

Wise, Simple

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We all want to have knowledge, don't we? We want to know things and be smart and educated. But there are different kinds of knowledge. Let's take a look at them. "I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil." (Romans 16:19) "My people is wise to do evil, but to do good they have not knowledge." (Jeremiah 4:22) We see exact opposites in these verses. The world is full of knowledge concerning evil, and void of knowledge concerning righteousness. But we are to be the opposite of that. "And Yahweh¹ commanded the man (Adam), saying, 'Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat. BUT of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it; for in the day that thou eatest thereof, thou shalt surely die.' " (Genesis 2:16-17) The tree that Yahweh was protecting Adam and Eve from was the tree that would give them knowledge concerning evil. Man ate of that tree. Genesis 3:1-7 – "Now the serpent (satan) was more subtil than any beast of the field which Yahweh had made; and he said unto the woman, 'Yea, hath Yahweh said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?' 2 And the woman (Eve) said, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden; 3 but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, Yahweh hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, nether shall ye touch it, lest ye die.' 4 And the serpent said unto the woman, 'Ye shall not surely die. 5 For Yahweh doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be mighty ones, knowing good and evil.' 6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired

to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat. 7 And the eyes of them both were opened..." That disobedience resulted in a world of sin and death.

We think, "Oh, if only Eve had not taken of the tree. Oh! If only they had not eaten it. Then the world would never have known sin and death." But sadly, many many people who believe in Yahweh, read His Word, and say they are following Him are doing the same exact thing that Adam and Eve did. How?

Yahweh says, "Set no wicked thing before thine eyes" (Ps.101:3), and "Be simple concerning evil" (Rom.16:19). The devil sends his messengers which say to us, "Oh, you aren't allowed to get knowledge, huh? You have to be uneducated." (Gen.3:1) We say, "No, we are allowed to receive so much knowledge. (Gen.3:2) Yahweh has instructed us in His Word of life and truth, and we are to live it, and teach it to our children.² Only concerning evil are we to be simple, for the knowledge of evil leads to death." (Gen.3:3) The devil says, "You will not die. You are strong enough to stand up against it. Look how interesting it is. After all, the evil things are the current news. Don't you want to know what's happening around you? Go ahead and get a television. 'Get television' equals 'get knowledge'. And get a radio. Radios will tell you so many things that you would never know otherwise. And be sure to get the daily newspaper, for in it there are so many delicious things to read, things that will make you desire more and more and more.

And you shall become wise, and educated. You say that you are to instruct your children in the Word of Yahweh? Why bother? Look at all the knowledge you are getting from the tree in the midst of the garden. Send your children to that tree too. Send them to a real school. You're depriving them by keeping them at home. In a genuine, government run school they will learn so many things that they would never learn at home." And we say, "satan, that's all garbage. Get behind me." Do we? Well, a very few do, but the majority do not. The majority of believers say, "Really? You mean all that stuff really tastes good? Well great, we'll go for it then!" And satan sits back and smiles as Yahweh's people learn things that they never would have learned if they had stayed within Yahweh's boundaries. And next they do things that they never would have done if they had stayed within His boundaries. And pretty soon, they are people that they never would have been if they had stayed within His boundaries.

People of Yahweh! I beseech you! If any of you are partaking of the tree in the midst of the garden, get away from it. You don't need that tree to give you knowledge of good. Knowledge of good things comes from Yahshua, the tree of Life.³ You may think that you can withstand the evil that is being pumped into your lives day by day via television, radio, newspaper, and/or public school, etc., but you may be surprised to find out someday that these things are destroying your life and your family.

"And Yahweh said, 'Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous, I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether

according to the cry of it, which is come unto Me; and if not, I will know.' ⁴ And the messengers of Yahweh said, 'We will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of Yahweh, and Yahweh hath sent us to destroy it.' Then Yahweh rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah, brimstone and fire, from Yahweh out of heaven. And He overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.... and lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace." (Genesis 18:20-21, 19:13,24-25,28) You can only drink so much alcohol before it begins to take over. You can only get so close to fire before it burns you. You can only get so involved with Sodom and Gomorrah before you are laid waste along with it.

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To learn more about Yahweh, read the Scriptures. From Genesis to Revelation, they are full of wisdom, counsel, instructions, insight, warnings, and encouragement.

Pray for wisdom from the Most High. No one needs the world's wisdom. "This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is tumult and unquietness, and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without

hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." (James 3:15-18)

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