

Spiritual Mixologists

Sunday Morning, March 1, 2015

Thesis: Acknowledge Our New Way of Life in Christ
As Being A Spiritual Living Precious Stone For God

Introduction:

Coal to Diamond - Old to New!

I. Acknowledge the New Way of Life in Christ **(Luke 5:33 – 39)**

33 Then they said to Him, “Why do the disciples of John fast often and make prayers, and likewise those of the Pharisees, but Yours eat and drink?”

34 And He said to them, “Can you make the friends of the bridegroom fast while the bridegroom is with them?”

35 But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them; then they will fast in those days.”

36 Then He spoke a parable to them: “No one puts a piece from a new garment on an old one; otherwise the new makes a tear, and also the piece that was taken out of the new does not match the old.

37 And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; or else the new wine will burst the wineskins and be spilled, and the wineskins will be ruined.

38 But new wine must be put into new wineskins, and both are preserved.

39 And no one, having drunk old wine, immediately desires new; for he says, ‘The old is better.’”

New/Old -- Wine/Skins

Attaching the new way of life to the old way won't work.

II. Do Not Be A Spiritual Mixologist Mammon Vss. God

(Matthew 6:24)

“No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one & despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

Put On The New Man (Ephesians 4: 17 – 24)

17 This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind,

18 having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart;

19 who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20 But you have not so learned Christ,

21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:

22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,

23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

Separate ourselves and discover our new way of life in Christ.

III. Embrace Who We Are in Christ **(Ephesians 2: 19 – 22)**

19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,
20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,
21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord,
22 in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Part of a Holy Temple

(I Peter 2: 4 – 5)

4 Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious,
5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

A Living Stone?

Spiritual Sacrifices Are:

- ✚ Our Bodies, Yielded to Him - [Romans 12:1](#)
- ✚ Our Money To Promote the Gospel - [Phil. 4:18](#)
- ✚ Our Praise To Glorify God - [Hebrews 13:15](#)

Conclusion:

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