

Satan's Eden no 20
Rightwiseness and Unrightwiseness pt 2
Right-wise-ness vs un-rightwiseness
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This morning we examined righteousness (*rightwiseness*) and un-*rightwiseness* and how (*rightwiseness*) comes via *revelation*, vs un-*rightwiseness* which lacks the *revelation* of God's Word. We examined also the conditions of the end time church age which is called Laodicea, and found that the people have one thing in common, they are all blind to their own condition and thus they do not know right from wrong. They were given a commandment to apply the eye salve which is the restored word that they might see. Now, salve is usually some herbs placed into an oil to keep them together as a paste. And we know that this eye salve is given by the Elijah of this day, where he applies the Holy Ghost (Oil) to our eyes, so that we might return to the original Word seed Life. Then we went to **Malachi 3** to show that there has to be a return to the Truth and Life of the Word and God had to come down with a Shout and work through a prophet in the spirit of Elijah to do so.

So we see that **The trademark of this age now**, remember, is the same as in **Malachi**. I believe I counted it one day in **Malachi**, and I figure it was twenty-four times the term '*thou sayest*' occurs. So therefore, the Book of **Malachi** and **Revelations 3:14-22** are **absolute in parallel**. "*Thou sayest. Thou sayest.*"

Now, if this is the age of '*thou sayest. Thou sayest*', then this group is also going to be '*sayest, sayest, sayest*'. There you are, the Bible dovetails. You can't change it. Every place you go this message dovetails.

The people are talking, but they are not echoing. And there's only one group that's talking right, because they're echoing what God said. The other group is not talking right. They are not echoing. Even if they quote the Word they don't have the right inflection upon it. See? **The one group that we have must be saying the right thing.** It must be an echo. And notice before this man Elijah comes. Let's see if it's all in one lump. He said: **16 Then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth. 17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:**

Now the actual condition of these people was that **they were actually speaking contrary to the Word of Almighty God.** Now God must do something in order that this whole lump will not speak contrary to the Word of God or God will simply send the avenging angels and destroy the whole lump.

Now you know as well as I do that God's not going to have only part of a body ascend in that resurrection. Remember, **the body of Christ must come to its fullness.**

Ephesians 4:13 *Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: 14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.*

Every member must come in. **The body will be full** at this last great day manifestation, which we're looking for, in its own peculiar, quiet, simple way.

Now he says here, "*I am not going to allow the whole lump to be destroyed.*" So what's He going to do? He is going to send Elijah.

Now watch: *18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment that thou mayest be clothed, the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and* (also, not just you anoint your eyes, but I'm going to give you the salve whereby you can anoint your eyes that you may see.)

19 (Now notice he says,) *As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.* Be zealous, the zeal of the church at this age, in the light of the coming Rapture before Almighty God, is a zeal *for the Word*, because the word '*repent*' means '*change your mind*'.

Repentance is not a good feeling. Repentance is not sorrow, because *godly sorrow worketh repentance*, not *godly sorrow worketh sorrow*.

Now '*repentance*' means '*change your mind*'. Look it up for yourself. See? *Repent*, the message of the age is *change your mind*, because it's *by the mind that we're going to be renewed* and transfigured. That's **Romans 12**, and we already read that. .

Therefore, if you don't have this message, you'll never make the Rapture, because *nothing outside of this message will come to light*. Now do you see why I preach it? And remember, the mind is the womb.

Therefore if you receive a wrong word you receive a wrong seed and thus a wrong life. But if you *echo the record God gave of His son you receive the same life He gave the son. 1 John 5:12*

And it's not what somebody up here interprets and tells you; it's "what does the Word say?" There is one message for this age, and that message is "*repent*"---"*change your mind*". See?

"Your mind has everything to do with it, because God cannot instruct an idiot." The only thing He says about *the feeble minded* is *comfort them*, because they don't know anything.

Now **conscience is a part of your mind**. And this age is so mentally shot before Almighty God that unless this mind is attacked by the Word, the Sword, of Almighty God, *which is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart*. That if this Word does not attack and change our minds, we are just as much lost as anybody else is. **The message of this age is repentance: change your mind. Get lined up with the Word of God.** See? Not just your actions, we have had fine acting men for generations, we have had sweet, loving men for generations. But **this is the age where man has left that Word** and, consequently, **they left God**, and now they refuse to come to grips with the Word that the prophet brought.

Now he said, "*If Elijah doesn't come and bring you back,*" and the message is the change of mind, **it's not that they don't worship God. They are worshipping God.** It's not that they don't steal. They aren't stealing. It's not they refuse tongues. They are speaking in tongues. So what is it? **The Word of God might be restored.** Now you can only talk according to your mind.

I know people make foolish statement that say, "*that man spoke before he thought,*" but that's a lie, the man just didn't think long enough before he spoke, that's all. Now **how are you going to have a people speaking the things that God wants to hear**, that's going to bring back or echo back the record that God gave of His Son in order for God to make up His jewels, unless it comes by the mind? See? To speak out of your heart signifies only sincerity of what you really are, hypocrite or otherwise. But you got to come by the mind.

Now he said here, "*be zealous to keep changing that mind of yours,*" and lining up, "*Keep changing from glory to glory from doxa to doxa.*" because at the end time, in this great Holy Ghost age, that's

going to be *precept upon precept and line upon line, and here a little and there a little*, which boils down to *precept, line, word, word, word*; until it's *one word*. Now that's your end time.

Now notice what Jesus also said about this end time. I want to show you how it all comes to pass.

Luke 17:26-30; 26 *As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it also be in the days of the Son of man. 27 They ate, they drank, they married wives, gave in marriage, until the day Noah went into the ark, flood came, and destroyed them all. 28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they ate, they drank, they bought and sold, planted and builded; 29 The same day Lot went out of Sodom and it **rained** fire and brimstone.*

Bro. Branham said this is so simple. It just goes over everybody's heads. "He's looking for this, he's looking for that." **What about looking at that Word?** See? **Every thought into captivity leads to the Lord Jesus Christ.** Now listen, **it's going to rain again.**

Now, "**Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.**" **Luke 17:30**

Now notice what Jesus said here in **Luke 17:26-30**, he said this was going to happen, see?

Now if you just let me illustrate something here, Jesus, in **Matthew 17**, said *Elijah would surely come and restore*, and Peter explained it at Pentecost. Now, if Peter had the keys and explained that at Pentecost, or just after Pentecost, what Jesus meant when he said, "*Elijah would restore*," then, in my thinking, it is absolutely possible that Peter might also have taken these words about the days of Noah and Lot and explained them to us in the light of what was speaking of, **end time restoration of the Word, without which man would not know rightwiseness from wickedness.** And you know something? It works.

Let's go to **2 Peter 2** and find out. **2 Peter 2**; you're going to see that Peter does the same thing for this as he did for **Matthew 17**.

All right, verse **1**; "*But as there were false prophets among the people, even so shall there be false teachers among you, who privily (privately, secretly) shall **bring in** damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.*

You don't need a lot of false prophets. You just need a couple of real fourteen carat phonies, and you'll have a hundred teachers rise up to follow them. That's right. Teachers, "*teachers, who privily (privately, secretly) **bring in damnable heresies**,*" Bring into where? Into the Message of the hour? The very thing that Paul spoke of in **2 Corinthians 11**. "*Even denying the Lord that bought them,*" and they sure do, they don't know whether God is One Lord, Two Lords, or three Lords. They don't know God. They don't know the Lord God of the gentiles, they don't know the Lord God of the Universe; they've got a Jehovah and an Elohim and a Jesus, but there is only One and they don't know that one Lord. And they don't know how that One Lord could make *His Son Jesus both Lord and Christ* and yet remain that there is *only One Lord*. Why don't they know how? Because they don't know that One Lord.

Now, here's an identifier right here. **2 And many** (that is an identifiable characteristic right there. *And many*) *shall follow their pernicious ways;* (that's bloodless ways, sure! If you do not walk in the light the blood does not cleanse. **1 John 1:7** You've got to "*walk in the Light **as He is IN** the light*", *then the blood of Jesus cleanses you from all sin* (which is unbelief).

Therefore, **No light, no understanding, no blood.** So your understanding, and your offering back to God is bloodless, and like Cain's it will not be accepted by God.)

You say, "*o come on preacher, that's not right.*" Did you read or heard about when Jesus said their worship was in vain? He said that I hope you know. O, its worship alright but it is in vain and God will not even consider it.

Mark 7:7 *Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.*

They're teaching doctrine, alright, but not His doctrine. And only a certain little group in **Malachi 3** were talking His Word, His Doctrine, His teaching, and all others were talking, but **God did not hearken to their talk**, only those who echoed what he said. There's your difference my brothers and sisters. That is the only thing that set those people as different from all others is what they were talking to each other about. And it wasn't NASCAR, and it wasn't football, and it wasn't about hunting and fishing. It was echoing what His word was for the age they lived.

But notice that these others came into the Message and begin to teach other things, but not what He taught. And the Bible says "**and MANY shall receive what these false teachers shall teach**". And actually what they teach brings the way of truth into disrepute. "**by reason of whom the way** (the road or progress) **of truth shall be evil spoken of.**"

The Greek word there is **blasphemed**. Because of what these false teachers bring into the Message, the real truth and the proper road to that truth will be blasphemed. Now, I am not making this stuff up, that is what the Word of God teaches.

3 And through covetousness (that's greediness) **shall they** (preachers) **with feigned words** (fictitious words, a fallacy) **make merchandise of you:** (So they gear their words to get the most they can out of the sheep. They purposely make merchandise of the people, just like we read of that Catholic spirit in the book of Revelation where they are said to have dealt in the **merchandising the souls** of men. Same Spirit. Just go to their websites, and you find them selling this that and the other. Hey, if the shoe fits where it.) "**whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.**"

Now, "**and bring upon themselves swift destruction.**" That's exactly right, because the swift destruction comes at the end time, when they're having a great hallelujah jubilee, when they think there's a great worldwide gathering. They are looking for a revival when our Elijah prophet said the revival is over.

Oh yes, they think it's just wonderful, and it will look wonderful, and there is swift destruction, because they've denied the very God that was sent forth among them when God identified Himself amongst them, who we are. Amen, I like that, sets my soul on fire. I'd sooner go to hell preaching the truth than to go to heaven preaching a lie. You've got to have tough fiber in your soul, brothers and sisters, or you will not be able to stand up against the onslaught against the truth. This is the end time. **Stick with the Word of God. Sure someone's going to get offended. Don't worry. Let them be offended.** Jesus said, "**blessed is he that is not offended in me.**" And he is the Word.

"And many shall follow their pernicious ways;" 2 Peter 2:2a Where the blood of Jesus Christ will not apply anymore, they can talk all they want about a sacrifice, but brothers and sisters, the Blood of the covenant won't do them one bit of good, because they've turned down the only way to the blood which is the Word of God according to **Hebrews 3 and 4.**

Now listen, "**by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.**" **2 Peter 2:2b** There you are. **These Jewels will speak against evil. They'll speak the Word of truth.** No wonder God's making up His book of those who speak a certain way. Why? Because they speak and say what he said like he said it.

Amen! I'll tell you that if you are in the Lord Jesus Christ and He is in you, you'll speak the truth, and, if you're in the truth, you'll be in the Lord Jesus Christ and put them both together, and you'll be confident.

Notice: verse **3 Through covetousness they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. 4 For if God spared**

not the angels that sinned but cast them down to hell, delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; 5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person,

There they are. *As it was in the days of Noah--giving in marriage.*

We're going to get the picture of this thing now, see what we're talking about. He said they'd be parallel, and yet he said in **Malachi** they wouldn't know right from wrong. Let's find out about this picture, whether God's going to renew men's minds and give them a chance to repent.

Listen, "*And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of rightwiseness.*" There you are. Sure. Got to happen this time too. *God had to send a preacher of rightwiseness.*

I believe William Branham was one of the most consecrated, perfect, guileless men in all this world, but I want to tell you, other men were just as great in that same gifted way.

But *they weren't the man to become the preacher of rightwiseness, because they did not have the same rightwiseness concerning the Word for this day.* We're in the same boat, brother/sister.

Now: **5b** *Bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;*

What brings in the judgments?, when the **righteous Word** goes forth, and men reject it.

6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them examples unto those who should live ungodly; 7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the conversation of the wicked: 8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing,) vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds; 9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptation, and to reserve the unjust to the day of judgment.

You got a picture right there, what God said He's going to do in **Malachi**. Going to *overthrow the world with the flaming fire of judgment.* "*I'll not destroy this world once more by water*", said Jesus; "*I'm going to destroy it by fire.*"

I'm not speaking now of dissolution of the elements, when he's going to bring New Jerusalem down upon a recreated universe, a new earth. I'm talking now when he said *we're walking on the ashes of the wicked*. And you've got them two sitting right here, and they're going to be here. But **he saves the rightly wise** as he saved Noah, as He saved Lot. See? And **their souls were vexed**. Why? Because there was a **cross-current** on the Word. That's what it was. He's numbered every bit as good as this group over here. They've got just as much power. They've got just as much spiritual worship... In fact, they seem to have more. But the **cross-current lies on the Word**. See? There's where your **revelation** comes in, there's where your **revelation** stands.

Notice verse **10**, "*But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness.*" See? Now why? **They're not** "*washed by the water of the Word.*" I don't care how good they act and how perfect their actions are, how moral they seem to be. **If you've been washed in any place outside of the washing of water by the Word, brothers and sisters, it won't hold up.** See?

Therefore as Jessus said to John in the river Jordan, "*suffer it to be so now, thus it becometh us to fulfill all rightwiseness....* Why? **Because the Word says so**, "*The one that you see that Holy Ghost ascending upon when he's baptized in that water, that'll be him.*

How many even go as far as *the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ*? See? You've got multiplied millions of those, and billions, of even talk about a three-god and a Trinity---in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. In Jesus name when there's millions of men named Jesus. You've either got a cross current right now on one sweet name: **Lord Jesus Christ**.

"*They despise governments,*" **2 Peter 2:10b** sure they do. Hate governments in the church, this is not simply about typical city government. **They despise the authority that God set in the church.** And

that despising is in every church. Laodicea, "*people's rights*". And you see it every day in the news, despising government.

Notice; "*presumptuous are they*." That means they do without the right to do. Showing that they are not rightly wise. They don't have "*THUS SAITH THE LORD*," *they talk*, but its not an echo, its their own thinking. "*Selfwilled*;" they won't subject their own will to the Word of God. And if they do not, then **Philippians 2:13** does not speak of them. "*for it is God working in them both to will and then to do His good pleasure*." And therefore if they have their own will and do their own will then God is not involved at all. *They are presumptuous and self willed.*

"And not afraid to speak evil of dignities."

The **Amplified Bible** puts it this way, **10b despising authority**. *Presumptuous and reckless, self-willed and arrogant creatures, despising the majesty of the Lord, they do not tremble when they revile angelic beings, (messengers of God).*

And you see this in those that have fallen away. Like the old parable says, "*fools will walk with hobnailed shoes where angels fear to tread*."

11 Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusations against them before the Lord. 12 But these, as natural brute beasts, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and they shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

Things they know not. Then they ought to shut their mouths if they don't know what it is. I remember a friend of mine, he visited a church one time where after the church 8 bothers in the church were standing around and talking bad about the Parousia of Christ. So this brother walked up and said, I hear all those bad things you brothers are saying about the Parousia,, so what is the parousia? And not one of them even knew what they were bad mouthing. I've heard ministers call it puke, and others call it false doctrine and none of them know what they are even talking about. And yet Jesus spoke of His Parousia, And Paul spoke of it, and said if you preach anything contrary to what he taught you are cursed. And James and John all spoke of it, so it is a Bible doctrine of the end time.

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

Now, listen, I get sick and tired of quoting scripture and then someone come along and say you are targeting so and so. I didn't write this the Holy Ghost wrote it and prophesied it through Peter. And I didn't tell those people to speak evil of what they don't know anything about? But Peter told us they would. And to speak in ignorance against it makes "*as natural brute beasts, speaking evil of the things that they understand not*." And he says these shall "*utterly perish in their own corruption*". And that word means decay.

I didn't write that but I certainly will echo what he said, and that places me in **Malachi 3** as a Jewel in Gods Crown, and it places you too if you say like as He said it.

But *by grace are you saved through Revelation, and that not of yourself*.

But brothers and sisters, **if you don't have the revelation**, then you have a reprobate faith from a corrupt mind.

"They shall receive the reward of un-rightwiseness, as they count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots are they and blemishes, spoiling themselves with their own deceiving while they feast with you."

Who are they feasting with? He said they are feasting with you. These are them that *privily* bring in their own thoughts, and reject Gods Message for the hour. That is what we are reading about. **2 Peter 2** about how these *false teachers will bring in alongside of true doctrine, destructive heresies*.

So they are feasting with you, listening to the same Word for the Hour you listen to, and in **2 Peter 2:13** What do you feast on? The Word of God. And **they're deceived concerning their own creeds and dogmas.** "*Having eyes full of adultery...*" **14** "*Join this, join that, oh it's wonderful; all get together. The ecumenical movement is on, hallelujah. We'll all be brothers.*"

Well, Count me out, please. My stomach can't stand it, and I've got a headache as it is. "*They cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls.*" The rock of the revelation is the only stability anybody's got. "*And the heart, they have exercised with covetous practices;* (greedy practices) *cursed children.*" They belong to Cain. And don't forget Cain was cursed.

"*They have forsaken the...*" notice **15**, "*they have forsaken the right way,*" (They had it. They turned it down.) "*and have gone astray,*" (How?) "*following the way of Balaam,*" who used genuine, pure gifts of God to enhance himself and to destroy Israel and died in sin fighting Israel.

That's exactly what the Bible teaches, because he was found dead in battle, fighting against Israel, and "*Was rebuked for his iniquity:*" **16** (daring to use a gift apart from the proper place of its use). Listen, "*the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness.*"

Notice they are mad... and Bro. Branham said, "*they've got spiritual amnesia,*" "*the madness of the prophet.*" That's what the Bible teaches. They will go mad. "*These are wells without water,*" They're getting something, but it's not water. No "*Holy Spirit*". No "*washing of water by the Word*".

Then, in spite of the fact they say they have the Holy Ghost, they don't. See? *Having a form of godliness but denying the power*, which is the Holy Ghost which only comes by the Word. So in turning down the Word they turn down the Holy Ghost. Notice they are *a well*, that's **a form** to hold water, but they have no water, then they have no power, no Holy Ghost..

17 They are clouds (witnesses) *carried with a tempest;* (no wind in them) *to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.*

18 For when they speak (thou sayest, thou sayest, thou sayest) *great swelling words of vanity,* (vanity is vain, doesn't do you one bit of good, pride) *they allure through the lusts the pleasure of the flesh, much wantonness, those that are clean escape from them who live in error.* (Religious experiences, cleaning up lives, gifts of the spirit manifested, **looks like the real thing; haven't got it.**)

19a While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of the same corruption. What was the corruption? **They corrupted of the Word of Almighty God** which brings death and not life. See? Sure. I know the world thinks we've strained a gnat and swallowed a camel. That's where they're wrong. See?

Now watch, "*For of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.*"

19b What did they leave? **They left the truth.** They went after gifts. They had manifestations. We'll tell you what they had shortly. They had a lot of things, but they're in bondage. They're right in bondage. They've put their ear to the door, and they say, "*I love my denomination. I love my tongues. I love the way I'm going.*" And the little old awl punctures the ear lobe, and they'll never hear again. No they won't. I can prove that. Wait till we get to **Hebrews 6**. Sure. Listen, "*after that they've escaped the pollution of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.*" **20** after they escaped the pollution, they turn back to pollute... *they escaped the pollution of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. They are again entangled therein, and overcome. The latter end is worse with them than the beginning.*"

So Malachi speaks of one group returning to the Word and discerning between righteousness and wickedness, and the other returns to its vomit and pollution.

Now listen, the Bible said that *he which hath begun a good work in you will perform the day of the Lord Jesus Christ*. He said, "*My sheep hear my voice, and they shall never perish. No one will pluck them out of my father's hand.*" He said, "*You're sealed by the Holy Ghost till the day of your redemption.*"

Eternal security is absolutely in the Word of Almighty God, **if you're born again**. And **these folk were not born again, because they can go right back to where they were**. What are you born by? **You're born by the revealed Word of Almighty God**. So therefore these weren't. Creeds and dogmas. And don't

see miracle after miracle based upon the fact that they believe in a god, and that they are one with him, and that god is a god of love, though they deny the virgin birth of the beloved Jesus Christ, if I can see that then don't tell me you can't see mighty miracles of those who go further, and **they're all wrong, if they don't go back to the Word**. Why? *In the beginning he was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God, John 1:1* and where were you? **You were one of those little words inside of him**. See?

Now It says, their end is going to be worse than their beginning. He said, you can't imagine. He said, "*What you think that you escaped, you can't imagine the bondage you've actually placed yourself in.*"

Let's go back to **Malachi**. *Except those who speak this certain way and fear the name, except by a revelation*, It says, *all of you are going to be destroyed*. Wait until the tribulation hits them. And they'll say, "My God, what happened? Where did we miss it?" See? Of course there'll be some saying, "Well, we were told we don't get caught up until the end." Then when will the end come? Rapture, Lord, rapture, Lord, rapture, Lord. No rapture, not ...?... See?

Now listen, "*it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness.*"

21 *It were better that they didn't know the difference between right and wrong*. It were better that they hadn't had the chance to know... that's what he's really saying, knowed it right from wrong. See? Far better than to... *than after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them*. How many times was it delivered? **Twice**. *Remember ye Moses, the law of Moses in Mount Horeb*. Remember the second time the Word of God comes, **the second time**. Remember the first time it could fall, but **the second time it can't fall**. Why? **It's restored**. See? You've got a bone that's broken; if it mends right, it'll never break in the same place again. Why?, because there's a new growth around it. See?

Let us pray...