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Topic: Exalted things are detestable to God – Part 1

Bible Reading: Luke 16:10-15

Introduction

People in the world are presently turning away from God, and they are embracing worldliness. Nowadays, people are more concerned about material values rather than having a good relationship with their Creator. Today, mankind is so disillusioned to the extent that it is the pleasures of this world that is paramount in their hearts; and the majority of the populace of this world, immaterial of their religious inclination have a predominant passion for obtaining the good things of this life regardless of the consequences. It is covetousness and addictiveness to gain the temporal enjoyments rather than eternal joy in heaven.

For this reason, humanity is doing abominable things that are making them backslide from Almighty God their Maker. People are rejecting the Lord at an alarming rate to embrace the detestable things that Lucifer made to look like the right things. Numerous people have made up their minds to desert the Lord, and dishonor Him; because of the vanities of this world.

Even the people who confess to worship the Lord are worshipping Him with their mouths whereas their minds belong to somewhere else; these categories of people are serving God with intention of using God to meet their needs or demands. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, “My people are bent on backsliding from Me. Though they call to the Most High, none at all exalt Him.” **Hosea 11:7.**

It is time to give yourself a check; is what you see as monumental offensive to God? The time has come for the nations of the world to change positively, and start doing things that pleases the Lord. The

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countries of the world should stop boasting, or relying on their prowess; instead, they must realize that uprightness alone can elevate their nations. Only righteousness can dignify nations, and make them escape the judgment of God.

Inasmuch as sin degrades people; are you ready to abstain from those things you esteem that are disgusting to God? If you don't want to be penalized and disgraced; you must have moral and spiritual rectitude in every area of your life and relation; according to the scripture which says, "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." **Proverbs 14:34**. Remember that godliness makes a nation great; whereas God-avoidance leaves a nation weak. So, you must have integrity and virtuous character; in order to be great and prosperous in life.

The battle line is drawn: The scripture had forewarned of the danger and the problems of the end-time. The Bible informs us that in the last days dangerous times of great stress and trouble will come. It is these difficult days that are hard to bear that Satan is exploiting to make worthless things important to the human race. The Devil is making mankind to highly value things that are revolting to God due to their hardships.

Therefore, whatever you are passing through is not an excuse for you to admire, or embrace, or exalt things that are detestable to God. The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, "But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come." **2 Timothy 3:1**. Beware else you will become a victim. Don't be naive, but be prepared as the end approaches; so that you will not become a statistic. Make sure that whatever that you highly prized is not detestable to God.

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Perilous time has come

Perilous time has arrived and earthlings are exposed to imminent risk of disaster. Humans are living at a precarious time that is full of risk. Uncertainty is prevalent everywhere in the world, and people are vulnerable because of the deceits of Satan. Humanity is going through a period of untold difficulty and hardship; because people are glorifying detestable things. Lucifer is influencing people due to their difficulties to exalt things that are abominations before God.

Inasmuch as people are esteeming things that are disgusting to God; He permits their useless minds to rule over them. That is why they do all sorts of indecent things. Inasmuch as humans continue to honor and admire detestable things, they cannot be acceptable to God. Are you among those who are exalting abominable things? Do you value and regard important, things that are repulsive to God? You must acknowledge God in all your ways; else Satan will hijack your soul.

Nowadays, humans are twisted, and they think detestable things are worthy and fine. Humanity refuses to think about God, or think it is important to consider Him in their decisions; so, God abandons them to pursue their worthless and immoral things. People think that the unmentionable things they are performing are great; because God allowed them to become slaves of their degenerate minds. Which means the genesis of this conduct is failure to acknowledge God or consider Him worth knowing.

So, as long as mankind thought it is foolish to acknowledge God; Lucifer will continue to exploit human race by making people treasure, recognize, and praise things that are disgusting to God; according to the Book of Romans which says, “And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased

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mind, to do those things which are not fitting; being filled with unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness..." **Romans 1:28-32.**

Unrighteousness is rampant globally: It must be noted that every form of wrongdoing is sin. All unrighteous action is sin before the Lord. All wicked actions are sin, and doing wrong is always sin in the presence of God; according to the scripture which says, "All unrighteousness is sin, and there is sin not leading to death." **1 John 5:17.** Inasmuch as every form of unrighteousness and injustice is sin; abstain from reward of wickedness.

The majority of people in the world love the profit of nefarious activities. Therefore, oppression, exploitation, and extortion are rampant in the world today. Humans have strayed from the narrow and straight path that leads to the kingdom of heaven; people are now following the old trail that leads to destruction. Countless people in the world are not objecting to wickedness and injustice; instead, they are supporting and encouraging this evil behavior; as long as they get paid, or earn something. Since people are esteeming detestable things; profiteering continues to flourish throughout the four corners of the globe. The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, "They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness." **2 Peter 2:15.** Do you love to earn money by doing wrong? Desist before it is too late.

For this reason, do not surrender any part of your body to be used for wicked purposes. Do not yield any part of you to be utilized as a weapon of unrighteousness to sin. You must not give sin vote in the way you conduct your life; instead give yourself to God; according to the Bible passage which says, "And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness of God." **Romans 6:13.** Make sure that you do not offer any part of your body to become an instrument of evil to serve sin.

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Consequences of unrighteousness: The people who are delighted in unrighteousness and value abominable things will face the consequences. There will be repercussions for those who are not convinced by the truth; or believe in the truth. All the people who would rather do evil, than believe the truth will be punished. Condemnation awaits every soul who do not love the truth, but take pleasure in sin. You need to realize that if you refuse to trust the truth; you will be banished to your chosen world of lies and illusions. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, “That they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.” **2 Thessalonians 2:12.** The choice is yours, do you want to be judged for enjoying evil and glorifying abominable things; or be rewarded with eternal life for doing the right things. We pray that you will make the right choice.

You must stop praising and honoring disgusting things that can bring the wrath of the Lord upon you. For this reason, you must not use your wickedness to suppress and stifle the truth. Do not repress, or hinder the truth; or make it inoperative. You must never crush the truth or silence the truth with injustice; if you do not want the fury of God to come upon you. The Bible validated this fact by saying, “For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness.” **Romans 1:18.** Do not value or exalt, or esteem the abominable things else, the fury of God will come upon you.

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Immorality is trending in the world

Immorality is spreading like a wildfire throughout the globe, despite the fact that it is disgusting to God. Even though there will be consequences, many people still believe that immorality is the norm of the day, and without one form of immorality or the other, one cannot blend with the society. Today, the perception of numerous people is that without corruption and dishonesty, it is not easy to acquire wealth; forgetting that God can bless them with riches without any regret. If you do things that are acceptable to God, you will be blessed with wealth and rest of mind without trouble or sorrow. With this knowledge, why not quit doing abominable things? If you want to be financially secure and have peace; stay away from disgusting things that can provoke God.

Humans have turned wickedness and indecency to a second nature. Nowadays, people throughout the world are so shameless and they are financing, supporting, and encouraging every form of indecency. People have turned shameful things to fashionable things and necessities. Even the Churches are not exempted; because corruption is getting entrenched every day in the vineyard of God, to the extent that indecent dressing and offensive speeches are common among the Christians. At times the nauseous conduct of the Believers is shocking, and those who professed Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are doing terrible things that are worse than the Gentiles.

The scandalous activities in the Churches are enormous, and the Christians are accommodating these contrary behaviors; instead of eradicating them in their Churches. The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, “It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and such sexual immorality as is not even named among the Gentiles—that a man has his father’s wife!” **1 Corinthians 5:1**. Is

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corruption happening in your church? Are they condoning any type of indecency in your church? Are the members of your church regarding detestable things as monumental things? Are you still proud of your church or not?

For this reason, shun every form of decadence, wickedness, and corruption. It is time to abstain from iniquity, evil, and vices: begin to esteem things that are acceptable to God; in order to inherit the kingdom of heaven. You need to flee from impurity in thought, or word, or deed; if you want to reside in Paradise. Avoid sexual looseness like a plague, and do not defile your body which is the temple of God. So, do not be immoral in matters of sex; else you will sin against your own body; according to the scripture which says, "Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body." **1 Corinthians 6:18**. Inasmuch as immorality is detestable to God, refrain from sexual immorality in any form, whether thought or behavior, whether visual or written.

Do not forget that God wants you to be holy; because He Himself is holy; according to the Book of Leviticus which says, "Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: 'You shall be holy, for I the Lord Your God am holy.'" **Leviticus 19:2**. You have been notified through this publication; therefore, depart from every form of sexual immorality and dedicate your life to your Creator. What God wants is your sanctification; so, set yourself apart for purity and holiness. You need to stay away from sexual sins, and learn how to control your body, by keeping it pure and treating it with respect; according to the Bible passage which says, "For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality." **1 Thessalonians 4:3**. For your service to be acceptable to God, you must keep yourself form sexual promiscuity.

Learn from what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah. The inhabitants of these cities committed sexual perversity and they were destroyed.

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The people of Sodom and Gomorrah suffered the punishment of eternal fire; as an example, to serve as deterrence to others. The issue of Sodom and Gomorrah was used as a warning to mankind. The Book of Jude attested to this fact by saying, "As Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." **Jude 1:7.**

You have been warned, desist from abominable things, and do not associate with unchaste people. If you want the will of God to come to pass in your life, you must not support, encourage, or have anything to do with immoral people. The epistle of Paul confirmed this fact by saying, "I wrote to you in my epistle not to keep company with sexually immoral people." **1 Corinthians 5:9.**

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Honest people are vanishing from the world

Today, godly people are disappearing from this world; people with good character and moral integrity are rare to find on earth. The situation is so bad to the extent that people don't care about doing what is acceptable to God; instead, they are performing what is legal in their Nations, immaterial of whether it is detestable to God or not. Obedience of the State law is what is paramount to the majority of the people on earth than what pleases the Lord; so that they will not get into trouble, or have their freedom restricted. For this reason, it is difficult to find upright people who are not esteeming abominable things.

The people who are faithful to God are getting scarce on earth, leaving the wicked in control of the world. The right-living humans are getting extinct on a daily basis, and decent people are getting scanty throughout the globe. The situation of the world is dicey; because those who are loyal to God are gradually ceasing to exist, and the wicked people are taking over the affairs of the world. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, "The faithful man has perished from the earth, and there is no one upright among men. They all lie in wait for blood; every man hunts his brother with a net." **Micah 7:2.**

So, it must be noted that only the wicked people perform acts of wickedness; evil people alone do evil things. Therefore, wickedness always come forth from the wicked people, and evil deed come from evil people; so, whoever is doing evil cannot claim to be an innocent person, and whoever is performing wickedness cannot profess to be righteous; according to the Proverb which says, "... Wickedness proceeds from the wicked..." **1 Samuel 24:13.**

Jesus Christ our Lord also confirms this fact by saying, "A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit." **Matthew**

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7:18. Hence, beware of the people who are glamorizing disgusting things. Be wary of false pastors/preachers who are dripping with practiced sincerity; because they are out to rip you off one way or the other. Do not be impressed with charisma; instead look for good character in pastors/preachers; because a genuine leader will never exploit your emotions or your financial resources (pocketbook).

Wickedness is inverting the world: Wickedness is a nefarious act that is abominable in the presence of God. Despite the fact that wickedness is detestable to God, people throughout the world are still embracing and esteeming wickedness. Presently, wickedness is prevailing among mankind and it is inverting the world. Nowadays, there is violence and injustice everywhere on earth; instead of fairness and justice. Throughout the four corners of the world, wickedness is replacing justice and righteousness. Throughout the earth, justice is giving way to crime and corruption. The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, “Moreover, I saw under the sun: in the place of judgment, wickedness was there; and in the place of righteousness, iniquity was there.” **Ecclesiastes 3:16.**

Though, this nauseous conduct called wickedness is repulsive to God; however, it only affects mankind. Any act of wickedness will hurt humans like yourself; because God has immunity against your conduct. Whatever you do, whether evil or good, only affects people like you. Do not forget that others suffer from your wickedness, and the good you do assist them in one way or the other; according to the Book of Job which says, “Your wickedness affects a man such as you, and your righteousness a son of man.” **Job 35:8.** Hence, do not condone wickedness; if you do not want to hurt your friends or community; but do what is right, together with good deeds that will profit them and please Almighty God Your Maker.

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Bible Reading: Luke 16:10-15

Wickedness is rampant and the wicked unrepentant

Wickedness is everywhere on the planet called earth. The wicked people throughout the world are getting more confident and they are behaving arrogantly; because humans are praising things that are abominations in the presence of God. Most of the leaders of the nations of the world are corrupt, and they are parading themselves in a pompous way; because vileness is exalted throughout the globe. As long as baseness is prized among mankind the wicked people will remain unrepentant and they will be arrogating self-importance to themselves; instead of shamefulness.

Until human race cease exalting worthless things, and begin to comply with the instructions of their Maker, the wicked people will continue to prowl throughout the globe. People must stop honoring shameless deeds and turn to God; so that the strutting of the corrupt people can stop. If depravity is not rated high in your community, and everyone is obedient, the wicked will repent. For the wicked people to stop parading themselves proudly everywhere, people must cease loving what is wrong and stop esteeming what is evil.

When wicked people continue to receive honor for their lies and corruption; the crime rate will increase throughout the world. Immorality must decrease everywhere on earth; before the aggressive behavior of the corrupt people can be destroyed. Inasmuch as the eye of the Lord is bitter toward sin and evil; whoever that is doing disgusting things belongs to Satan; therefore, abstain from detestable things. Though wickedness is the norm in most communities; and wicked people may be accepted in numerous States across the globe; however, they will be rejected in heaven.

It is time for humanity to return to their Creator and stop glamorizing evil; so that the arrogance and confidence of the corrupt people can

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be destroyed. The Book of Psalm talked about this scenario by saying, “The wicked prowl on every side, when vileness is exalted among the sons of men.” **Psalm 12:8**. The only way for corruption to be reduced throughout the world is to stop supporting and promoting evil. When people stop applauding shameful things; then, things will be peaceful and settled on earth.

Wickedness cannot uphold or establish you: Most individuals see immorality and wickedness as a means of enriching themselves. Many people in the world are pursuing the profit of wickedness, and they are amassing wealth through this nefarious conduct; what they need to know is that riches earned from wickedness will not sustain them for long. Whatever that is obtained by doing evil, will not help you; which means, no good comes from ill-gotten wealth.

Refrain from wickedness; because wealth gained by doing wrong will produce no lasting profit. Riches accumulated through corruption cannot give you lasting happiness. You need to realize that wealth gained by dishonesty will not establish you, but an honest life is immortal; according to the Book of Proverbs which says, “Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, but righteousness delivers from death.” **Proverbs 10:2**. Stop exalting detestable things and start living right; for your life to be saved.

Do not be deceived, you can never be established by wickedness. You cannot be secured by corruption, and wicked acts cannot establish you. Doing evil will bring you no safety; however, if you are an honest person, you will have safety and security. Inasmuch as corruption cannot give you security, why not stay away from detestable conduct? Why not consecrate yourself and do things that pleases your Creator? The Bible affirmed this fact by saying, “A man is not established by wickedness, but the root of the righteous cannot be moved.” **Proverbs 12:3**. Do not forget that corruption will never give you stability and wickedness cannot bring real success; however, you will stand firm, if your life is rooted in God. If you want to be immovable and abide eternally; flee from detestable things.

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Corruption continues to flourish

Today, the world is debased and degenerate; to the extent that all humanity has corrupted their way on earth and lost their true direction. Corruption continues to flourish throughout the four corners of the globe. God knew that everyone was terribly cruel and they were doing corruptible things. Are you one of the people who are doing repulsive things? Inasmuch as God is concerned that the earth is corrupt to the core, and the people are doing detestable things; don't you think it is time to change? The Book of Genesis attested to this fact by saying, "So, God looked upon the earth, and indeed it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth." **Genesis 6:12**. Sanctify yourself, and abstain from vicious things that can make Your Creator to abhor you.

All the people on this terrestrial ball called earth have strayed away from the righteous path; everyone is rotten with corruption, and not one is good. The people in this world are corrupt, and no one does right, or seeks God whole-heartedly. Humanity has become filthy with corruptible things, and they continue to use detestable things to defile themselves in the presence of their Maker. The situation is so severe that not a single person can claim to do what is right or good; according to the Bible passage which says, "They have all turned aside, they have together become corrupt; there is none who does good, no, not one." **Psalms 14:3**. You must abstain from every form of corruption; if you want to reside in Paradise, the City of God.

Deceit is detestable to God: Deceit and lies are abominable to God; however, deceit and lies are currently reigning among mankind. Lies and deceit are among the choice weapons that Satan is using to wage the end-time battle. People of falsehood are abundant throughout the world; they are deceiving numerous people and

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leading them astray. The deceitful people are deceiving many, and they too are being deceived; in a manner that is inverting the world. Though, it is easy for people to deceive one another, but no one can deceive God; because He recognizes false and wicked people. Since God has the wisdom to know when someone is worthless and sinful; why not quit your deceitful ways?

Inasmuch as no human can pull the wool over the eye of the Lord; don't you think you should repent today, and inherit His eternal kingdom? God alone knows perfectly all the faults and sins of mankind; He sees all the transgressions committed without searching; according to the scripture which says, "For He knows deceitful men, He sees wickedness also. Will He not then consider it?" **Job 11:11**. If God is taking note of your deceitful acts, don't you think you should rectify your way? Since your Maker is wise enough to see through vain pretensions; don't you know that you will be held accountable? Do not procrastinate, but change before it is too late.

God abhors deceits: Be honest in all your dealings; because every form of deception is not acceptable to God. God despises lies and deceit; He will penalize the dishonest people, because He does not condone evil and deceit. Liars cannot stand in the presence of the Lord, and the heavens will reject the deceitful people. Now that you have the knowledge that God abhors deceit; why not depart from your dishonest ways? Since deceitful acts are detestable to God; why not abstain from every form of deception? The Bible corroborated this fact by saying, "You shall destroy those who speak falsehood; the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful man." **Psalms 5:6**. Let honesty be your watchword, and do not socialize with wicked people who can lead you astray.

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Bible Reading: Luke 16:10-15

Deceit is inverting the world

Today, deceit is inverting the world, to the extent that everyone deceives, and mocks his or her neighbors. People are not speaking the truth anymore; instead, they have taught their tongue to speak lies. It is by smooth and flattering speech that they are deceiving the hearts of the innocent and the naive. They are using fancy and empty talk to fool people who do not know any better. People throughout the world are always looking for a new way to cheat their friends or foes.

Nowadays, people are misleading one another; everyone lies to each other, and no one is honest. People are performing dishonest things throughout the globe, and one deceitful act follows another. The situation is so severe to the extent that they are using fine words, and plausible arguments to deceive people; in order to part with their hard-earned money. Are they using pious/religious sweet talk to dupe the innocent in your church?

Many of the people in the world today are skillful liars, and they are experts of deception. It is with practiced tongues that they are fooling and defrauding one another; because they have trained their tongue to tell lies at all times; so that it is difficult, if not impossible to tell the truth under any circumstance. The Bible attested to this fact by saying, “Everyone will deceive his neighbor, and will not speak the truth; they have taught their tongue to speak lies; they weary themselves to commit iniquity.” **Jeremiah 9:5**. Are you one of the deceivers, or are you a rare honest person? Give yourself a check today and make an amendment.

Inasmuch as mankind is dwelling in the midst of deceit and oppression; they refuse to know God, or understand their Creator. Today, the situation of the world is dicey; because everyone is taking

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advantage of everyone else, and no one admits the existence of God. So, you need to realize that humans are living in a world of deception. The Book of Jeremiah corroborated this fact by saying, “Your dwelling place is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, says the Lord.” **Jeremiah 9:6**. You can be an exceptional case by your honesty and admission of the existence of God.

Keep your tongue from deceit: Dishonesty is the norm in the world today, and whenever people deceive others, they will say it is only a joke. Therefore, be warned, deceit is not a joke. Whenever anyone deceives his or her neighbor; such a person will say, I was only fooling. People in the world always downplay deceitful acts, and pretend as if it is a trivial thing. Are you one of the people who tricks others and claims that it is a joke? It is better to be honest than shrugging off deliberate deceptions, as if you are joking. The scripture affirmed this fact by saying, “Is the man who deceives his neighbor, and says, ‘I was only joking.’” **Proverbs 26:19**. Do you always claim to be fooling whenever you are caught lying? Time has come for you to change, and make honesty your watchword.

For this reason, do not hesitate to keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies. You must guard your tongue from profanity, and no more lying through your teeth, if you want your hope to be kept alive. Always watch your tongue and abstain from lying; so that God can transform your life. Hence, don't say cruel things and don't tell lies; so that it shall be well with you; according to the scripture which says, “Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.” **Psalms 34:13**. Do not forget to remain honest in all your ways.

Finally, do not esteem any repulsive thing; instead exalt the name of Almighty God your Creator. The name of God alone must be respected, honored, and praised. You must never exalt anything above the name of the Lord and His name alone must be valued; according to the Book of Psalms which says, “Let them praise the name of Lord, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the

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earth and heaven.” **Psalm 148:13**. Do not forget that the name of the Lord alone must be esteemed and extol; so, quit regarding and exalting abominable things.

The Seal: Luke 16:15: “And He said to them, ‘You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is highly esteemed among men is an abomination in the sight of God.’”