

Before the Stain Becomes Indelible

Last night there was something wonderful happening — Our Master saved two people who were on the path to death. They were keeping their sins. They were not confessing and exposing them. They would have gone to death. They would have stained their garments so deeply that they would never have gotten the stains out of it. They would have hurt the Body. They committed sins, and covered it up. What was happening? This was setting in. A stain sets in and you won't get it out. It sets in and becomes indelible. You get some ink and can get it out, some you can't.

1 Jn 5:16-17 talks about two types of sin — one is indelible, one isn't. The indelible sets in, and you can't get it out — you know the right thing to do, but you don't do anything about it. After you come to the knowledge of the truth this becomes indelible. But even the ink you can get out can really stain your garment. If you don't get it out quickly enough it can stain your garment and become indelible.

1 Jn 5:16-17 talks about two types of sin. The people who sin a sin unto death have an indelible stain. There is no use praying for them. I just talked with someone this morning. He is not judging something. If he goes to the Breaking of Bread like that, cotton gets stuffed into his ears. He gets dull. When people like that die they won't be with our Master. They will not be absent from the body and present with the Sovereign. 1 Jn 5:16-17 — There is no use praying for them, no matter how many good deeds they do or how much you pray.

Rev 3:4 — They will enter the kingdom with Me, reign with Me, rule with Me. Rev 2:26 explains it. He who overcomes is victorious over these things.

I talked to a brother this morning who wasn't victorious over that inadvertence, speaking inadvertently. He didn't judge himself. God is for him, so He sent an emissary to him to talk to him about his inadvertent ways. The person that went to him to deliver him, to save him from his inadvertent ways, is going to shine like the stars forever.

If we are so dull to not know when our brothers need us, we can sing "Love, love..." all day long, but we understand it wrong. That is love. I love him as our Master loved me. That's how He loves me. He wasn't intimidated. Our Master said, "Peter, get behind Me," when Peter didn't want Him to go to Jerusalem. "That's what I came for. I came to die for the sins of the whole world. If I don't go there your sins won't be forgiven. Are you Satan? Yes. Get behind Me." We have to love one another and overcome our intimidation to rescue people.

Is it possible that the whole edah can stain their garment? Yes, it is. It is almost here. Last night someone came confessing all kinds of things that he was doing — greed, not loving his brothers. He knew he was on his way to be cut off. He just cried over it.

Well, what happened? He confessed. We forgave him. Our Father forgave him. Jn 20:22-23 (Verse 22 probably is not the permanent sealing, but they kept Him till Pentecost when they probably were sealed.) If we forgive someone he is forgiven. We can do that after we have received the Holy Spirit and are being led and directed by Him. We don't die for them. We judge like God judges. We have the same compassion. What if there was no compassion last night? We all sensed it. There was compassion. In one accord we confirmed him. He needed it. He needed it. It was almost indelible. He was concealing it. Our Father started bringing it out. He started seeing his sin. He was so released. "Even if you tell me to go, I would just hang on to the gate out there." He said that it was just horror to him to leave this place. It was like some people who took hold of the horns of the altar.

If we can't forgive, our Father can't forgive. We have the same Spirit. We really have to be in communion, fellowship. We have to be sons of the Father, not slaves.

1 Jn 2:22-23; Rev 3:4 — We read that. Well, those poor people back then stained their garments. The people who say that, they have stained their garments. I always heard in church about the poor people in Corinth.

There is evidence in the Word of God even though we were sealed with the Spirit, even though we *were* all baptized and we all *drank* from the Spirit, and are part of the house of God, that we can commit a sin unto death. I told the brother this morning, "You drank from that Spirit;

don't drink from another spirit. You can't drink from two cups and eat at two tables." We are here to judge these enemies. We are here on God's side, He is on our side.

Love is smiling at one another. But it's also to bring a good correction, have sympathy and mercy and talk to people about their attitude. If you see someone not speaking, go to them, encourage them. What is encouraging? To give someone courage.

Rev 2:26-28 — Is that really true? That's why He saved us. God needs people, He is helpless. He can't do it. He needs human beings to rule over the nations. "I can't send angels. They are invisible. I created human beings to dwell in."

His highest thought is restored human beings. He went to the limit. He couldn't have made us better if He tried. Understand this. Then you can see yourself as our God sees you. He wants to cleanse us from all iniquity, this crooked way in us that causes lawlessness, this crooked way in us that causes us to sin, be lawless. Last night our Father showed us that He saved this person from sin.

It was like a lion or a bear was coming and God took us out of harm's way. There is wrath right there. When it falls it falls on all unrighteousness. God has wrath, but He wants to pour it out over all unrighteousness. He wants us to get out of there. He doesn't just want to pour it out. He wants us to get out of it. He wants to pour it on Satan and his angels who deceive you. We help people — We do that in the world and in the Body.

We are co-workers with God. The Holy Spirit is the Helper. If you don't want to do this don't be here. You just waste your time staying around.

What about those people in Sardis? Should they have left? They just hung around and cursed the community.

The brother repented. He shed tears. Amen, that's wonderful. God looks to those who shed tears. Is it true that if we hate correction we die? Are you glad about it? This is the Word. I don't want you to die — receive correction.

Let's give ourselves to Him for the purpose He saved us for.