

Dear Yesu,

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"FOOLISH KING, WHO WILL NO MORE BE A

Saints, none of the leaders of the churches mentioned in the Bible were aware of the true spiritual condition of their churches. They were unaware of the true condition of their own lives, but they had the intelligence concerning the spiritual state of the churches. The churches suffered from a sense of complacency and self-satisfaction about themselves and their churches. Perhaps others also were unaware of them. They could not hear what the Lord had to say to them. They were not open to the Holy Spirit.

Saints, if we walk according to our own ideas, judgments, and opinions, or even by the appreciations and opinion of other people, we will not hear the Lord, our God. The leaders of five churches were not open to the ministrations of the Spirit and were caught up in their work, their missions and their plans and programmes. They were not listening to the messages for others that they could not receive a message. They were in a dangerous place they were in? They were running 'the show' of 'the organization'. They thought that they were reaching the people, but they had received from the Lord, but they had no time to



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in their lives. They could not hear what the Spirit had to say because their hearts were not available to the Lord to see their own need! This is a warning to those who are complacent and are so caught up with the things of the world that they cannot be freed from the things of the flesh and the self. He is calling for true disciples of the Lord in these last days.

Ecc 4:13

Better is a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish one who will not be admonished.

Ecc 4:13 Amplified

Better is a poor and wise youth than an old and foolish man who does not know how to receive counsel (friendly reproof and correction).

Most of the leaders of these churches in Revelation felt that their positions as leaders were permanent appointments and positions as leaders; they felt that the anointing was a permanent matter, something that could hold on to their personal lives. That is a dangerous place to be in. I have met many who would never lose their anointing because they had been placed on the Lord!

In the first century, we see that the leaders of the church were appointed by the people or chosen by a selection board or a governing body. The early churches were not like what we have in most churches today. They were appointed of God, like Paul and other apostles. This was the way of the early church right till the beginning of the second century. They were spiritual giants in comparison to the leaders of today. It is not difficult to see how losing their anointing would not have crossed their mind. Some of the great leaders, pride set in and they became spiritually defunct. They became lukewarm; they compromised with the world; their pride became their downfall. Pride brought them to a place of spiritual hardness, where they could not even scrutinize and measure their lives in the

Word. They felt their lives were readily acceptable looking at their positions and the honour that others gave them. In a sense they missed their ability to hear the Spirit, as happened to King Saul in the Bible. Remember, King Saul had a good and humble beginning, but he lost the kingdom as well. This is what is happening in many lives today. Our understanding is very different from natural understanding. We hear that we hear the word but miss the voice! The Apostle Paul needed to be for he said in 1 Cor 9:27, "But I keep under my submission: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be castaway." Paul realized that God has no favorites. He also lived over his own life first so that he would be able to experience the life of Christ. And then only would he be able to give such a salvation as well.

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