

A Disciple Of Love Pt5

Zacchaeus

LUKE 19:1-3

1. *And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. 2. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. 3. And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.*

THE UNCHANGEABLE GOD WORKING IN AN UNEXPECTABLE WAY [62-0120]

When you get the Holy Ghost, and--and husband is going to run you out of the house, or--or mother is going to make you leave home, then things, don't give up and go back into the world. That's only a testing time.

ZACCHAEUS [58-0517B] My, how God can move on a man when his wife will pray for him, or vice versa. He may be a big shot in the city, but God knows how to make him a little shot. Prayer does it.

ZACCHAEUS [58-0517B] And you know there's something about it, when you pray for someone real sincerely, you know, it--it kindly makes them restless. I don't know whether you ever had an experience of that or not. But God begins to move in answer to prayer. Sometimes a husband becomes more irritable than ever, but just remember, God's answering prayer. He knows how to do it.

I CORINTHIANS 7:12-16

12. *But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away. 13. And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.*

14. For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband; else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.

15. *But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such cases: but God hath called us to peace. 16. For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save thy husband? or how knowest thou, O man, whether thou shalt save thy wife?*

I PETER 3:1-2

1. *Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;*

2. *While they behold your [chaste] conversation coupled with [fear].*

GREEK LEXICON – STRONG’S NUMBER 53

hagnos {hag-nos’} pure from carnality, chaste, modest, immaculate, clean

GREEK LEXICON - STRONG’S NUMBER 5401

phobos {fob’-os} reverence for one’s husband

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT1[64-0823M] Go with your husband, but don’t be partakers of--of what they’re doing. See, you’re supposed to love your husband, and **love is what does it. You just be real salty; he’ll get thirsty if there’s anything in him.**

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT2 [64-0823E]

Q285. Brother Branham, I believe a woman should be subject to her husband. But if a Christian woman has a sinner husband who does not even to one of your services--come to one of your services and won’t--and wants his wife to be doing things, cutting her hair, wearing shorts, and going to ungodly places, **is this woman supposed to be subject to this man in this way?** Please explain this more clearly, as this is a question that is asked often.

No, sister, you are not subject to such a person. No indeedy. For this cause you’ll **leave everything and cleave to God.** Now, the thing... If you want--that man wants to live with you, and you be--stay a Christian... **But if he’s going to make you wear shorts, cut your hair, and do all these other things, and ungodly places, you seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.**

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT2 [64-0823E] ...as long as it’s not contrary now to God. If he’s pleased to dwell with her... “Go ahead, honey, if you want to go to church, that’s all right; but I ain’t going. I don’t believe in it; don’t have nothing to do with it. But you go ahead; that’s all right.” **But when he says, “You can’t do it,” now there’s a different thing.** You’re not bound to that then; **you separate everything for God.**

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PT4 [64-0830E]

Q429. Brother Branham, the Bible tells us that a--a wife should obey her husband. I am a Christian and my husband is a sinner. He persecutes me in every way that he can, and for me not to go to church, and read my Bible, and--and denies the Word. What should I do?

What should you do? Now, listen, you’re supposed to obey your husband; that’s the Word. Now, if he tells you and refuses you to read the Bible, go to church, or something like that, you don’t have to obey that, because, “*He that will--won’t forsake his father, mother, husband, wife, or whatever it is and follow Me, is not worthy of Mine.*” That right?

No, don’t... The man are suppose--you’re not... A man’s not supposed to use that authority over a woman just because he’s her ruler. **God is her ruler above you, brother.**

QUESTION AND ANSWERS [62-0527]

Now, if the unbeliever says, "I'm not going to live with you any longer; you've become a Christian." To... A man tells his wife, "Because you've got saved, and going to get out of the world where we was once in, I'm going to leave you." Now, there ain't nothing you can do about it; let him depart. See?

Or the woman say to her husband, "I'm not going to mix up with that bunch of holy-rollers. I'm not going to do this. I'll separate and leave you." **Don't you leave the church, you let her leave.** See?

A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such case, that is, if your companion is putting you away and wants to depart for it. You don't have to just hold onto them. If they're wanting to leave you and they're going to leave you for the cause of Christ, **let them leave. But you can't remarry.**

LUKE 19:4-10

4. *And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: **for he was to pass that way.*** 5. *And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day **I must abide at thy house.*** 6. *And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.* 7. *And when they saw it, **they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.*** 8. *And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.* 9. *And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.* 10. **For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.**

PERFECT FAITH [63-0825E] And said, "I know you're bound to be tempted awfully hard." And said, "I want you to know one thing now. Now, **if you happen to fall,** if you happen to--to fall into temptation and is overcome, **don't stay away from home;** you come on back. You come right here, 'cause I--I'm going to be right here waiting for you, and **I'm going to help you pray through again until you get victory.** I'm going to stay with you, because when I married you, I married you because I loved you. And no matter what you are, I still love you."

Few days after that, he was eating his lunch with the fellows down in the boiler room, he was telling them about it, said, "Now, how could a man ever do anything wrong when somebody loves you like that?" See?

STANDING IN THE GAP [63-0623M]

Now, you multiply that by a billion and then you have some idea of what the love of God is.