

UNITY BETWEEN BELIEVERS AND UNBELIEVERS

Leviticus 20:26 ... "And you shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy, and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine."

Proverbs 13:20 ... "He who walks with wise men [servants of God] will be wise. But the companion of fools [unbelievers] will be destroyed."

The world is awash with people crying for unity, presuming that a unified world would be peaceful. Even believers – the church – cry out for unity. But the Bible paints a totally different picture, and Bible prophecy (which is the very plan and Word of God) depicts a world radically and necessarily divided until Christ returns. As today's verse states, God's plan is for his followers to be set apart from the world because righteousness and unrighteousness do not mix.

There has not been unity since the fall of Lucifer from Heaven. He introduced sin into God's kingdom, and Adam and Eve introduced sin into our world. Those acts created an environment making unity among all men impossible. There literally can be no unity between good and evil, between God and Satan, and between righteous and unrighteous men. The idealistic principle behind unity is authored by Satan, whose lies deceive us into believing that unity, harmony and agreement between good men and evil men, is possible. It is not, at least not for long. There have been treaties, truces and cease-fires throughout history, but they were only temporary in most instances because the root issues that cause disagreements, do not disappear simply because shooting and yelling is silenced for a few days or months.

There is a growing youth movement in South Korea that advocates for the re-unification of North and South Korea...at ANY cost...even if it means that the south converts to Communism, surrenders all of its freedoms, and starves like their northern brothers. There is a growing trend in the church to liberalize its doctrines and views on social issues to remove barriers to fellowship with unbelievers, to the degree that acts forbidden by God are allowed in the church. These are examples of unity that brings destruction, not peace. Unity is a tool of Satan to confuse and mislead us. It is like diet soda. You may feel that since the sugar has been reduced or removed, you can drink liters of it without ill effects. If you believe that, you are deceived. The chemicals that replace the sugar, when consumed in large quantities, are at least as bad as sugar.

If you are hoping for unity with the world, study your Bible. God's plan is for a clear division between right and wrong, between good men and bad men, and that division will grow until Jesus returns and settles the issue once and for all. Your olive branch, hand of friendship, and kind words to someone who opposes the will of God, may quiet the storm, but they will not produce a peace that is compatible with God's character. Division between the righteous and unrighteous is actually God's intent and nothing short of reconciliation with him can defeat it and bring the potential for unity. We were created to glorify God and win souls for God's kingdom, not compromise and become more like the world.

Copyright © 2017 Datu Wali Mission Foundation