

Hands of Devotion

Shepherd hermas

Vision 3

9[17]:7 Now therefore I say unto you that are rulers of the Church, and that occupy the chief seats; be not ye like unto the sorcerers. The sorcerers indeed carry their drugs in boxes, but ye carry your drug and your poison in your heart.

9[17]:8 Ye are case-hardened, and ye will not cleanse your hearts and mix your wisdom together in a clean heart, that ye may obtain mercy from the Great King. 9[17]:9 Look ye therefore, children, lest these divisions of yours deprive you of your life.

9[17]:10 How is it that ye wish to instruct the elect of the Lord, while ye yourselves have no instruction? Instruct one another therefore, and have peace among yourselves, that I also may stand gladsome before the Father, and give an account concerning you all to your Lord."

Spiritually addicted

Addiction- the fact or condition of being <u>addicted</u> to a particular substance, thing, or activity Addicted- physically and <u>mentally</u> dependent on a particular substance, and unable to stop taking it without <u>incurring</u> adverse effects.<u>enthusiastically</u> devoted to a particular thing or activity

Incurring- become subject to (something <u>unwelcome</u> or <u>unpleasant</u>) as a result of one's own behavior or actions.

enthusiastically- in a way that shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval.

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world:

Conformed- to *fashion alike*, that is, *conform* to the same pattern (figuratively): - conform to, fashion self according to. to conform one's self (i.e. one's mind and character) to another's pattern, (fashion one's self according to)

but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind,

- Transformed- to change into another form, to transform, to transfigure
- Renewing- a renewal, renovation, complete change for the better
- complete- make (something) whole or perfect.

that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of Alahayim.

• Prove- to *test* (literally or figuratively); by implication to *approve*.

to test, examine, prove, scrutinise (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), as metals 2) to recognise as genuine after examination, to approve, deem worthy Shepherd vision 3

8[16]:1 When then I ceased asking her concerning all these things, she saith to me; "Wouldest thou see something else?" Being very desirous of beholding, I was greatly rejoiced that I should see it.

8[16]:2 She looked upon me, and smiled, and she saith to me, "Seest thou seven women round the tower?" "I see them, lady," say I. "This tower is supported by them by commandment of the Lord 8[16]:3 Hear now their employments. The first of them, the woman with the

strong hands, is called Faith; through her are saved the elect of Alahayim.

8[16]:4 And the second, that is girded about and looketh like a man, is called Continence; she is the daughter of Faith. Whosoever then shall follow her, becometh happy in his life, for he shall refrain from all evil deeds, believing

that, if he refrain from every evil desire, he shall inherit eternal life."

8[16]:5 "And the others, lady, who be they?" "They are daughters one of the other. The name of the one is Simplicity, of the next, Knowledge, of the next, Guilelessness, of the next, Reverence, of the next, Love. When then thou shalt do all the works of their mother, thou canst live."

8[16]:6 "I would fain know, lady," I say, "what power each of them

possesseth." "Listen then," saith she, "to the powers which they have.

8[16]:7 Their powers are mastered each by the other, and they follow each other, in the order in which they were born. From Faith is born Continence, from Continence

Simplicity, from Simplicity Guilelessness, from Guilelessness Reverence, from Reverence Knowledge, from Knowledge Love. Their works then are pure and reverent and divine.

8[16]:8 Whosoever therefore shall serve these women, and shall have strength to master their works, shall have his dwelling in the tower with the saints of Alahayim."

1Th 4:11 And that ye study to be quiet,

• Study- to be *fond of honor*, that is, *emulous* (*eager* or *earnest* to do something.) to strive earnestly, make it one's aim

and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

<u>1Th 4:12</u> That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and *that* ye may have lack of nothing.

Rom 12:9 Let love be without dissimulation.

Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

Rom 12:10 *Be* kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

Rom 12:11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

Rom 12:12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

Rom 12:13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

Rom 12:14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

Rom 12:15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

<u>Rom 12:16</u> *Be* of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.

Be not wise in your own conceits.

Rom 12:17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

Rom 12:18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

Rom 12:19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath:

for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

Rom 12:20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

Rom 12:21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

<u>2Es 16:49</u> Like as a whore envieth a right honest and virtuous woman:

<u>2Es 16:50</u> So shall righteousness hate iniquity, when she decketh herself, and shall accuse her to her face, when he cometh that shall defend him that diligently searcheth out every sin upon earth.

<u>2Ti 2:14</u> Of these things put *them* in remembrance, charging *them* before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, *but* to the subverting of the hearers.

<u>2Ti 2:15</u> Study to shew thyself approved unto Alahayim,

a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

<u>2Ti 2:16</u> But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more wickedness.

<u>2Es 16:51</u> And therefore be ye not like thereunto, nor to the works thereof.

<u>**2Es 16:52</u>** For yet a little, and iniquity shall be taken away out of the earth, and righteousness shall reign among you.</u>

<u>**2Es 16:53</u>** Let not the sinner say that he hath not sinned: for Alahayim shall burn coals of fire upon his head, which saith before the Lord Alahayim and his glory, I have not sinned.</u>

<u>**2Es 16:54</u>** Behold, the Lord knoweth all the works of men, their imaginations, their thoughts, and their hearts:</u>

<u>**2Es 16:61</u>** He made man, and put his heart in the midst of the body, and gave him breath, life, and understanding.</u>

<u>**2Es 16:62</u>** Yea and the Spirit of Almighty Alahayim, which made all things, and searcheth out all hidden things in the secrets of the earth,</u>

<u>**2Es 16:63</u>** Surely he knoweth your inventions, and what ye think in your hearts, even them that sin, and would hide their sin.</u>

Mat 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

<u>**2Es 16:64</u>** Therefore hath the Lord exactly searched out all your works, and he will put you all to shame.</u>

<u>**2Es 16:65</u>** And when your sins are brought forth, ye shall be ashamed before men, and your own sins shall be your accusers in that day.</u>

<u>**2Es 16:66</u>** What will ye do? or how will ye hide your sins before Alahayim and his angels? <u>**2Es 16:67**</u> Behold, Alahayim himself is the judge, fear him: leave off from your sins, and forget your iniquities, to meddle no more with them for ever: so shall Alahayim lead you forth, and deliver you from all trouble.</u>

<u>2Es 16:68</u> For, behold, the burning wrath of a great multitude is kindled over you, and they shall take away certain of you, and feed you, being idle, with things offered unto idols.

<u>**2Es 16:69</u>** And they that consent unto them shall be had in derision and in reproach, and trodden under foot.</u>

Heb 12:3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

Heb 12:4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.

The pull of temptation

<u>Jas 1:12</u> Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

Jas 1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of Alahayim: for Alahayim cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:

Jas 1:14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Jas 1:15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

• Conceive- to seize, take: one as prisoner

Jas 1:16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.

<u>1Co 10:11</u> Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

<u>1Co 10:12</u> Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

<u>1Co 10:13</u> There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man:

but Alahayim *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.

<u>1Co 10:14</u> Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

<u>2Pe 2:9</u> The Lord knoweth how to deliver the holy out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

<u>2Pe 2:10</u> But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous *are they,* selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

Jas 1:2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;

Jas 1:3 Knowing *this,* that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

Jas 1:4 But let patience have *her* perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Hastiness- acting or moving too quickly, often without careful consideration or thought

Testament of Gad

Chapter 4:6 For the spirit of hatred worketh together with Satan, through hastiness of spirit, in all things to men's death; but the spirit of love worketh together with the law of Alahayim in long-suffering unto the salvation of men

<u>Jas 1:5</u> If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of Alahayim, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

<u>Jas 1:6</u> But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

Jas 1:7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

Jas 1:8 A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.

Devoted

Devote- 1. give all or a large part of one's time or resources to

Devoted" means having strong love, loyalty, or dedication to something or someone. It implies a deep commitment and often involves giving a lot of time, effort, or resources to a person, cause, or belief

Psa 119:33 HE. Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it *unto* the end. **Psa 119:34** Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with *my* whole heart.

Psa 119:35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.

Psa 119:36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

Psa 119:37 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way.

Psa 119:38 Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.

Shepherd Parable 9

24[101]:1 " And from the seventh mountain, on which was herbage green and smiling, and the whole mountain thriving, and cattle of every kind and the fowls of heaven were feeding on the herbage on that mountain, and the green herbage, on which they fed, only grew the more luxuriant, they that believed are such as these; 24[101]:2 they were ever simple and guileless and blessed, having nothing against one another, but rejoicing always in the servants of Alahayim, and clothed in the Holy Spirit of these virgins, and having compassion always on every man, and out of their labors they supplied every man's need without reproach and without misgiving.

24[101]:3 the Lord then seeing their simplicity and entire childliness made them to abound in the labors of their hands, and bestowed favor on them in all their doings.