John # 108 "Stop Grumbling Among Yourselves"

John 6:41-47; Colossians 1:3-6; Romans 1:18-22; Romans 3:10-14

<u>God-consciousness</u>, aka the age of accountability is the point when a person becomes aware of the existence of God.

And if any member of the human race, regardless of geographical or language barrier, desires relationship with God after reaching God-consciousness, God will provide the necessary information (the Gospel message) at which time, that person can believe in Jesus Christ for eternal salvation.

Rejection of God's truth produces a vacuum in one's soul resulting in the propagation of the ever-enticing satanic lie.

The unbeliever suppresses truth through his own negative reaction to it and that is what causes an influx of heathenism in Satan's world system.

And when this same unbeliever with a negative reaction to God at God-consciousness is later exposed to the Gospel, his negative reaction always intensifies.

So, if an unbeliever is already heavily into the world system, every time he is exposed to the Gospel,

his mind is further blinded, as he has chosen for himself to become the enemy of Jesus Christ, the One who'd love to be his friend.

When we reject the Gospel, our negative reaction blinds us through world-system involvement and continued negative reaction at God-consciousness results in living daily in the world-system.

In effect, some who were negative at God-consciousness and rethink it actually come out of the world-system just long enough to hear the Gospel but once they reject it, they go right back into the world's trough, filled with vomit and mud.

This is what our Lord is dealing with; a group of unbelievers with blackout of the soul, blindness of the mind caused by free-will negative reaction at God-consciousness and returning to the disgusting mud where they have a further negative reaction at Gospel hearing.

The Lord Jesus Christ was perfect in His method of communication, yet these people could not understand Him because they were arrogant, which is the primary motivational evil of Satan's world system.

These religious people lusted to do the deeds of Satan, his religious works.

They would not believe the truth because they lived in the devil's world system.

Jesus' new disciples love the world more than Him making them actually bitter toward Him.

These people never did understand why Jesus said He was the Bread of life.

Unbelief is the steel curtain that blocks understanding which results in selfish ambition due

to unawareness of spiritual need.

The Gospel requires recognition of a spiritual hunger for relationship with God but sadly, their souls are not hungry, they want breakfast not salvation.

And the Lord provided anyway and by His provision, they should know He is God. Man is not able to approach God for salvation on the basis of his own works, his own human good or his own activities including his own morality.

Even with a good cause? No; Even if I'm highly religious? No; Even if I'm a well-respected church member? No.

The Lord Jesus expresses here that this crowd is locked in a negative reaction toward His Gospel teaching by means of their own free-will choice.

When the greatest Evangelist of all time proclaims the Gospel to you and you refuse it, there's obviously no excuse for your poor decision.

God is responsible to provide Gospel information to all who are positive toward Him at God-consciousness.

If the unbeliever rejects the Gospel, he rejects God Himself and therefore, he has NO hope. The literal hearers of the Lord Jesus "got it" from the immediate Source of God because the Lord Jesus

is the immediate Source of God!

The Lord Jesus has seen the Father in the past with the result that He always sees the Father with

one exception; the last three hours on the cross!