

# *“Have you written your Letter to Satan?”*

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**Scripture Reading:** John 3:16,17

Tonight's Message was given to me by the Holy Spirit, on a very important anniversary (August 15<sup>th</sup>), I believe because the Lord wanted to remind me and all those who hear this Message, of Gods' Infinite Love for us. Before I begin tonight's Message I would like to invite the Holy Spirit to be with us, so that our Hearts, Minds and spirit is ready to receive what the Lord has prepared for us.

## **Sermon**

I have come hear today to tell you and show you how satan is a liar. Let me explain myself through the Word of God. Throughout the Scriptures God has put vivid examples of His Grace, Love and Mercy. A lot of times we are given the wrong impression that in order to serve God and be used by God that you have to be a perfect Super Christians. That couldn't be further from the truth!

In our Humanity we tend to look at others and focus on their weaknesses, failures, hurts, habits and hang-ups. Often times other people look at us and only see the same thing as well. In I **Samuel 16:7** ***“For the Lord looks not on the outside, but sees only the heart”***. Allow me to share a few stories with you illustrating this.

The Prophet Samuel came to the house of Jesse to anoint the next King of Israel, Jesse called of his sons so that Samuel could meet them. After Samuel met each one, he asked do you have another son by chance because none of these the Lord has told me is the one I should anoint. Jesse said yes there is one more but he is a little boy, and he is tending the sheep. He is just a little Sheppard boy.

When Samuel saw him he anointed him as the next King of Israel. You see, when others saw a Sheppard boy, God saw a King. It's the same way in our lives my Dear Brothers and Sisters. When others only see the exterior and write us off or label us a certain way; God only sees His Daughters and His Sons.

I love the story of David, not only because I named David, but also because God called David ***“A man after His own Heart”***. The interesting thing is that before God said that to David he had already committed Adultery and then went a step further to commit Murder to cover up his adultery. Yet God saw only his heart. That kind of Grace, Mercy and Love is amazing to me.

Here's a few more examples: Moses was a Murderer and God used him to lead the people of Israel out of the bondage of slavery in Egypt. Gideon was a coward and God used him to lead Israel's army in a major victory. Peter had a bad temper, along with the Apostle John yet they were the two prominent leaders of the early church. There was a man named Saul of Tarsus who killed a whole bunch of Christians; that was until he had an encounter with Christ on the road to Damascus. And Ananias laid hands on him, then he was Born Again. God used him as the instrument to bring the Gospel to the Gentiles.

There was a Samaritan woman by a well one day when Jesus approached her and began speaking to her. This was totally against the culture because Samaritans were considered heathens and women had no place in society. Yet God used this encounter for His Glory and the Samaritan woman by the well who society wrote-off as a no-body became Christ's first female Evangelists. Pretty amazing how God works!

I could go on and on for hours giving you many more illustrations and examples of Gods' Grace, Mercy and Love. But I will give you this last one, which is one of my favorites.

God used an "escort" named Rahab to help Israel conquer Jericho. Her story doesn't end there. There was a girl named Ruth who was a Moabite, which in the eyes of the Jews was heathen and low class trash. Long story short, she ended marrying a man named Boaz, who happened to be the great grand-son of Rahab.

It gets better, Ruth and Boaz are the great, great, great-grandparents of King David. It gets even better than that. Jump forward 40 generations in the lineage of King David and you will come across a couple that I am sure you have heard about. You probably hear their names around Christmas time. That's right, **Joseph and Mary**.

Christ the Son of Almighty God came from this lineage. I thank my God that He only sees the heart. Because if He would've gone by what people see, our Savior Jesus Christ would've never been born. That is absolutely amazing to me Brothers and Sisters. This is why I stated earlier that I will show you how satan is a liar.

God can take our failures, weaknesses, hurts, habits and hang-ups and turn them around so that we can be used for His Glory. Most times we allow ourselves to believe satan's lies and we think that we could never measure up to be a Follower of Christ. This brings us to the title of today's Message, and I would like to explain it for you today.

God is not looking for perfect people my dear Brothers and Sisters, some of the greatest Men and Woman in the Bible had the worst flaws. I am challenging you today to write a "Letter to Satan" and tell him you are done believing his lies, done being oppressed by man's perceptions. I am challenging you today to give satan his written notice that the grip he has had over our lives is at an end.

**Please listen to following video clip so that you can see an example of what I mean by writing your "Letter to Satan".**

My dear Brothers and Sisters it is time to stop believing the lies of satan and send him packing. I hope and pray that through this video, you now have an idea on how to begin crafting your "**Letter to Satan**". Take back what he has stolen from you in the name of Christ Jesus. Declare **VICTORY** over the areas of your life that have been lacking, Victory over past hurts, Victory over the medical report you received, Victory over secret-sins, Victory over demonic oppression like: anger, depression, spitefulness, jealousy, drugs, alcohol, sexual vices and whatever else has taken you away from God.

#### **Altar Call**

Brethren satan is a liar, you are worth everything to God that He gave His only begotten Son for you and me. God is not waiting for you to be perfect; He is waiting for you to surrender your life to Him just as you are. Let Him pick up the broken pieces of your life and through the Power of the Holy Spirit make you into a new vessel IN Christ Jesus. If any of this Message has resonated with you today, I would like to invite you forward for a special prayer; come forward if you want to boldly declare today, that satan is a liar and allow the Holy Spirit to give you the courage and strength to write your "Letter to Satan". God Bless you all.