

## Dangers For Every Generation

(Part 2)

- Joshua 24:15, “And if it seem evil unto you to serve Jehovah, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve Jehovah.”
- We all make choices. (Romans 6:16-18)

### The Loss Of The Godly Home

- Man is to provide leadership for his wife and love her as Christ also loved the church.  
Ephesians 5:22-33; Leave and cleave.  
Genesis 2:24
- Dwell with her. 1 Peter 3:7

### The Loss Of The Godly Home

- The woman’s role is a role of quiet subjection.
  - 1 Peter 3:1; Ephesians 5:22-24, 33.
  - Place of importance. Proverbs 18:22  
“Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favor of the Lord.”

### The Loss Of The Godly Home

- Effect upon children.
  - Moral values decline.
    - Even in the church. 1 Corinthians 5:6
    - No ability to blush. Jeremiah 6:15
    - Believe we have freedom without consequence.  
Jeremiah 23:17; cf. Galatians 6:7-8

### The Loss Of Hunger For Righteousness

- “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.” (Matthew 5:6) cf. Hebrews 5:11ff
  - Jeremiah 6:10, “To whom shall I speak and testify, that they may hear? behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of Jehovah is become unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it.”

## The Loss Of Hunger For Righteousness

- What will the next generation be? Judges 2:10
- Amos 8:11, “Behold, the days come, saith the Lord Jehovah, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of Jehovah.”

## The Loss Of Hunger For Righteousness

- Motivated to greater evangelism
  - If people are viewed as lost and without hope ... Ephesians 2
- Jesus talked with the Samaritan woman. John 4
  - Jesus created a craving for what He offered. John 4:13-14
  - Jesus taught her how to worship. John 4:21-24
  - Jesus taught her He was the Messiah. John 4:25-26

## The Loss Of The Sacred

Sacred - “Holy” (KJV) vs. Profane

- 2 Timothy 3:15, “And that from a babe thou hast known the **sacred** writings...”
- Acts 24:6, “... who moreover assayed to **profane** the temple”

## The Loss Of The Sacred

Illustrations of the Sacred.

- Sabbath day. (Exodus 20:8; cf. Numbers 15:32-36)
- Moses drew near the burning bush in the wilderness, God said, “Draw not nigh hither; put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground” (Exodus 3:5)
- Nadab and Abihu. “I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified” (Leviticus 10:3).

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Illustrations of the Sacred.

- John “fell at his feet as though dead” (Revelation 1:17)
- Jews in Nehemiah’s day, when the law was read. (Nehemiah 9:3)
- Worship. “Let us have grace, whereby we may offer service well-pleasing to God with reverence and awe: for our God is a consuming fire” (Hebrews 12:28-29).
- **NOTE: To treat what is holy (sacred) as if it were common profanes it.**

## The Loss Of Distinctiveness

Distinctions in Scripture. 1 Peter 2:5-10

- Wide from the narrow way. (Matthew 7:13-14)
- Wise from the foolish. (Matthew 7:24-27)
- Kingdom of darkness from the Kingdom of Christ. (Colossians 1:13-14)

## The Loss Of Distinctiveness

### Distinctions In Scripture.

- Those who belong to the evil one from those who are born of God. (1 John 5:18-19)
- One way from all others. (John 14:6)
- The gospel from all others. (Galatians 1:6-9)
- One body (church) from all others. (Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:4)
- One baptism from all others. (Ephesians 4:5)

## The Loss Of Distinctiveness

### We cannot blend God's way with man's way.

(Proverbs 14:12)

- Cain and Abel. Genesis 4
- Nadab and Abihu. Leviticus 10
- King Saul. 1 Samuel 15
- Uzzah. 2 Samuel 6; cf. 1 Chronicles 15
- King Uzziah. 2 Chronicles 26
- A Separate People. Deuteronomy 7:6; 1 Peter 2:9; 2 Corinthians 6:17ff; Romans 12:1-2

## The Loss Of Confrontation

- Immodest attire, filthy language, fornication, adulterous remarriages, homosexuality... (cf. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11)
  - Must preach the whole counsel of God. (Acts 20:27; 1 Corinthians 5:6)
- "Your eyes are too pure to approve evil, And You can not look on wickedness with favor. Why do You look with favor On those who deal treacherously? Why are You silent when the wicked swallow up Those more righteous than they?" (Habakkuk 1:13 NAS)

NOTE: Jeremiah 6:10-12

## The Loss Of Confrontation

### God Despises Sin

Proverbs 15:9, "The way of the wicked is an abomination to Jehovah"

Proverbs 28:9, "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer is an abomination."

## The Loss Of Confrontation

### The Gospel Is Confrontational

- Evangelism is not possible without confrontation. (cf. Acts 2:36; 3:12-15; 4:8-10)
- Demands accountability for sin. (Romans 14:12; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Acts 17:30-31)
- Jesus came to call sinners to repentance (Luke 5:32); to "seek and save the lost." (Luke 19:10)
- Lord called for repentance from five of the seven churches of Asia. (Revelation 2:5, 16, 21; 3:3, 19)
- Paul called on churches to put to death the deeds of the body. (Colossians 3:5-11)

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- The Loss Of The Godly Home
- The Loss Of Hunger For Righteousness
- The Loss Of The Sacred
- The Loss Of Distinctiveness
- The Loss Of Confrontation

## Conclusion

Judges 2:10

“And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, that knew not Jehovah, nor yet the work which he had wrought for Israel.”

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Psalms 71:17-18

“O God, thou hast taught me from my youth;’ and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works. Yea, even when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not, until I have declared thy strength unto (the next) generation, Thy might to every one that is to come.”