

Are you being Hoodwinked?

Hoodwink - To cause to accept what is false, especially by trickery or misrepresentation: *beguile, betray, bluff, cozen, deceive, delude, double-cross, dupe, fool, mislead, take in, trick. Informal bamboozle, Idioms: lead astray, play false, pull the wool over someone's eyes, put something over on, take for a ride.*

I know many who say we are in Christ. BUT, we can still sin. Well – not according to 1 John 3:9, we can't.

He says – "Whosoever is **born of God** doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he **cannot** sin, because he is **born of God**".

If this is true, then how can those, who say they know Him, still say, they can sin?

You do realize that to have a sin consciousness is keeping you from the Kingdom of Heaven here and now don't you? Nobody ever entered the Kingdom of Heaven with a sin consciousness. Only the righteous can enter.

I offer an explanation, that I think could well be the 'nub' of what is going on here inside the person who would have this sin consciousness.

Listen to what Jesus says about the Holy Spirit:

He says in John 16:14 (amplified version, which I think brings it out better), He will honor and Glorify Me, because He will take of (receive, draw upon), what is Mine and will reveal (declare, disclose, transmit), it to you.

Also in John 16:15, everything that the Father has is Mine. That is what I meant when I said that He will take the things that are Mine and will reveal (declare, disclose, transmit), them to you.

In other words, when the Holy Spirit speaks to you, He will always speak about Jesus Christ and your standing in Him. He will always 'lift' you up and speak of Christ and how you stand with the Father because of Christ. The Holy Spirit will NEVER put you down. He doesn't know how. His eyes are too pure to behold evil, so how on earth could he call you anything less than 'perfect', when all He can behold is perfection. Including YOU.

Where does it say that the Holy Spirit will come and convict you of wrongdoing? Where does it say that the Holy Spirit will come and put you down, and make you feel like a worm? Where?

The closest scripture I can find that comes any where near this is, John 16:7 & 8 where Jesus says: "Never the less 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. And when he is come he will *reprove* the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment".

No way does this mean He, The Holy Spirit is going to tell you what a worm you are, or what an evil wrong doer you are. If that were His role, we would hardly call that 'comforting', would we? When you were a little kid and hurt yourself and ran to your mom or dad, they would give you reassurance; take you in their arms and say soothing words like, "come on now, it's not so bad, your gonna be ok". That's comforting. Therefore He is going to show us and reprove us of unbelief, in the only one who can help us. He is going to say, "come on now, Jesus is still here, He is still with you, all is well". He will point us always in the right direction. And when He does that, He clears up the problem of sin, righteousness and judgment for us.

I know the 'religious system is great at putting us down', but the Holy Spirit is NOT into that stuff. God draws the lost to Himself through Love. Not by telling us what worms of the dust we are. He calls all, men/women/children My Beloved. He died for us all. He sees only His Son in us ALL. For that 'in truth' is who we all Really are. And have always been. Before the beginning even.

Could you be mistaking the 'annoying voice' of that carnal mind, for the Holy Spirit? So that you become paralyzed, and cannot move any further ahead? Making you think that it is the Holy Spirit correcting you for doing something wrong?

I have to bring you back, again to what John says – Whosoever is **born of God** doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he **cannot** sin, because he is **born of God**.

Are you looking at appearances, and judging by your own delusions? And in doing that, thinking the Holy Spirit is giving you a slap on the wrist? The Holy Spirit will always, only point out that you may be walking in the wrong direction, not being bad or evil, but just going the wrong way. He will take of Christ and say, "Hey, do you not KNOW that Christ is in you?" He will say this to the unsaved, to the saved and to those that are being saved. He'll quit saying it when you are saved. When Christ be fully formed in you.

See Cor 1:10.

Who **delivered** us from so great a death, and doth **deliver**: in whom we trust that he will yet **deliver** us.

So. Are you going to listen to that annoying voice? Which is like a small child pulling at your skirts/pants, like they do, saying momma, daddy, when you really want to be getting on with what you are doing, or do you switch it off, like a bad radio station that creeps in, when you really do not want to listen to it? When that does happen, what do you do? You tune back into the station you really want to be listening to, don't you? So then tune back into Truth – do this every time. Bring every thought captive to Christ.

DO NOT be hoodwinked anymore. Go out and LIVE, for, "I have come that YOU may have Life, Life in all its fullness". John 10:10.

When you truly live HE lives. When you hold yourself back, you hold Him back. HE IS your LIFE. You have life don't you? Well guess what? That is HIM. I AM the LIFE. He said that didn't He? That's why He calls Himself a **servant**. He is here for us to use. He is The Power. What do you do with Power? Merely look at it, meditate on it? No, you use it. What good would electricity do you, if you just thought about it? No good at all, you have to hook it up to your appliances and use it. Well guess what? You're the appliance. Hook up (union) and use The Power. God says, "Use me till you use me all up". Not that you could use Him up. Jesus knew how to use Him, that's why it is written, He (Jesus), thought it not robbery (love this, robbery means stealing), but Jesus, who being in the 'form' of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: Phl 2:6. He didn't 'feel' He was stealing The Power, by being it, but rather knew that as The Son, it was His right to use The Power, that's why He said, "all power is given unto me". Or again, "all that The Father hath, is mine".

This is true for YOU, whoever you are. What ever color you are, wherever you come from, whatever 'religion' you are, whoever you are this is for YOU.

Go for it. Listen no more to that annoying voice that says, you're less than perfect, because.....

I say, "therefore BE YOU perfect; how can you be anything other, when Your Father in heaven IS Perfect"? You were created, moulded, by this very thing, which we call God, whose name is Perfection. Isn't it Wonderful? Aren't YOU Wonderful!