

REFLECTIONS OF THE FATHER'S HEART

[Exhortations From The Father]

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* One cannot be a partaker of My Word - that is, come to abide in the power of My indwelling Word and Spirit with both feet firmly planted in the world. For "heart-attachment" with the world works continually to negate and to make of no effect the power of My Word in one's life.

"blind" - unable to see; sightless; unwilling or unable to perceive or understand *[in this case, the spiritual matters of the Kingdom];*

...."do you not know that [heart] friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God".... James 4:4 NASB

...."Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves [is in "heart-fellowship" with] the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. The world ["system"] is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the Will of God lives forever".... 1 John 2:15-17 NASB

...."So for the sake of your tradition [the rules handed down by your forefathers], you have set aside the Word of God [depriving it of force and authority and making it of no effect]. You pretenders [hypocrites]! Admirably and truly did Isaiah prophesy of you when he said: 'These people draw near Me with their mouths and honor Me with their lips, but their hearts hold off and are far away from Me. Uselessly do they worship Me, for they teach as doctrines the commands of men. [Isa. 29:13.]'. And Jesus called the people to Him and said to them, 'Listen and grasp and comprehend this: It is not what goes into the mouth of a man that makes him unclean and defiled, but what comes out of the mouth; this makes a man unclean and defiles [him]'. Then the disciples came and said to Him, 'Do You know that the Pharisees were displeased and offended and indignant when they heard this saying?' He answered, 'Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be torn up by the roots. [Isa. 60:21.] Let them alone

and disregard them; they are blind guides and teachers. And if a blind man leads a blind man, both will fall into a ditch".... Matthew 15:6-14 The Amplified Translation