

## **Who is On The LORD'S Side?**

### **Exodus 32: 26**

**Have you noticed how fast things change these days? Children grow up; the seasons advance; and the elderly go home. But what is amazing; is how fast people's loyalties switch. This is very noticeable in politics; where friends can suddenly change and become bitter adversaries.**

**But when this happens with God's people; this is very disheartening.**

**Are there any comparable passages in the Bible?**

**Exodus 32: 1 to 14 - And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him. And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring them unto me. And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aaron. And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, To morrow is a feast to the LORD. And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play. And the LORD said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves: They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people: Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation. And Moses besought the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand? Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever. And the LORD**

**repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.**

**Yet another example of God's Grace.**

**Paul had his times of being abandoned. 2 Timothy 4: 10 - For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.**

**v16 - At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.**

**And Our Lord Jesus Christ had this happen to Him too. John 6: 66 - From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.**

**Mark 14: 50 - And they all (the disciples) forsook him, and fled.**

**With all the pressures in life; we need to stay focused.**

**Matthew 12: 30 - He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.**

**So what will the devil do to mess us up? He will try to split our focusing on Jesus Christ, and divide our loyalties. Acts 16: 16 - 18 - Now it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour.**

**Now notice, that Paul was minding his own business and going to prayer, when he was accosted by the devil's forces. The devil, not being able to beat Paul; decided to join him.**

**This has always been one of his more successful tricks; it's what Balaam told Balak to do. Revelation 2: 14 - But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.**

**And Paul tells us to watch out for this too.**

**2 Corinthians 2: 9 to 11 - For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things. To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it , for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ; Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.**

**Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices. Of all those advantages; what would be the most serious to watch out for? Deuteronomy 18: 9 to 14 - When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations. There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth**

**divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee. Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do . Doesn't that sound like a course outline for parapsychology?**

**Now if Paul was preaching to-day, about the dangers of the occult; what would he say? When you become a believer, you shall not learn to follow the abominations of the ungodly. There shall not be found among you anyone who kills his un-born son or daughter, or one who practices witchcraft, or a soothsayer, or one who interprets omens, or a sorcerer, or one who conjures spells, or a medium, or a spiritualist, or one who prays to the dead.**

**For all who do these things are an abomination to the LORD, and because of these abominations Our Heavenly Father will judge them. You shall be perfect like Our Lord Jesus Christ. For the ungodly listened to soothsayers and diviners; but as for you, Our Heavenly Father does not permit us to.**

**And what would be the main item to beware of?**

**Leviticus 19: 31 - Give no regard to mediums and familiar spirits; do not seek after them, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God.**

**Are there any examples of this disobedience to the Word of God?**

**1 Samuel 28: 7 - Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at Endor.**

**And because of this, he was severely punished.**

**1 Chronicles 10: 13 & 14 - So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the LORD, even against the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to enquire of it ; And enquired not of the LORD: therefore he slew him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.**

**Has God revised or changed His Standards since then?**

**Isaiah 8: 19 - And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead?**

**Revelation 9: 20 & 21 - But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.**

**Now there are those who say, that now we are under the New Covenant; there are no more familiar spirits. Well, that will be interesting news to the billions of people, who have their spirit guides, spirit protectors, channels, patron saints, or familiar spirits. And you don't have to attend a Silva Mind Control seminar to get them.**

**Did you ever read "Pigs in the Parlour", by Frank Hammond? If not, you should; as it is a classic for deliverance workers. He has a little booklet called; "Familiar Spirits". There is one section, that describes how people can acquire them.**

**There are many avenues through which familiar spirits can be acquired.**

**The following list is suggestive rather than exhaustive. Divination.**

**Divination is broadly defined as an attempt to discern future events or to discover that which cannot be known by normal methods.**

**The familiar spirit is sought to assist a person in his quest for hidden knowledge, guidance and power. There are many expressions of divination.**

**Divination includes the practices of occultists, spiritist mediums, witches, Haitian voodoo priests, American medicine men and Siberian shamans.**

**Some of the more popular devices of divination are: pendulums; dowsing rods; fortune telling; horoscopes; ouija; seances etc.**

**And some can have disastrous consequences. Jared Taylor, Reuters, on March 17, 2012, writes: Ouija board told me to stab friend .**

**MCALLEN, Texas - A Texas teenager charged in the stabbing of his 14-year-old friend said an Ouija board told him to carry out the attack, police said on Friday.**

**If you have engaged in divination; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.**

**Transcendental Meditation. TM, a practice associated with Hindu worship, is accepted widely throughout western culture today. It is being taught in colleges and even in some churches. Contrary to Christian meditation, which is an active reflection upon God and His Word; Eastern meditation is passive. And passive meditation, coupled with trance-producing techniques, and the chanting of the mantra (OM), open a person directly to the demonic realm. In his attempt to discover true enlightenment, the TM practitioner empties himself of all self-identity and willpower. He opens himself to deceiving spirits who impersonate Deity and divulge false revelations of secret and hidden mysteries. If you have engaged in Transcendental Meditation; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.**

**Imaginary Playmates. It is not unusual to find a child who has an imaginary playmate. The invisible companion is very real to the child. In fact, the playmate may be invisible to others but appears visible to the child. The imaginary playmate becomes a companion and a teacher of the child. What**

**begins, in the child's imagination, as a technique to offset loneliness, evolves into a relationship with a familiar spirit. And that's what is done to young children in school. The demon is called QR; for quiet reflex.**

**& it's not only children who have them. Remember that old movie; Harvey. It was about an invisible 6 foot rabbit; that people talked to.**

**If you are not talking or praying to God, and especially Our Lord Jesus; who are you talking to?**

**If you have engaged Imaginary Playmates; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.**

**Visualization. Visualization is not a valid spiritual tool, although it is a common technique employed by some practitioners of inner healing and healing of the memories. Visualization is a method used for centuries by sorcerers to contact demonic powers.**

**Some proponents of visualization contend that their Christian use of it represents the true counterpart of an occult counterfeit; but in Scripture, however, there is no basis for the use of visualization as a way of contacting God or of receiving spiritual benefits.**

**Therefore, so-called Christian visualization is not a true counterpart to a counterfeit visualization, but rather is itself a counterfeit of faith.**

**Faith has spiritual eyes which enable one to see the invisible.**

**"Faith is the evidence of things not seen" Hebrews 11: 1.**

**Visualization is an attempt to see, by the function of the natural mind, that which can only be seen by the spiritual eye of faith.**

**If you have engaged in Visualization; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.**

**Drugs. Drugs; especially the hallucinatory drugs, provide a straight corridor into the demonic realm. This is true of all sorts of drugs ranging from peyote to LSD, cocaine; and now Oxycontin. Such drugs alter the function of brain cells, and pave the way for an infinite variety of supposed revelations which are fostered by familiar spirits that were contacted via the drug-induced hallucinations.**

**(Many people, especially authors and musicians, use drugs to enter into an altered state of consciousness, where they contact their familiar spirits; in order to get help with a new song or book. The recent death of a major pop singer, was exactly this.**

**If you have engaged in Drugs; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.**

**Music. Those who are hooked on rock and other ungodly music are very defensive and unteachable. This rejection of truth is because ungodly music is a "religion" to the devotee, and to suggest that someone should give up his religion is a serious threat. Ungodly music requires as definite a commitment as does Christianity. Besides Rock; there is christian rock,**

blues, jazz, rapper, some classical, etc. The more a person engages in these; will make it easier to enter into an altered state of consciousness. If you have engaged in ungodly music; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.

Games and toys. The devil is blatantly making his bid to control the lives of our nation's youth. Games and toys are a powerful influence in the training of children. Parents, the spiritual guardians of children, must be especially alert and vigilant today in order to protect their offspring from Satan's wiles. In order for parents to choose toys wisely for their children; they will have to spend much time in prayer and study. But there are good books available to help them in their decision making. One of them is "Turmoil in the Toybox", by Joan Hake Robie. Win Worley has 2 booklets on the subject; #39 - Idols and Imagery; and #48 - The Abomination of Idolatry. Watch out for games that develop intuitive skills, like RubicksCube. Video games are very addictive; besides wasting many hours of valuable time. And most of them are full of occult, fantasy, violence, sex, etc.

If you have engaged in ungodly games and toys; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.

Necromancy. God's Word clearly forbids communication with spirits of the dead. "There shall not be found among you anyone who...calls up the dead" Deuteronomy 18: 10 & 11. Some, whose loved ones have died, are tempted to communicate with them. This was a major social event one hundred years ago, after WWI. Many turned to spiritism and its supposed christian counterpart; spiritualism; to contact their dead relatives.

There is an excellent book on spiritualism; "The Challenging Counterfeit" by Raphael Gasson. In fact, he was a spiritualist pastor; who was surprised to find out that there was no difference between his good white witchcraft, and the bad black witchcraft. This startling revelation started to open his eyes; and shortly after he got saved. PTL!

Instead of contacting the spirit of their loved ones, they come into contact with familiar spirits who impersonate deceased friends or relatives.

Teraphim, or household gods, are mentioned several times in the Bible. These were human figures and statues from which oracles were sought. These household images were made in the likeness of deceased ancestors. When Jacob separated himself from his uncle, Laban; Rachel stole her father's Teraphim. (Genesis 31).

This passage reveals that Laban and his family were involved in idolatry. They believed that they could be helped by the spirits of the departed dead. When God told Jacob to return to Bethel (The house of God), Jacob said to his family; "Put away the foreign gods that are among you" Genesis 35: 2, and the Teraphim were buried and left behind.

Thereupon, the curse was avoided; and the blessings of God came to Jacob

and his family, for, "The terror of God was upon the cities that were all around them, and they did not pursue the sons of Jacob" Genesis 35: 5.

There are some people; however, who have been taught to pray to Mary, the mother of Jesus, or to other departed persons, as mediators.

When men pray to the spirits of the dead, they are practising necromancy and courting familiar spirits.

Therefore, it is easy to understand why there are so many reported visitations by these forbidden mediators. 1 Timothy 2: 5 - For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; For example, there is the "Virgin of Guadalupe" and the "Virgin of Medjugore", because familiar spirits manifested themselves when people prayed to Mary, the mother of Jesus. This is related to ancestor worship, which is central to many pagan religions.

If you have engaged in necromancy; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.

Incubus and Succubus. An incubus spirit, is an evil spirit that afflicts women in their sleep. The succubus is an evil spirit that afflicts men.

For example, there was a Jamaican man who, along with relatives, had been deeply involved in voodoo. He was being tormented nightly by a succubus spirit. Not knowing the ways of God, he, in his desperation for help, had sought the help of a witch. After going through a witchcraft ritual, the problem was even worse than before. This man required deliverance from occult spirits in addition to a spirit of succubus.

It is understandable that people are often embarrassed to admit that they are having night visitations from incubus and succubus spirits, but it is the devil who makes people feel ashamed and afraid. Should you come under this kind of attack; it will only be broken off with spiritual warfare.

If you have encountered incubus and succubus; and not had deliverance from those demons, including the familiar spirits; you still have them.

Divining with demons during deliverance. When engaging in deliverance; what can happen? We should not judge success by the amount of manifestations; but by a changed life.

Since we have been praying for the demon's power, strength, and might to be taken away; the ferocity of the manifestations has decreased, while the depth of deliverance is much greater.

Now the success of the deliverance depends on various factors.

How badly does the person want freedom; and why do they want it?

Are they coming for prayer because it is the latest novelty in religion?

If they hate the way they are, and want freedom, so they can serve Our Lord better; then their prayer will be well received in heaven.

One of the best ways to help your deliverance along; is to take away the legal grounds that the demons have to stay.

**Confess your sins and the sins of your ancestors.**

**Break off the occult attacks that are sent against you on a daily basis.**

**Engage in regular self-deliverance; as this weakens the demons position.**

**Develop a closer walk with Our Lord; and spend much time in His Word.**

**The amount of deliverance depends on Our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**We are not Aladdin with our magic lantern that we command God to do our bidding. He is not a genie in a bottle just waiting to fulfil our positive thoughts and confessions. We are completely subject to Our Lord's Will.**

**And by His Grace, we will receive His Blessings. And He will grant us freedoms, as we can occupy the freed areas.**

**Exodus 23: 29 & 30 - I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee. By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.**

**God gives us time to ensure that the old things, those ungodly habits are gone; and that new godly ones are in place.**

**Please remember, that no demon likes to get kicked out of his house. They will try every trick to stay in. Their counter-attacks will be on all levels.**

**If when praying, you get a sudden headache; this is mind control etc. hitting you. Break off those attacks, and keep going. However, take this as a warning that you are vulnerable in that area and need more deliverance yourself.**

**Many times the demons leave with little or no manifestations. When demons are challenged, they sometimes speak through the person they indwell. This could be them under severe pressure; but more likely is an attempt to get the deliverance off track, by false manifestations.**

**Study how the killdeer pretends to be injured, to draw predators away from her nest. Great caution needs to be exercised here.**

**We do have authority over them. Luke 10: 19 - Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.**

**But the demons are excellent liars, and they are smarter than anyone alive. And even though you command them to tell the truth, and at Christ's Judgement Throne; some still lie. Lying spirits can do this.**

**And so do familiar spirits. God's prohibition in Deuteronomy 18:11; to not be a consulter with familiar spirits, is there for a reason.**

**To consult, in Strongs is 07592; to ask, to enquire, to borrow, to beg.**

**So how anyone can interrogate a demon without asking, enquiring, borrowing, or begging; is the million dollar question.**

**What exactly is a familiar spirit? In my opinion; if the demon is so entrenched in a person's soul or body; that it over-rides the Godly functionality of that part of the person; it is a familiar spirit.**



**There is something else to watch out for. The mental health industry has a therapy that binds "multiple personalities" to a person's real personality; to make them better. This is called "Multiple Personality Disorder", or MPD. It makes people worse off, and not better. What if these multiple personalities, or demons, cry out to get saved? Don't believe them; don't even talk with them; they are lying. Our Lord Jesus Christ commands us to cast the demons out; not to bind them in even tighter.**

**Mark 16: 17 - And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; etc.**

**Now, I can hear the objections; that even Our Lord Jesus Christ interrogated the demons. And there are some who are so obsessed with talking to the demons; that it is the central plank upon which their work is based. It can lead into forbidden territory, and will lead down the slippery slope of deception. It also tends to produce an over-inflated attitude of superiority. Our Lord Jesus had to deflate His disciples too. Luke 10: 20 - Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.**

**Paul confirmed it in Romans 12: 3 - For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.**

**Well, let's look at the Gadarene demoniac. In Matthew 8 there are 2 men; in Mark 5 and Luke 8 there is one. In Matthew 8, there is no record of I D ing the demon. Does the Creator of the Universe, the Son of God, Our Lord and Saviour have to ask a created being its name before expelling it? If knowing the demon's name is critical in order to cast out the demon; why is this the only recorded account in the Bible? Following that approach only leads to deception. And it will lead to them being able to only cast out demons with the help of other demons; instead of in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Blood of Jesus Christ, and being used by God's Holy Spirit.**

**A deliverance worker may cultivate a relationship with the demon as they interrogate them. In so doing, the deliverance minister becomes a medium through whom the familiar spirit imparts secret knowledge.**

**If the information acquired through demons is accepted as truth, then testimony to what demons have said becomes a doctrine of demons.**

**"Now the Spirit expressly says that in the latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons." 1 Timothy 4: 1.**

**Be careful not to get drawn into fortune telling sessions; such as what is going to happen in the future, or where is a lost object, like a pet.**

**So conversing with demons can easily lead to the forbidden role of being a "consulter with familiar spirits", as mentioned in Deuteronomy 18: 11.**

**Now there is much information out there to study. Dave Hunt has "Occult Invasion", and "Seduction of Christianity". Of the many things that he says; is how visualizing Jesus to get help, and the praying to Mary and the saints is not for God's people.**

**And because He has revealed unto us His Full Gospel of Salvation, Healing and Deliverance; we can get rid of those troublesome demons.**

**Kurt Koch's books have many examples of how Christians got their demons through mainly occult involvement. Their freedom came with repenting of the sins, renouncing the demons, and having them cast out in the Name and Blood of Jesus Christ.**

**Jarl Omholt-Jensen has a booklet, "Divination - Is it Divine?". He recounts how as a New Ager, he used pendulums to guide him through life.**

**He got saved; and tested his familiar spirit, Shiva, according to 1 John 4.**

**Directed by the Holy Spirit I was led to test if a 'spirit' existed behind the device. I wanted immediate answers. To the window I went. I grabbed the prism from its hook and wrapped the line around my left-hand fingers.**

**I felt led to challenge the spirit realm, to gain understanding on just what was going on.**

**Strangely, the pendulum in my hand hung there motionless, whereas before my conversion, any time I had held it instant spinning resulted, indicating that 'my special energies' were operative in the spirit guide's presence.**

**But now, nothing.**

**"Okay Shiva, you are coming forth and you are going to give me some answers!" I said firmly. Nothing happened. The orb hung lifeless on the fishing-line. Then, I said, "In the Name of God, come forth." Again, nothing.**

**"In the Name of the Holy Spirit, come forth." Nothing.**

**"In the Name of Jehovah, come forth." Still nothing.**

**When I voiced, In the Name of Jesus Christ, come forth!" the prism vaulted into the air and spun at high speed, astounding me by its movement, unlike anything I had ever seen before.**

**"You're here!" I exclaimed. The orb spun clockwise at high velocity indicating a 'yes.'**

**"In the Name of Jesus Christ, are you goodness?" Instantly it turned counterclockwise for a 'no.' "In the Name of Jesus, are you evil?"**

**Immediately the orb swung clockwise for "Yes." "In the Name of Jesus, should we use you or any of your kind? "No," spun the orb. "In the Name of Jesus, are you toxic?" Another flip of the object said, "Yes." "Would you have confessed this to me had I not commanded you in the Name of Jesus Christ?" "No," came the instant answer in counterclockwise motion. "Will you confess in front of others when called upon in the Name of Jesus Christ?" I asked. Immediately the prism spun, "Yes." I was absolutely amazed at what was happening. I asked other questions as well and**

**finished with: In the Name and Blood of Jesus Christ I cast you away from me & command you to be gone to the place prepared for you." Immediately the prism fell out of the air to hang motionless at the end of the line.**

**A note to those who follow the Most Holy Name teachings; the demon only responded to the Name of Jesus, not even to Jehovah.**

**Roy Livesey and Randall Baer were also New Agers using familiar spirits for what they thought was right; and then they got saved.**

**People will then say, that if it's so bad; why doesn't God just do away with them. Deuteronomy 13: 1 to 5 - "If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives you a sign or a wonder, "and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to you, saying, 'Let us go after other gods' --which you have not known--`and let us serve them,' "you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. "You shall walk after the LORD your God and fear Him, and keep His commandments and obey His voice, and you shall serve Him and hold fast to Him. "But that prophet or that dreamer of dreams shall be put to death, because he has spoken in order to turn you away from the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of bondage, to entice you from the way in which the LORD your God commanded you to walk. So you shall put away the evil from your midst.**

**Now under the New Covenant, we do not kill them. But we are not to have anything to do with the occult; and remember that God is testing us; to see whether we will be faithful to Him. So what are we going to do?**

**The devil, like the proverbial camel, has not only its nose under the edge of the tent; but everything right up to the tail.**

**And that's probably how Moses saw it when he was coming down Mount Sinai with the Ten Commandments; and saw what was happening.**

**Exodus 32: 15 to 29 - And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written. And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables. And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, There is a noise of war in the camp. And he said, It is not the voice of them that shout for mastery, neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome: but the noise of them that sing do I hear. And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount. And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it in the fire, and ground it to powder, and straved it upon the water, and made the**

**children of Israel drink of it . And Moses said unto Aaron, What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought so great a sin upon them? And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord wax hot: thou knowest the people, that they are set on mischief. For they said unto me, Make us gods, which shall go before us: for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him. And I said unto them, Whosoever hath any gold, let them break it off. So they gave it me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf. And when Moses saw that the people were naked; (for Aaron had made them naked unto their shame among their enemies:) Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on the LORD'S side? let him come unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him. And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour. And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men. For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves to day to the LORD, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day.**

**Isn't it amazing that God was offering blessings to them, given what had just transpired.**

**Isn't it amazing that Our Lord Jesus Christ has blessings for us to-day?**

**But Our Lord is still calling out to His People; "Who is on the Lord's Side; come and consecrate yourselves to a life of deeper sacrifice and service."**

**And thankfully, being in the Full Gospel of Salvation, Healing and Deliverance; with the Word of God, the Blood of Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit; we have access to all that we require to get ready.**

**Praise the Lord!**

**Praise the Name of Jesus!**

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