

# Two Churches

(Producing two very different kinds of faith & fruit)

Message & LIFE of Man	vs.	Message & LIFE from God
<p><b>The Church Led by Satan – The Whore of Babylon</b>                      ("You are of your father the devil, He has been a deceiver from the Beginning..." John 8:44.                      'How then does it have Tares?' He he said to them, 'An enemy has done this!' Matthew 13:27-28)</p>	vs.	<p><b>The Church Led by Living God – The Bride of Messiah</b>                      "Come, I will show you the Bride, <b>The Wife of the Lamb.</b>"                      Revelation 21:9</p>
<p><b>The False Church</b>                      ( the tares )                      Gathered and Thrown into the Fire (examples: Sardis, Laodicea)                      Often Wealthy Self Sufficient Socially Accepted Church – Man Led, Profit Driven Organization. <b>A Worldly Business</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Matt. 13</a>  Rev. 2 &amp; 3</p>	<p><b>The True Church</b>                      ( the wheat )                      Gathered into Barns (examples: Smyrna, Philadelphia)                      Often Poor, Persecuted, and Socially Rejected Church. Holy Spirit led Organism. <b>An Eternal Family</b></p>
<p><b>Judgements:</b>                      Doesn't Hear or Obey God's Voice                      We Lose our First Love, Lampstand removed,                      Name Removed from the Book of Life                      Follow Baalam &amp; Nicolaitans, Clothed in Spiritual Rags,                      Follow Jezebel                      – Idolatry Judged,                       Cowardly when facing Death, Hurt by Second Death – Lake of Fire                      Cowardly Facing Men (Fear of Men)                      Pride, Sin, Rebellion of Men Judged, Reputation: Alive, but Spiritually Dead,                       Luke Warm                      Spiritually wretched,                      Miserable, poor, naked, blind                      Eternal Separation from God</p>	<p>Rev. 2 &amp; 3  Lev. 26  Deut. 28</p>	<p><b>Rewards:</b>                      Hears &amp; Obeys God's Voice                      We Maintain our First Love                      Lampstand remains,                      Name Remains in the Book of Life                      Follows the Lamb of God                      Clothed in white robes,                      Receives: The Tree of Life &amp; The Crown of Life, (No Idols)                       Courageous when Facing of Death                      Not hurt by the Second Death,                      No Fear of Men, Fear Only God                      Grace, Humility, Truth Established                      Hidden Manna &amp; White Stone,                       Hot, Bold, on Fire for God.                      Have Authority Over the Nations                      Dressed in White, Receive New Name, the Morning Star, Acknowledged before the Angels, Pillars in God's Temple                      Dine and Rule with Messiah</p>
<p><b>The Worldly Church</b>                      ( Introduces pagan traditions &amp; idolatry into the Church )                      – Easter bunny, Santa Claus,                      – Ecumenical false Fellowship                      – Christmas tree &amp; presents                      – Mary &amp; Worldly worship,                      – following human fads,                      – doctrines of demons,                      – Follows the Culture, Politically correct,                      – Makes Excuses for sin/rebellion, paganism,                      – Chooses pleasure over God                      – Gives lip service to the gospel of God</p>	<p><a href="#">Psalm 24</a></p>	<p><b>The Godly Church</b>                      ( clean hands and a pure heart )                      – Worships the testimony of God                      – Acknowledges the Festivals of God                      – Celebrates the Salvation of men                      – Rejoices in the Gospel of God                      – Carries the Cross                      – Offers the culture                      – Chooses God over pleasure.                      – Boldly Stands against Paganism,                      – Boldly Proclaims the Gospel of God to Every Creature. Everyday</p>
<p><b>Doesn't understand True Worship</b>                      ( Worship = an external show )                      – Seeking an emotional high                      – Self/man/performance focus                      – Draws attention to Self/Man                      – A party spirit, Done for Show.</p>	<p><a href="#">John 4</a></p>	<p><b>Understands True Worship</b>                      ( Worship = an eternal Relationship )                      in spirit and in truth                      – Seeking an obedient heart                      – Draws attention to God                      – The Holy Spirit = Pure Love</p>
<p><b>Worships Mammon</b>                      ( attention on glitz and glamour )                      – Focused on personal feelings,                      – Position in Church, In World</p>	<p><a href="#">Matt. 6:24</a></p>	<p><b>Worships Yahweh</b>                      ( behold the hand, behold the nail )                      – Focused on personal obedience                      – Self Sacrifice, Crucified Life</p>
<p><b>Worships Popularity</b>                      ( wants to be seen by men )</p>	<p><a href="#">Matt. 6:5–15</a></p>	<p><b>Worships Purity</b>                      ( worships the father in secret )</p>
<p><b>Worships the praises of men</b>                      ( Gets offended when men don't worship according to man's tradition )</p>	<p><a href="#">John 5:41-47</a></p>	<p><b>Worships the praises of God</b>                      ( Offends men who love and serve human traditions )</p>
<p>Conforms to outward forms of religion</p>	<p><a href="#">Mt. 23 (5,23)</a></p>	<p>Conforms to inward convictions</p>
<p>Seeks the approval of men</p>	<p>Matt. 6:1,5,16</p>	<p>Seeks the approval of God                      ( well done good and faithful servant )</p>
<p>Worships in convenience</p>		<p>Worships in obedience</p>
<p>Worships one day of the week (for less than one hour)</p>		<p>Worships every day of the week (24/7/365)</p>
<p>Compartmentalizes worship                      It is something you do                      Touches only your religious life                      – once or twice a week</p>		<p>Expands worship                      It is who you are                      Touches everything you are and do                      – Fills up every day</p>
Biblical symbols of false believers		Biblical symbols of true believers
<p><b>Broad Road</b>                      – It promises pleasure                      – Promises acceptance                      But Delivers eternal rejection.                      – Many follow it                      – Leads to destruction</p>	<p>Matt. 7</p>	<p><b>Narrow road</b>                      – It promises pain                      – Promises rejection                      But Delivers Eternal acceptance.                      – Few follow it                      – Leads to eternal life</p>
<p><b>Bad trees</b>                      – Trees without fruit,                      – trees with bad/poison fruit                      – if you eat this fruit you will become sick and eventually die.</p>	<p>Matt. 7</p>	<p><b>Good trees</b>                      – Trees have an abundance of fruit.                      – trees with a good fruit                      – If you eat this fruit you will become healthy, and live forever</p>
<p><b>False prophet</b>                      (false gospel minister)                      – puts on a religious show                      – Looks good to others on the outside – Does not do the will of the father                      – Is led by the spirit of man                      – Receives a rebuke from God                      – He is cast into outer darkness                      – Depart for me I never knew you!</p>	<p>Matt. 7</p>	<p><b>True prophet</b>                      (True gospel minister)                      – Diligently Avoids all religious shows                      – Looks good to God on the inside                      – Does the will of the father                      – Is led by the spirit of God                      – Receives Praise from God                      – He is welcomed into Glory                      – Well Done, my good and faithful servant!</p>
<p><b>House upon the sand</b>                      Avoids hard labor of building a solid foundation</p>	<p>Matt. 7</p>	<p><b>House built upon the Rock</b>                      – Embraces hard labor                      – Builds an immovable foundation</p>
<p><b>Has No buried treasure</b>                      – doesn't search diligently                      – can't see the invisible                      – doesn't invest his time and resources                      – kept back part of the price                      – didn't consider the purchase worth it                      – considers other pursuits more important</p>	<p>Matt. 13</p>	<p><b>Buys the field with buried treasure</b>                      – search is diligently                      – searching for the invisible                      – invest significant time and resources                      – Sold everything he had                      – considers the treasure top priority                      – considers the treasure of the most important thing to obtain in this life</p>
<p><b>No pearl of great price</b>                      – Not the number one career priority                      – searches halfheartedly,                      – does not find                      – doesn't believe the search is worth it                      – not willing to pay everything he has to get what he doesn't want:                      – the kingdom of God.                      – Values the kingdom of man above the kingdom of God.</p>	<p>Matt. 13</p>	<p><b>Buys the pearl of great Price</b>                      – Number one career priority                      – searches with all his heart, mind, and strength and finds the Pearl                      – believes he found what he's looking for                      – he's willing to pay everything he has to get what he wants:                      – the kingdom of God                      – Values the kingdom of God above the kingdom of man</p>
<p><b>The unfruitful soil</b>                      – Not carefully chosen                      – Not carefully prepared                      – Not carefully maintained                      – Produces no fruitful harvest</p>	<p>Matt. 13</p>	<p><b>The fruitful soil</b>                      – Carefully chosen for the seed                      – Carefully prepared for the seed                      – Carefully maintained                      – Produces A HUGE fruitful harvest</p>
<p><b>The Tares</b>                      (fake, counterfeit, false believers)                      – Disobedient to the Word                      – not following the master teacher                      – is planted by the enemy                      – doesn't produce the fruit of the master</p>	<p>Matt. 13</p>	<p><b>The Wheat</b>                      (True, faithful, obedient believers)                      – Obedient to the Word                      – not following the master teacher                      – is planted by the enemy                      – doesn't produce the fruit of the master</p>
<p><b>The Bad Fish</b>                      – Not desirable                      – Not kosher                      – Not worthy to clean and keep                      – Will be thrown away like trash</p>	<p>Matt. 13</p>	<p><b>The Good Fish</b>                      – Desirable                      – Kosher                      – Worthy to clean and keep                      – Will be KEPT forever</p>
<p><b>The Disobedient Son</b>                      Says he will obey his father                      But changes his mind and Disobeys his father</p>	<p>Matt. 21:28</p>	<p><b>The Obedient Son</b>                      – Says he will not obey his father                      – Then changes his mind                      – Becomes obedient to his father</p>
<p><b>The Religious Hypocrites</b>                      – who did not repent</p>	<p>Matt. 21:31</p>	<p><b>The Tax Collectors, Prostitutes, and Drunkards</b>                      – who did repent</p>
<p><b>The Five Foolish Virgins</b>                      Unprepared, Not ready for His Coming</p>	<p>Matt. 25</p>	<p><b>The Five Wise Virgins.</b>                      Prepared, Ready &amp; Waiting for His Coming</p>
<p><b>The Goats</b>                      – Didn't Care for the Children of God</p>	<p>Matt. 25</p>	<p><b>The Sheep.</b>                      – Cared for the Children of God</p>
<p><b>The Man With One Talent,</b>                      – Lived in Fear                      – Was Self Conscious                      – Worthless Servant                      – Weeping and Gnashing of Teeth</p>	<p>Matt. 25</p>	<p><b>The Men With 3 and 5 Talents.</b>                      – Lived by Faith                      – Was God Conscious                      – Faithful Servant                      – Entered into the Joy of the Master</p>
<p><b>The Fat and Sumptuous Rich Man</b></p>	<p>Luke 16:20</p>	<p><b>The Poor Beggar Lazarus.</b></p>
<p>The three poor soils that grew no crop</p>	<p>Matt. 13</p>	<p>the one soil that grew 30, 60, and 100 fold what was sown.</p>
<p>The man who built his house on the sand</p>	<p>Matt. 7</p>	<p>the man who built his house upon a rock.</p>
<p>The branch on the vine that withered and had no fruit</p>	<p>John 15</p>	<p>the vine branch on the vine that had an abundance of fruit.</p>
<p>The wolf in sheep's clothing</p>	<p>John 10</p>	<p>the good Shepherd.</p>
<p>The man with the millstone around his neck</p>	<p>Matt. 18</p>	<p>the man who protected the children and the flock I teaching in the word of God.</p>
<p>Sardis &amp; Laodicea</p>	<p>Rev. 2 &amp; 3</p>	<p>Smyrna &amp; Philadelphia</p>
<p>Those who died in the desert                      – Never Submitted to God in Spirit and in Truth                      – Lived with a Heart of Rebellion &amp; Self Focus.</p>	<p>John 3</p>	<p>Those who enter the promised land – Submitted to God in Spirit and in Truth                      – Lived with a Heart of Obedience &amp; God Focus.</p>
<p>The Unregenerate Man                      – Lives by the Flesh</p>	<p>John 3</p>	<p>The Born Again Man                      – Lives by the Spirit</p>

## Some Concluding Remarks:

Galatians 6:6-9 (KJV) 6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

7 Be not deceived; **God is not mocked:** for **whatsoever a man soweth**, that shall **he also reap.** 8 For he that soweth **to his flesh** shall of the flesh **reap corruption;** and let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall **reap, if we faint not.**

## God is Not Mocked ...

If we sow to the flesh, we will reap corruption.  
 If we sow to the spirit, we will reap eternal life.

**Here's the Problem:** What if we believe we are sowing to the Spirit, but are actually sowing to the flesh? The Fake religious leaders in Yeshua's Day fully believed they were spiritually alive, but Yeshua called them Devils, doing the will of their Father the King of Devils. The same problem existed amongst the seven churches in the book of Revelation.

They may have even had all the right words, and performed the right rituals. They went to religious meetings, but they were at the same time resisting the Spirit of God, because they were following the leadership of men, exulting the traditions of Men.

## Five out of 7 churches—were blowing it big time.

Five out of 7 churches received some serious words of correction from Yeshua, and that was back in the day when the Apostle John was still alive and preaching the Gospel, but it is apparent that several churches, actually the majority, were compromising not only their message, but their entire life in God. Allowing Paganism into the Church. Allowing sexual immorality into the Church. Allowing Vain Human Philosophy, and Man led Spiritism into the Church. Obviously, focusing on everything but the one thing that mattered—The Gospel of God. Teaching. Training, Transforming each and every person into a highly skilled and powerful witness for the Resurrection of Messiah.

## What if we are doing the same today?

Would that not be a tragedy? Spending years in church but never really bearing the Fruit of the Gospel—reproducing true disciples of Messiah.

We can only reproduce what we are. If we live in a compromised church, with a compromised Gospel, and a compromised spiritual leadership, following a compromised worship program, how can really ever produce an uncompromised faith and fruit?

## Do we truly hunger and thirst after righteousness?

Matthew 5:6 (KJV) 6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

**If we do there is hope:** We can examine our traditions in the light of the scriptures, and examine our goals in light of the scriptures, examine our ways and our obedience in light of the scriptures, and we can choose again to follow and obey our First Love, to **share His Name and His Word** with All who will hear, and to enter into a place of holiness, righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit—a place of power and miracles—where the will of God is being done courageously with out the Fear of Man, and the selfishness of Man diluting and compromising the Pure Word of God.