

Heart **2** Heart
With God
BITTERNESS

“Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice” (Ephesians 4:31).

Hurt or injustice done to any that causes bitterness. Sometimes we feel that others have hurt us but in actual sense they don't but we feel that way and we grow bitterness against them.

Ahithophel the close counselor of King David turned a traitor against him. There was reason for him to turn that way. David's adultery with his granddaughter, Bethsheba the wife of Uriah David's warrior (II Samuel 23:34). Ten years Ahithophel waited to take revenge on David for the seduction of Bethsheba and the killing of Uriah. He should have not allowed bitterness to enter his soul. This bitterness grew inside of his heart like a cancerous growth and eventually killed him.

Bitterness will affect you physically, emotionally, and spiritually because the fruit of bitterness is an acid that destroys its container. When your heart is bitter, God will not be real to you. Why? Because hatefulness and holiness do not dwell in the same heart. A bitter person is hypersensitive, ungrateful, insincere, holds grudges, and has mood swings.

Negative effect of the Bitterness:

- #. It can rob you of your peace and joy.
- #. It is an open door for Satan to control your life.
- #. It can lead to the lost of good friends.
- #. It can hurt or destroy your relationship with your family, your wife and can even lead to the breakup of your home.
- #. It make peace and harmony impossible.
- #. There can be no true biblical love where it exists.
- #. It destroys any true relationship with the Lord and will keep you from growing in the Lord.
- #. It will defeat you and ruin your life and the lives of those around you.

SOLUTION

- 1). Let God reveal the bitterness of our heart to us. We cannot do that. A deceitful heart cannot diagnose a deceitful heart. “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?” (Jeremiah 17:9). We need to let God the Holy Spirit do reveal us.
- 2). We need to ask God to forgive us and by His grace He will forgive. If someone wronged us, let us bury that hurt in the grave of God's forgetfulness.
- 3). We need to replace bitterness with good. “14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord: 15. Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled” (Hebrews 12:14-15).

We will discover that our life is more joyful when we uproot our bitterness. If God gave us justice, every one of us would die and go to hell. Thank God for His mercy that removes His hand of punishment from us!

May our good Lord continue to bless you and your families! Prema and I love you so dearly and pray for you daily! Write us for we love to hear from you!

Remember, **Jesus is Lord** and take with you **the Word of God and Faith**, excellent traveling Companions. (Psalms 119:105; II Corinthians 5:7).



PRAY FOR US!

We need your prayers very much at the time such as this.
For the our safety and for the provision and protection at this time.

**Thank you
for your
partnership!**