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BEING BLINDED BY SATAN

One of the most amazing stories in the Word of God is in I Samuel 11 when the men of Jabesh approach a man named Nahash who was an Ammonite to protect them. They said to Nahash, make a covenant or as we would say, make a deal with us to protect us and then we will serve you. Nahash answered them in I Samuel 11: 2, "On this condition will I make a covenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it for a reproach upon all Israel." You say, what does that old story have to do with us today? The Bible says in I Corinthians 10:6 "These things happened to them by examples for us." Let me give you the application for us. The name Nahash means "serpent", so he is a picture of Satan. To thrust out ones right eye would impair the soldier so they would not be able to aim their bow and arrow. You can quickly see when a person makes a deal with the devil, they will not be able to get the proper perspective. They will not be able to get the proper aim, they will not be able to see things as they really are.

Let me give you four things that happen when you make a deal with the devil and you won't see things as they really are.

I. AS LONG AS YOU BELIEVE IT IS RIGHT, IT DOES NOT MATTER IF IT IS RIGHT

Isaiah 5:20 says "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil." We live in a day where people no longer call sin, sin, but they call it a mistake, a malfunction, or a psychological problem. The Bible speaks of a time when people would do that which is right in their own eyes rather than in the eyes of God. Question, have you made a deal with the devil and you are trying to excuse your sin?

II. IT IS MORE IMPORTANT TO BE HAPPY THAN TO BE HOLY

Today it seems many churches have become more of a Hollywood production rather than a place to encounter the Living Christ. It seems they are more concerned about making people feel good rather than to be holy people. The message of so many churches is to "come as you are, leave as you were." This is what happens when you make a deal with the devil.

III. YOU BASE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD ON YOUR FEELINGS RATHER THAN FAITH

How do you know that you are saved? You say, I feel saved. I thank God I am not saved by my feelings. Some days I feel good, some days I feel bad. You don't base your relationships with God on your feelings. The Bible says in Ephesians 2:8 & 9, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." and in Acts 16:31, "And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

IV. THE TIME TO MAKE A DECISION FOR CHRIST IS TOMORROW NOT TODAY

The devil always says tomorrow, God says today.

Let me ask you, have you been blinded by the devil? Do you know that you are saved? If you don't know for sure that you are saved, "trust Christ right now and He will save you."

MINISTRY REPORT

Thank you for your prayers and support as I have seen over 1600 people come to Christ in salvation this year thus far. I will be preaching in 50 revivals/crusades this year and have 50 revivals/crusades booked for 2016. Our Lord is so good!!!

Schedule:

Nov 1- 4	Clear Springs Baptist Church	Corryton TN
Nov 8	West Point Baptist Church	Jacksonville AL
Nov 15-18	Wears Vally First Baptist Church	Sevierville TN
Nov 22	Harvest Baptist Tabernacle	Jonesboro GA
Nov 29	Holly Springs Baptist Church	Anniston AL
Dec 6- 8	First Baptist Church	Columbus TX
Dec 13	Anderson Mill Baptist Church	Austin TX



In Everything Give Thanks!