THE CHURCH 119 SATAN, THE OPPOSITE OF KENOSIS 11

I JOHN 2:15

15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

I JOHN 2:16

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

I JOHN 2:17

17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

I JOHN 2:16

16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the *PRIDE of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

PRIDE: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 212 alazoneia {al-ad-zon-i'-a} ajlazoneiva boasting, empty, braggart talk, insolent and empty assurance, which trusts in its own power and resources and shamefully despises and violates divine laws and human rights

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129.....The next great assault was, that he made upon Him, that He would be a show-off.

And how that does hit God's servants, to be a show-off, to show what you can do. "Glory to God! Hallelujah! I'm a deliverer! I'm so." See? See?

"Come up here, on top of the temple, and set down here." He tempted Him to do it. Now, remember, He was tempted to do it, hard. Said, "Now, if You want to be something before the people, stand up here on this temple, jump off."

See? "I'll give You a Scripture for it, because it's written, 'He'd give the Angels charge over Thee, lest, any time, dash a foot against a stone. He'd bear Thee up. '" To make Him a show-off, to show His authority.

131 No true servant of God ever does that. You see a man showing off, his chest out, and all like that, just remember, there is something wrong there. No. God don't want that. Jesus set the example. He could have done it.

He certainly could have done it, but He didn't do it. No servant of God is a show-off, of himself, to try to take God's power and show himself above somebody else.

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You remember Moses did that? Remember it? [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] God give him power to do whatever he wanted to; made him a prophet.

He walked down to that Rock, and he smote the Rock the second time. That was against God's will. God said, "Speak to that Rock. Don't smite it again......

135 God said, "Come up here. Come here. You glorified yourself. You took My power; instead of sanctifying Me, you sanctified yourself. Now you're not going over in the land.

Look over, see what it looked like; but, here, you're going to leave right here." Oh, my! There never has been one like Moses, you know. No, no.

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When he come to that show off with Jesus, he said, "Get up on the temple here and jump off."

- 137 He said, "It's written," amen, "'Don't tempt the Lord thy God. '" See? He met him with the Word, that, every major assault.
- 138 No true servant ever tries to show himself off, with--with God's power. He does, he loses right then.
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- He come and suffered, and took the hard, rugged route. He took the route of persecution. He took the route of death. Are we, this morning, willing to do, take that same route that He taken?

Are we willing to die. Are we willing to give ourselves up to God, forfeit all the world and the things, to serve for Him? See?

- 141 Now, He failed to do it. Willingly to--to forfeit it, Satan was, to Him. But He didn't do it. Though Jesus was tempted, He overcome for us.
- 360-2 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

Now what are we to overcome? That is the normal question to ask here. But that is not the actual thought of this verse for it is not so much WHAT we are to overcome

but HOW we are to overcome. Now this is logical, for does it matter much WHAT we are to overcome as long as we know HOW we can overcome?

360-3 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

A quick look at those Scriptures which involve the Lord Jesus overcoming will bring out the truth of this proposition. In Matthew 4, wherein Jesus is tempted of the devil,

He overcame the personal temptations of Satan by the Word, and by the Word only. In each of the three major trials that corresponded exactly to the temptation of the Garden of Eden, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, Jesus overcame by the Word.

Eve fell to the personal temptation of Satan by failing to use the Word. Adam fell in direct disobedience to the Word. But Jesus overcame by the Word.

And right now, let me say that this is the only way to be an overcomer, also it is the only way that you can know if you are overcoming, because that Word CAN'T fail.

360-4 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

Now notice again how Jesus overcame the world systems of religion. When He was repeatedly badgered by the theologians of His day, He constantly applied the Word.

He spake only what the Father gave Him to speak. There was not a time when the world was not utterly confused by His wisdom for it was the wisdom of God.

360-5 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

In his own personal life, contending with Himself, He overcame by obedience to the Word of God.

In Hebrews 5:7 it says,

"Who in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto Him That was able to save Him from death and was heard in that He feared:

Though He were a Son, Yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered;

And being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him."

What was He obedient to? The Word of God.

360-6 LAODICEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 9

Now then, there will not be one person who will sit in the throne of the Lord Jesus Christ unless he has been living that Word. Your prayers, your fastings, your repentances--no matter what you present to God--none of that will gain you the privilege of sitting in that throne.

It will be granted only to the WORD Bride. As the throne of the king is shared with the queen because she is united to him, so only they who are of that Word even as He is of that Word will share that throne.

NUMBERS 20:10

10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?

NUMBERS 20:11

11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts also.

NUMBERS 20:12

12 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me not, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them.

THE. ANGEL. AND. THE. COMMISSION_ CLEVELAND. OH MONDAY_ 50-0821

E-8...... Now, I realize, and you realize too, and ministers, that a man can take a Divine gift, send his soul to hell with it. You know that? A gift from God. . .

Now, I don't mean just something that you imagine. I mean if God has really given something, and give it to your charge, you've got to use that with the wisdom of God.

THE. WORKS. THAT. I. DO. BEAR. WITNESS. OF. ME_ PHOENIX. AZ FRIDAY 51-0413

E-35 Now, notice. Now, Moses smote the Rock, second time, representing that Christ should come to the earth and die again. Now, he had power to bring forth the Water out of the Rock, whether it was God's will or not.

Did you know that? Everybody will admit that it wasn't God's will. But Moses done it anyhow. He had power. God entrusted him to be a prophet. And He give him those powers to do that. And He found out that His servant failed Him, and he glorified himself in the stead of God. And then what happened?

God dealt with Moses then. Didn't He? Not with the children, with Moses.

The Holy Spirit is given to a man, and gifts are given to a man; but you have to watch what you're doing with those Divine gifts.

MAKE. THE. VALLEY. FULL. OF. DITCHES_ CONNERSVILLE. IN TUESDAY 53-0609E

E-31 Looky here. The organized church was Moses, the law giver. And the law giver, Moses, glorified himself in the stead of God, and wasn't permitted to take the children over Jordan. And the church today is glorifying themselves:

"I belong to the Assemblies"; "I belong to the Church of God"; "I belong to this, that or the other." What are you anyhow? That's right. It's the truth. Now, there's good men in every one of them. We are brethren; break down that thing......

HAS. THE. LORD. SPOKEN. ONLY. TO. MOSES_ WEST. PALM. BEACH. FL MONDAY 53-1130

E-55 How many knows that you can--you could send your soul to hell with a Divine gift? Sure, you can. You have to watch what you're doing.

How many believe Moses was God's prophet? Say, "Amen." He was God's prophet, but do you know what he done? God told him to go down there and speak to the rock.

THE. HARVEST. TIME_ PHOENIX. AZ V-18 N-6 SATURDAY_ 64-1212

Notice, if Satan fails here, then he'll try his second scheme on you, get you to--to disbelieve the Word, he'll... and--and go to the seminary. He'll try the next, a scheme.

Now here is where you want to be real careful, and just sit just for another five minutes on this part, if you will. Then he makes you a supernatural offer. I'm going to come back to all this, just before closing. He makes. . .

See, if he can't tempt you away from the Word, "No, I'm going to stay with the Word," then he'll give you a supernatural offer.

- 213 He said, "I'll tell you what. You get up here and dive off the temple, and bring back up. See, show the people that You can do something supernatural."
- 214 Boy, he got them there. Now watch this, this is it. Watch when you get to the end, where this temptation come. Maybe He might let some of you speak in tongues, think you got It.

See? Or he might even let you prophesy, though it not be with the Word. I've seen people stand up and prophesy, was as contrary to the Word as the East is from the West. See? It's the Word that you live by. Them supernatural gifts, Satan can just hand them out by handfuls. Certainly. That don't mean one thing.

- THE. HARVEST. TIME_ PHOENIX. AZ V-18 N-6 SATURDAY_ 64-1212
- Yes, maybe prophesy contrary to the Word. But now, time he's got this supernatural gift, he is so carried away by the noise, by the glamour of it.
- "Glory to God, I pray for So-and-so, they got up and walked away! Hallelujah, I can speak in tongues! And somebody interpret it, it's genuine, the truth."
- Paul said, "I can speak in tongue like men and Angels, and yet be nothing. I can have faith to move mountains, and still am nothing." Is that right? [Congregation says, "That's right."--Ed.]
- 220 But, see, he'll offer you that. Oh, Pentecostal people, I love you, or I wouldn't be with you. There is where you failed, see. Watch the Word, not the gift. Watch the giver, see wheresee where it comes from, see.

He's all carried away, he's dancing in the spirit, boy. . . [Blank. spot. on. tape--Ed.]. . . only thing. He's got so many people around him, and everybody calling for him, here and there, and he forgets the Word.

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Now he is so carried away by the noise of glamour, and so forth, till, my, he don't even pay any attention to the Word. "Oh, brother, Brother So-and-so said so-and-so, and I got to go over here. I..."

See, he's just so carried away, he don't even notice It. Whether it's Word or not Word, don't make any difference. "The rest of them said it was all right, so That don't make any different."

The denomination says, "Boy, you got it, don't you let nobody tell you!" You got what? See? Notice.

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Satan ever had, even then, watch in this one place here, he coated the Word. Even on this supernatural that he tried to get Jesus to do, the supernatural, see, being having supernatural, what if Jesus would have listened to him? See?

He said, "Now wait. You want to stay with the Word, do You? You want to stay with the Word?" Said, "It's written, He'd give His Angels charge concerning this. Anytime You dash Your foot against a stone, They bear Thee up."

But He wasn't dashing His foot against no stone. See? Watch. What if he would have stayed with it? He. . . Did you notice, I never said he quoted the Word; he coat It, coated It, like putting an icing on a cake, covered It over, whitewashed It, see, It wasn't in It's right place.

LUKE 18:9

9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others:

LUKE 18:10

10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a *PUBLICAN.

PUBLICAN: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5057 telones {tel-o'-nace}

a tax gatherer, collector of taxes or tolls, one employed by a publican or farmer general in the collection of taxes. The tax collectors were as a class, detested not only by the Jews,

but by other nations also, both on account of their employment and of the harshness, greed, and deception, with which they did their job.

LUKE 18:11

11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

LUKE 18:12

12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

LUKE 18:13

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.