

## **The Spirit of Flattery**

### **Acts 12**

**Acts 12:20-25** And Herod was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon: but they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus the king's chamberlain their friend, desired peace; because their country was nourished by the king's country. 21 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them. 22 And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man. 23 And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost. 24 But the word of God grew and multiplied. 25 And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled their ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

**Summarized beginning of chapter until here.**

**Explain situation of Tyre & Sidon with Herod for verse 20.**

**Luke 14:31,32** Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand? 32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace.

**Break ungodly confederacies in Jesus' name & put civil war in the devils ranks. Bind & loose over leaders & their counsellors.**

**Acts 12:22** sun glitters on Herods royal clothes & the people Flatter him saying he was a god.

**V23** the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory...

**2 Samuel 15:31** And one told David, saying, Ahithophel is among the conspirators with Absalom. And David said, O LORD, I pray thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.

**2 Samuel 17:7** And Hushai said unto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath given is not good at this time.

**Summarized situation of Hushai & Absalom as counsellors.**

**Ask God to expose the devil's time bombs ahead of time in Jesus' name.**

**2 Corinthians 6:2** (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.)

**Romans 4:12** And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which *he had* being yet uncircumcised.

**Hebrews 10:25** Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the

manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Matthew 18:20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

Job 17:5 He that speaketh flattery to *his* friends, even the eyes of his children shall fail.

Job 32:21,22 Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto man. 22 For I know not to give flattering titles; *in so doing* my maker would soon take me away.

Oliver Cromwell was Lord Protector not King, as he said "Jesus Christ is King."

Psalms 5:9 For *there is* no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part *is* very wickedness; their throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.

Mark 7 Jesus says 13 evils come out of heart.

Genesis 6 times of Noah - thoughts of the heart were only evil continually.

Psalms 12:2,3 They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: *with* flattering lips *and* with a double heart do they speak. 3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, *and* the tongue that speaketh proud things:

James 1:8 A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.

Psalms 36:2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be found to be hateful.

Psalms 78:36 Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their tongues.

Proverbs 2:16 To deliver thee from the strange woman, *even* from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words;

Proverbs warns young men to beware of the strange woman.

Modern day there are cougar woman; sugar daddy; or sugar mother.

Occultists try hard to bring down young Christians into sin.

Socialization as basket with some bad fruit in it.

1 Corinthians 15:33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

Proverbs 6:24 To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman. ( or evil men)

Acts 15:20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and *from* fornication, and *from* things strangled, and *from* blood.

2 Chronicles 7:13,14 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; 14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

**Proverbs 7:5** That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words.

**Proverbs 7:21** With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.

**Evil soul ties form to control.**

**Genesis 39** Explained of Joseph resisting Potiphar's wife's advances.

**Break off occult attacks, in Jesus' name, on a regular basis.**

**Proverbs 20:19** He that goeth about *as* a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips.

**Proverbs 26:28** A lying tongue hateth *those that are* afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin.

**Proverbs 28:23** He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue.

**Proverbs 29:5** A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.

**Break off these nets in Jesus' name.**

**Strong's #02506** qlx cheleq *khay'lek* from 02505, Greek 184 Akeldama; AV-portion 40, part 22, flattering 1, flattery 1, inheritance 1, partaker 1; 66 1) portion, share, part, territory 1a) portion, share 1b) portion, tract, parcel (of land) 1c) one's portion, one's possession 1d) (chosen) portion 1e) portion, award (from God) 2) smoothness, seductiveness, flattery

**Strong's #2850** kolakeia kolakeia *kol-ak-i'-ah* from a derivative of kolax (a fawner); TDNT-3:817,451; AV-flattering 1; 1) flattery, flattering discourse

**1 Thessalonians 2:5** For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetousness; God *is* witness:

**Paul preached Christ Jesus & Him Crucified.**

**Motivational speakers - those who do not talk about sin. False pastors & new Athiest Mega Churches, etc.**

**More Service Notes:**

**Ezekiel 12:24** For there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel.

**Daniel 11:21** And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.

**Daniel 11:32** And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do *exploits*.

**Daniel 11:34** Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

**Exodus 12:12** For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and

against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I *am* the LORD.

**Exodus 12:23** For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite *you*.

**Exodus 12:29** And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that *was* in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

**1 Samuel 25:38** And it came to pass about ten days *after*, that the LORD smote Nabal, that he died.

**2 Samuel 24:17** And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.

**1 Chronicles 21:14-18** So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men. **15** And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite. **16** And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders *of Israel, who were* clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces. **17** And David said unto God, *Is it* not I *that* commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued. **18** Then the angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and set up an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.

**2 Chronicles 32:21** And the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there with the sword.

**Ezekiel 28:2** Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart *is* lifted up, and thou hast said, I *am* a God, I sit *in* the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou *art* a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:

**Ezekiel 28:9** Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I *am* God? but thou *shalt be* a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.

**Daniel 4:31-37** While the word *was* in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, *saying*, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee. 32 And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will. 33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' *feathers*, and his nails like birds' *claws*. 34 And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom *is* from generation to generation: 35 And all the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and *among* the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou? 36 At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me. 37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works *are* truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

**Daniel 5:18-24** O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour: 19 And for the majesty that he gave him, all people, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down. 20 But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him: 21 And he was driven from the sons of men; and his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling *was* with the wild asses: they fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven; till he knew that the most high God ruled in the kingdom of men, and *that* he appointeth over it whomsoever he will. 22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this; 23 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath

*is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified: 24 Then was the part of the hand sent from him; and this writing was written.*

**Isaiah 14:11** Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, *and* the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.

**Isaiah 66:24** And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

**Mark 9:44-48** Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. 45 And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched: 46 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. 47 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire: 48 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

**1 Chronicles 27:33** And Ahithophel *was* the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite *was* the king's companion:

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