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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Pronounced "Soul"

April 28, 2014

Adapting to realization

1 KINGS 11:9-10 NKJV – (9) So the LORD became angry with Solomon, because his heart had turned from the LORD God of Israel, who had appeared to him twice, (10) and had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods; but he did not keep what the LORD had commanded.

Many today believe that God is satisfied with their way of worshipping Him. Remember, worship is defined as a way of life. We live by compromising the values, instructions or the statutes of the Lord and we even attach His name as an approval tag to it. Yet, just like the disease "cancer", it spreads a little at a time, slowly for the worse! The treatment is God, but we want to be our own doctor attempting to heal ourselves by continuing to compromise, gravitating to what we believe. What do we compromise? We compromise our wisdom, our walk, our wealth, our worship and even our witness. The end result is the scripture above. Some will say, "Well I'm not that bad" or "I didn't do what Solomon did." Yet, we do measure sin. Remember, what you do in life early becomes a part of you later. As you age, it becomes more difficult to adjust to what is accurate, but it can be done!

What are other gods? Other gods are anything that takes precedence over the true and living God. Ask God if He is pleased with your worship. If He tells you know that He isn't (just as He told Solomon), ask Him what is it that you need to do to live in God's word.

Our prayer should be - "Help me Lord to not only start the race, but finish it well. Help me not to compromise my faith and love for you. Instead, keep me close to the cross and the Christ who died for me there." Solomon's problem was not ignorance but blatant rebellion. He knew better but did not do better. The only thing that matters is not success and prosperity but God! (**Eccl.12:13-14**) Money cannot buy love - or a place in Heaven – (**Luke 12:15**) Seek ye first the kingdom – (**Matt.6:33**) Give your Heart to Jesus Christ and His Church. He will fill your empty heart with untold and countless blessings when you give it to Him today

SCRIPTURE READING

JOB 28:28

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

As you travel life's weary road, let Jesus lift your heavy load.

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