



WORD BREAK

030 – DOORS I MUST KEEP SHUT (Part6)

Dear Child of God,

Welcome to “WORD BREAK” #30, which is designed to give you a nugget from God’s Word to strengthen your daily walk.

DOOR #2 — DIVISION (continued)

Today, we are going to finish looking at **Door #2 — Division.**

Division is a work of the flesh designed to destroy you, your family, your friends, your church, your place of employment, your business, and everything that concerns you in this life.

Let’s take a look at Galatians 5:16-26.

“16 But I say, walk and live [habitually] in the [Holy] Spirit [responsive to and controlled and guided by the Spirit]; then you will certainly not gratify the cravings and desires of the flesh (of human nature without God).

17 For the desires of the flesh are opposed to the [Holy] Spirit, and the [desires of the] Spirit are opposed to the flesh (godless human nature); for these are antagonistic to each other [continually withstanding and in conflict with each other], so that you are not free but are prevented from doing what you desire to do.

18 But if you are guided (led) by the [Holy] Spirit, you are not subject to the Law.

19 Now the doings (practices) of the flesh are clear (obvious): they are immorality, impurity, indecency,

*20 Idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, anger (ill temper), selfishness, **divisions (dissensions)**, party spirit (factions, sects with peculiar opinions, heresies),*

21 Envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like. I warn you beforehand, just as I did previously, that those who do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the [Holy] Spirit [the work which His presence within accomplishes] is love, joy (gladness), peace, patience (an even temper, forbearance), kindness, goodness (benevolence), faithfulness,

23 Gentleness (meekness, humility), self-control (self-restraint, continence). Against such things there is no law [that can bring a charge].

24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus (the Messiah) have crucified the flesh (the godless human nature) with its passions and appetites and desires.

25 If we live by the [Holy] Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. [If by the Holy Spirit we have our life in God, let us go forward walking in line, our conduct controlled by the Spirit.]

26 Let us not become vainglorious and self-conceited, competitive and challenging and provoking and irritating to one another, envying and being jealous of one another.” (AMP)

There are two vital keys to shutting the Door of Division, and keeping it shut.

1) Stay away from people who refuse to stop causing Divisions.

2) Become so highly developed in the God kind of Love that this door closes, without ever opening again.

Titus 3:10 tells us how to handle a divisive individual.

*“[As for] a man who is **factionous [a heretical sectarian and cause of divisions]**, after admonishing him a first and second time, reject [him from your fellowship and have nothing more to do with him],” (AMP)*

The prescription for developing this kind of Love is found in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a. I particularly like the way it reads in the Amplified. I am going to give you a confession for you to use for your Love Walk development. Say the following out loud!

I endure long, and am patient and kind; I am never envious, nor do I boil over with jealousy. I am not boastful or vainglorious, and do not display myself haughtily.

I am not conceited (arrogant and inflated with pride); I am not rude (unmannerly) and do not act unbecomingly. I do not insist on my own rights or my own way, for I am not self-seeking; I am not touchy or fretful or resentful; I take no account of the evil done to me. I pay no attention to a suffered wrong.

I do not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness, but I rejoice when right and truth prevail.

I bear up under anything and everything that comes; I am ever ready to believe the best of every person. My hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and I endure everything [without weakening].

I never fail, fade out or become obsolete or come to an end.

I suggest you say this over and over until your actions start lining up with this passage. This will change your life forever, *“for God is Love.” 1 John 4:8b (AMP)*

Thank you for joining me for this edition of “WORD BREAK”. See you this Sunday!



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