

The Strong Meat of the Words of David Makes for Strong Disciples

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Only if the Family members are strong in faith and willing to preach the truth as given in the Words of David will you fulfill your special place in the big Endtime picture. It's that uncompromising witness that will allow Me to continue to give My full blessing to the Family. This is one of those spiritual principles which is contrary to the mind of natural man. You would think that the Family would grow and prosper and become strong and financially powerful by recruiting sheer numbers, by tickling people's ears with what they want to hear, by making them feel good about themselves and not "blowing them away" with strong unconventional doctrine. But the opposite is true.

By remaining true to your unique calling, by preaching the Word--even the uncomfortable, seemingly unpopular Word--and winning those who are willing to follow in your footsteps in spirit, will your new members be strong, powerful, and fruitful, and the result, with time, will be much, much more than had you tried to walk the more conventional route and not tested and tried your new members with the strong meat.

Granted, you are not to stumble babes or cause them to choke by being unwise in your witness. There is a time for milk. That is obviously true. But there is a difference between being wise and compromise. (1)

(David:) We have a radical Jesus! We have a radical God! We have a radical Family! And if you've gotten away from that, you might want to check your spiritual pulse to see where you're heading.

The Church was once a radical movement. They once were persecuted and broke the mores and traditions of their day, but they began to settle down. They got popular and became afraid to uphold their more radical doctrines for fear of losing their friends and their support base. They became more concerned about the money than the message, so they began to settle down. Is that what's happening to you? Are you becoming so concerned about the finances your friends give you each month that you're not telling them the truth? Are you withholding the beliefs you feel are too radical because perhaps you don't believe in them anymore?

Of course our beliefs are controversial! That's what people love or hate about the Family. We are not mainstream! If you want to be mainstream, you're in the wrong outfit! The Family is not a mainstream Christian movement. The Family is God's voice to the world in these Last Days! You are His ambassadors and missionaries to the world at this time. The Family is where the Lord is resting His anointing and where He is resting His full weight. He can't rely on the other Christian groups because they all have something holding them back. Do you have something that is holding you back, to where the Lord can't rest His anointing on you? Think about that for a minute.

Are you so concerned with the opinions of man that you can't preach the meat of the Word and the Lord's radical message? I find it hard to believe that you have conviction about your beliefs if you're not willing to explain them to your friends. There is a time and a season to

everything, and God knows this must be handled wisely. You can't just dump it all on them, but neither should you withhold from them your controversial beliefs for fear that they'll stop supporting you. You can agree to disagree on those points, but they should still hear about it from you.

Have you become so wishy-washy in your convictions that you don't even have the faith to explain these things to your friends? Have you forgotten what it means to be truly revolutionary? Have you forgotten why we practice the Law of Love? Maybe you should be shaken down to your foundations to find out what you are standing on and if you really believe it or not.

The Family is not just a nice way of life. It is a revolutionary movement, and if you can't accept and believe that and keep up with the revolution, then maybe you need to ask yourself some questions. Maybe you need to find out if you really believe what the Family is all about. You need to ask yourself if you have faith that the Lord's Word is true and that He knows best. I seriously question your foundation if you cannot lovingly, and with prayer and counsel, explain and feed your flock the meat of the Word. (2)

(David:) This is where the Lord's work is so different than man's. In this case you can't model the Lord's work after the works of a dead or dying church system, regardless of how fruitful that system was in the past, or how fruitful it now looks to be. There's very, very little with which to compare the Lord's new church, His new bride, to the old church, His bride who left Him to seek her own way, and whose flame is going out, whose spirit is dying. Yes, there are things you can learn from the old, some of what to do and what not to do, but the comparisons quickly come to an end with the realization that the children of David have been called out of the church system.

There are many churches that are godly in their own little way; they're niche ministries, if you will, and they bring souls to salvation or help and teach others. There are many churches that know how to build and organize their following. But where are the churches that promote the deeper, meatier, stronger messages of the spirit as do the children of David? Many are saved, but few there be that are the children of David.

So if you want your following to join the bands of David, the Gideon's few, you have to lead them to the water by the spirit and into the spirit, instructing them in the deeper truths of the spiritual world around them and into a passionate, intimate relationship with the Lover of all lovers.(3)

(David:) The ranks of the Family must be strong, radical, believing, receiving, and revolutionary! Your sheep and friends and potential disciples who are made of the "right stuff" should thrive on the new, different, odd, unique, and even crazy "strange truths" from the spring of God's Spirit! The spiritual "sea horses," "shellfish," and other "creatures" that make the Family unique are for a purpose-to keep us called-out, separate from the world, and ensure that we remain a Gideon's Band. (4)

(Jesus:) I have given you, My Family, deep and radical truths, the heaviest of the heavy meat, and I have asked you to believe them, accept them, live them, and not be ashamed of doing so. I have also asked you to not compromise your convictions, and to share the meat of

the Word with those of your flock who need it.

What I said in the "Conviction vs. Compromise" series is the standard. You should not be ashamed of your meaty doctrines. You should not deny them or pretend they don't exist, and neither should you ignore their practice yourselves as disciples, possibly out of fear of being "discovered" by your friends and sheep. Those are the compromises. But to delay sharing these meaty truths with those whom you are following up on is not automatically compromise. There's a difference between compromise and using wisdom in your presentation and timing, and it is a difficult balance to find. It has to be found by seeking Me, by getting My guidance in your situation. A key is being yielded enough to truly be open to what I have to say, and to obey My counsel.

Some are such extremists and so over-zealous that they feel that to live up to their convictions they have to tell everyone they know about every meaty doctrine as soon as possible; whereas in some cases that could merely show a lack of wisdom. Others are such extremists in the other direction that they don't want to even let their sheep dip their toes into the milkier or more delicate aspects of the Law of Love for fear that it will stumble them. I am not calling for either extreme. I am calling for you to believe in and live these doctrines, as Family members. I am calling you to not be ashamed to, in time, share these doctrines and stand up for these beliefs to your flock.

Some of your sheep may be so steeped in churchy doctrine that, no matter how long you've been feeding them, the Law of Love-and our other radical beliefs-will stumble them. There are some who will even be stumbled at the basic concept that sex is not a sin! But the way you need to look at it is that you'll only be able to bring some people along so far spiritually, and they won't go any further. Some of those you minister to will grow in My truth and Word, but only to a certain point. At that point you then have to realize that you've done your part, you've fed them as much as they would receive, you've brought them along as far as they were willing to go spiritually, and your job is complete.

Then you need to continue looking for those who are willing to go further, who are revolutionary enough to receive the meat of the Word, and who are made of what it takes to be disciples. It's really to these people-those who are radical enough to receive My meaty truths-that your primary commission as the children of David lies. You are sent to the radical, to the iconoclastic, to those who are dissatisfied with the System and its ways-and those who are dissatisfied with the churches. If you lose some because of a meaty doctrine, well, that has always been the case with all children of God, with all My prophets and apostles throughout the ages.

If you blow sheep away through lack of wisdom, that is sad. But if you bring them along wisely, slowly, step by step, building their foundation on the Word, and they are still stumbled, then they are weak, and not meant for discipleship or membership within your ranks. I do not fault them for that, and I love them no matter what, and I will find a place of service and usefulness for them elsewhere if they so desire. But your ministry, as the children of David, is to build a radical, strong, dropped-out church that lives completely outside the confines of System and church doctrine. That should be your goal in the training of your members. With some you'll have to move very slowly, but you should still be moving forward.

If you are wise, prayerful, and build their faith in the Word step by step, then you don't need to fear that at some point you will lose your church of believers and they will all be

stumbled and desert you. You will lose some, yes, because it's a scriptural principle that "many are called, but few are chosen." But there will always be those, who, like the twelve disciples when all others left, said, "To whom shall we go? Thou alone hast the Words of eternal life" (John 6:68).

Those who you have been feeding My Word for years, who you have been bringing along and strengthening, who look to you as their shepherds and who have seen the good fruits of My Word and the Family doctrine in their lives already, will most often weather the storm when faced with more difficult doctrines. That doesn't mean they won't struggle or have a hard time with it at first. There are few people whose first reaction will be, "Wow, cool! I want to do that too!" There will be many more who will at first be shocked and amazed. But if you've led up to it properly in the first place and if you take the time to answer their questions, teaching from both Scripture and personal example and experience, they will weather the storm and come out the stronger for it.

That's what I'm after: strong disciples, followers of the meaty truth. That is your calling. That's what the Family is all about. (5)

(Maria:) I want to go back to the subject of faithfulness to the unique message the Lord has given us, the children of David. I'm referring to the meat of the Word--the radical, different, controversial Words of David. Even if these other weaknesses are strengthened ... that won't be enough if we're not willing to be true to the message the Lord has given us. Even successful communal living and trusting the Lord for supply, even building a greater church isn't the all in all, if that means you're discarding or burying the unique and important Words of David that the Family is blessed to have received.

There are those of you who write in, chiding Peter and me for what you consider our lack of wisdom regarding what we've printed. There are those who feel that your experience being out on the field makes you the experts on what's to be preached if we're to avoid "blowing people away" with what you call "unnecessary doctrines." The bottom line of your suggestions is: "Can't we just preach Jesus and the Bible?" The argument that's made is: "That's all you need to be a missionary, so why stumble the sheep with all this other stuff, these strange truths that no one else is preaching. And if no one else is preaching it, why do we need to? After all, couldn't we have a perfectly effective missionary movement and win new members without having to get all distracted with these new private doctrines?"

But what this person that I quoted earlier is saying, along with anyone else who feels the same, is that we should just "forget all that New Wine and just stick with the Bible," that we should just preach "the simple Gospel of Jesus for the world as outlined in the Bible, as it was with us when the Family first started." That is clearly not what has made the Family what we are today. If you only want to witness the Bible, you should be in the churches! If you want things to be like they were in the early days when you only had to follow the "Revolutionary Rules" and you're willing to downplay or forget 30 years of Letters since then, then you're in the wrong place! God help us!

For Heaven's sake, think about it! Do you realize what you're saying?! You're wanting to gut the Family of everything that is unique to our message, and you might as well start building church buildings today, because that's what you're becoming! It's pitiful and upsetting!

I'm very concerned about the conservative, churchy, religious element in our CM Family,

wondering what in the world happened to many of you! Where's that dedication you once had to the Words of David, when you were even willing to get out the most radical Letters and posters on the streets by the millions? Now any little mention of sexual freedom or sharing or anything that might stumble someone is hooted down as unreasonable, unwise, unnecessary, and a lack of discretion!

What in the world do you want? Do you want all the unique doctrines of the Family to be forgotten, or to be just for your private personal enjoyment, or even to be relegated to the shelves in our older Volumes as a part of our "history" which we'd just as soon forget? I'm sorry, but all of those options are impossible! Some of these same critics are plenty willing to practice the sexual freedom of the Law of Love in their own lives, and yet they'd deny this truth to the sheep the Lord brings across their path! And it goes further than that with a lot of you; you don't even want people to know about Dad or the Letters or that you're even part of the Family!

It's this watering down of the message and compromise through cover-up or deliberate denial that we cannot have in the Family. Of course, there are plenty of things about the Family that a lot of people won't like, especially if you're witnessing to churchy, narrow-minded, got-their-minds-made-up religious people. Just to name a few: the fact that we believe in David, our Endtime prophet; our history of FFing; our belief in and practice of sexual freedom as per the full truth of the Law of Love that Dad taught us; hearing from the spirit world (not just Jesus, but spirit helpers and departed spirits); Dad continuing to lead the Family through his messages in prophecy; the practical application of the "Loving Jesus" revelation, etc. Let's face it, the Family is not mainstream, and we never will be.

We have accepted into our outer circles those who don't or can't drop out, and we have lots of excellent literature to feed the GP and new converts that is similar to the productions of other Christian groups or churches. But I want to make it clear that the radical elements of the Family and the meat of the Word are not going to disappear! (6)

(Jesus:) Yes, I'm constantly pouring out new truths and revelations to you. And I'm glad that your queen keeps on rolling the gold, sharing the know, and passing on My Words to the Family. That's what I've called and ordained her to do, and she's been faithful to do that year in and year out.

Even things that she herself doesn't fully understand, she takes by faith and passes them on, trusting that I know what I'm doing and that I'm leading the Family exactly where it needs to go. Yes, a lot of it is a mystery, and a lot of it might not be needed in every situation. But there's a reason for it all. You need to be aware of and know about it all, because at some point in time that bit of info will be needed.

So keep praying, looking to Me, and fighting in the spirit. At every turn, in every situation, the wealth that you've been given over the years will come in very handy for you in one way or another, whether it's the knowledge of the keys, the names of which demons are hindering and fighting you in the spirit, the intimacy of knowing that I love you like a husband loves his bride, or his child, or his best friend. It's all important, and it's all needed for different situations and circumstances.

I want you to be gifted and knowledgeable about all of these things. Every part of it that I've revealed at one time or another to you is important, and I will expect you to be able to

draw on it and use it--whether it's the intimacy of the bed; the authority given to you to rebuke demons by their name; the power and riches of the vaults of Heaven that are instantly opened to you by the keys I've given you; the spiritual edification that comes from giving Me your all when you worship Me in spirit and in truth, by giving Me your mind, your thoughts, your heart, your tongue, your body, and surrendering them completely to Me. All of these are important.

These weren't just fads or phases that I brought the Family through and expected them to just "fade away" in time. They're part of what makes you, the Family, so unique, so special, such well-rounded Christians and missionaries. (7)

(Jesus:) Yes, I have given you what would seem to be strange truths, strong doctrine, or radical beliefs to those who oppose the truth of God. But many in the world yearn for the Words of life that I have given to you, My Family. Never has the world seen such trying days as mankind now faces. I tell you, the world is ready and needy. Just as it was when I came in the flesh, so is it now: There are those who hunger and die without the light, without the Words of life, without shepherds to show them the way.

I mean for you to make disciples of all nations, and this cannot be done in secret. For they that know the doctrine will live of the doctrine, and this will be a testimony to the world. I lead and guide according to each situation and need, and there are times when I will lead you to be more discreet in your winning and ministering to others. I sometimes lead you to go slow and to ease different ones in. However, for the most part this does not mean that I wish for you to hide who you are and what you stand for under a different guise altogether. No, I call you to stand up for the truth that I have given!

In these Last Days, in this era of action, I desire to cause you, My Family, to stand up as a witness to the nations--to stand in My Name and in the name that I have given you, to be known as My brides of the End of the house of David, those who follow Me closely, those who have My Words for the Last Days. If you say you love Me, yet you desire to cover up your true identity as My intimate and chosen brides, My loves, this saddens Me. Those who are ashamed of Me and My Words, of the privileged place I have given you in My Family, will cause Me shame when I return to establish My Kingdom on Earth. (8)

- (1) Coming Persecution? #3361:57-59
- (2) Shooting Straight, Part 12 #3534:56-59, 63-64
- (3) Woe! #3448:210-213
- (4) Shooting Straight, Part 12 #3534:70
- (5) Shooting Straight, Part 12 #3534:41, 48-55
- (6) Be True to the Revolution #3364:37-38, 53, 56-60
- (7) Mysterious Keys, The Part 2 #3473:153-157
- (8) Activate the World, Part 1! #3348:66-68