

~HARMONY (205)

[English, agreement, accord, concord, synchronization, Opposite of, discord]

- Jacob's purpose of gift giving to Esau, was in **harmony** with his purpose to restore good relations with his brother.
- However, Jacob said; No, please. If, now, I have found favor in your eyes, then you must take my gift at my hand, because in **harmony** with its purpose I have seen your face as though seeing God's face in that you received me with pleasure. (**Genesis 33:10**)
- Unfaithful Eli was told by God that Yehowah would raise up a faith priest in **harmony** with his own heart and soul.
- And I shall certainly raise up for myself a faithful priest. In **harmony** with what is in my heart and in my soul he will do, and I shall certainly build for him a lasting house, and he will certainly walk before my anointed one always. (**1 Samuel 2:35**)
- The men of Jabesh told Israel that they must do with them in **harmony** with all that was good in their eyes.
- Accordingly the men of Jabesh said; Tomorrow we shall come out to you people, and you must do to us in **harmony** with all that is good in your eyes. (**1 Samuel 11:10**)
- Saul's supporters begged the king to act in **harmony** with the desire of his soul to kill David, while he was in hiding.
- And now in **harmony** with all the craving of your soul, O king, to come down, come down, and our part will be to surrender him into the hand of the king. (**1 Samuel 23:20**)
- Now Jesus showed, that the other side of the coin was the righteous one who comes to, or is drawn to the light, in order, that his fine works may be manifest, as having been worked in **harmony** with the light.
- But he that does what is true comes to the light, in order, that his works may be made manifest as having been worked in **harmony**

with God. (**John 3:21**)

- Since Christians advocate a process of forgiveness and continued learning and advancement, some who misunderstood their teachings, saw them as persons who could do anything they wanted to do, and get away with it. Many today still feel, that this is what Christianity teaches, because they favor such a course personally, and they have not really learned the truth about its teachings.

- Christians do not advocate doing the bad things, for this is against the Law Covenant, and also against all of the underlying principles upon which the Law Covenant is founded. People who feel, that they can do anything, and then get away with it, will **all be adversely judged by God** and this judgment of them is in **harmony** with true justice.

- The key differences between the Law Covenant and Christian teachings is, that the Law **killed serious wrongdoers**, and Christians **can be forgiven and move on**, by learning from their mistakes before God. Also the Law Covenant taught people to **fear the punishment**, whereas Christians are drawn into obedience through **love of the spirit of God**, and a desire to please him well.

- And why not say, just as it is falsely charged to us and just as some men state that we say; Let us do the bad things that the good things may come? The judgment against those men is in **harmony** with justice. (**Romans 3:8**)

- Therefore those who let their fleshly desires lead them, cannot please God. The Sabbath Law given to Israel, was a prophetic type, of what Christians actually do, by stopping their own self-willed course one day in seven, to concentrate and meditate on God's will and purpose, his fine qualities, and the principles behind the Law Covenant. As a righteous one, Christ begs all men, come to Sabbath with me, for he is the Lord of the Sabbath.

- So those who are in **harmony** with the flesh cannot please God. (**Romans 8:8**)

- How do Christians know, that they are approved by God and Christ? They know, when the Holy Spirit is in their lives, and when they pray, they feel this spirit within their minds. It is a peaceful spirit, and one, that comforts and enlightens, and if we keep seeking it in our lives, it will grow within us, and guide us to beauty and life. All those

who have God's spirit, are walking in **harmony** with it, and producing its fruitages.

- If one does not have this spirit, then he is not in union with Christ, who is the head, through whom the spirit is directed. If you are not feeling this spirit within your mind, then you are not doing what God wants from you, and you need to start with a thorough study of his word the Bible, so as to cleanse your heart and mind, in preparation for understanding, what God wants of you. [See Also You Must Worship With Spirit And Truth for a basic study of the key teachings of the Bible]

- Then you must make application of the things you learn through this study. Then over time through prayer you will be able to draw close to God. You must make a serious commitment to do this, and no one else can do it for you, though others can help you to gain your goals.

- However, you are in **harmony**, not with the flesh, but with the spirit, if God's spirit truly dwells in you. But if anyone does not have Christ's spirit, this one does not belong to him. (**Romans 8:9**)

- Paul then asks; What yoking there can be between Christ, who sets us on a purposeful course of attaining sonship with Yehowah God and immorality through love of his spirit and by putting to death the desires of our flesh, and with Belial? Belial means the quality or state of being useless, base, good for nothing. The **Hebrew** term *beli-ya'al* is applied to ideas, words, and counsel. Therefore these two courses are directly opposed to one another. They are like contrasting goodness with worthlessness.

- Further Paul asks; What portion of sharing does a faithful person have with an unbeliever? Faithful people, like those in Corinth, are on a course to life and obedience, through their love of the Holy Spirit of their God. Worldly people are seeking to please their wrong and sinful desires to please themselves and they are dying and without hope. The two thus contrast and are direct opposites.

- Further, what **harmony** is there between Christ and Belial? Or what portion does a faithful person have with an unbeliever? (**2 Corinthians 6:15**)

- Paul now includes himself in this foolish form of conduct, for he too was once in the world, and was governed over or was in **harmony**

with, these desires of the flesh. He then, did the things willed by his flesh, and thought the thoughts, that were governed over by the ruler of the authority of the air, Satan the Devil. Therefore he was a child of wrath, for God's wrath still rested upon him for his sinful actions and thoughts.

- Yes, among them we all at one time conducted ourselves in **harmony** with the desires of our flesh, doing the things willed by the flesh and the thoughts, and we were naturally children of wrath even as the rest. (**Ephesians 2:3**)
- This was in **harmony** or agreement with his eager expectation and hope, that he would not become ashamed in any respect regarding his preaching work, in behalf of the Good News of God's Kingdom. He hoped, that in whatever he did as a Christian, that Christ would always be magnified, through his work in behalf of the Good News of God, whether through life or death.
- In **harmony** with my eager expectation and hope that I shall not be ashamed in any respect, but that in all freeness of speech Christ will, as always before, so now be magnified by means of my body, whether through life or through death. (**Philippians 1:20**)
- Paul also shows, that like a father does his children, he kept exhorting them, and consoling them, and bearing witness to them about the Good News of God.
- In **harmony** with that you well know how, as a father does his children, we kept exhorting each one of you, and consoling and bearing witness to you. (**1 Thessalonians 2:11**)
- Paul now reasons, that the prior word God spoke through angels was firm, and every transgression of God's stated commands through these angels received a retribution in **harmony** with justice. This is true, for the men who chose to ignore the word spoken through these angels, simply perished.
- For if the word spoken through angels proved to be firm, and every transgression and disobedient act received a retribution in **harmony** with justice. (**Hebrews 2:2**)
- So then the faithful course for anointed Christians is to keep on commending their souls to Yehowah God in **harmony** with his will, the

great judge of all his people, and to work at fine deeds and sharing with others in need. This is a course bringing many rich blessings.

- **So, then, also let those who are suffering in **harmony** with the will of God keep on commending their souls to a faithful Creator while they are doing good. (**1 Peter 4:19**)**