



WORD BREAK

063 – REPAIRING THE RESERVOIR (Part25)

Dear Child of God,



Welcome to “WORD BREAK” #63, which is designed to give you a nugget from God’s Word to strengthen your daily walk.

GATE #3 — THE OLD GATE (Continued)

Nehemiah 3:6

“6 And Joiada the son of Paseah and Meshulam the son of Besodeiah repaired the Old Gate; they laid its beams and hung its doors, with its bolts and its bars.” (NASB)

Today, let’s continue looking at **The Foundation** by continuing our study on the office of the **Apostle**.

The word **Apostle** is one of the most overused, misused, unappreciated, distorted, and misunderstood words in all of Christendom today!

I will say that at least 80 % of those who claim to be **Apostles** are not.

Ephesians 4:11a is very clear about how many Jesus set in this crucial office. *“And He gave some as apostles,.....” NASB*

Just as God has a **Solid Foundation** composed of **Jesus The Cornerstone, The Apostles, and The Prophets**, Satan has a **counterfeit foundation**.

His **counterfeit foundation** also has three components. They are **false Christs, false apostles, and false prophets**.

Take a look at these Scriptures.

Matthew 24:24

“For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.” NASB

Matthew 7:13-23

13 “Don’t look for shortcuts to God. The market is flooded with surefire, easygoing formulas for a successful life that can be practiced in your spare time. Don’t fall for that stuff, even though crowds of people do. 14 The way to life — to God! — is vigorous and requires total attention.

15 “Be wary of false preachers who smile a lot, dripping with practiced sincerity. Chances are they are out to rip you off some way or other. Don’t be impressed with charisma; look for character. 16-20 Who preachers are is the main thing, not what they say. A genuine leader will never exploit your emotions or your pocketbook. These diseased trees with their bad apples are going to be chopped down and burned.

21 “Knowing the correct password — saying ‘Master, Master,’ for instance — isn’t going to get you anywhere with me. What is required is serious obedience — doing what my Father wills. 22 I can see it now — at the Final Judgment thousands strutting up to me and saying, ‘Master, we preached the Message, we bashed the demons, our God-sponsored projects had everyone talking.’ 23 And do you know what I am going to say? ‘You missed the boat. All you did was use me to make yourselves important. You don’t impress me one bit. You’re out of here.’ (The Message)

Matthew 7:13-23

13 “You can enter God’s Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way. 14 But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it.*

15 “Beware of false prophets who come disguised as harmless sheep but are really vicious wolves. 16 You can identify them by their fruit, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? 17 A good tree produces good fruit, and a bad tree produces bad fruit. 18 A good tree can’t produce bad fruit, and a bad tree can’t produce good fruit. 19 So every tree that does not produce good fruit is chopped down and thrown into the fire. 20 Yes, just as you can identify a tree by its fruit, so you can identify people by their actions.

21 “Not everyone who calls out to me, ‘Lord! Lord!’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. 22 On judgment day many will say to me, ‘Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.’ 23 But I will reply, ‘I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God’s laws.’ (NLT)

2 Corinthians 11:13-15

“13 For such men are false apostles [spurious, counterfeits], deceitful workmen, masquerading as apostles (special messengers) of Christ (the Messiah).

14 And it is no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light;

15 So it is not surprising if his servants also masquerade as ministers of righteousness. [But] their end will correspond with their deeds.” AMP

Revelation 2:2

2 “I know what you do, how hard you work and never give up. I know that you don’t accept evil people. You have tested those who say they are apostles but are not. You found that they are liars.” Easy-to-Read Version*

The True Body Of Christ should be well acquainted with **“The Apostle Test”** and should know how to give it as the Church at Ephesus did in Revelation 2:2.

I am going to give you a number of biblical guidelines you can use for your own Apostle test, but first, let’s look at the five key 5 - Fold Anointing Oil ingredients the Lord gives us in the book of Exodus.

Exodus 30:22-33

“22 Moreover, the Lord said to Moses,

23 Take the best spices: of liquid myrrh 500 shekels, of sweet-scented cinnamon half as much, 250 shekels, of fragrant calamus 250 shekels,

24 And of cassia 500 shekels, in terms of the sanctuary shekel, and of olive oil a hin.

25 And you shall make of these a holy anointing oil, a perfume compounded after the art of the perfumer; it shall be a sacred anointing oil.

26 And you shall anoint the Tent of Meeting with it, and the ark of the Testimony,

27 And the [showbread] table and all its utensils, and the lampstand and its utensils, and the altar of incense,

28 And the altar of burnt offering with all its utensils, and the laver [for cleansing] and its base.

29 You shall sanctify (separate) them, that they may be most holy; whoever and whatever touches them must be holy (set apart to God).

30 And you shall anoint Aaron and his sons and sanctify (separate) them, that they may minister to Me as priests.

31 And say to the Israelites, This is a holy anointing oil [symbol of the Holy Spirit], sacred to Me alone throughout your generations. [Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 12:3.]

32 It shall not be poured upon a layman’s body, nor shall you make any other like it in composition; it is holy, and you shall hold it sacred.

33 Whoever compounds any like it or puts any of it upon an outsider shall be cut off from his people.” AMP

- 1) OLIVE OIL = THE APOSTLE
- 2) LIQUID MYRRH = THE PROPHET
- 3) FRAGRANT CALAMUS = THE EVANGELIST
- 4) SWEET-SCENTED CINNAMON = THE PASTOR
- 5) CASSIA = THE TEACHER

We will expound on these ingredients in another “WORD BREAK”.

And as we dig further into the **Rebuilding of The Foundation**, you will see why there are so many problems in Christianity today.

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

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