

## LITTLE FOXES 2

### SONG OF SOLOMON 2:14

14 O my dove, that art in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.

### SONG OF SOLOMON 2:15

15 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes.

### SONG OF SOLOMON 2:16

16 My beloved is mine, and I am his: he feedeth among the lilies.

### SONG OF SOLOMON 2:17

17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.

The Gospel Herald many years ago printed a statement, How to be Perfectly Miserable. Among the list of twenty statements were the following:

Think about yourself. Talk about yourself.

Expect to be appreciated. Be sensitive to slights.

Never forgive a criticism. Never forget a service you may have rendered.

### MATTHEW 16:24

24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him \*DENY himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

DENY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 533

aparneomai {ap-ar-neh'-om-ahee}

to affirm that one has no acquaintance or connection with someone, to forget one's self, lose sight of one's self and one's own interests

MARK 8:34

34 And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

LUKE 9:23

23 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

CHRIST\_ PHOENIX. AZ MONDAY\_ 55-0221

E-17. every believer that comes to Christ must come to the same cross of self-denial, and die there with the Lamb, with his Lamb. Die out to own thoughts;

die out to your own mental thinking. Just take what the Holy Spirit says in your heart, then live for Christ.

GREATER. THAN. SOLOMON. IS. HERE\_ TUCSON. AZ

WEDNESDAY\_ 63-0605

38..... To be a Christian is self-denial. "Deny yourself. Take up your cross. Follow Me daily.".....

ENTICING. SPIRITS\_ JEFF. IN DE 79-112 SUNDAY\_ 55-0724

144..... Watch all that old selfishness, the way you've been talking to your wife, the way you been talking to your husband, the way you been talking to your neighbor,

the way you've talked about the people in the church; lay it on the altar this morning and the fire of God will come down and take it right away and Divine love will burn in its place.....

I. STAND. AT. THE. DOOR. AND. KNOCK\_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY\_  
57-1208

E-22 Now, let's speak just for a moment or two on some of these little doors. One of them is a little door of selfishness. Oh, we find that so much in the professed Christian's heart: selfish.

Oh, you. . . I. . . "It's for me and for my group. As long as it's in my denomination, it's all right. But if it's outside, if it's not a Baptist church, or it's not my Presbyterian, or my Pentecostal, if it's outside the Assemblies, or so forth, it's no good."

Then you see, Christ can't have the rulership. He can't be Lord. If He's Lord, He's Ruler.

And if you say, "Well, I--I like for Him to do a certain thing for me, but if it's a. . . if I can get so much out of it.

I'll go to church if it'll make the people in my community think better of me." But you won't open this little door.

THE. QUEEN. OF. THE. SOUTH\_ WATERLOO. IA SATURDAY\_  
58-0125

E-30..... You see what pride and selfishness does? It shuts you out from the Kingdom of God. I wonder sometime, as we think, what will happen to this generation.

IMAGES. OF. CHRIST\_ JEFF. IN MONDAY\_ 59-0525

E-30 Now remember. It's only the sick that demands attention--service, just the sick. They demand attention. And when you see a preacher. . . And may I not only limit it to a preacher,

but may I limit it to every church member that wants attention: "I'm somebody," just remember, there's a spiritual sick person. They're needing attention. They need the attention of the Spirit of God to give them something

that'll take that attitude out of them and heal them from their selfishness, and big ideas, and "big me and little you." The Holy Ghost makes us all the same. Too much spiritual sickness--anemics. . .

HOW. CAN. I. OVERCOME\_ JEFF. IN V-4 N-12 SUNDAY\_ 63-0825M

119.....Just remember, you're living for God. You have one objective, and that's Jesus Christ. Outside of that, there's nothing else counts. That's Him. Then, secondly, for your family.

Then, thirdly, for yourself. But, first, for God; next, for your family; and next, for you. You're number three; that's the end of the road. Put yourself last; He did.

EPHESIANS 4:31

31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

HEBREWS 12:15

15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

THE. SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 185-227 TUESDAY\_ 60-1206

56.....Don't let no root of bitterness ever get into your soul. If you do, it'll canker you. Right. Keep love. I don't care how much people hate you; you love them anyhow.... .

THE. PERGAMEAN. CHURCH. AGE\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 229-285 WEDNESDAY\_ 60-1207

20.....hold no malice, no grudges; don't let any bitterness. No matter how bad the person is and how bad they talk about you, don't you never think evil in your heart against them;

'cause right there the devil will set right in, work up something right there. Just keep it all covered up with godly love, confession, and making right, and do good to those who do evil to you. "If you only do good to those who do good to you, why,"

Jesus said, "don't the Publicans the same?" See, the sinners, anybody can be good to those that's good to them. But be good to those who are not good to you; do something for those that would not do nothing for you.

Speak a good word for the man that would speak evil against you, and that way you keep all the bitterness out of your heart; and you're always in love with everybody then.....

THE. TEN. VIRGINS. AND. THE. HUNDRED. AND. FORTY. FOUR. THOUSAND. JEWS\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 425-492 SUNDAY\_ 60-1211M

72.....Don't never let anything rise up and put bitterness in your soul. No matter how bad anyone ever treats you or anything, don't never. . .

Don't be guilty of letting that thing anchor in your soul. It'll grieve the Holy Spirit away from you. It certainly will.

THE. TEN. VIRGINS. AND. THE. HUNDRED. AND. FORTY. FOUR. THOUSAND. JEWS\_ JEFF. IN ROJC 425-492 SUNDAY\_ 60-1211M

83..... See, always keep all roots of bitterness out of you. See? No matter what anyone does to you, let--just have God in there that'll keep all evil away from you.

CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED\_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY\_ 63-0728

86 If the brother, you think he's a little wrong, or the sister, say, "Lord, don't let me never have the root of bitterness spring up, 'cause it'll--it'll affect him,

and it'll take the Christ right out of my life." That poison acids of malice, and jealousy, and hatred, that will just take the Holy Spirit right away from you. It will run Him from the tabernacle here.

It'll kill the Spirit of God, or drive It away from here, hurt you pastor. It'll do everything. See? Don't you do that.

MATTHEW 6:11

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

MATTHEW 6:12

12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

MATTHEW 6:13

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

MATTHEW 6:14

14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

MATTHEW 6:15

15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

MATTHEW 18:21

21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?

MATTHEW 18:22

22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.

MARK 11:25

25 And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

MARK 11:26

26 But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

EPHESIANS 4:32

32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

COLOSSIANS 3:13

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

PERFECT. FAITH\_ JEFF. IN V-6 N-11 SUNDAY\_ 63-0825E

19 Now, faith is based on forgiveness, then. And then, as we said this morning, trying to get the church into the place to where we could really see apostolic times moving among us,

that's what we all hunger. And it's just laying right at the door. We see it, but we want to see more of it. We want it such a flow that it'll--it'll be a help to us, us flow out to others.

PROVERBS 12:27

27 The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.

PROVERBS 15:19

19 The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous is made plain.

PROVERBS 18:9

9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

PROVERBS 19:15

15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.

PROVERBS 19:24

24 A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.

PROVERBS 22:13

13 The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.

PROVERBS 24:30

30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

PROVERBS 24:31

31 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.

PROVERBS 24:32

32 Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction.

PROVERBS 24:33

33 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

PROVERBS 24:34

34 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

ECCLESIASTES 10:18

18 By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

MATTHEW 25:24

24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

MATTHEW 25:25

25 And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

MATTHEW 25:26

26 His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

MATTHEW 25:27

27 Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

MATTHEW 25:28

28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.

MATTHEW 25:29

29 For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

HEBREWS 6:11

11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:

HEBREWS 6:12

12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

RETURN. AND. JUBILEE\_ SHREVEPORT. LA THURSDAY\_ 62-1122

E-25.....Persecution always gives strength to the church. We've had it too easy. We get slothful. We get to a place where we don't want to move on,

because everything's just handed to us. It takes sorrow, and tears, and sweat, and prayer, and faith, and promise to move forward in the power of the Holy Spirit.....

DESPERATIONS\_ JEFF. IN V-4 N-1 SUNDAY\_ 63-0901E 45..... Usually, it takes a state of emergency, to throw us into desperation. See? It's too bad it has to do that, but human beings are so slothful in their mind, that it takes an emergency.

Something arises, and when they do, then it--it throws them into that desperation. And really, in doing that in desperation, it brings out that real thing that you are. It shows what you're made out of, in the time of desperation. It usually pulls out all the good things that's in you.

**Malice** is a desire to injure someone, maybe because of what they did to us or to someone we love.

**Guile** is craftiness, or deceit that is, deceiving others or being very crafty in order to obtain what we desire.

**Envy** is a feeling of displeasure upon hearing of the prosperity of another.

**Hypocrisy** is an act, or a stage player that is, living two lives. Living one life for public observation, and another for home and private.

**Evil speaking** is backbiting and gossip, which normally comes from hard feelings against someone.

Pride must also be considered. Pride will demand to be always right, and it refuses to admit wrong.