November 6th, 2016 - The Life and Death of Mr. Badman

Chapter 4 – He Gets New Master As Bad As Himself (pages 44-47)

Please do read this chapter before the review as it gives clarity to what I'll be sharing today. Click on the link above to download the PDF copy of the book.

By his own choosing, Badman's life is going from bad to worse. His godly parents send him off to have godly training and apprentice but he runs away, now, to someone of his same character who he ultimately still can't get along with and at the end of the chapter he returns to his father. Why is he doing this full 360 degree circle? We'll find out. It needs to be reiterated again that God has given each of us a free will. We are not robots that are being forced to do anything. It is our free choice to either follow whole-heartedly after Jesus or to turn our back on him. With Badman's new master there are still contentions, thievery, correction and ultimately bringing his master's reputation down. Ultimately it came down to this; "Men who are wicked themselves, thoroughly hate it in others, not simply because it is wickedness, but because it is against their interest". \$\$\$ Money was at stake!

So when Wiseman says that God turned Badman over to His anger to satan, after countless opportunities from family and authority figures to bring him to repentance, God is in essence saying, I have something so much better for you, but if you choose to turn your back on Me, go ahead and see what happens.' The Apostle Paul says in Romans 1:18-32; "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things. Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evilmindedness; they are whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful; who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them." He also talks about this in I Corinthians 5:1-5.

The reason why this judgement is so strong is because of the demonic bond that has taken place between Badman and the devil. The story says; "Some men, as is found here in this text, and was hinted at before, have a kind of mystical but hellish copulation with the devil, who is the father, and their soul the mother, of sin and wickedness; and they, as soon as they have conceived by him, finish by bringing forth sin, both the sin and their own damnation." The word copulation is very explicit meaning sexual intercourse. There is a total giving over to the devil by Badman, they've become one. James 1:13-15 verifies this too by saying; "Let no one say when he is tempted, 'I am tempted by God'; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings for death." Temptation⇒Selfish Desires ⇒Conception⇒Sin⇒Death.

"Young Badman was forever neglecting his master's business by going to the brothel, by pilfering from his master, by attempting to seduce his daughters, and such things. No wonder, then, that they disagreed in these points. It was not so much that his master had an antipathy against Badman's lack of morals, for he could do so as an apprentice, but his servant, by his sin, took liberties with his goods, etc., and so <u>brought down his master's reputation</u>." Jesus is clear when

talking about a divided house as was the case with Badman and his new master. **Luke 11:14-18** says; "And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled. But some of them said, "He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons." Others, testing Him, sought from Him a sign from heaven. But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: "Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house divided against a house falls. If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand?" Even they were doing the same things, they were divided.

It would seem strange that after these years with both a good and bad masters that Badman would return home to his father. He ultimately knew that his father would help him out, but was he broken and contrite like the prodigal son we read about in the Bible? Not at all. Badman returned only for the \$money\$.

In mirroring this again to Christians, how would this apply to the church? Mr. Badman reminds me of a church hopper. How so? You have an ambitious 'religious' Badman who is having problems submitting to his/her local church leadership, not happy with their position in ministry, always thinking they 'know & have' the answers, someone who just can't settle in and is continually searching out the latest and greatest of spiritual insights from different churches, ministries and denominations. So in trying to help him mature, they send him off to the best Bible College of their denomination. But still with this underlying desire to do things his own way, he takes off and seeks out a ministry or church who tickles his fancy with all its new and super-spiritual, super-natural insights and revelations. He's learning the skills of usury, manipulation with finances, and becoming more liberal with sexual exploitation of those whom he's in cahoots with. When his ambitious ways start threatening the pocket book with those he's hanging out with, he's booted out of fellowship with them. So he thinks to himself, 'I'll just back home, they'll welcome me back in and assume that I'm repentant, but I'll pull the wool over their eyes and be a wolf in sheep's clothing to take advantage of them for their \$money\$." Now, being polished in his deceptive words, actions and deeds, he presents himself back to the original congregation who unknowingly open up their arms, welcome him in without getting the truth about where he's been. He weasels his way in with new doctrines, revelations, insights etc., that he was skillfully trained in.

How many churches have cast out the 'Christian' Badman sending him to their local Bible College with hope of reformation only to see that 'Christian' Badman rejects their counsel and education and chooses to submit himself under doctrines of demons that tickle his itching ears and satisfy his lust for using ministry for personal gain. After having no rest in his call to ministry, and after being filled with several demons, he returns to his home church, he finds it empty, swept and put in order. So the last state of that church is worse than the first. This is a creative or prophetic analogy that's been derived from the scripture in Matthew 12:43-45, it's not a definition of the scripture.

He's done a 360 full circle like Mr. Badman. Don't think that in the churches today we're not encountering this. It's been going on since the early church. That's why Peter, Paul, Timothy, John, Jude and Titus ALL make reference to men and women who are just like Mr. Badman and who gladly fill church pews and pulpits. Instead of being put out, they're gladly welcomed and coddled! The level of liberalism has sky-rocketed in the evangelical church and what's more disconcerting is that they don't see it! Do you know what I'm talking about? There are a number of scriptures that back this up. The Bible is the most sure word of prophecy and these scriptures do speak for themselves:

- 2 Timothy 4:1-5: "I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry."
- 2 John 9-11; "Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son. If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him; for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds." If a Christian comes to you who described here, if you welcome and greet him...you reap and partner with him in his deeds!

- **Titus 3:9-11**; "But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless. <u>Reject a divisive man after the first and second admonition, knowing that such a person is warped and sinning</u>, being self-condemned."
- 2 Corinthians 11:13-15; "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works."
- 2 Peter 2; "But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction. And many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the way of truth will be blasphemed. By covetousness they will exploit you with deceptive words; for a long time their judgment has not been idle, and their destruction does not slumber. For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment; and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly; and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)—then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment, and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. They are presumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries, whereas angels, who are greater in power and might, do not bring a reviling accusation against them before the Lord. But these, like natural brute beasts made to be caught and destroyed, speak evil of the things they do not understand, and will utterly perish in their own corruption and will receive the wages of unrighteousness, as those who count it pleasure to carouse in the daytime. They are spots and blemishes, carousing in their own deceptions while they feast with you, having eyes full of adultery and that cannot cease from sin, enticing unstable souls. They have a heart trained in covetous practices, and are accursed children. They have forsaken the right way and gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Beor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness; but he was rebuked for his iniquity: a dumb donkey speaking with a man's voice restrained the madness of the prophet. These are wells without water, clouds carried by a tempest, for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever. For when they speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error. While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage. For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning. For it would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than having known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered to them. But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: "A dog returns to his own vomit," and, "a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire."
- Jude 3-19; "Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints. For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ. But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe. And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day; 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. Likewise also these dreamers defile the flesh, reject authority, and speak evil of dignitaries. Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" But these speak evil of whatever they do not know; and whatever they know naturally, like brute beasts, in these things they corrupt themselves. Woe to them! For they

have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah. These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever. Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him." These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling words, flattering people to gain advantage. But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ: how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts. These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having the Spirit."

So...in closing, where are you at? If you're like Mr. Badman you've already carved out your trail and are determined to continue in it, but I would urge you to repent. While you have breath in you, you can change, give your life to Christ and He'll give you life in abundance, spirit, soul and body. If you're in the later as a "Christian" Badman, examine your ways carefully. You don't want to fall under God's wrath which we've read about.

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