

## Make Me a Sanctuary Part 1

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### Read Exodus 25:1-9 (highlight verses 8-9)

**8** Let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them. **9** And you shall make it according to all that I show you, the pattern of the tabernacle or dwelling and the pattern of all the furniture of it.

### John 15:4-14 He who dwells in Me – MY LOVE

**4** Dwell in Me, and I will dwell in you. [Live in Me, and I will live in you.] Just as no branch can bear fruit of itself without abiding in (being vitally united to) the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you abide in Me. **5** I am the Vine; you are the branches. Whoever lives in Me and I in Him bears much (abundant) fruit. However, apart from Me [cut off from vital union with Me] you can do nothing. **6** If a person does not dwell in Me, he is thrown out like a [broken-off] branch, and withers; such branches are gathered up and thrown into the fire, and they are burned.

### Psalms 91:1 He Who Dwells in the Secret Place (ABIDE IN MY LOVE)

### Define Love = Fruit of the Spirit, where do we find this and what does it look like?

**Galatians 5:22-23** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control.

This is our “litmus test” to judge how we are doing in any situation we face.

### What It Is Not

#### Galatians 5:19-21

**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.

### How Do We Move Towards the Fruit of the Spirit and Not the Works of Our Flesh?

#### Galatians 5:16-17 tells us

**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.

#### Galatians 24-26 further tells us

**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.]

**We are told to crucify our flesh:** die to self, our fleshly, worldly desires our lusts of the flesh, lust of the eyes and pride of life (**1 John 2:15-16**).

**How does God help us?** He wonderfully orchestrates and custom designs our trials, the situations in our lives, afflictions and persecutions that put pressure on us. These will expose what is really in our heart, as that is when our true colors, what we really think, will be exposed. When all is going well, it is easy to be deceived, and it is much easier to “act in a good way and be pleasant to those in our lives.” But God is always and only after the heart and why we do something, our motives, our attitudes. He always wants us to come into right alignment with His ways.

**We need to deal with our sin:** God will not force us to deal with it, but there will always be eternal consequences for our sin that is not repented of and covered by the blood.

**Hebrews 10:26-27** (We encourage you to read 29-35)

**26** For if we go on deliberately and willingly sinning after once acquiring the knowledge of the Truth, there is no longer any sacrifice left to atone for [our] sins [no further offering to which to look forward]. **27** [There is nothing left for us then] but a kind of awful and fearful prospect and expectation of divine judgment and the fury of burning wrath and indignation which will consume those who put themselves in opposition [to God].

God will never “understand” (minimize) our disobedience to Him. We will always have a choice and will always have either a reward if choose life, or a penalty if we choose death, to disobey Him and His Word.

**READ Ephesians 5** (highlight verses 11-18)

**Hebrews 12:5-11** God’s discipline

**2 Corinthians 4:7** Our trials

**Hebrews 10:5** Make ready a body for Me

**1 Peter 1:15-16** Be Holy because I AM Holy

**WHY Does He wants us to go through this?** He is coming for a Bride Who has made herself ready, who is without spot or wrinkle (our consecration/His sanctification)

**Ephesians: 5:27**

That He might present the church to Himself in glorious splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such things [that she might be holy and faultless].

Don’t let anyone ever deceive you and tell you this is not possible; that is a lie from the pit of hell and in direct contradiction to His Word.

**Ephesians: 4:12** Perfect “now”

**Philippians 3:12-14**, Press on, perfect, the prize

**Colossians 1:28** Present, fully mature, perfect

**Hebrews 6:1** Advancing steadily toward the completeness and perfection that belong to spiritual maturity

**Revelation 19:7-9**

**7** Let us rejoice and shout for joy [exulting and triumphant]! Let us celebrate and ascribe to Him glory and honor, for the marriage of the Lamb [at last] has come, and His bride has prepared herself. **8** She has been permitted to dress in fine (radiant) linen, dazzling and white—for the fine linen is (signifies, represents) the righteousness (the upright, just, and godly living, deeds, and conduct, and right standing with God) of the saints (God’s holy people). **9** Then [the angel] said to me, Write this down: Blessed (happy, [b]to be envied) are those who are summoned (invited, called) to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he said to me [further], These are the true words (the genuine and exact declarations) of God.

He is coming for a Bride who has made herself ready in this earth TODAY. This is not something that happens to us if and when we go to heaven. His Word clearly shows this.

**CLOSING:** We will find another very important dynamic that is taking place between us and our Bridegroom. In this process of perfecting us into His image – there is something that is taking place in us/transforming us. Just like in the dream, I shared that without the washing water of the Word (**Ephesians 5:26**) and a disciplined, dedicated prayer life, we will remain covered in our filth. It will be our sins, the things that our in our life that are displeasing to our King, that are exposed. If we think we have no sin then we make Him a liar, the truth is not in us.

**1 John 1:8-10** **8** *If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us.* **9** *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.* **10** *If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His word is not in us.*

As we let Him cleanse us, as we press on towards the Prize, not yet realizing just how covered in dirt/filth we really are, our sin will become no longer covered and hidden in the inside recesses of our dark hearts. It cannot stay there any more. We will get to a place we don’t want it to stay there anymore. If we want to truly know Him and become like

Him, it will all be uncovered, no longer hidden. I can tell you, personally speaking, at times it will be humiliating, ugly, messy, embarrassing, and ever so painful as we see our sin the way He does. It will even sometimes be degrading to us. It will not be easy, and actually, often hard. Some things we did not even know needed to be corrected, because we honestly just did not know what pleased our Bridegroom, and because we never made the time to get to know Him intimately. We may know **about** Him, but to **know Him** are two totally different things! In the process of knowing Him, we change, wanting to please Him.

He forewarns us in **Matthew 7:13-14** **13** *Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it.* **14** *For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.*

If we say “yes” and have done it according to His ways, we will find ourselves covered in our filth - it is finally exposed. We will finally get to the point where we no longer care what man thinks of us, and our pride must go. We have to be transparent, bare and naked with the Lover of our soul. We will confess our sin and call it sin and we will seek to be cleansed. Why it is so important that we are transparent and confess our sins, as often as needed? It is not a one-time event. It is so important because by letting them be exposed now, we will not have to come under shame or condemnation later – we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God (**Romans 3:23**).

Lord Yeshua took upon Himself the sins of the people. He alone is our High Priest forever, making intercessions for us before the Father and the Mercy Seat. Only when we see and acknowledge our sin and call it sin as our High Priest Yeshua does, and confess it to Him, then can He cleanse us with His blood and clothe us in His righteousness. He can clothe us in new, clean garments. But we must do our part, to keep our garments clean, to learn how to adorn ourselves in our wedding garments, through purity, holiness, truth, and intimacy. Our wedding garments signify our purity and righteousness, our just and Godly living, our deeds and conduct, and our right standing with God. It requires all of these and much more, and especially our absolute and explicit obedience.

The Bride that He is preparing for Himself on this earth is a Bride that will not want her sin to be hidden anymore. She will despise it and will want to be purified, no matter how costly or painful it may seem at the time. She will settle for nothing less than to be without spot or wrinkle, to be a Bride who will be beautiful for her Bridegroom King on her Wedding Day, the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

Please make no mistake: our Bridegroom’s requirements are high. He will not lower His standards for us, but we must come higher and into alignment with His holy and pure standards. The Church has, sadly, gotten so far from His Truth, so far from His holiness and from the fear of the Lord. She is full of filth and compromise.

Our Bridegroom’s eyes are searching for hearts that are TOTALLY surrendered to Him. He defines what TOTAL surrender looks like, NOT us. His qualifications are pure and holy, and He cannot tolerate ANY mixture with the ways of this world. It is a process. It takes time for the Bride to make herself ready, and time is quickly running out.

He is only interested in a Bride that is passionately, head-over-heels in love with Him alone. A Bride who will share Him with NO OTHER lovers, and one who has an undivided heart for Him alone. He desires a Bride who will know Him intimately. Nothing else will satisfy her heart. This takes time. In the choices we make, are we willing to let the low life, i.e., the love of the world, go? Are we willing to become ever so peculiar creatures by the world’s standards? We say yes, but do we really mean it? Do we really mean it? Think about that seriously for a moment. Our actions show whether we do or do not mean it, when we are faced with the tough decisions. Or when confronted with a simple request that the Bridegroom is asking of us, such as giving up certain things in order to know Him more intimately. These things include TV shows/entertainment, worldly magazines, trashy books, secular music that is full of demons and demonic influences, and influences of the world. It could be as simple as: Will you give up your sleep and go minister to someone in the hospital in the middle of the night, when He asks? It is not always necessarily sin that I am talking about. These are choices of obedience that will either move us deeper in Him or will keep us right where we are at – we decide. He will never go against our free will.

**Purpose for sharing:** I pray to only help provoke you to go deeper in prayer, deeper in intimacy, deeper in purity, deeper into His truth, deeper in humility. To not settle for the low life/this world’s fatal systems. To not let Satan rob your high and lofty destiny that God has for each and every one of you! To provoke you to examine your thought, word and action life, as never before, before the Holy Lord God Almighty. To ask Him to show you your sin the way He sees it. To cause you to want what He wants for you – to really want it! To realize that anything else is a counterfeit and a rip-off for what He has planned for you.

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