**Justice & Injustice in the Devil’s World**

**Gen 27:30-40**

30 Now it came about, as soon as Isaac had finished blessing Jacob, and Jacob had hardly gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting. 31 Then he also made savory food, and brought it to his father; and he said to his father, "Let my father arise and eat of his son's game, that you may bless me." 32 Isaac his father said to him, "Who are you?" And he said, "I am your son, your firstborn, Esau." 33 Then Isaac trembled violently, and said, "Who was he then that hunted game and brought *it* to me, so that I ate of all *of it* before you came, and blessed him? Yes, and he shall be blessed." 34 When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried out with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his father, "Bless me, *even* me also, O my father!" 35 And he said, "Your brother came deceitfully and has taken away your blessing." 36 Then he said, "Is he not rightly named Jacob, for he has supplanted me these two times? He took away my birthright, and behold, now he has taken away my blessing." And he said, "Have you not reserved a blessing for me?" 37 But Isaac replied to Esau, "Behold, I have made him your master, and all his relatives I have given to him as servants; and with grain and new wine I have sustained him. Now as for you then, what can I do, my son?" 38 Esau said to his father, "Do you have only one blessing, my father? Bless me, *even* me also, O my father." So Esau lifted his voice and wept. 39 Then Isaac his father answered and said to him, "Behold, away from the fertility of the earth shall be your dwelling, and away from the dew of heaven from above. 40 "By your sword you shall live, and your brother you shall serve; But it shall come about when you become restless, that you will break his yoke from your neck."

**Introductory Principles**

Esau was firstborn by a few seconds so according to tradition the firstborn blessing belonged to him.

We don’t know if Rebekah had shared the word she received from the Lord about the younger/older

Following tradition, Isaac intended that Esau (his favorite) would head the family after he was gone.

Rebekah & Jacob’s treachery caused Esau to experience the unfairness & injustice that results from sin & greed in the devil’s world

God used Rebekah & Jacob’s betrayal to accomplish His will (older will serve younger) because of her fear and Jacob’s greed – He didn’t cause them to sin but He used their sin to bring about His will.

Injustice is the standard modus operandi of the devil and for those controlled by greed and worldliness.

Another word for injustice or un-justice is unrighteousness, of which the devil is accusing God, saying that He is not right, un-right or unjust because God has judged the choices of the forces of evil.

* Lucifer claims that God is wrong to the deny them unlimited freedom to pursue their own destiny
* God designed creatures to have life only in a right relationship with Him – w/out Him - death

God is using the life of the believer to demonstrate His perfect righteous by building the belief system of Christ in positive/submissive believers who then apply His truth by faith, demonstrating that the righteous truths by which He operates produce unconditional love & fairness, not biased, unfair judgment & hatred.

* Note the importance of your hunger to learn & transform & the opportunities for blessing/reward
* As a believer removes worldly beliefs/behaviors & replaces them with righteous beliefs of Jesus, we gain the capacity to testify on the witness stand for God by the way we handle injustice & adversity

The devil promotes the policy of evil (anti-God & anti-God’s plan) 🡪 promotes independence from God (what Lucifer told Eve) 🡪 deceit that corrupts the attachment of our needs 🡪 sins of greed 🡪**unfairness**

Every person who has ever lived or ever will live has experienced some form of unfairness & injustice.

* People presently being held in jail without bond for misdemeanor charges - injustice

American justice system appears to have been hijacked by fascist banks & international corporations who have bought the media and large parts of the justice system producing a two tiered justice system.

* Appears that way at least to the outside observer

**Injustice**

1. **Definition & Description**
2. **Absence of justice**: violation of right or the rights of another: unfairness. An unjust act; "an act that inflicts undeserved hurt," injustice involves unfairness to another or violation of one's rights.
3. For most of history, the strong have made & enforced the rules through power to take advantage of the weak, defining fairness to be whatever serves the desires of the strong – **might makes right**
4. The strong became royalty, producing so called “royal blood lines” that were presented to the masses as those designated to occupy positions of leadership & control, determining what was fair.

* Bloodlines of European monarchies believed by the people to be appointed by God

1. Principles derived from the Laws of Divine Establishment provide boundaries for government and justice systems to delineate laws that treat people & citizens justly & fairly.

* Throughout history, when followed the LDE have provided a framework for justice & fairness

1. Before Christ came and died for each soul, the individual person was not considered to have intrinsic values, only having worth based on what they contributed to whatever group to which they belonged.

* Men were valuable because of what they could produce (violence, defense, hard labor, leadership) to benefit groups – family, neighborhood, city, nation, etc.
* Women were valuable for what they gave (companionship, sex, motherhood) primarily to men, children & family - indirectly through sons for the military, etc.

1. When Christ came & died for each individual soul, the concept of the worth of each individual person was brought into the world and publicized by the writings of the Apostle Paul.

* In addition to Paul’s clarification of the entire bible and the delineation of the mystery doctrines of the Church Age, Jesus and Paul are also responsible for the elevation of women & the individual
* US law deals with the rights & responsibilities individuals – criminal charges are for individuals

**Romans 14:12** **so then each one of us shall give account of himself to God.**

1. The idea of justice for the individual person began a journey of growth through history being emphasized by Christ, Paul, the reformation, English law & the constitution of the USA.
2. The American constitution and the bill of rights are the highest form of justice & fairness for the average individual ever achieved in human history – based on LDE & worth protecting

* Inalienable rights – natural rights (God given) that can’t be or shouldn’t be taken away
* John Locke: major influence of the founders: life, liberty & property; freedom of speech, freedom from personal invasion & privacy.
* We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

**Constitution Website:** <https://www.crf-usa.org/foundations-of-our-constitution/natural-rights.html>

1. **God even created a sense of equality, balance & fair play in animals - certain mammals**
2. Studies with juvenile rats indicate that they have a sense of fair play between a larger more mature rat and a younger smaller animal – larger one will allow the smaller one to win % of the time.
3. Dogs & cats appear to have a sense of fairness when play fighting – fairness & justice is from God.
4. **Among mentally healthy people in free societies, there exists an innate expectation of fairness & equality that results from common sense found in Divine Establishment principles.**
5. In Western cultures the average person deals with others fairly, keeping a loose account of rights and wrongs, expecting others to honor a balance of rights and wrongs & taking turns.

* Exception: those with a psychopathic corruption who demand, manipulate or even take by force

1. When we are wronged or offended, we expect an apology to even the score depending on the type of relationship we are discussing – friendship = equality; Marriage = unconditional
2. We expect others to deal honestly & fairly with us and if a person persists in not being honest & fair with us, then we will possibly terminate the relationship, again depending on the relationship.
3. **An evil environment allows the corruption of unhindered sin to influence people to surrender to greed (can’t get enough) resulting in unrestrained sexuality & criminality – frantic search for pleasure**

**Eph 2:1-3** *And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, 2 in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. 3 Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.*

1. LDE provide a healthy framework for justice and fairness, allowing society to maintain a balance.
2. Capitalism & free enterprise is the fairest existing system for a “fair” distribution of resources among the population but at times, the most able entrepreneurs end up with most of the money.
3. When a majority of the wealth gravitates into the hands of increasingly smaller groups, the greedy are tempted to leverage their wealth to enslave everyone else – Royalty 🡪 serfdom

* God built the 50 yr. Jubilee into Jewish law to avoid that trap – debts cancelled, property returned

1. When the greedy gain control of a nation, state or entity, they warp the institutions of government, press, justice system & military, continuing to increase their power/advantage.

* Story of the “King Arthur & the Round Table” where the wealthy & privileged vow to protect the weak
* Robin Hood: rob the rich to feed the poor -

1. As people in a group increasingly reject God and the natural morality that results from belief in God, they become hedonistic, prioritizing the seeking of all kinds of pleasures in the moment.
2. **All through history the forces of evil have promoted relative reality/truth (Jn 18:38) breaking down the defining of categories, to dissolve & remove societal norms & to promote unrestrained hedonism.**
3. Renaissance 15th & 16th centuries saw a surge in humanistic science & philosophy, reacting to the corruption & excesses of the Catholic church – people oppressed by God ready to abandon God.

* Disconnected God & scientific discovery rather than view science as a clarification of the logos.
* Jesus **is** the Logos: foundational logic upon which the universe was made and is held together

**Hebrews 1:2** in these last days has spoken to us in *His* Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world. 3 And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power

1. 1960’s in USA promoted rebellion against authority and its structures, free love with unrestrained sexuality and the pursuit of pleasure – destroyed the family in US – droves of abandoned kids
2. Jacques Derrida - theory of deconstruction of literature: pull every sentence from its paragraph and every word from its sentence and see what meaning you derive – nothing/nonsense

* This demonic interpretation of literature is to assert that there is no real meaning in life, no proper interpretation of scriptures, the reader is allowed to craft his own meaning = no meaning
* Soviets changed the meanings of words & ideas, forcing everyone to pretend & lie to one another that communism was working, seeking to prop up the empty structure of lies.

1. Propaganda – seizing of the media and using it to promote the ideas of those in control

* Nazis: produced a multi-year promotion, claiming that Jews carried diseases and that they were spreading them among the good people of Germany – school teachers willing to push the button
* USA – media has been bought and is in the hands of a few who have also been bought and blackmailed to present 2 sides of a narrative for the purpose of dividing the people

1. **Historically, the cycle: the corrupted church, pretending to represent God forced ritualism, legalism, emotionalism or even intellectualism on the people, oppressing them & eventually creating a backlash against God, resulting in humanism then relativism leading to emptiness - meaninglessness (Ecclesiastes) & finally back to hunger for God.**
2. These cycles are created by the attack of demonic forces on the LDE & the church of Jesus Christ.
3. People need Christ to fill their empty hearts and LDE to give them common sense to structure daily life
4. As Christ is denigrated & rejected He is replaced by making mankind or the earth into a god & common sense into nonsense – there is no foundation for basic morality & justice if there is no God.
5. Without God & a foundation of justice (right/wrong), nothing is right or wrong, just or unjust & so injustice can become the norm, crushing the weak & poor to squeeze the last drop of worth from them