C & C: Are You Gathering In Or Are You Scattering Abroad

Connections and Comparisons is an ongoing weekly series that deals with many scriptures in the Bible, some of which are not commonly addressed. The purpose of this series is to examine the scriptures at hand comparing what is said and looking at the connections within.

Matthew 12:30

30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

Jesus makes it very clear here. You are either gathering in or you are scattering abroad!! You are one or you are the other! There isn't any in between!!

Proverbs 12:28

28 In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

Proverbs 12:22

22 Lying lips *are* abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly *are* his delight.

The way you live your life reveals whether or not you are gathering in or scattering abroad!!

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

- **14** Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?
- 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
- **16** And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
- 17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,
- **18** And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

Luke 16:13-15

- **13** No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.
- 14 And the Pharisees also, who were covetous, heard all these things: and they derided him.
- 15 And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

Matthew 5:43-45

- 43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.
- **44** But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

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Acts 20:35

35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Proverbs 4:14-19

- 14 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil *men*.
- 15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.
- **16** For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause *some* to fall.
- ¹⁷ For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.
- **18** But the path of the just *is* as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.
- **19** The way of the wicked *is* as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

John 14:15

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

1 John 2:3-6

- 3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.
- ⁴ He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
- **5** But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.
- **6** He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

Matthew 9:37-38

- 37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;
- **38** Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Luke 3:9

9 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: every tree therefore which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

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Proverbs 15:17-19

- **17** Better *is* a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.
- **18** A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but *he that is* slow to anger appeaseth strife.
- **19** The way of the slothful *man is* as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous *is* made plain.

Proverbs 16:3

³ Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

Proverbs 21:24-26

- **24** Proud *and* haughty scorner *is* his name, who dealeth in proud wrath.
- 25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.
- 26 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.

Luke 6:36-38

- **36** Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.
- **37** Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:
- **38** Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

Jude 1:11-25

- **11** Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.
- 12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds *they are* without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;
- 13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.
- 14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,
- **15** To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.
- **16** These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling *words*, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.
- **17** But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;
- 18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.
- 19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.
- 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,
- **21** Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.
- **22** And of some have compassion, making a difference:
- 23 And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.
- **24** Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present *you* faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,
- **25** To the only wise God our Saviour, *be* glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Proverbs 23:17-21

- 17 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the LORD all the day long.
- **18** For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.
- 19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.
- **20** Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:
- **21** For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe *a man* with rags.

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Ephesians 2:10

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Titus 2:11-15

- 11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
- **12** Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;
- 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
- **14** Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
- 15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

Titus 3:14

14 And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

Hebrews 13:17

17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that *is* unprofitable for you.

Romans 16:24-27

- **24** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.
- **25** Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,
- **26** But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:
- **27** To God only wise, *be* glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

Hebrews 10:23-25

- **23** Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)
- 24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

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Matthew 5:9

9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Psalms 37:7-13

- **7** Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.
- 8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.
- **9** For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.
- **10** For yet a little while, and the wicked *shall* not *be*: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be*.
- 11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.
- 12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.
- 13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.

James 1:22-24

- 22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.
- 23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:
- **24** For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

Proverbs 19:8

8 He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good.

Proverbs 15:31-33

- 31 The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.
- **32** He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.
- 33 The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.

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Proverbs 28:25-27

- **25** He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.
- **26** He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.
- **27** He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.

Proverbs 14:31

31 He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.

Proverbs 17:5

5 Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: *and* he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.

Proverbs 22:2

2 The rich and poor meet together: the LORD is the maker of them all.

Proverbs 25:21-22

- 21 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:
- 22 For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

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John 21:15-17

- 15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.
- **16** He saith to him again the second time, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.
- 17 He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

John 10:7-18

- 7 Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.
- 8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.
- ⁹ I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.
- **10** The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.
- **11** I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
- **12** But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.
- 13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.
- 14 I am the good shepherd, and know my *sheep*, and am known of mine.
- 15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- **16** And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.
- 17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.
- 18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

Acts 20:28-29

28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing

the flock.

Which one are you? Are You Gathering In Or Are You Scattering Abroad!