

*“In whom the god of this world (Satan) hath Blinded The Minds Of Them Which Believe Not, lest the light of the Glorious Gospel of Christ, Who is the Image of God, should shine unto them.” 2 Corinthians 4:4 KJV*



Truth is absolute! Do you think believers are free from blindness? Christ told His own disciples, *“Be not deceived.”* God’s Word teaches us, when we think we’re good is when we are most vulnerable to unbelief. *“If we say that we have no sin, WE DECEIVE OURSELVES, and the Truth is not in us. There is none righteous; no, not one!”* God’s Word is the primary expositor of sin for it declares the express Will of God. Not confessing and forsaking sin denies Truth and is the same as saying you have no sin which, by extension, is a heart of unbelief! You cannot see the light wearing a blindfold! Satan knows when we sin. If we don’t confess, he knows we are guilty of unbelief. He then tempts that particular lust which, unless we repent by returning to obedience, destroys us, our testimony, and anyone who might have been following us. No man is an island! Your sin not only hinders you, but it keeps the Blessed Gospel Light under a bushel! The Tempter knows his craft well! He has been perfecting it since Eden! *“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.”* When he “devours” you, he also devours those looking to you for Truth. He delights especially in destroying pastors and spiritual leaders; because he knows the penchant men have for following other men. Paul wrote, *“To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some. And this I do for the Gospel’s sake. Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but [only] one receiveth the prize? Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection (obedience to God’s Word): lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.”* Sin is self-evident if we “meditate day and night” in the Standard of Truth which the Spirit of Truth lifts up in our thoughts against *“all superfluity of naughtiness.”* Satan will worry our thoughts with whatever it takes to keep us from thinking on God’s Word; job, family, leisure, and friends! Many don’t study God’s Word, because it gives them a false sense of plausible deniability. Don’t you think God knows your heart? He knew every thought *“before the world began, [because] God...is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. ALL things are naked and opened unto the Eyes of Him with Whom we have to do.”* You will not and cannot escape God’s Judgment! *“God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that, shall he also reap.”* Consequences of every choice are predetermined by God! Sin makes you Satan’s puppet – the blind leading the blind!

Man’s own deceit will blind his eyes,  
To sinful lust that hidden lies,  
In darkened hearts of unbelief,  
Where Truth and Light bring no relief. –CGP

Paul warned, *“Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck: Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme.”* Satan’s destroys men with their own lust! Unbelief invites Satan! God’s Word is Eternal Life!

*“But EVERY man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. Do not err, my beloved brethren.” James 1:14-16 KJV*