# Apathy & Deception "True Spiritual Warfare" Don Cole

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Your notes:

# Apathy and Deception

*Apathy* is defined by News Medical Life Sciences as "a loss of interest in relation to social or emotional situations."

*Deception* is defined by Legal Information Institute as "the act of deliberately causing somebody to accept something as true that is not true."

Hebrews 5:

<sup>7</sup> During the days of Yeshua's [Jesus'] life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup> Son though he was, <u>he learned obedience from what he suffered</u> <sup>9</sup> and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him <sup>10</sup> and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek. [Hebrews 5:7-11 NIV]

### Walking with YHVH or not

<sup>11</sup> We have much to say about this, <u>but it is hard to</u> <u>make it clear to you because you no longer try to</u> <u>understand.</u> <sup>12</sup> In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, <u>you need someone to teach you the</u> <u>elementary truths of God's word all over again. You</u> <u>need milk, not solid food!</u> <sup>13</sup>Anyone who lives on <u>milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the</u> <u>teaching about righteousness.</u> <sup>14</sup> [Hebrews 5:11-14 NIV]

**Assignment:** Read & study Hebrews chapter 7 & 8. On November 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be studying them.

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The major problem in the United States is in the so-called church, NOT in the White House.

#### YHVH Called Us To Be Holy

This is True Spiritual Warfare!

<sup>13</sup> Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming. <sup>14</sup> <u>As</u> <u>obedient children</u>, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you <u>lived in ignorance</u>. <sup>15</sup> But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; <sup>16</sup> for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy." [1 Peter 1:13-24 referring to Lev 11:44-45; 19:2 NIV]

<sup>17</sup> Since you call on a Father who **judges each person's work impartially**, live out your time as foreigners here in **reverent fear**. <sup>18</sup> For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. <sup>20</sup> He was chosen before the creation of the world but was revealed in these last times for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God. [1 Peter 1:17-21 NIV]

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart. <sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. [1 Peter 1:22-23 NIV]

<u>24</u> For,

"All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field. the grass withers and the flowers fall, [1 Peter 1:24 NIV]

<sup>25</sup> but the word of the Lord endures forever."
[Peter is referring to Isaiah 40:6-8 NIV]
And this is the word that was preached to you.
[1 Peter 1:25 NIV]

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Peter 4:18:

"If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will

become of the ungodly and the sinner?" [1 Pet 4:18 NIV]

## "How to Interpret Scripture"

Three things to always apply when studying Scripture:

- 1. Contextually study Scripture within the context of the entire Bible.
- 2. *Literally* read Scripture literally what do the words actually mean.
- 3. Historically understand Scripture within its historical/chronological context.

The character of Yeshua according to His Word:

- 1. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, & forever," [Heb 13:8; Malachi 3:6]
- 2. "God is not a man that He should lie," [Num 23:19; Heb 6:18]
- 3. Do not add or subtract from the Scriptures, [Deut 4:2; Rev 22:18-19]

#### Key Scriptures to Interpret the Bible

Matt 28:18-20 – this is after His resurrection.

<sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matt 28:18-20

Acts 1:6-8 – after Yeshua's resurrection, He spoke to His disciples about the restoration of Israel.

<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord [YHVH], will you at this time restore the <u>kingdom to Israel</u>?" <sup>7</sup>He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts 1:6-8

John 3:36 – John stated that obedience is key to eternal life:

<sup>36</sup>Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him. John 3:36

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#### 1John 2:3-6 - the Apostle John asked, "Do you really know God?":

<sup>3</sup>And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments. <sup>4</sup>Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, <sup>5</sup>but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: <sup>6</sup>whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked. 1John 2:3-6 [Note: Yeshua perfectly kept (obeyed & followed) every word in the Torah; we also need to do the same. And, therefore, we need to stop sinning.]

#### Timeline

Pre-30AD - Rabbinic tradition	30AD – Resurrection / Pentecost	40AD – Peter's vision & Cornelius (Acts 10)	50AD – Jerusalem Council (Acts 15)	325AD – Council of Nicaea
<ul> <li>○ Oral Law</li> <li>○ Customs of Moses</li> </ul>	• Outpouring of the Holy Spirit to Jews only who came up to Jerusalem for the Feast of Pentecost	<ul> <li>10 years after Pentecost</li> <li>Outpouring of Holy Spirit on <u>Gentiles</u> only</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>10 years after Acts 10</li> <li>Jerusalem Council</li> <li>discussion about Gentiles' salvation &amp; circumcision</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Under the auspices of Constantine</li> <li>Only Gentile bishops were allowed – Jews could not attend</li> </ul>