## **Question 2083**

Offence of the Cross – Vision Document of The Bible University

## Answer:

It is very common these days to see Ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ at perfect peace and in total friendship with all sectors and players in society. Men of God are accepted and funded by Politicians, the Government, Members of Parliament, the Judiciary, Business Personalities, Academics, Bankers, in fact, everyone!

My question is: Where is the offence of the Cross? The identity of Christianity is one of a deep conflict between the Word and the World, but now, we see a deep comingling and friendship between the Ministers of the World and the Rulers of the World.

Is this the same Word of Faith that Jesus Christ left for us? Is this the same Word of Faith that the Apostles practiced? If it is the same Word of Faith that Jesus Christ left for us, then why was Jesus Christ so much hated, persecuted, and killed but we are at ease? If it is the same Word of Faith that Jesus Christ left for us, then why were the Apostles so much hated, persecuted, and killed but we are at ease?

The thing that is inside the true Gospel of Jesus Christ that attracts people to hate the person carrying the Gospel. Has that thing extinguished or disappeared? Let us consider the following verses to confirm our doctrine:

**John 15:18 (KJV)** If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you.

**John 15:24 (KJV)** If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

John 15:25 (KJV) But *this cometh to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.

**John 17:14** (**KJV**) I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

A true Preacher of Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God is a Preacher of conflict between the Word that he is preaching and the World! Here are the salient characteristics of the Christian Faith:

Matthew 10:32 (KJV) Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 10:33 (KJV) But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

Matthew 10:34 (KJV) Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

Matthew 10:35 (KJV) For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

Matthew 10:36 (KJV) And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household.

Matthew 10:37 (KJV) He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

Matthew 10:38 (KJV) And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.

Matthew 10:39 (KJV) He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

Men of God, this is the doctrine of Jesus Christ in Matthew 10:32-39 (KJV) that you are carrying, so how come all people love you? Jesus Christ Himself said that the Gospel that He brought to us is such a deep offence that it can attract death to you, so how is it that you carry the same Gospel but you are at ease, very comfortable, and living in luxury? Was Jesus Christ then lying when He said that?

**John 16:1** (**KJV**) These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.

**John 16:2** (**KJV**) They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.

**John 16:3** (**KJV**) And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.

**John 16:4** (**KJV**) But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

**John 16:5** (**KJV**) But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?

**John 16:6** (**KJV**) But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.

**Revelation 2:10 (KJV)** Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

## Brethren, two consequences are possible:

- 1. When you teach the true Word of Faith that Jesus Christ gave to us, you must produce conflict!
- 2. When you fail to teach the true Word of Faith that Jesus Christ gave to us, you must generate friends with all sectors and players in society!
  - Luke 16:8 (KJV) And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.
  - ii. **Luke 16:9 (KJV)** And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.
  - iii. Luke 16:10 (KJV) He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.
  - iv. **Luke 16:11 (KJV)** If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true *riches*?
  - v. **Luke 16:12 (KJV)** And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?
  - vi. **Luke 16:13 (KJV)** No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.
  - vii. **Galatians 5:11 (KJV)** And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.

As you can see the evidence in Galatians 5:11 (KJV), when you preach and teach doctrines that are contrary to Jesus Christ but which the world

loves, "then is the offence of the cross ceased", meaning that, then, you become a friend of the world!

James 4:4 (KJV) Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

**James 4:5** (**KJV**) Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?

Brethren, how do you justify your life as a true Man of God and not as a Servant of Satan when the very Gospel that you claim to carry is a Gospel filled with the Spirit of envy, the Spirit of conflict against the world, the Spirit of rebuke against the world, the Spirit of condemnation against the world, and yet, you are at ease, very comfortable, and friendly with the world?

**John 16:7** (**KJV**) Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

**John 16:8** (**KJV**) And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 16:9 (KJV) Of sin, because they believe not on me;

**John 16:10 (KJV)** Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

John 16:11 (KJV) Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

John 16:12 (KJV) I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

**John 16:13 (KJV)** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

**John 16:14 (KJV)** He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.

Is it possible to be a friend of the world and a friend of God at the same time?

**James 4:4 (KJV)** Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

Here are the Apostles teaching the true doctrine of Jesus Christ and attracting hatred, beatings, threats, and death:

Acts 4:17 (KJV) But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.

Acts 4:18 (KJV) And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.

Acts 4:19 (KJV) But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

Acts 4:20 (KJV) For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

Acts 4:21 (KJV) So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish

them, because of the people: for all *men* glorified God for that which was done.

Here is Apostle Paul teaching the true doctrine of Jesus Christ and proving that when true Men of God teach the true doctrine of Jesus Christ, great conflict and great dissension must arise! So, how is it that you claim to be a true Man of God, you have been teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for forty years, and yet everyone is happy with you and frolics with you in society?

Acts 23:9 (KJV) And there arose a great cry: and the scribes that were of the Pharisees' part arose, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, let us not fight against God.

Acts 23:10 (KJV) And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring *him* into the castle.

Acts 23:11 (KJV) And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.

Acts 23:12 (KJV) And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

Acts 23:13 (KJV) And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.

Acts 23:14 (KJV) And they came to the chief priests and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will eat nothing until we have slain Paul.

Acts 27:23 (KJV) For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,

Acts 27:24 (KJV) Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

If you train and you are instructed to become a Minister of the Word of Faith of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and your Ministry is not known for conflict, for rebuke, for controversy, for chastisement, for condemnation of sin and of unrighteousness, for discomfort, for Truth and for holiness, for helping the poor, the needy, the widow, the stranger, the fatherless, and the destitute, just as Jesus Christ and the Apostles did, then you have a different Gospel of Devils!

**Leviticus 19:17 (KJV)** Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

**Proverbs 9:8 (KJV)** Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.

**Matthew 13:52 (KJV)** Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe *which is* instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure *things* new and old.

**Luke 1:1 (KJV)** Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,

**Luke 1:2 (KJV)** Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word:

**Luke 1:3 (KJV)** It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,

**Luke 1:4 (KJV)** That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.

**2 Timothy 4:2 (KJV)** Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

**Titus 2:15 (KJV)** These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

**Revelation 3:19 (KJV)** As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Men of God, the Gospel of Jesus Christ never made people happy so how is it that congregations are clapping and dancing for you when you preach and teach the same Gospel of Jesus Christ? Is the audience's happy response to your teachings not sure evidence that you have a Gospel of Devils?

**Nehemiah 8:4 (KJV)** And Ezra the scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, *and* Meshullam.

**Nehemiah 8:5 (KJV)** And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up:

**Nehemiah 8:6 (KJV)** And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with *their* faces to the ground.

**Nehemiah 8:7 (KJV)** Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the people to understand the law: and the people *stood* in their place.

**Nehemiah 8:8 (KJV)** So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused *them* to understand the reading.

**Nehemiah 8:9** (**KJV**) And Nehemiah, which *is* the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day *is* holy unto the LORD your God; mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.

**Nehemiah 8:10 (KJV)** Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this* day *is* holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

**Nehemiah 8:11 (KJV)** So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day *is* holy; neither be ye grieved.

Nehemiah 8:12 (KJV) And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.

Ecclesiastes 7:1 (KJV) A good name *is* better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

Ecclesiastes 7:2 (KJV) *It is* better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that *is* the end of all men; and the living will lay *it* to his heart.

**Ecclesiastes 7:3 (KJV)** Sorrow *is* better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.

Ecclesiastes 7:4 (KJV) The heart of the wise *is* in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools *is* in the house of mirth.

Ecclesiastes 7:5 (KJV) *It is* better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.

Here is the response that Jesus Christ got when He taught the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the people! They nearly killed Him! So how do you preach and teach the same Gospel of Jesus Christ to the people and they love you, they clap for you, and they turn over all their monies to you? Is this alone not evidence that you have and teach doctrines of Devils and not the same Gospel of Jesus Christ?

**Luke 4:14 (KJV)** And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.

**Luke 4:15 (KJV)** And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

**Luke 4:16 (KJV)** And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.

**Luke 4:17 (KJV)** And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

**Luke 4:18 (KJV)** The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

Luke 4:19 (KJV) To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

**Luke 4:20 (KJV)** And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

Luke 4:21 (KJV) And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

**Luke 4:22 (KJV)** And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

Luke 4:23 (KJV) And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.

**Luke 4:24 (KJV)** And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country.

**Luke 4:25 (KJV)** But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;

**Luke 4:26 (KJV)** But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, *a city* of Sidon, unto a woman *that was* a widow.

**Luke 4:27 (KJV)** And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.

**Luke 4:28 (KJV)** And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,

**Luke 4:29 (KJV)** And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.

Luke 4:30 (KJV) But he passing through the midst of them went his way,

**Luke 4:31 (KJV)** And came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days.

Again, here is the response that Jesus Christ got when He taught the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the people! They nearly killed Him! So how do you preach and teach the same Gospel of Jesus Christ to the people and they love you, they clap for you, and they turn over all their monies to you? Is this alone not evidence that you have and teach doctrines of Devils and not the same Gospel of Jesus Christ?

**John 10:19 (KJV)** There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.

**John 10:20 (KJV)** And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?

**John 10:21 (KJV)** Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. Can a devil open the eyes of the blind?

**John 10:22 (KJV)** And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.

**John 10:23 (KJV)** And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch.

**John 10:24** (**KJV**) Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.

John 10:25 (KJV) Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

**John 10:26 (KJV)** But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

**John 10:27 (KJV)** My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

**John 10:28 (KJV)** And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand.

**John 10:29 (KJV)** My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.

John 10:30 (KJV) I and my Father are one.

**John 10:31 (KJV)** Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.

**John 10:32** (**KJV**) Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

**John 10:33 (KJV)** The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.

John 10:34 (KJV) Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

**John 10:35** (**KJV**) If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

**John 10:36 (KJV)** Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

**John 10:37** (**KJV**) If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

**John 10:38 (KJV)** But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father *is* in me, and I in him.

**John 10:39 (KJV)** Therefore they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,

**John 10:40** (**KJV**) And went away again beyond Jordan into the place where John at first baptized; and there he abode.

Men of God, if the Word of God, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, is a Sword, then how is it that both you the Man of God and your congregation are rejoicing at such a sharp instrument that is cutting you? Is your rejoicing not direct evidence that you are holding and teaching the doctrines of Devils and not the real Sword of Christ?

**Hebrews 4:12 (KJV)** For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the

joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

**Revelation 1:16 (KJV)** And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength.

**Revelation 2:12 (KJV)** And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

**Revelation 2:16 (KJV)** Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

**Revelation 19:15** (**KJV**) And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

**Revelation 19:21 (KJV)** And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

In your Training and in your Ministry, you must use the Sword of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to search, to find, to prune, to cut off, to dress, to build, and to edify all aspects of the Ministry in the Body of Christ including the very assembly itself that you falsely call church, the days of worship, the prayer, the praise and worship, the offerings and collections of money, accountability of money, Pastoral Accountability, tithing, speaking in tongues, apparent contradictions in the Holy Scriptures, settled doctrines and definitions of spiritual themes and topics, water baptism, use of personal testimonies as true or false parts of God-worship, prophetic séances, definitions of prophecy, and so on and so forth...you must use the Light in

the Gospel of Jesus Christ to shine unto all those named areas of Godworship and Christian activity in order to bring out the rottenness in all of them!

That was what the true Gospel of Jesus Christ did...it exposed rottenness and therefore attracted hatred, but how come your own Gospel exposes honey and beauty and attracts the love of the world?

Matthew 10:34 (KJV) Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

Matthew 10:35 (KJV) For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

Matthew 10:36 (KJV) And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household.

In fact, you must bring the bright Light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to shine on every smallest detail of church activity, doctrine, and worship in order to rid the Body of Christ of the evil and false so-called Men and Women of God!

**John 16:1** (**KJV**) These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.

**John 16:2** (**KJV**) They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.

**John 16:3** (**KJV**) And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.

When you do those things as a trained Minster, that is when you begin to walk in the footsteps of Jesus Christ and of the Apostles doctrine! You are a true Minister of Jesus Christ when you are offensive and despicable to the

majority of people in this wicked world for that is what the very Gospel of Jesus Christ is...an offence of the Cross!

**Isaiah 8:14 (KJV)** And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

**Isaiah 28:16 (KJV)** Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner *stone*, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

**Romans 9:33 (KJV)** As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

Galatians 5:11 (KJV) And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.

**1 Peter 2:6 (KJV)** Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

**1 Peter 2:7 (KJV)** Unto you therefore which believe *he is* precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

**1 Peter 2:8 (KJV)** And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, *even to them* which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

The reason why the Gospel of Jesus Christ does not change from an instrument of rebuke and chastisement to an instrument of joy, drumming and dancing in the churches is that, man never ceases to be an agent of willful degeneration, corruption, and decay! In fact, according to **2 Timothy 3:13 (KJV)**, it is inherent in man the proclivity to self-destruct! Therefore, the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a perpetual instrument of rebuke, correction, and instruction in righteousness!

- **2 Timothy 3:10 (KJV)** But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,
- **2 Timothy 3:11 (KJV)** Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of *them* all the Lord delivered me.
- **2 Timothy 3:12 (KJV)** Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.
- **2 Timothy 3:13 (KJV)** But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
- **2 Timothy 3:14 (KJV)** But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them*;
- 2 Timothy 3:15 (KJV) And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
- **2 Timothy 3:16 (KJV)** All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

**2 Timothy 3:17 (KJV)** That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

Due to man's natural inclination to do evil and to degenerate into wickedness when endued with power, the intent, purpose, and objective of a good Bible Training University should be to equip the Graduates with the relevant spiritual analytical tools, theories, and teachings to enable them to examine, to test, to question, and to probe every activity and utterance of the Man of God, to examine them in the Light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ as **Acts 17:11 (KJV)** reveals, especially when he claims to be speaking and acting in the name of Jesus Christ!

Acts 17:11 (KJV) These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

**Romans 7:16 (KJV)** If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that *it is* good.

**Romans 7:17 (KJV)** Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

**Romans 7:18 (KJV)** For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.

**1 Thessalonians 5:21 (KJV)** Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

**1 John 4:1 (KJV)** Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

It is such an incongruity and a serious grieving of the Holy Spirit to see Ministers who call themselves Men of God frolicking and feeling very comfortable in the company of evil blood-spilling Politicians, Government Ministers, Parliamentarians, and corrupt bribe-taking Judges when, in fact, those same evil people should tremble in the presence of true Men of God!

**1 Samuel 16:4 (KJV)** And Samuel did that which the LORD spake, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of the town trembled at his coming, and said, Comest thou peaceably?

**1 Samuel 16:5 (KJV)** And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice unto the LORD: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice.

**Ezra 9:4 (KJV)** Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had been carried away; and I sat astonied until the evening sacrifice.

**Habakkuk 3:16 (KJV)** When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops.

Acts 7:32 (KJV) Saying, I am the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold.

Acts 24:25 (KJV) And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

Those same evil people should tremble to come face-to-face with true Men of God because the true Man of God wields the rod of rebuke and correction,

but today, those same evil blood-spilling Politicians, Government Ministers, Parliamentarians, and corrupt bribe-taking Judges do not even tremble one bit to invite so-called Men of God into their midst because they know that the Men of God are empty and destitute of the Truth of God, the same Truth of God that produces the trembling!

- **2 Corinthians 10:7 (KJV)** Do ye look on things after the outward appearance? If any man trust to himself that he is Christ's, let him of himself think this again, that, as he *is* Christ's, even so *are* we Christ's.
- **2 Corinthians 10:8 (KJV)** For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed:
- **2 Corinthians 10:9 (KJV)** That I may not seem as if I would terrify you by letters.
- **2 Corinthians 10:10 (KJV)** For *his* letters, say they, *are* weighty and powerful; but *his* bodily presence *is* weak, and *his* speech contemptible.
- **2 Corinthians 10:11 (KJV)** Let such an one think this, that, such as we are in word by letters when we are absent, such *will we be* also in deed when we are present.

As a true man of God, people should be afraid to come into your presence because of your power of rebuke and correction with the Rod and Gospel of Jesus Christ and the fact that you will not countenance sin and will promptly expose it when you come to the knowledge of their! They should also be afraid to come into your presence for the fact that when they search, they cannot find anything evil in your life to rebuke and condemn you by! In other words, righteous living and holiness alone create fear among people around you!

**John 3:19 (KJV)** And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

**John 3:20 (KJV)** For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

John 3:21 (KJV) But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

From the very beginning of His Ministry up to the end, Jesus Christ was hated and despised for the Truth that He always spoke and taught. There was no deceit in His mouth and for the Truth sake, the church leaders killed Him! They still hated Him even after they killed Him so that even in Death, they gave Him no rest! The same hatred was reserved for the true Ministers of Jesus Christ even as Jesus Christ confirmed in **John 15:18** (**KJV**)!

**Isaiah 53:1 (KJV)** Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

**Isaiah 53:2 (KJV)** For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should desire him.

**Isaiah 53:3 (KJV)** He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

**Isaiah 53:4** (**KJV**) Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

**Isaiah 53:5 (KJV)** But he *was* wounded for our transgressions, *he was* bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

**Isaiah 53:6 (KJV)** All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

**Isaiah 53:7** (**KJV**) He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

**Isaiah 53:8** (**KJV**) He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

**Isaiah 53:9 (KJV)** And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither *was any* deceit in his mouth.

**John 15:18** (**KJV**) If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you.

**John 15:19 (KJV)** If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

**John 15:20 (KJV)** Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.

**John 15:21 (KJV)** But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

John 15:22 (KJV) If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloke for their sin.

**John 15:23** (**KJV**) He that hateth me hateth my Father also.

**John 15:24 (KJV)** If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.

**John 15:25 (KJV)** But *this cometh to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.

Yet, with all those glaring evidences in Scriptures, you current Ministers who call yourselves Men of God are not hated and you are not despised; in fact, you are loved by the world, by the rich and powerful, by the rulers of this world, and by corrupt Government Ministers. While Jesus Christ many times hid Himself from the leaders and the people, and while all the Apostles many times lived in fear and in hiding, you modern Men of God are the beloved of Governments, Presidents, and billionaires, why? Is it the same Gospel that Jesus Christ and the Apostles preached that you are also preaching and teaching? If it is the same Gospel, which I suspect you would all claim, then why the different results? Are you then better than Jesus Christ?

**John 7:1** (**KJV**) After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him.

**John 7:13 (KJV)** Howbeit no man spake openly of him for fear of the Jews.

**John 10:31 (KJV)** Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.

**John 10:32** (**KJV**) Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

**John 19:38 (KJV)** And after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave *him* leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus.

**John 20:19** (**KJV**) Then the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.

**Acts 12:1 (KJV)** Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth *his* hands to vex certain of the church.

**Acts 12:2 (KJV)** And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.

**Acts 12:3 (KJV)** And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)

Acts 12:4 (KJV) And when he had apprehended him, he put *him* in prison, and delivered *him* to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

Why is it that according to **Isaiah 53:1** (**KJV**), the true nature of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is that you will hardly find people and church leaders to

accept and believe your report because of the Truth in it, and yet modern Men of God have millions of people and almost all church leaders all over the world who joyfully receive them, clap for their report/preaching, and fondly fraternize with them?

Brethren, you cannot be preaching and teaching the same Gospel of Jesus Christ! According to **John 15:19** (**KJV**), your Gospel is the Gospel of Devils and that is why the world loves you!

John 15:19 (KJV) If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

If your report is producing the opposite of what the Word of God prophesied in **Isaiah 53:1** (**KJV**), then what is the real report that you have been presenting? Is your report that of Jesus Christ or of Satan and of the rulers of this world? If the rulers of this world love you, then surely, you must be doing work that they appreciate, not so? However, the very nature of the true Word of God and the Gospel of Jesus Christ is that it will not be appreciated, but rather despised, hated, silenced, and threatened! So, where do you stand Brother? With Christ or with Satan? Which Gospel do you have?

**Isaiah 53:3** (**KJV**) He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Matthew 10:24 (KJV) The disciple is not above *his* master, nor the servant above his lord.

**Matthew 10:25 (KJV)** It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more *shall they call* them of his household?

Acts 5:17 (KJV) Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation,

Acts 5:18 (KJV) And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

Acts 5:19 (KJV) But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,

Acts 5:20 (KJV) Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

Acts 5:21 (KJV) And when they heard *that*, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.

Acts 5:22 (KJV) But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told,

Acts 5:23 (KJV) Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

Acts 5:24 (KJV) Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.

Acts 5:25 (KJV) Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.

Acts 5:26 (KJV) Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.

Acts 5:27 (KJV) And when they had brought them, they set *them* before the council: and the high priest asked them,

Acts 5:28 (KJV) Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.

Acts 5:29 (KJV) Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

How can Jesus Christ reveal that the Servant must be the same as his Master, and then **Isaiah 53:3** (**KJV**) reveals that "He Jesus Christ is despised and rejected of men", but you the modern Servant, you are loved and accepted of men? How is that so, I really do not understand!

Mark 10:29 (KJV) And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,

Mark 10:30 (KJV) But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

**Galatians 6:17 (KJV)** From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.

**James 5:10 (KJV)** Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.

How is it that "Jesus Christ was wounded for our transgressions" according to **Isaiah 53:5** (**KJV**), and Jesus Christ promised you persecutions and suffering if only you are a true Man of God, and all His Apostles bore His suffering in their body in painful deprivations and afflictions, but you the modern Man of God, you live in opulence and luxury? And you have branches all over the world and the "great men" of this world love you and are falling over themselves to come and frolic with you? Where is the offence of the Cross? What Gospel are you holding?

Matthew 10:22 (KJV) And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be sayed.

Matthew 24:9 (KJV) Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

Mark 13:13 (KJV) And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be sayed.

**Luke 21:17 (KJV)** And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake.

The LORD Jesus Christ be with your spirit. The LORD Jesus Christ give you understanding.

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