**LET THERE BE NO DIVISION AMONG YOU**

**Introduction:** For many years man has deceived himself being influenced by Satan’s wiles. Since the days of Adam and Eve Satan has been trying to destroy mankind. Satan (devil) is already judged and doomed by God for trying to assert itself over God its creator and Lord. The devil has used the knowledge of God to transform itself and followers into enemies of God almighty. The Devil ultimate goal is to deceive man into destroying himself, ***John 10:10*** – it comes to steal, kill, and destroy. Satan uses the knowledge of good and evil to separate us from God and each other. Knowledge is good as long as we obey God and follow his holy word. Knowledge becomes bad when we disobey God’s holy word following our own will and imaginations.

# Main Scriptures:

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# *1 Corinthians 1:10*, 10Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

# *Ephesians 6:12,* 12For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

**1. Satan’s Strategy -** Satan’s Strategy has always been the same to steal, kill, and destroy causing man to separate himself from God with knowledge. ***Romans*** chapter 1 give details on how man turns himself against God being influence by Satan. ***Read Romans 1:21-25.***

Satan wants to steal the knowledge of God from the spirit of your mind.

Satan wants you to kill your flesh body through lust by disobeying God.

Satan wants you to destroy your soul and separate you from God.

**2. Satan’s Strategy for Man against Man** – is the same, it uses the knowledge of good and evil influencing man to fight against each other. The Devil focus is to get man so involve with knowledge that he stop focusing on doing the divine will of God. Man uses this knowledge to formulate his own individual opinions and beliefs. Satan uses man’s individual opinions and beliefs against each other. Man start debates against each other opinions and beliefs focusing more their individual knowledge than the knowledge and will of God. Simply stated Satan has manipulated man’s formulated opinions and beliefs against each other.

**All Scriptures:**

***2 Timothy 3:16-17***, 16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

***2 Peter 1:20-21***, 20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

3. **We need to avoid:**

***1 Timothy 1:4-7***, 4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do. 5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned: 6 From which some having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling;

***2 Timothy 2:21-24***, 21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work. 22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. 23 But foolish and unlearned questions **avoid**, knowing that they do gender strifes. 24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,

***Titus 3:9-12***, 9 But **avoid** foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain. 10 A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject; 11 Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

**4. We need to embrace:**

**a. Reasoning Together** - ***Isaiah 1:18***, 18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

**b. A Remnant of People:** God has a ***remnant of people*** everywhere that believes in Christ by the spirit.

***Luke 9:49-50***, And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbad him, because he followeth not with us. [50](https://biblehub.com/luke/9-50.htm)And Jesus said unto him, Forbid him not: for he that is not against us is for us.

***Mark 9:38-40***, 38 And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us. 39 But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. 40 For he that is not against us is on our part.

**c. Preaching the Gospel – *Romans 1:16***, 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

***2 Timothy 4:2-5***, 2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine. 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. 5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

**Jesus Gave -** ***Ephesians 4:11-16***, 11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: 14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

**d. Preach no Other Gospel - *Galatians 1:8-9***, 8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. 9 As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

**e. The Holy Ghost** – ***John 16:7-11***, 7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 Of sin, because they believe not on me; 10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; 11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

# *Acts 1:8*, 8But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

***Galatians 5:16***, 16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

***Romans 8:14***, 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

# f. Praying and Fasting - Matthew 17:21, 21Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.

# *Isaiah 58:6-11*, 6Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? 7Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? 8Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward.

# e. Worship the Lord in spirit and truth - *John 4:23*, 23But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

# f. Have Faith in God - *Hebrews 11:6-7*, 6But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

# Conclusion: This entire lesson embraces EOM’s 3 Core Values; soul winning, spiritual warfare, and unifying the saints. To avoid division within the body, everyone must focus their attention on doing the divine will of God through Christ and the Holy Ghost. Everyone must be led and walk by the Spirit of God trying the spirit by the spirit.