

Arresting Accusation – Part One

Nature of God/ Way of the Kingdom

- Designed for oneness (God is One/Community)
- Condition that supports the plan of God for fruitfulness
- Romans 12:10—Be devoted to one another in brotherly love, give preference to one another in honor
- Colossians 3:12
- I Peter 3:8

Two Kingdoms—In Conflict

- God creates with words—uses words for building up and not tearing down (edification)
- Satan destroys with words—enticing to division, jealousy, envy and pride (Eve, Cain, Abel)

Difference between Conviction and Accusation

- One draws us to the Lord for cleansing and forgiveness
- One pushes us away from the Lord due to guilt and shame
- Must know how conviction words in order to identify accusation
- Conscience is touched
- Scripture reminds us and orients us toward the truth

Accusation is Spiritual Warfare

- This is where satan uses accusation as a means of attacking and receiving attacks against ourselves
- Accuser is 'diablos'
- He is a murderer from the beginning—there is no truth in him
- We are not to be ignorant of the enemy's schemes
- We cooperate with the evil one by bringing false charges against one another
- Evil one uses the law to undermine rather than correct

OT Scenarios

- Eve—satan accuses God with his questions (he implies)
- Job—satan accuses God to Job and accuses Job to God
- Nehemiah—Sanballet and Tobias function as types of evil one—who relentlessly resists what God is building—through accusation.
- Joshua—High Priest—Zech 3:1