

Unrighteousness shall not inherit the kingdom of God

The word of God is not a joke! But unfortunately, it has become as a joke to much of today's professing Christians, who actually believe they can live as the world does and retain acceptance with God. It is a strong delusion they are under, as they believe a lie:

2 Thessalonians 2:8-11 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: 9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. 11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

Those who remain under this strong delusion were those who ignored God's word of warning to them:

1 Corinthians 6:9-11 ¶ Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

If we are truly born again, we have been washed from these sins in the blood and life of the Lord Jesus Christ. But if we remain in these sins there's no evidence that Christ is in us at all, but that we are actually under His judgment that leads to eternal damnation that is coming.

God created the marriage between a man and a woman for a reason. She is a picture of the church of Christ through whom God's elect come. The man typifies Christ who loves his wife as Christ loved the church!

Hebrews 13:4-5 Marriage is honorable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge. 5 Let your conversation [behavior] be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

By nature, we are all adulterers and adulterousness, who originally belong to this world! But when we become born again, spiritually, we no longer belong to this world, but to Christ who has freed us from the bondage of this world's unrighteousness.

James 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

If our over-all behavior is showing we would still belong to this sin cursed world, regardless of what we say we believe, Christ is NOT showing to be in us! If we repent and return to God through the forgiveness of His Son, we can come to see how we are actually in Him of a truth.

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But we will never come to see this if in our sins we remain unrepentant. And so by the declaration of the true gospel of Jesus Christ, the warning goes forth:

Hebrews 4:7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

The Lord through His word would encourage those who truly seek Him with the whole heart concerning His promise:

2 Peter 3:9 ¶ The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

But we who labor and are heavy laden are called to take Christ's yoke upon ourselves, and to learn of Him who is meek and lowly in heart: and He shall give us rest for our souls and will make our burden light:

Matthew 11:28-30 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.