

GOD'S WORD

CONGRATULATE THE ILLEGITIMATE?

*They that forsake the Law praise the wicked:
but such as keep the Law contend with them.*
Proverbs 28:4 The BIBLE

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1) Illegitimacy in the Eyes of Society

DISTURBINGLY, NOW, when one's friends, acquaintances, or family members move in together, become pregnant, or have given birth one can't automatically congratulate them! When these happen, one now must first consider whether or not those people are even married!

Tragically, when a child is born out of wedlock he is labeled, "illegitimate," whereas it is actually *not the child*, but his *parents' relationship* that is illegitimate! But the child is thus stigmatized, and it can deeply scar him for life. And in an attempt to delegitimize his label, and the shame of his parents' sin, he may himself even double-down on, and reproduce his parents' sin. At the very least, the parents' sin is an inevitable and terrible example for the children to follow!

3 And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as the heart of David his *(fore)*father.

I Kings 15:3 The BIBLE

40 Thou shalt keep therefore His statutes, and His commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever.

Deuteronomy 4:40 The BIBLE

It used to be that living together out of wedlock, committing sex out of wedlock, or giving birth out of wedlock, were universally recognized by society as sinful and shameful. Society confessed to what the Bible and personal conscience testified, and society generally acted, or was expected to act, according to the Bible and conscience! So it wasn't so long ago that a woman, pregnant illegitimately, would 'disappear,' going to live in a place where her family was unknown, claiming that her husband had died, because her sin brought shame to not only her, but also to her extended family! Were the child's illegitimacy known, his last name would be prefixed with, "Fitz!" Now, if she offers any kind of excuse at all for her public display, she'll claim that her husband abused or left her, and receive pity, and government assistance. And often even the local church body will *turn a blind eye to those in their midst, and/or, without a word, and directly contrary to Scripture, provide physical and financial assistance!*¹

20 Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

21 I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

22 Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.

I Timothy 5:20-22 The BIBLE

Now, living together out of wedlock, committing sex out of wedlock, or giving birth out of wedlock are commonly accepted by secular society as legitimate. But these acts are blatantly sinful, regardless of the couple's love, verbal commitment, or future plans; they defy our Heavenly Father's prohibition against premarital sex, and against even appearing sinful!

And they thereby encourage and incite others to similarly sin!

17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

Romans 12:17

21 Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.

II Corinthians 8:21

1 And He said to His disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come!

2 It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin."

Luke 17:1-2 The BIBLE ESV

¹ I Timothy 5:3-16

2) Illegitimacy in the Eyes of God

The Bible, and indeed our very conscience, both bear witness to the fact that all sex between the unmarried is fornication, and a SIN-UNTO-DEATH! Even LUST, and unrepentant sodomist MANNERISMS and ATTRACTION are sin! So preventing all this is one of the reasons that marriage is so important!

29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,
 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,
 31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:
 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Romans 1:29-32 The BIBLE

9 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.

I Corinthians 6:9-10 The BIBLE

8 I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I.
 9 But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn (*in lust*).

I Corinthians 7:8-9 The BIBLE

16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?
 17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

I Corinthians 3:16-17 The BIBLE

Marriage is far more than some mere unnecessary or redundant formality; a wedding's ceremony and spoken/written oath before witnesses, seal, officially, one's *oath to both God and man*. The Bible recognizes this general concept regarding even our very salvation!

8 But what saith it? The Word Is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the Word of faith, which we preach;
 9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Romans 10:8-10 The BIBLE

Our Heavenly Father requires official marriage. In His Divine wisdom He knows that a verbal statement/commitment cements any decision that has been made in one's heart, or else finalizes in one's heart a decision that hitherto hadn't quite been made firm. And in various legal matters, even secular law states that by the official spoken/written word before witnesses one is bound and held to his official decision. Indeed, it is by His very Words that our Heavenly Father created the universe before witness-

es.² And it is by man's official words, spoken/written before witnesses, that God establishes the Divinely-sanctioned and indivisible institution of a couple's lifelong holy matrimony.

So a child's, "legitimacy," is established by the legitimacy of the (prior) marriage of his parents. Marriage will also legitimize one's illegitimate children.

3) Legitimacy in the Eyes of Society

But, now, society seeks to eliminate the guilt and torment of their sin by attempting to illegitimize and erase, or, "cancel," not the acts of sin, but the concept of sin itself! Even though everyone knows that illegitimate sex and pregnancy are wrong/sinful!

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.

20 For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

Romans 1:18-20 The BIBLE

27 But the anointing which ye have received of Him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in Him.

I John 2:27 The BIBLE

... unless they have scarred-over their conscience, so that they no longer even recognize conscience's prohibition against and guilt of sin.

1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

3 Forbidding to marry

I Timothy 4:1-3a The BIBLE

5 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things.

Proverbs 28:5 The BIBLE

15 And He said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

Luke 16:15 The BIBLE

² 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2 The Same was in the beginning with God.

3 All things were made by Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made.

John 1:1-3 The BIBLE

13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no greater, He sware by Himself,

Hebrews 6:13 The BIBLE

So, in legitimizing sexual relations outside of marriage, they increase its likelihood, or, as regards marriage, even end up discouraging and averting it for some who otherwise might have married! Sin, like *'misery, loves company.'* Society has done its utmost to eliminate the shame of sin and to, rather, now shame anyone who has the 'audacity' to rebuke the sin. They have convinced themselves, and others, that those who thus stand for righteousness are the ones doing the wrong!

At Sodom, Lot spoke against the sexual sin of those around him:

7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

...

9 And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door.

Genesis 19:7, 9 The BIBLE

27 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

Proverbs 29:27 The BIBLE

4 They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.

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Proverbs 28:4-5 The BIBLE

2 They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.

3 And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor Me.

4 But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

John 16:2-4 The BIBLE

And for the fearful, who haven't yet convinced themselves that the righteous are in the wrong, it is nonetheless far easier to find excuses, to split hairs, or to find peripheral, "reasons," to stand for the sinner with the crowd, than to stand for God with the few righteous. Especially if the crowd is immi- nently dangerous to one's own social, legal, or physical well-being.

8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whore- mongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Revelation 21:8 The BIBLE

2 Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to de- cline after many to wrest judgment:

Exodus 23:2 The BIBLE

17 But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;

...

34 Think not that I Am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

35 For I Am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

36 And a man's foes shall be they of his own household.

37 He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

Matthew 10:17, 34-37 The BIBLE

Contrary to the world, the Godly man loves the praise of God, and is concerned with the eternal and Spiritual well-being of both himself and others, because the Bible says:

15 He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are abomination to the LORD.

Proverbs 17:15 The BIBLE

17 Likewise, thou son of man, set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them,

18 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the women ...

...

22 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life:

Ezekiel 13:17, 18a, 22 The BIBLE

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

20 Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

Ezekiel 3:18-21 The BIBLE

4) Legitimacy in the Eyes of the Emotional

This subject of relationships is one that tends to involve especially the inherently emotional among us. It is a subject of particular interest to those who can be willing to warp or outright ignore the Word of God because of their tendency to lean more toward emotions than to logic/truth/ideas, or because of their emotional attachment to the specific individual(s) involved. By them, people or an individual can tend to be given precedence over God Himself.

25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, Who Is blessed for ever. Amen.

Romans 1:25 The BIBLE

43 For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

John 12:43 The BIBLE

In them, emotions and people, rather than our Heavenly Father and His Word, can reign supreme, hold their allegiance, and be the primary determinant/motivation for their actions. (This is much of the basis for modern satanic Feminism/Goddess Worship³/anti-Godly Left Wing/Woke-ism/Liberalism. By switching allegiance from God to themselves [and supposedly] to the individual, these emotional people feel justified in claiming that those condemning the sin are instead being unloving, and despising the sinner, and they therefore feel justified to label them as, "haters," "sexists," "homophobes," etc. [As a result, they themselves become the, "haters."])

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22 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life:

Ezekiel 13:17, 18a, 22 The BIBLE

17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.

Deuteronomy 17:17 The BIBLE

26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? yet among many nations was there no king like him, who was beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.

Nehemiah 13:26 The BIBLE

15 Then all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,

16 As for the Word that thou hast spoken unto us in the Name of the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee.

Jeremiah 44:15-16 The BIBLE

5) Legitimacy in the Eyes of God

And what is most tragic is the fact that some of these, willing to place themselves, people, and their concerns over God and His Word, are self-proclaimed, so-called, "*Christians!*" Our Heavenly Father says:

17 Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied Him? When ye say, Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and He delighteth in them; or, Where is the God of judgment?

Malachi 2:17 The BIBLE

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.

Romans 1:18-19 The BIBLE

³ See also, [GODDESS RELIGION AND JEZEBELISM](#) by this author

16 But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare My statutes, or that thou shouldest take My covenant in thy mouth?

17 Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest My Words behind thee.

18 When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.

19 Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.

Psalms 50:16-19 The BIBLE

21 Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father Which Is in heaven.

22 Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy Name? and in Thy Name have cast out devils? and in Thy Name done many wonderful works?

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity.

Matthew 7:21-23 The BIBLE

Therefore ...

We are commissioned by our Heavenly Father to bear witness of Him and His righteousness. We are the means by which our Heavenly Father has chosen to declare His Word to the world, and especially to those in our own particular social circle. If we fail in that we, too, are responsible for the sin that occurs. It might be difficult to warn beforehand, or to rebuke afterwards, the sin of a friend. But usually our friend will listen to few others.

5 Open rebuke is better than secret love.

6 Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.

Proverbs 27:5-6 The BIBLE

We might be all that is standing between our friend and an eternity in hell.

24 He that saith unto the wicked, Thou art righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:

25 But to them that rebuke him shall be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them.

26 Every man shall kiss his lips that giveth a right answer.

Proverbs 24:24-26 The BIBLE