

## IS GOD PLEASED WITH YOU?

(Divine Displeasure)

I Corinthians 10: 1-12; Hebrews 11:6

In I Corinthians 10: 1-12, we see a contrast between the lives in the wilderness with Israel being typical to the Christian lives of today's time. Paul was giving the saints at Corinth a recap of what happened with their forefathers in the wilderness. He was reminding them of the ungodly things they did, and how that with many of them God was not pleased.

As a result of being ungodly and disobeying God, they were overthrown in the wilderness, they were slain and they were cut off. Simply put, there was divine displeasure.

Displeasure: The fact or feeling of being displeased, dissatisfaction, disapproval, annoyance, discomfort, sorrow and trouble.

When God is displeased with you that means that you have failed to please him, and that there is a disagreement in the covenant or contract that you made with him. The bible states in Ecclesiastes 5:5, "***Better is it that thou shoudest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.***"

In the previous chapter, (I. Corinthians 9:27), Paul made a statement that every believer should make. He said, "***But I keep under my body, and bring it under subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.***"

So now, Paul speaks to the saints at Corinth because it seemed that many of them thought they were secure in their salvation because they had repented, were baptized, and had partaken in Christian ordinances. According to them, nothing they did could cut them off from Christ. They thought they could partake of idolatrous feasts and still be saved.

Paul had to explain to them that Israel did the same thing in the wilderness and many of them God did cut off and destroyed them. He will do the same thing now if man continues to sin and displease him.

David prayed, "***O God thou has cast us off, thou hast scattered us, thou has been displeased: O turn thyself to us again. (Psalms 60:11).***"

In Mark 10:14, Christ's disciples rebuked those that brought the little children to Jesus. When Jesus saw it he was much displeased. Jesus wanted to bless them. There are times when we can get in the way, by trying to help Jesus and cause him to be displeased with us.

They started rebuking people who didn't need to be rebuked. Some people that need to be rebuked, we don't rebuke, and those who don't need to be rebuked, we rebuke.

Sometimes God is displeased with the way we:

Talk, treat one another and even ignore him. He is displeased when we disobey his word and involve ourselves with things that are foolish.

He is displeased when we stop praying and fasting. He is displeased when we stop loving one another. He is displeased when we do not allow him to direct us and he is displeased when we lose the faith and have no faith in him or his word.

As parents are displeased with their children when they displease them, so it is with God when we, his children displease him.

Let us do all we can to please God so that we may be able to walk in victory and be the children he is calling for in these last and evil days.