

What about Disseminating Truth

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The Word of God has always addressed, frankly, every issue regarding the life of man. This is very difficult for some as it exposes and reveals the acts of the deceitful heart of man. Humanity is very capable of stretching truth while having difficulty in attaining unto truth because his ways are evil

A.T. Robertson shared a personal experience when teaching III John that is most interesting and that should speak to all of our hearts about how insidious the heart may be:

“He (Diotrephes) may have been an elder (bishop) or deacon, but clearly desired to rule the whole church. Some forty years ago I wrote an article on Diotrephes for a denominational paper. The editor told me that twenty-five deacons stopped the paper to show their resentment against being personally attacked in the paper.”

It is most interesting when we may feel personally addressed.

At the best of times, it would be well for us to apply whatever we think, say or do to ourselves before we include others. Consider the principle of Proverbs 18:13, *“He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame to him.”* How needful to have the mind renewed daily (Romans 12: 1, 2) be broken at the cross and the heart filled with the Holy Spirit of God. May our heart be anxious to have all accounts settled with God and/or man.

Perhaps the following will assist in our making the statement clear:

A lady went out to visit. She came to the address and the lady of the house had her come in. In so doing a dog also slipped into the house. He made havoc of a number of areas, including clearing off the coffee table with his tail as he went by. In the end the dog did what comes natural to dogs as well as others. When the visit was over, the lady bid her farewell where-upon the hostess asked if she was not going to take the dog with her. The visitor's reply was, “Well, I thought he was your dog?” How easy for error to

slip in and how easy it is to assume it is because of the other person. Will we ever learn that the basic problem is that we may have allowed Satan to use us? Consider the import of Matt. 13: 24, 25 *“Another parable put He forth unto them, saying, The Kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, His enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.”* How often, folk leave having sown tares in the field and than wonder why such a farmer is allowed to operate. It is possible to fool some folk all the time and some people some time, but you will not fool God. The end of such action is eternal devastation. *“- and Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles and burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn”* Matt. 13:31. Jv/dV

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