



Lesson 1 (01-06-10) Silence in this Temple

The Lord spoke to Bob and I following the meeting we had with Him on 12/27/09. The Lord instructed us to send the notes of our meetings to xxxx. The notes were forwarded. The Lord then led us to begin this study of His words. These lessons are a result of this direction from Him.

We draw the lessons from the words we receive from the Lord. Words from the Bible shall be italicized and either in black or red just as they are in the Bible. And the words we receive from the Lord will be in red but not italicized. My words or discussion for the lessons will be in blue.

Our meeting notes and the words we receive will be listed first and then the discussion will begin following the words. The Lord has taught us to compare spiritual to spiritual to learn the meaning behind His words.

I Corinthians 2:12-13

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God; that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. 13 These things we also speak, not in the words that man's wisdom teaches, but which the Holy Spirit teaches; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

May the Holy Spirit guide each one of us into a greater understanding of our Lord. Amen

Lesson 1 – Silence Before the Lord

12/27/2009 MEETING: PRESENT - I AM, Bob & Cindy

BT - "To discipline your mind read the Bible. If you want control of your mind don't let the enemy in. To rebuke temptation, first know that it is temptation. Whatever takes you away from ME is the work of the enemy."

CT - Thinking of silence before The Lord and how no one is worthy to speak... "No one is worthy to speak but I accept you. I went to the cross for you. There was silence in the temple and there is silence in this temple." (Jesus is the temple we enter into him; elements mixing etc) "I AM with you. I meet your needs. I AM The Way. The Way to hope; The Way to The Father; The Way to compassion; The Way to brideship; The Way to salvation here and now. Have no other gods. No other gods offer The Way. I AM The Way."

Anything else? Conflicts arise but I conquer conflict. Satan authors conflicts and confusion but I will conquer all his snares. They will abound in end times but don't despair I AM there with you; in the earth with you. That is why silence is required. Majesty and honor are due the King of the Jews (referring to what was written on the cross)

There will be healing; physical healing of ailments. Here and now. Amen.

I AM The Way

The first point I want to establish in this lesson is that Jesus is the way. The Bible tells us that we have all fallen short of the glory of God but He has provided a way for us and that way is through Christ.

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Yes, Jesus taught us many things when He walked on this earth. He taught us how to treat each other. He taught us to be respectful and to honor the Lord. He taught us how to pray. He showed us the way to salvation. And He now offers us even more assurances when He said, "I AM with you. I meet your needs. I AM The Way. The Way to hope; The Way to The Father; The Way to compassion; The Way to brideship; The Way to salvation here and now. Have no other gods. No other gods offer The Way. I AM The Way." His words are very powerful aren't they!

Paul taught us a lot about Jesus being the way and about His Eternal Kingdom when he said,

Philippians 2:8-11

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Yes, Christ is our King, our Messiah. He told us, **Have no other gods. No other gods offer The Way.** These words say much to me, but mainly they are a reminder, that we should have respect and honor for our King, just as Jesus taught us. After all the verse says, *every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.*

When a subject of the British Empire meets their king or queen, a certain protocol or etiquette is to be followed; for example bowing or a curtsy, no touching, no turning your back to them, etc. These gestures are a demonstration of the respect they have for their sovereign. Should we have any less respect or honor for our King? I think not!

Sometimes, however, we might get confused and we think, "How can I demonstrate my respect for Jesus?" Well, there are many ways we can demonstrate the respect we have for our King. We can be obedient to His laws. We can be kind to others. But in this lesson we are going to talk about demonstrating our respect through our silence.

Silence in this temple

When we have our meetings we are silent before the Lord. (To learn about meetings go to http://www.takehisheart.com/theunit_godsunit.htm). However, before our meeting this week I was thinking of silence before The Lord and how no one is worthy to speak to Him. The Lord knew my thoughts and said this to me, "No one is worthy to speak but I accept you. I went to the cross for you. There was silence in the temple and there is silence in this temple." He led me to understand that our silence is important because it demonstrates our respect and reverence as He is royalty. Remember, He is our King. Thus when we are silent we are awaiting His lead. **We are surrendering our will to His.**

The prophet Habakkuk knew silence was important as well.

Habakkuk 2: 20

“But the Lord is in His holy temple let all the earth keep silence before Him.”

Yes, silence is important because it is a demonstration of our willingness to allow him to lead. The prophet Zephaniah likewise understood the importance of allowing the Lord to lead. He also understood the principle of silence.

Zephaniah 1:7-9

*“Be silent in the presence of the Lord God; for the day of the Lord is at hand, For the Lord has prepared a sacrifice; He has invited His guests. And it shall be, in the day of the Lord’s sacrifice, That I will punish the princes and the king’s children, and **all such as are clothed with foreign apparel.** In the same day I will punish all those who leap over the threshold, who fill their masters’ houses with violence and deceit.”*

(see Matthew 22:12-14 the parable of the wedding feast/wedding garment)

I meet your needs

These verses above are teaching and reaffirming to us that Jesus is the head of the church and as such He should be the one leading us. (**Ephesians 5:23** *For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body*). Yes, Jesus is reassuring us that **He is the way** and that He wants to lead us (guide us) even into brideship.

We are also assured in the book of **Malachi 3:6** *“For I am the Lord, I do not change”* and in **Hebrews 13:8** *Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever*, that the Lord is the same today as He always has been. The Lord continues teaching and guiding us today just as He did with His twelve disciples back in the day. He promised He would send the Holy Spirit and He has sent the Holy Spirit to teach us. But we have to be silent when we go to meet with Him so that we can hear what He is saying to us. When we do this we are allowing Him to lead us.

After all it was through the Holy Spirit speaking to the prophet that we learned of the three spots on the Body of Christ (see THH website <http://www.takehisheart.com/churchwithoutspotorwrinkle.htm>) I said, "Lord, what are they?" He said, **"They are patterns."** That didn't help my understanding much at the time, but I knew He had told me this for a purpose. God had started to give me understanding of the original truth He had shown me. The spots are patterns, ways of doing things.

These spots are the incorrect ways that keep us from The Lord's will for our lives. Many of us have ended up either following after our own will or following after the traditions of men as opposed to following after the Lord's will. The Lord's will for us, will always be what is best for us; remember He told us **"I meet your needs"**.

Satan authors conflicts and confusion

Then the Lord told us that **Satan authors conflicts and confusion**. He reminded us that Satan is still trying to make us believe that following after our own will is good. I understand this because He said, **Conflicts arise**. You see conflicts arise whenever we seek our will over someone else's. Remember how he convinced Eve to follow after her own will. He will try to

convince you too! He tries to make it look appealing. But the Lord tells us in Proverbs that following your will is the way to hell.

Proverbs 7: 24-27

Now therefore, listen to me, my children; pay attention to the words of my mouth: Do not let your heart turn aside to her ways. Do not stray into her paths; for she has cast down many wounded, and all who were slain by her were strong men. Her house is the way to hell, descending to the chambers of death.

Following our ways is living in error. This is part of how we got the three spots. Jesus taught us the fallacy of following man's way of thinking in **Matthew 15: 7-9** when Jesus said:

"Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you saying: 8 These people draw near to Me with their mouth. And honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. 9 And in vain they worship Me. Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men."

Jesus called these people hypocrites. He said their hearts were far from Him because they honored Him with their lips alone. It sounds like Satan got in the mix doesn't it. But don't be fooled, Satan is still at work. The Lord told us,

*Conflicts arise but I conquer conflict. Satan authors conflicts and confusion but I will conquer all his snares. **They will abound in end times** but don't despair I AM there with you; in the earth with you. That is why silence is required.*

Silence is required so that we can hear the Lord speak to us and lead us. Our silence is a reminder to us that He is our King and we shall have honor and respect for Him. And to close the Lord offered this bit of advice, *"To discipline your mind read the Bible. If you want control of your mind don't let the enemy in. To rebuke temptation, first know that it is temptation. Whatever takes you away from ME is the work of the enemy."* We all have free will. It is up to you to choose to whom you will listen, to whom you will honor.

May the Lord Bless and Keep You,
Cindy

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