵This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly (worldly), sensual (natural), devilish. ¹⁶For where envying and strife is, there is confusion (instability, commotion, disturbance, tumult-agitation) and every evil work. ¹⁷But the wisdom that is from above is first pure (modest-not arrogant), then peaceable, (Free from quarrels, quiet, undisturbed, not agitated) gentle (mild-tender, kind, compassionate, calm, not fierce, rough, angry, agitated), and easy to be intreated, full of mercy (compassion, tender, kind) and good fruits, without partiality (without judging, JUB-Not judgemental), and without hypocrisy. ¹⁸ And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace

- A. Full of deadly poision-You can poision yourself with your own words and by judging and despising with your words you poision yourself
- B. Curse we men-Not speaking well of, judging and despising; When you judge and despise somone you're cursing them, not speaking well of them
- C. If we speak well of God, we shouldn't speak evil of men-**Tit3:2**-To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers (peaceable, not contentious), but gentle (mild, moderation), shewing all meekness (humility, gentleness) unto all men.
- D. Everytime you yield to rough, harsh, judging, despising you practiced the opposite of peace and joy-If you practice this you will not walk in God's peace and joy to the level that he wants because you're practicing the opposite-**Jsl:19**-Be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath
 - 1. You can't live in a swell of angst and taste of God's peace and joy-The devil wants to work you into a place that you are upset about something all the time and rob you of your peace and joy
 - 2. He was the prince of peace, anointed with the oil of gladness-**Is9:6**-Unto us a child is born...and his name shall be called The Prince of Peace-**Hb1:9**-Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows
- E. You can talk sweetly, you can talk harshly-This harsh talk is not conducive to a life of peace and joy-**Ps119:103**-How sweet are thy words unto my taste-**Ps64:3**-Who whet their tongue like a sword and bend their bows to shoot their arrows even bitter words-**Pr16:24**-Pleasant words are as an honeycomb sweet to the soul
- F. What kind of fountain it is, it only sends that forth-To be a fountain of peace and joy (bubbling up in, flowing out) you must only send that forth
- G. Wise people are meek for it is unwise to live harshly-Sharp, harsh, anger, contention, agitation, judging, despising is wordly-**Rm14:27**
- H. Where envying and strife is there is no peace and joy-To walk in peace and joy guard against living anger, irritation, agitation, contention
- I. Wisdom from above is peaceable-Unarrogant, gentle, merciful, not judge
- J. To live rightly you must live in peace-**Jsl:20**-Wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God; **Pr29:22**-A furious man aboundeth in transgression