

# The False Hermeneuts

Since the days of our Lord Jesus, people and groups have arisen who call themselves "Hermeneuts" but who distort the truth and want to stop the eternal purpose of God with respect to his Church in Christ, these Hermeneuts or Interpreters reject the purpose of God and they generally have the following points in common:

#### **Enforcing the law of Moses**

Luke 7:29 When all the people and the tax collectors heard him, they recognized the righteousness of God, being baptized with the baptism of John. 30 But the Pharisees and the interpreters of the law rejected God's purposes for them by not being baptized by John.

The ones we see in the previous verse are the "Hermeneuts" who were in the days of the Lord Jesus, but they did not understand the purpose of the law that God had given them through Moses, they did not correctly interpret the scripture. In the New Testament we find that the law was given to show our sin (Romans 7: 7) and lead us to the Savior, to make us understand that no one is saved by works (Romans 3:20), but only by faith in Jesus Christ the son of God. God and that baptism was to identify us with this reality:

Galatians 3:24 So the law has become our schoolmaster (Teacher) to lead us to Christ, so that we may be justified by faith. 25 But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor, 26 for you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For all of you who were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

We are not under the law of Moses (Romans 6:14), we are under grace, but the interpreters of the law did not "interpret it well" and rejected God's purpose, which is salvation through faith in Christ Jesus our Lord. and Salvador.

Luke 11:45 Responding one of the interpreters of the law, he \* said: Teacher, when you say this, you also insult us. 46 And He said, Woe also to you, you interpreters of the law, because you load men with loads that are difficult to carry, and you do not even touch the loads with one of your fingers.



The Interpreters of the law that have resurfaced in this century like the first refuse to receive the gospel of Christ and continue to put burdens on those who ignorantly fall into their nets, but the Lord revealed by his Spirit and by his Apostles from the early days of the gospel that we are saved by grace:

Acts 15:10 Now then, why do you put God to the test by putting a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? 11 Rather, we believe that we are saved by the grace of the Lord Jesus, in the same way that they are also saved.

The Lord Jesus himself said that the law of Moses should no longer be announced, because we enter the dispensation of grace, where the gospel must be announced:

Luke 16:16 The law and the prophets were proclaimed until John; since then the good news of the kingdom of God has been announced, and everyone strives to enter it.

The Lord severely admonished these "bad hermeneuts" because in their error they were dragging many, preventing them from reaching the truth that is Christ:

Luke 11:52 Woe to you, interpreters of the law, because you have taken away the key of knowledge; You did not enter yourselves, and you prevented those who were entering.

How severe is the admonition "Many of you do not become teachers because you will bring greater condemnation" (James 3: 1), because when one misinterprets something for oneself, only one is affected, but when one teaches a heresy to others, we affect divert many from the truth, let us be careful to teach sound doctrine that is according to piety, let us see some cautions regarding heresies.

Heresy is a term that indicates any deviation from sound doctrine, that is, a contrary or distorted teaching of the word of God, then heretics are those who introduce teachings contrary to those of the word of God, the Apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians:

1 Corinthians 11:19 For there must be factions among you, so that those who are approved may appear among you.



The word "sides" in Greek is "hairesis" which means heretics, that is to say that even in the Church it is necessary for heretics to appear to know who is from God and who is not. Let's look at some ways in which heresies are evidenced:

# They deny the Lord Jesus

There are groups that call themselves of God and although they accept Jesus as their savior or their Messiah, deny his divinity, deny that he is God the Son made flesh (1 Timothy 3:16), this is a fundamental point of our faith, that Jesus is God, that was not denied by the Pharisees and that is why the Lord declared to them:

John 8:24 That is why I told you that you will die in your sins; because if you do not believe that I am, you will die in your sins.

If someone does not believe that Jesus is the "I am" he cannot be saved, he is not from God. There is an interesting fact that this word of heretics is the same one used by the Apostle Paul in Acts 26: 5 to say that he belonged to the "sect" of the Pharisees. We must be careful with these sects, with these groups, the Lord Jesus himself warned today there are many who say that they come in the name of the Lord, performing miracles but the Lord said that we must see their fruits, that is, their testimony, their way of life, if it is holy, see if they are consecrated to God, or see if they are following the things of the world, the Apostle Peter also declared of these heretics that they would enter the midst of the people to separate many from the true path that is Jesus:

2 Peter 2: 1 But false prophets arose among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you, who will covertly introduce destructive heresies, denying even the Lord who bought them, bringing sudden destruction upon themselves. 2 Many will follow their sensuality, and because of them, the way of truth will be blasphemed.

Beware of those who say Lord, Lord on their lips but who do not recognize that Jesus is God, let us also be careful not to fall into heresies by misinterpreting the word of God:

## Misinterpreting a text



I'll give you a simple example, a supposed teacher (preacher, evangelist, prophet, etc.) appears stating that you have to leave your family to be a disciple of Christ and bases his heresy on a biblical text saying "This is not said by me it is Jesus speaking to you":

Luke 14:26 If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple.

One can look in the Bible for verses that say anything, but the truths of God are repeated throughout the scripture, what the Lord is saying here is that we must love Him before everything else, remember, the first commandment is you will love the Lord your God above all things, but God does not want a husband to abandon his family because of the gospel, in all scripture we see the importance that God makes of the family, He has promised "believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved and all your house "(Acts 16:31), He has also stated that he hates divorce (Malachi 2:16), obviously this teaching to abandon his family is simply heresy for misinterpreting the word of God. This happens by taking a verse out of context,

Amos 5:23 Remove the noise of your songs from me, for I will not even listen to the music of your harps.

No one can do doctrine of a verse, the truths of God, his will is declared throughout the scripture, in the previous verse God is telling the people that they sing music for Him but they do not feel it, in the previous verses He tells them that although they make parties supposedly to honor him, their way of life is contrary to their will, that is, "a people who praise God with their lips but their heart is far from Him" and that is why God tells them that he does not even want to listen to their music, but heretics use this text to say that God is not to be praised when scripture shows us that God is to be praised at all times, David said "his praise will be forever in my mouth" (Psalm 34: 1), the Scripture commands it in a large number of verses (some are Psalm 33: 1, Ephesians 5:18, Hebrews 13:15 and Psalm 150). There is another group that is totally different from the Pharisees, since the Pharisees "confessed a holiness that they did not have", but this other group "confesses a grace that is not from God."

#### **Turning grace into debauchery**



Jude 1: 4 For some men have covertly infiltrated, who long before were marked for this condemnation, wicked who turn the grace of our God into debauchery, and deny our only Sovereign and Lord, Jesus Christ.

There are some heretics who say that it is not our spirit that sins, it is only our flesh and that is why we can go about doing worldly things, let no one deceive you, the scripture commands us to show that we are children of God, and this is manifested by the Spirit and reject the works of the flesh, since those who practice the works of the flesh will not inherit the kingdom of God (Galatians 5: 19-20). Everyone who makes debauchery of grace has never really received grace, because grace itself leads us to holiness to live by the Spirit:

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God has been manifested, bringing salvation to all men, 12 teaching us, that denying impiety and worldly desires, we live in this world sober, just and godly, 13 awaiting the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior Christ Jesus,

If the grace of God is manifested in a life in holiness consecrated to God, the Apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians that He truly lived in the grace of God:

2 Corinthians 1:12 For our satisfaction is this: the testimony of our conscience that in the holiness and sincerity that comes from God, not in carnal wisdom but in the grace of God, we have led ourselves in the world and especially towards you .

The Lord Jesus Christ clearly warned, "See that no one deceives you" (Matthew 24: 4), today there are so many people who claim to be "Christians" when in fact they are members of some sect that sometimes even calls itself "Church of Christ", the scripture is clear when it tells us that there would be religious movements originated by darkness that would seek to confuse people about the realities of God, this great harlot known in the Bible as" Babylon "seeks to corrupt the earth by misinterpreting the word of God.

#### **Denying the Rapture**

The enemy knows that if he fights head-on against the true Church he would be torn to pieces and what he does is "dress as an angel of light", that is, he presents himself as a Christian and



subtly distorts the truth just as he did with Eve in the garden, do not think that the serpent came frightening Eve, it came speaking the word of God to her, then maliciously and premeditatedly it began to introduce heresies causing Eve to finally sin, nowadays the enemy infiltrates the Churches posing as a "Christian", and sometimes in the midst of the churches "leaders" arise with false doctrines, seeking to divert the chosen from the truth. This phenomenon is not new, the Apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthian church:

2 Corinthians 11: 1 If only you would put up with me a little foolishness; and you really support me. 2 Because I am jealous of you with a jealousy of God; for I married you to a husband to present you as a pure virgin to Christ. 3 But I fear that, just as the serpent with his cunning deceived Eve, your minds will be diverted from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

Note that the apostle clarifies that the purpose of being with them is to prepare them as a pure virgin to be presented before Christ, that is the purpose of every minister to build up the Church to meet the loved one, but some false ones appear that with cunning they want to twist the truth, what truth? The truth that Christ will soon return and that we must be without spot and without wrinkle. The enemy has risen up through false ministers who seek to deny this reality, in that same chapter the apostle says it with reference to those who want to separate them from preparing for the beloved (2 Corinthians 11:13). Beloved brother, beware of the sects that call themselves "churches", but what really are groups of people led by ministers of Satan, who want to corrupt the true Church so that it does not prepare in justice, holiness and truth, these heretics deny the rapture, some of them say that Matthew 24 and many other prophecies about the Lord's coming have already been fulfilled, and that the Lord has already come for his people, a lie of the devil who wants to deceive us, and that this day it catches us asleep, but we will not allow it to enter the church because we have the light of the Holy Spirit that guides us to the truth. Note that the point of these sects is that Christ is not coming or that he will come in a distant time, but this appearance of these heretics is a sign to us that Christ is coming soon.

2 Peter 3: 3 First of all, know this: that in the last days scoffers will come, with their sarcasm, following their own passions, 4 and saying: Where is the promise of his coming? Because since the parents slept, everything continues as it was from the beginning of creation.

#### **Denying primary ministries**



Some false ones declare that the 5 ministries were only for the beginning and that they should no longer exist, but scripture reveals that the ministers will exist until the Body of Christ is built up to the stature and holiness of Our Lord Jesus. You can see to this day there are still many things that we lack to be like the Lord and that is a sign that the ministries are still there to train the saints and to reach maturity to meet the Beloved.

## **Denying the Person of the Holy Spirit**

Another fundamental point of heretics is that they deny the person of the Holy Spirit, and next to this they deny his gifts and his ministry (2 Corinthians 3: 8), but the scripture amply reveals the divinity and the person of the Holy Spirit and his ministry as Lord of the Church (2 Corinthians 3:17), it is he who leads us to Christ, Jesus said that no one went to the father except through him, but we can say that no one comes to Christ except through the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12: 3). His gifts are necessary to carry out the work of perfecting us and preparing us for the encounter with our beloved. Brother beware of the bad brothers who form their sects and pose as true Christians but act like the serpent.

I pray that you will read through and study this material and share it with your REMI leadership, I have encountered far too many people who called themselves pastors or ministers of some kind but who really do not have a life of study of meditation in the Word of God, it is essential we rise up to our priority to our calling. This is prayer and the Word, if we really begin to have a life of relationship, commitment, fear of God and surrender we will see things change in our ministry.

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