BROKEN BLUE PRINT SERMON SERIES Lesson #2 – Two Trees of Education Sermon Bible Notes: Pastor Cary Rodgers

Jeremiah 2:13

13 For my people have committed **two evils**; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, *and* hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Living water = true education ; Broken Cisterns = false education

Does education matter? Many say "get your education" and you will be "all set." Is that enough? What really matters is what type of education: True or false

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Garden of Eden = School of True Education

Genesis 2:8-9, 15

- 8 And the LORD God planted <u>a garden eastward in Eden;</u> and there he put the man whom he had formed.
- 9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.
- 15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

The garden of Eden that God placed Adam and Eve was not only beautiful but it was also a true training school in which they were to learn directly from God about the great Creation of God on a daily basis. They learned about the character of God and the laws of God. They saw throughout Creation that God established laws in plants, animals, trees, flowers, vegetables, sun, moon, stars and so on. God gave them the capacity to learn many great things from the His Creation.

Genesis 2:19

19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof.

Adam and Eve met their teacher, God, daily in the cool of the day.

In the garden of Eden they were taught the true sciences of God. They studied a great variety of subjects such as botany, the study of plants; zoology, the study of animals; astronomy, study of the stars, sun, and moon; mineralogy, physics, math, engineering and many other subjects. Adam was able to name the creatures because God taught him about the purpose and habits of each one.

As they learned the wonderful lessons from God they were filled with awe and wonder about God's creation. As long as they were obedient to the laws of God they would be given more and more each day.

As they walked and worked in the garden with God as their teacher they learned the divine truths of God.

They learned more and more about their threefold nature; the physical, mental, and spiritual.

The true education that they received from God was pure and not corrupted.

Proverbs 1:7

7 The fear of the **LORD** *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 2:6-7

- 6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth *cometh* knowledge and understanding.
- 7 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: *he is* a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

God's instruction was not only spiritual but was practical training for everyday living. Before they were about to train the many vines in the garden, God demonstrated how it was to be done.

Faith lesson

One of the greatest lessons that God taught Adam and Eve was about faith. They saw that their life existence depended on God daily. Without God and his daily provisions of food, air and water, they learned that they would perish. They learned how to have faith in God and depend on every word of God.

The Eden school was an education that was perfect, complete and Holy based on every word of God.

Romans 1:17

17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Adam and Eve where taught about the Fall of Lucifer and his lies and rebellion that got him and angels to believe his lies.

Satan's false educational system

Satan's false education is based on lies in which the human is the center of all things instead of God.

The father of deception got Eve to believe his lies and rebel against her Creator and Teacher, God.

Satan's false education is an organized system of rebellion against God, His commandments and truth. Satan's false education is self centered in which the true

Christ is not the center. False education is based on feelings, emotions, and human reasoning. This was the reason why Adam disobeyed God. He looked at self, emotions and reasoning that tried to justify his rebellion.

An Education of Doubt

One of the goals of Satan is to create doubt in the minds of those who yield to his temptations.

Remember doubt cancels out true faith. Why did Adam and Eve yield to the temptations of Satan? He got them to doubt God's explicit will and Word. This is what false education is all about - to get students to doubt God's Word.

In the 60's and 70's atheism was introduced to all the schools and educational system in the USA during the cold war with Russia.

False education places the knowledge and commandments of man over the wisdom and truth of God.

At the tree of knowledge of good and evil, Satan was able to establish a system of lies that says that the disobedient to God's word can still receive the benefits and blessings of God and immortality in rebellion.

Satan's false system of education takes control of the minds of those who yield to his temptations.

<u>Why was Eve not able to discern the deception of Satan?</u> Because she used her mind and senses to try to discern truth instead of the words of her Creator. She believed that the truth was a lie and that lies were the truth.

Eve did not feel the difference after responding and yielding to Satan's lies

This is the same reason why so many remain in a state of deception - they believe that the truth are lies and that the lies are truth.

For example, evolution and the big bang theory are false science ideas that have been pushed through many of our schools as if it was the truth.

The students in false education take up the logic and human reasoning of the teachers instead of God's word and it corrupts the minds of the people.

What was Adam and Eve's response to God after their rebellion?

Genesis 3:8-10

- 8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.
- 9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.

False education separates us from God leaving us naked and afraid.

False education also tries to justify rebellion and blame others for their failures.

Genesis 3:11-13

- 11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?
- 12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.
- 13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

The papacy is one of the agents that promote a false educational system of self exaltation, self worship and display.

Daniel 7:8

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn *were* eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Revelation 13:5

5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty *and* two months.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4

- 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come,* except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

This false educational system of self exaltation was not only promoted by the papacy, but it was also the idol worship of Egypt and Babylon amd was embraced by Greek philosophy.

True education exalts Christ and redeems us from destruction!

Psalms 103:1-5 1 *A Psalm* of David. Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *bless* his holy name.

- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
- 3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
- 4 Who **redeemeth thy life from destruction**; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;
- 5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things; so that* thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

These are the blessings and promises of being led by true education.

Let's go back to the Garden of Eden.

The tree of life represent true education in its highest form. The tree of knowledge of good and evil represents a false system that conflicts against the commandments and will of God. Instead of eternal life it represents damnation and sure death.

False-education seeds produce bad trees which produce bad fruit.

Luke 6:43

43 For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

The good tree represent true education.

The whole purpose of true education is to produce characters that reflect the glory of God and hear the voice of God.

False education stifles the truth of God's Word. It is a dark world that keeps people in darkness.

<u>Which is your choice?</u> From the womb we are not to open our children's minds to the lies and false education of Satan. We are not to promote it. Tell them the truth!

Santa Clause and the tooth fairy do not exist.

Satan wants the mind of the young people. The cartoons and youth programs of entertainment is designed by Satan to take control of their minds. Within the programs they promote self exaltation, violence, self and Satan worship.

Wisdom is true education. Instead of self exaltation there is simple faith in God's word. Instead of pomp there is humility. Instead of doubt there is faith. Instead of anxiety there is peace. Instead of sin which has the penalty of death there obedience to God's commands and eternal life.

What was the cause of the flood? Belief in the broken system of false education.

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