

"And he walked in all the ways of Asa his father; he turned not aside from it, doing that which was right in The Eyes of The LORD: Nevertheless the high places were not taken away; for the people offered and burnt incense yet in the high places." 1 Kings 22:43 KJV



From religion to entertainment and food, it matters little that, even if we live circumspectly, and still tolerate “high places” of idolatry, we are idolaters! I’ll bet you never thought of McDonalds as a temple, but if food is your idol, it is! Also, tearing down the “high places” can be as simple as not engaging in worldly conversations in the Assembly! Believers have the idea Godly fellowship is talk about anything under the sun as long as it’s with believers. Are we not to build up each other in the Faith? Bibles stay neatly tucked under our arm as we banter about sports, weather, and the latest gossip! You can’t “*provoke unto good works*” with “*vain babblings*.” Faith only Comes by the “*hearing...the Word of God*.” Most think that only pastors and teachers have that job, but what does the Word of God say? “*Shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. Foolish and unlearned questions avoid,*” (It’s how Satan started, and most gossip – “Did you hear about...?”) “*knowing that they do gender strifes. Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Let us therefore follow after the things...wherewith one may edify another. All things edify not. Wherefore...edify one another. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together...but exhorting one another. Let This Mind be in you, Which Was Also In Christ Jesus. Truly our fellowship is with The Father, And With His Son Jesus Christ. If we walk in the light, as He Is In The Light, we have fellowship one with another.*” The excuse most give is, “I just don’t know Scripture well enough.” Why not? Can’t you read? We program cell phones and PC’s, but can’t understand the Bible? We neither read it nor want to read it! We delude ourselves that ignorance of Scripture excuses us from obedience, but try speeding when you can’t see a speed limit sign and use that excuse on the officer who stops you! God knows your heart and He knows why you don’t read and study, from laziness to badly organized time! What excuse do you think He will accept? “*Study to show thyself approved unto God, meditate Therein day and night, and pray without ceasing*” are not suggestions! We all want success and acceptance, but seek it from the wrong sources! “*Seek ye FIRST The Kingdom of God And His Righteousness.*” Where will you be on Judgment Day if God Doesn’t Accept you?

The Truth must be our fellowship,
If we would scales of evil tip,
God’s Word must be the tide of lip,
If honey from our words would drip! –CGP

God Has Given us life-work assignments. “*Whatsoever things are true...honest...just...pure...lovely...of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Let your conversation be as it becometh the Gospel of Christ. Be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in Faith, in purity. Give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Put off, concerning the former conversation, the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; put on the New Man, Which After God Is Created In Righteousness And True Holiness.*” These are just a few. There are many more. Are there still “high places” of idolatry in your life? Let’s talk about Jesus!

"And shall not God avenge His own elect, which cry day and night unto Him, though He bear long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:7-8 KJV