

The Sons of Belial

Part 1

“And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?” (2Corinthians 6:15)

The meaning of Belial is worthless or wicked, and it is a name of Satan. Therefore the Scripture admonish us not to be yoked with non believers or have fellowship with them. Belial represents darkness and its followers who do wicked things and serve Satan are his temple. While we followers of Christ are in the light and are the temple of God, therefore we should not be in agreement, yoked and be in fellowship with them: *“14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.” (2Corinthians 6:14-16)*

We will search the Scriptures and see where it is mentioned about the children of Belial so you can see clearly who are they to avoid being entangled with their ways, and ultimately to protect yourself and the people with you and under your care.

1- *“12 If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying , 13 Certain men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying , Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known ; 14 Then shalt thou enquire , and make search , and ask diligently ; and, behold, if it be truth, and the thing certain , that such abomination is wrought among you; 15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly , and all that is therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword. 16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it shall be an heap for ever; it shall not be built again . 17 And there shall cleave nought of the cursed thing to thine hand: that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers;” (Deuteronomy 13:12-17)* Here we learn that we need to deal with sin in a radical way and we should not be willing to compromise inside the church with the people who entice others, and with those who are enticed to do wickedness.

2- *“22 Now as they were making their hearts merry , behold, the men of the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about , and beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying , Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him. 23 And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, do not so wickedly ; seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly. 24 Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his*

concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing. 25 But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring , they let her go . 26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light. 27 And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, and her hands were upon the threshold.” (Judges 19:22-27) Those children of Belial who raped the concubine of the Levites and finally she died were from the tribe of Benjamin. The Israelites when they came to know about what those men did, they decided to put to death those men: *“Now therefore deliver us the men, the children of Belial, which are in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away evil from Israel. But the children of Benjamin would not hearken to the voice of their brethren the children of Israel.” (Judges 20:13)* The decision of the Israelites to put those men to death was in order to put away evil from Israel. Therefore when the tribe of Benjamin refused to hand over those men to be put to death, then we found the whole Israelites wage war against Benjamin (Read in your bible Judges chapters 19, 20 and 21). There are times that we need to expel certain people from among us who their lives absolutely contradict the word and the ways of God. They are children of Belial and they should not continue to exist among us: *“11 But now I am writing you that you must not associate with anyone who calls himself a brother but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even eat. 12 What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside? 13 God will judge those outside. ”Expel the wicked man from among you.” (1Corinthians 5:11-13)*

3- *“9 So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk . Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD. 10 And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and wept sore . 11 And she vowed a vow, and said , O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head. 12 And it came to pass, as she continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth. 13 Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved , but her voice was not heard : therefore Eli thought she had been drunken. 14 And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken ? put away thy wine from thee. 15 And Hannah answered and said , No, my lord, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD. 16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto. 17 Then Eli answered and said , Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him.” (1 Samuel 1:9-17)* Hannah was rebuked by priest Eli thinking that she was drunk. And when she defended herself she protested that she is not a daughter of Belial. Therefore it is understood that those who use to drink are considered children of Belial.

4- "12 Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD. 13 And the priests' custom with the people was, that, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand; 14 And he struck it into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither. 15 Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw. 16 And if any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat presently, and then take as much as thy soul desireth; then he would answer him, Nay; but thou shalt give it me now: and if not, I will take it by force. 17 Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the LORD: for men abhorred the offering of the LORD. 22 Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. (1Samuel 2:12-17,22) Those who use the ministry to live and they make business out of it, and promote sexual immoralities inside the body of Christ they are the children of Belial.

5- "1 Now these be the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man who was raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said, 2 The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word was in my tongue. 3 The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God. 4 And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain. 5 Although my house be not so with God; yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things, and sure: for this is all my salvation, and all my desire, although he make it not to grow. 6 But the sons of Belial shall be all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot be taken with hands: 7 But the man that shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place." (2Samuel 23:1-7) David made it very clear in his writing about the vain outcome of the sons of Belial. He also gave warning to us how to handle and deal with them. They are thorns so they cannot be taken by hands; so you need to be cautious about them. After you discover them, then avoid putting your hand with them. Instead use a staff of iron and that will be your fence to protect yourself and those who are with you from their evil and bad effect. You need at once deal with them and sentenced them to the judgment of God that they deserve.

My Dear and Beloved: You ponder on the message and discern who are those the sons of Belial that are around you that you need to define in order for you to avoid them and to protect yourself and those who are with you from them as you agree to pray.

My Prayer: Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for your word that defines to me your ways and warns me about dangerous people who might be sent by the devil to harm me. Lord gives me discernment to see and recognized threats early and give me the wisdom how to handle each and every situation in accordance to your will and commands. This is my prayer in Jesus name. Amen.

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