

The Poison Partnership of Sin

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“Peace” (Eirene) comes from eiro which literally means: “to join”. Peace is not the absence of Pain or Problems, but an awareness of the Power, Promises, Purposes and Partnership with *“the Prince of Peace”!* (Is. 9:6; Mt 11:28,29) Ex. 19:4-6 reveals that God, after delivering Israel from bondage to Egypt and her gods, offered them a Priestly Partnership that was: Personal vs 4; Precious vs 5; Practical vs 6; Pure vs 6; and Provisional: vs 5,6 *“if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, (berît: partnership) then ye shall be kingdom of priests...”*

1. God’s Peace/Protection/Provision would be a biproduct of this partnership. Dt. 11:26-28 *“Behold, I set before you this day a blessing (berākâ’: prosperity, protection, peace) and a curse; (qelâlâ’: to make vile) 27 A blessing, if ye obey (shāma’: hear, understand) the commandments of the LORD your God,*

A. What does understanding have to do with obedience?

1) If we truly understood God’s commands, we would value and obey them. Dt 10:12,13

“what doth the LORD thy God require of thee... To keep (shamar: value, guard) the commandments of the Lord for thy good?” (tôb: pleasure, prosperity, precious) (See Psalm 42:1,2)

a) Eden illustrates this! The root word for Eden is adan meaning Pleasure and/or delight!

2. Rejection of God’s partnership, produces a poisonous partnership!

A. Disobedience removes the peace and protection of God’s blessing.

1) This exposes us to the “curse” of God’s enemies; *producing Pain, Pressure, and Problems.*

Dt 11:28 *“And a curse, (from qālal: to be trifling {of little worth, insignificant})*

if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, (See Is. 48:17-19)

B. Sin involves a turning away from God, and turning toward “other (false) gods”.

1) This is the essence of sin {Hamartano: to trespass, miss the mark} Dt 11:28 *“...And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you to go after other gods...”*

2) The first reference to “Sin” is Gen. 4:7 *“If thou doest well, (God’s will) shalt thou not be accepted? (Še’ēt: elevated, exalted) and if thou doest not well, (not doing God’s will) sin lieth at the door.”*

Sin: (ḥaṭṭā’ t: to offend (God) {and its penalty} from ḥāṭā’: “to miss; hence (figurative and general) to sin; by inference to forfeit, lack, lead astray.”

a) Sin is Personal! *“unto thee shall be his desire, (teshûqâ’: to reach or stretch out after)*

and thou shalt rule (māshal) over him.”

Who is the “his” and “him” God was warning Cain (& us) about?

3. Satan has power, popularity, purposes and is looking for Partners!

A. This has always been his motive.

1) With the angels. (Rev. 12)

2) With Adam and Eve. (Gen 3)

3) With Jesus (Mt 4)

4) With you and I. Genesis 39:9 *“how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?”*

B. Sin produces a Partnership with Satan. Jn 8:34

"Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin."

Ro 6:16-18 *"Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are ...; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? (Notice there are only two choices!!!!)*

1) Only Jesus can free us! Jn 8:36 *"If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."*

(*eleuthero'ō: to liberate, exempt*) (Lk 4:18; Is. 61:1)

Ro. 6: 17 *"...ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness."*

How? 2 Tim. 2:5 *"He Gave his life a ransom for all..."* (See Hebrews 2:14:15)

Conclusion:

Both our Lord and Satan are seeking partners!

Jn 10:10 *"The thief comes not, but for to steal, kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that ... more abundantly."*

1 Cor 10:20 *"I would not that ye should have fellowship (*Koinōnos: partnership*) with devils."*

Notice how this thief has stolen and corrupted:

- 1) The symbol of Peace. From Eph. 2:14 to a broken cross.
- 2) The symbol of God's Promise (Rainbow) Gen. 9:13 to gay pride!
- 3) The symbol of God's people (Star of David) has become twisted into the Sigil of Baphomet (insignia of the church of Satan.)



Our Peace (or lack thereof) will be in direct proportion to our Partnership with either The Good Shepherd (Jn 10:10b,27,28) Or the Thief! (Jn 10:10a)

Application:

Jn 16:33 *"These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. (*eirēnē: to join*)*

*In the world ye shall have tribulation: (*thlipsis: pressure* 2 Cor 4:4; Eph. 2:2-3)*

but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

(see also Romans 8:35-39; Jn 4:4; 5:4)

Joshua 24:15-23 *"choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, (Egypt) or the gods of the Amorites... (Canaan)*

(You will serve {partner with} some "god"!)

as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods;

22 *And Joshua said unto the people, Ye are witnesses against yourselves that ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve him. 23 Now therefore put away the strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart unto the LORD God"*

Notice what happened a few years later!

Jgs 2:8-12 "Joshua the servant of the LORD, died,

And also all that generation ...: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor the works which he had done. 11 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim: And they forsook the LORD God...and followed ... the gods of the people that were ... about them, ... and served Baal and Ashtaroth."

Who are you serving?