

# Knowing Yourself Part 2

# Can You Be Trusted?

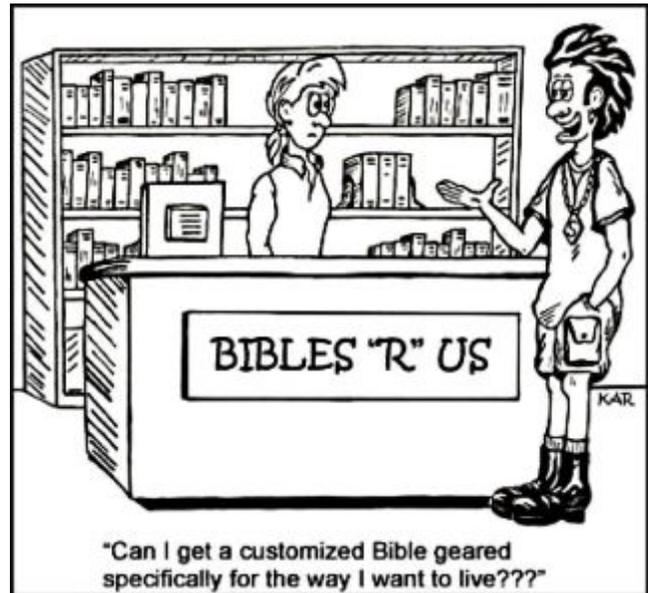
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## Objectives

- God's desire is that we all follow his Word. When we follow after the things stated in the Word, we become loyal to Him. *1Cor. 4:2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.*
- The devil's plan is to make us disloyal and change our minds about God. So, he continues to push a negative agenda in place of God's positive one.
- The objective of the enemy is to make it seem that God's way is not the way for you. He does this by taking God's words and adding human desires with them. This is where Gnosticism, Inclusion, and other false doctrines came into the picture. The mixing of God's word and man's desires creates issues for us.

## New Age Mindsets

- When we lack foundation, it is easy for us to get off. When we are not grounded in the word but indoctrinated by society or new aged understandings, we have trouble processing the things of God. *Prov. 14:12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.*
- This was done on purpose. Our world purposely adds to and takes away from God to make His Word obscure and his grace lasciviousness. *Jude 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.* By changing God into the image of the creation, many do things their own way and are forced to live without the true blessings of God's way.
- Because the new agers have made material things = blessings, we forget the true blessings of God. Sure money is good to have, but God's plan brings peace in our homes, in our children, and in our hearts. When we follow after the lies of our world, we are bound by anxiety, strife, and unrest. God's way is the only way.



## Purpose driven lies

- God trusts us when we trust in his truth. Even when it comes at an inconvenient time, if we have patience and wait, He will gain confidence in us.
- If we operate in our creation roles and follow after his plan, He will trust us and put us in position to be a blessing to others. *1Tim. 1:12 And I thank Christ, Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;* But when we focus on ourselves and try to use God to look better in the eyes of others or to overcome personal deficits, then He can't trust us.
- Those in the Word that God used were not looking for God, but rather occupied by their creation roles until He came for them. God interrupted their lives while they were busy working. It was because of their faith in His provision prior to his calling that they were able to stand after His calling.
- New agers believe in seeking out our purpose and defying our creation roles for spiritual insight. This is the same attitude Eve had in the garden. She desired to be like a god rather than just abiding in

her creation role. *1Tim. 2:14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.* This understanding has crept into the church and now, people are not content with their creation roles, but they desire to eat of the forbidden fruit and follow after their own way.

### Life driven purpose!

- Adam and Eve were in the Garden with God! Ok, think about that. They had everything they needed, and desired. They had each other and God was hanging out with them. But the enemy was able to convince them that it just wasn't enough. Since when is God not enough?
- Many Christians today feel God's plan is just not enough! They go into debt, wreck their relationships, and mislead their own children because they are chasing things that they consider blessings instead of occupying in their roles and abiding with God. *Psa. 4:8 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.*
- We do not have to seek knowledge to find our purpose. We were born with our purpose because it's built in our creation roles. And God used those in the bible that were content with their creation roles and busy occupying before he called them. This is the model we follow.
- Our families are our purpose. When we marry, we have selected our purpose. When we have children we have given birth to our purpose. When we are single, we wait on God for our mate and we continue to occupy until God does something different. But we do not wait around for God to lift us up in the eyes of men so we can prove something to people in the process. The man and woman that trusts in God for their creation roles are blessed and trusted by Him because contentment is a true sign of trust and security.



Luke 12:34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

**Summary** - Society has made our joy and happiness exterior. Gone are the days when we would focus on the next generation and our families were the first and foremost priority in our lives. Gone are the days when a good Godly husband or wife was enough to keep us happy. When raising children and living in peace was a "blessing" from God. It used to be that our desire was to see God bless others but now we are so focused on what we want, need, and desire, we cannot look past our own hurts and issues to even be trusted by God. When we can't deny ourselves we cannot be trusted because any and every thing that God does will be used by us as an occasion to show ourselves. But when we learn to deny ourselves, and just do what is right, then and only then can we truly be trusted to be a blessing to others.

*1Cor. 7:32 My desire is to have you free from all anxiety and distressing care. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord—how he may please the Lord; 1Cor. 7:33 But the married man is anxious about worldly matters—how he*

*may please his wife—*

*1Cor. 7:34 And he is drawn in diverging directions [his interests are divided and he is distracted from his devotion to God]. And the unmarried woman or girl is concerned and anxious about the matters of the Lord, how to be wholly separated and set apart in body and spirit; but the married woman has her cares [centered] in earthly affairs—how she may please her husband.*

*1Cor. 7:35 Now I say this for your own welfare and profit, not to put [a halter of] restraint upon you, but to promote what is seemly and in good order and to secure your undistracted and undivided devotion to the Lord.*