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The Collapse Of Character Often Begins On Compromise Corner

“But [now] I am fearful, lest that even as the serpent beguiled Eve by his cunning, so your minds may be corrupted and seduced from wholehearted and sincere and pure devotion to Christ.” 2 Cor 11:33 AMP

- ✓ Many things are worse than defeat, and compromise with evil is one of them.
- ✓ Compromise is always wrong when it means sacrificing a principle.
- ✓ A compromise is a deal in which two people get what neither of them wanted.
- ✓ Peace won by the compromise of principles is a short-lived achievement.

Don't Trade The Cross For Crumbs

“Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright. For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.” Heb 12:2-17 KJV, Gen.27:38

Satan wants you to think it is just one little morsel and it will not damage your eternal “birthright in Christ,” don’t fret it won’t really affect you in a negative way. Lying and seducing spirits always want you to believe that doing a little evil and expecting it to turn good later is acceptable (misquoting Rom 8:28). I wonder what Esau would say about his morsel of compromise if he could speak to you right now? Only a cunning and lying spirit can convince a person to believe that they can be the exception to God’s Word. Esau found no place of repentance, though he sought after it with deep remorse. Don’t think that full restoration is absolute; I have known many modern day Esau’s that never again found that “Sweet Spot In Jesus” that they once had enjoyed.

“So then, anyone who knows the right thing to do and fails to do it is committing a sin.” James 4:17 CJB

Sinful disobedience is like the story of the Chinese Bamboo Tree. This tree is different than most trees in that it doesn't grow in a typical fashion. Once planted it is watered and nurtured while growing in dark under soil. This process continues for four years. During these years there is no evidence that something is growing under the surface. No one knows that Bamboo was planted except the one who planted it, yet it is silently and secretly maturing hidden from view for 4 years. But in the fifth year an amazing thing happens; the hidden seed finally breaks thru to the surface and becomes exposed to light. In 5 weeks what was once hidden from light bursts forth! The exposure to light explodes its growth and reveals its true nature and everyone knows that it is Chinese Bamboo. It grows to a height of 90 feet in just 35 days.

HIDDEN sin when exposed to light explodes and reveals its true character and no matter what we do it seems to grow out of control right before our eyes and everyone sees what once was hidden and unknown.

“And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. It is shameful to speak of things which are done in secret. But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light.” Eph 5:11-13 NKJV

Not obeying, stretching or bending God’s Word is like planting Chinese Bamboo. Others may not see the root system maturing under the surface, but it is obeying the law of sowing and reaping. It will burst forth without warning and when it does the reaping season is near. Sin and Sinful behavior is like Chinese Bamboo, when the darkness is removed and it becomes exposed to light it surprise’s everyone; it is just like it came out of nowhere!

“Then the evil desire, when it has conceived, gives birth to sin, and sin, when it is fully matured, brings forth death. Do not be misled, my beloved brethren.” James 1:14-16 AMP

Repenting kills the root of sin and forsaking eventually brings crop failure to the fruit of disobedience. Repent, forsake and God can restore you. If the spirit of this world is influencing you to compromise think again!

“Don’t delude yourselves: no one makes a fool of God! A person reaps what he sows. Those who keep sowing in the field of their old nature, in order to meet its demands, will eventually reap ruin; but those who keep sowing in the field of the Spirit will reap from the Spirit everlasting life. So let us not grow weary of doing what is good; for if we don’t give up, we will in due time reap the harvest.” Gal 6:7-9 CJB

The heart is tricky business. Do not trust your senses and reason unless they are hemmed in by your obedience to the Word of God. The Holy Spirit will never suggest or confirm disobedience to God’s Word.

“For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?” 1 Peter 4:17 NKJV

APPLICATION: Live a biblical life in private, do your homework and you will pass the moral tests in life. Kill Chinese Bamboo before it bursts forth! Forsaking is a behavior not emotional words. Heed the word of the watchman, judgment in the house of the Lord is approaching critical mass. God conceals for a season, but it is our honor to search out the matters of the heart. We are Kings and Priests unto our God Rev.1:6.

*“It is the glory of God to conceal a matter,
But the glory of kings is to search out a matter.” Prov 25:2 NKJV*



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