

From The Pastors Desk;
Matthew;21:12-15
You Are The Temple of God

In the Old Testament the LORD God had a temple for His people; however, in the New Testament He has His people for a temple.

The apostle Paul taught, "You are the temple of God" (I Cor. 3:16). The reason he can say that is because we have been redeemed by the death of Jesus Christ. Because of redemption, the Holy Spirit has taken up residence in the redeemed.

In the old dispensation of the law, the tabernacle and later the temple were given over entirely to God for His sacred use. They were called "holy" because they were separated and used for His purpose and glory alone. It symbolized the house of God on the earth.

In our today's text we see Jesus Christ doing three things; i) Overturning the tables of money changers
ii) Overturning the benches of those selling doves, iii) Freeing the doves.

i) Tables are used for comfort of those who can use them. They are used for comfortably storing wares for use. In this case tables represent our comfort zone that Satan cheats us that he has offered us. We seat happy and safe yet Satan is quietly devouring us. Let us be careful when we seem too comfortable in our lives lest we find ourselves entertaining Satan.

ii) The benches are used for seating even in our Churches for comfort as we hear the word of God. Lo! Here they have been used to present wayward persons who seat in Church and pretend to be saved yet they are wolves in sheep skin. Do not be one. These wayward persons who sing songs of praise yet they are agents of the devil they hold bibles in their hands and sing songs of praise in vain.

iii) Doves are nice symbols of peace and tranquility. In their type comes persons in Church who in the naked eyes can be strongly appreciated and trusted. No! They may be wolves in sheep skin. Only Jesus can identify them. Look out to Jesus for this identification. He not only freed them but also drove them out! Of those Christian friends of yours some of them can be doves in your life. Let Jesus drive them out for you.

We are all blind and lame and we cant walk to Jesus because we can't see him. After he drives away sin in our lives he will heal us. Make us see and then walk. He first healed the blind then healed the lame;- See walk and praise Him. He is Jesus the son of God.

Under the new dispensation of grace, the Christian is now called God's temple. The believer must yield his or her whole life without any reserve to God. Our bodies are sacred temples, holy unto the Lord. God has claimed by means of redemption our bodies, and what He claimed for His holy purpose we must yield to Him. "I beg you, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice" (Rom. 12:1).