

HERE ARE A FEW PEARLS



FROM YOU UNCLE RUBEN

MY DEAR BROTHER

It is common among young Street Preachers to use the word "Brother" or "Bro" when preaching in public. But I ask you WHY would you address unbelievers as your "Brother" than refer to a believer as your "Brother"???

We do not find this language in the scriptures. Jesus did not call everyone His Brother, in fact He kept a wedge between who His Brothers are.

"For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother"

-Matthew 12:50

We do not all have the same Father, so why everyone your
"Brother"?

Jesus said,

"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father
ye will do"

-John 8:44

...and again....

"I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that
which ye have seen with your father" -John 8:38

We can also find this within the Book of Acts where men were
inspired by the Holy Ghost to address the crowds "men AND
brethren" note the dissimilarity. There should be a distinction
between a SAINT and SINNER no?

"And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples,
and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred
and twenty,) Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have
been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake
before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took
Jesus"

-Acts 1:15-16

"Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch
David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is
with us unto this day. Acts 2:29

"Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and
whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this
salvation sent"

-Acts 12:26

"Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through
this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins"

-Acts 13:38

"And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men and
brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until
this day"

-Acts 23:1

"But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and
the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Men and
brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the hope
and resurrection of the dead I am called in question"

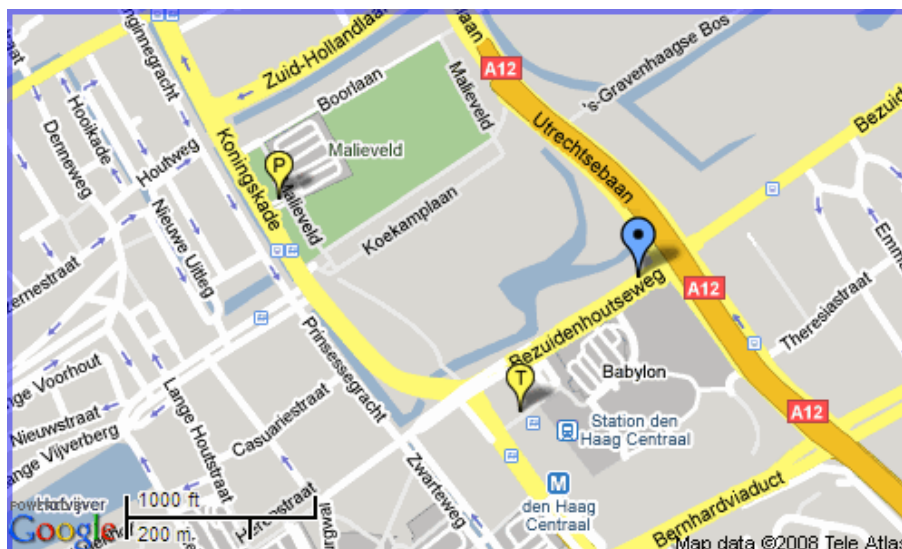
-Acts 23:6

"And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men and brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans"
-Acts 28:17



KEEP YOURSELVES FROM IDLE WORDS

LOCATION...LOCATION...AND LOCATION



Prov. 1:20,21 "Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the STREETS; She CRIETH IN THE CHIEF PLACE OF CONCOURSE, IN THE

OPENINGS OF THE GATES; in the city she uttereth her words, saying...."

And again...

Prov. 8:1-3 "Doth not wisdom cry? And understanding put forth her voice? She STANDETH IN THE TOP OF HIGH PLACES, BY THE WAY IN THE PLACES OF THE PATHS. She crieth AT THE GATES, AT THE ENTRY OF THE CITY, AT THE COMING IN AT THE DOORS."

Not only does the "field manual" teach location, but also there are countless examples from Old to New Testaments.

Is. 62:6-10 "I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day or night...Go through, go through THE GATES; prepare ye the way of the people"

Jer. 3:12 "Go and PROCLAIM THESE WORDS TOWARD THE NORTH..."

Jer. 7:1-2 "The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, STAND IN THE GATE OF THE LORD'S HOUSE, AND PROCLAIM there this word.."

Jer. 26:2 "Thus saith the Lord; STAND IN THE COURT OF THE LORD'S HOUSE, and speak unto all the cities of Judah..."

Mt. 3:1-5 John the Baptist, "preaching in the wilderness of Judea", baptizing people in the "river Jordan." John could have used a stream, or a small pool or body of water to baptize. But chose the Jordan River, because it was a hub, it was a strategic piece of real estate. For "Jerusalem, and ALL Judea, and ALL the region round about Jordan."

Mt. 10:1-15 Jesus sent out the 12 to preach, "GO NOT into the way of the Gentiles, and into any city of the Samaritans ENTER YE NOT. But GO RATHER to the lost sheep of the house of Israel"

John 7:25-28 Jesus preaches even after they "seek to kill" him. "Then cried Jesus IN THE TEMPLE as he taught..."

Acts 5:17-20 The Apostles were arrested and placed in "the common prison," then at night the angel of the Lord opened the doors and said. "GO, STAND AND SPEAK IN THE TEMPLE..."

Acts 17:22 "Then Paul STOOD IN THE MIDST OF MARS HILL, and said...."

Get MORE bang for your buck with the right location. We see examples of men preaching at the gates, in front of the temple, the marketplace, along certain roads, the river Jordon which was a hub of activity and we were told to preach it from the housetops.

PREACHING A MESSAGE:



The million-dollar question is "what do I preach when I am out there?"

I say, tailor your message to the event. For example, you don't preach a eulogy at a wedding, or do you?? You don't preach against sodomites at a rock concert, nor would you preach against abortion at a city parade. Of course if these issues come up, then you address them. But, we all know people who preach the same message, on the same issues, with the same topic to everyone. These preachers are stuck on one gear, and will never shift from first to second gear. These same preachers stay in neutral, and have no power to thrust forward and reverse when the situation calls. When preaching during the NFL super bowl, I do not speak about the NBA, ALWAYS tailor your message to the ears to hear. Speaking at colleges and universities you can preach about current events of the day, and insert the Gospel, or what God says about that event. The lesson...learn to change gears and not allow your preaching to be nothing more than recital.

We find many examples of men of God that knew what to preach, knew whom the message was for, knew when to shift gears and preached against a variety of sins in their theater.

In 1Kings 21:17-19 we find Elijah the prophet going to the king of Israel, who was in Samaria, in a vineyard, with a message just for him

Isaiah's was commissioned to expose their sins-

"CRY ALOUD, SPARE NOT, LIFT UP THY VOICE LIKE A TRUMPET, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sin" Is.58:1

Jeremiah is good example for he knew just what to preach and where before he walked into town-

"Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, AND SPEAK unto them ALL THAT I COMMAND THEE: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them." Jer.1:17

". . .the word of the Lord came to me, saying, GO AND CRY IN THE EARS of Jerusalem, saying . . ." Jer.2:1-2

With his relationship with God, he knew what to say to whom to say it and where to stand to do it-

"The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Hear ye the Words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem; And say unto them.." Jer.11:1-3

"Thus saith the Lord; Stand in the court of the Lord's house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the Lord's house, all the words THAT I COMMAND THEE TO SPEAK UNTO THEM; DIMINISH NOT A WORD" Jer.26:2

Street preacher Ezekiel understood this also-

"...spirit entered...and said, I send thee to a rebellious nation...who sinned against me even this day...speak my words whether they hear or not..." Ezek. 2:2-8

the word came to Ezekiel, and then was told

"Speak unto them, and say unto them....." Ezek. 4:2-4

He/they did not just show up on the sidewalk, saying "well Lord, I'm here now, use me" you MUST put time, thought and PRAYER into your message and you will not only get moved to speak but where to stand.

"...word came to me...set thy face toward the mountains of Israel and say..." Ezek. 6:1-5

"...set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt...speak and say..." Ezek. 29:20-23

Preaching in public is not just standing on the sidewalk quoting Bible verses out loud, you must be open to giving people something tangible to understand. Jesus used parables in His preaching to convey a message, He did not just reciting the Old Testament.

"the good Samaritan" (Lk.10)

"the goodly pearl" (Mt.13)

"laborers in the vineyard" (Mt.20)

"the Pharisee and publican" (Lk.18)

"the prodigal son" (Lk.15)

"the sheep and the goats" (Mt.25)

"the tares" (Mt.13)

"unjust judge" (Lk.18)

"unmerciful servant" (Mt.18)

"the wedding feast" (Lk.12)

"the wicked husbandmen" (Mt.21)

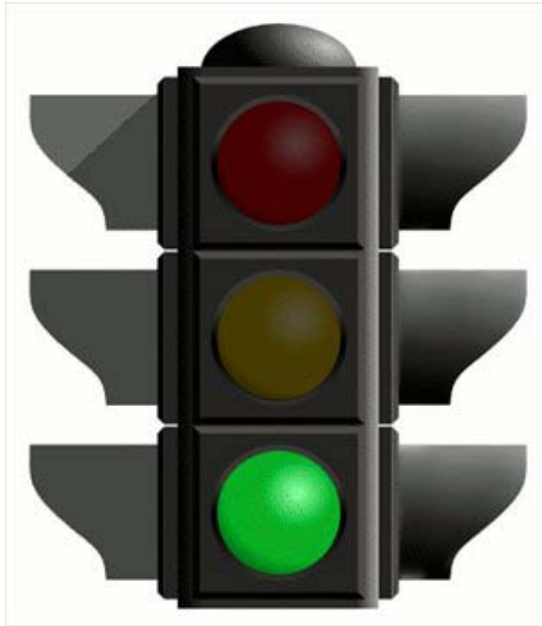
"the sower" (Mt.13)

"leaven" (Mt.13)

"lost sheep" (Lk.15)

"the mustard seed" (Mt.13)

For anyone with ears to hear and eyes to see WILL UNDERSTAND.



GO...

In Matthew chapter 10 we find Jesus sending out the apostles to GO preach and COMMANDED them

"...GO NOT INTO THE WAY OF THE GENTILES, and into any city of the Samaritans enter ye not. But GO RATHER TO THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL. And as ye go, preach, SAYING THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND"

EVERYONE WAS ON THE SAME PAGE. EVERYONE HAD MARCHING ORDERS. Simple message for the 12 to preach and admonished where to go and not go.

In Acts 5:17-21 after the apostles were put in a common prison, an angel of the Lord, opened the doors and instructed them saying "Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life"

I exhort you to give thought to where you stand in your prayer closet.

In Acts 17: 16-33 The apostle Paul stood in the midst of Mars hill, which this city of Athens was given wholly to idolatry. Paul did not preach "the first two of the Ten Commandments are NO IDOL'S"...NO, he quoted from one of their own poets (v.28). He preached a message tailored to the people he preached to so they could understand.

AS A PREACHER YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO REBUKE THE SINNER NOSE TO NOSE...THEN MAYBE SAY SOMETHING HUMOROUS TO THE CROWDTHEN BE ABLE TO ANSWER A QUESTION, GIVE A SOFT ANSWER AND PRAY FOR SOMEONE IF NEEDED.....ALL IN UNDER 2.5 SECONDS. YOU MUST BE ABLE TO CHANGE GEARS AND NOT JUST RUN ON ONE GEAR!

Pray to let your words and locality be as precise as a sniper.

"...open thy mouth, and I will fill it" Psalms 81:10

NEVER...EVER... trust a crowd!



Remember the crowd that said

"Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest" (Lk.19: 38)

was now the same crowd yelling:

"But they cried, saying, crucify him, crucify him" (Lk.23: 21)

A crowd can turn into a mob in under 2.5 seconds, if not sooner

Read what the Bible teaches about crowds:

Mat. 8:1 - Great multitudes followed Jesus

14:5 -Herod feared the gathering of people

15:31 -hosts of people wondered after seeing Jesus heal

:32 -Jesus had compassion on the multitude

20:29-33 -Great multitudes began turning against each other

21:46 -Chief priests and pharisees feared the swarm of people

22:33 -Crowds astonished at Jesus' doctrine

Mk. 3:1 -masses throng him

5:8-13 -Multitude crying aloud to crucify him

IF I HAD A DOLLAR FOR EVERY TIME SOME SAID TO ME "ITS NOT OUR JOB TO ARGUE AND DEBATE, THAT IS THE JOB OF THE HOLY GHOST, WELL JUDE MUST HAVE MISSED SUNDAY SCHOOL THAT DAY:

"It was NEEDFUL for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should EARNESTY CONTEND for the faith" (Jude :3)

Lets look at the examples of our Hero's in the Bible to see if they tried to do the work of the Holy Spirit by arguing the Fathers position.

Jesus fulfilled Isaiah by debating

"Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong reasons" (Is.41:21)

Not only did Jesus argue with scribes and Pharisees in almost every other chapter of the Gospels. How can anyone read the Gospels where we find Jesus said, they said, He said, they said, He said they walked away. He called people "evil and adulterous", while refuting and not just them BUT THE ENTIRE GENERATION watch heard His voice. Talk about name calling, judging and offending your crowd? I guess Jesus missed the seminar on 'how to win people over' and the meaning of ad hominem.

Jesus answered questions with a question, leaving them to reason.

"The baptism of John, whence was it? From heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying" (Mat.21:23-27)

"Then come unto him the Sadducees...and they asked him, saying...And Jesus answering said unto them Do ye not therefore ERR, because ye know NOT THE SCRIPTURES, NEITHER THE POWER OF GOD? And one of the scribes came, and Having heard them REASONING together...asked him...And Jesus answered him...And the scribe said...And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him....." (Mark 12:18-34)

Mark records the same type of disputing, but questions must be answered before Jesus responds.

"Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world...the Pharisees therefore said unto him, Thou bearest record

of thyself...Jesus answered... And said...then said they unto him...Jesus answered...then said Jesus again untoThem...then said the Jews...and he said unto them...then they said unto him..Then said Jesus to those Jews...they answered him...Jesus answered hem..the answered him...Jesus saith unto them...then said they to him...Jesus said unto them..Then answered the Jews...Jesus answered...then said the Jews...Jesus answered...Then said the Jews...Jesus said unto them...then took they up stones to cast at him but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them and so passed by" (John 8:12-59)

The Jesus of the Bible ARGUED and He debated in public not behind a pulpit, under a chandelier, in front of a seated audience where he sold His book and DVDs.

Why the body of Christ has buried this talent of debating, is foreign to me. But, ever Saturday at an elders meeting in any church, there will debate and dispute heavy. Not on Bible verses or doctrine, but what type of donuts we should have at the next elders meeting! Christians will debate sports, politics, current events but not the kingdom of God.....go figure?

There is a man named John the Baptist, who seemed to have this gift of debate.

"But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance: And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire" Mat.3:7-10

Now this seems very combative John, where's the love big guy? John used their own argument against them "And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father" and there is goes name calling "O generation of vipers".

Now this is the same man that called the king an "adulterer" and was jailed, so maybe John's has issues with trying to control an argument?

We find this NEW WINE to some of debating in the BOOK OF ACTS:

Stephen full of faith and power debates with those who opposed him

"And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake" 6:10

Paul persecuted for debating Jesus

And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slay him 9:29

Paul in Jerusalem

"Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them PERSUADED them to continue in the grace of God" 13:43

"Peter address to the council

And when there had been MUCH DISPUTING, Peter rose up, and said unto them,

Men and brethren" 15:7

Paul in Thessalonica

"And Paul, as in his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days REASONED with them out of the scriptures" 17:2

Paul in Athens

"Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market DAILY with them that met with him" 17:17

Paul in Corinth

"And he REASONED in the synagogue every Sabbath, and PERSUADED the Jews and the Greeks" 18:4

Paul accused by the Jews

"Saying, this fellow persuadeth men to worship God contrary to the law" 18:13

After Paul sailed from Syria

"And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with them" 18:19

Paul debating in the synagogue

"And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, DISPUTING AND PURSUADING the things concerning the kingdom of God. But When divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, DISPUTTING daily in the school of one Tyrannus" 19:8-9

Paul making 'no small stir about that way'

"Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be No gods, which are made with hands" 19:26

Paul reasoning with Governor Felix

"And as he REASONED of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come,
Felix TREMBLED, and answered, Go thy way for this time" 24:25

Paul before Agrippa

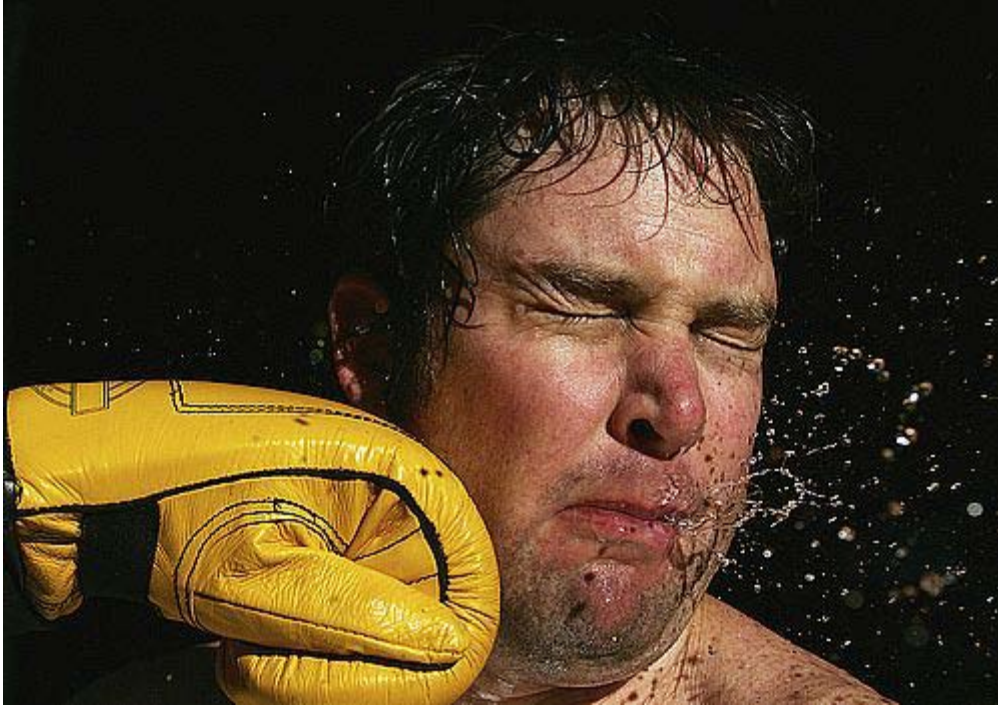
"Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian"

(Here King Agrippa was almost influenced by Paul's words to become a Christian. Note that this word Christian is not a loose word, its only mentioned 3 times in the whole Bible. Unlike today where he's a Christian, she's a Christian, everybody is a Christian! Three times only, and this is one with the context of persuading people)

Paul in Rome

"And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening" 28:

**IT IS UNDISPUTED THAT DISPUTING IS
BIBLICAL!**



"DEBATE THY CAUSE with thy neighbor himself" (Pr.25:9)

This will STOP gossiping and rumors by a busybody, when you confront them with DEBATE.

"Come now, and LET US REASON TOGETHER, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow" (Is.1:18)

Here Prophet Isaiah who preached in the public places, was ready to reason and contest, by provoking thought. Isaiah did not assume it was the Spirit of God that will reason with people after he preached, he used himself as a vessel to dispute for God.

Now these verses do not give us license to argue and dispute just because we want to. We have the liberty to debate to win someone over, and if it offends that person in the process, well so be it.

"Woe unto the world because of OFFENCES! For IT MUST NEEDS BE that offences come; but WOE to THAT MAN by whom the offence come!" (Mat.18:7)

The "Woe" is not for the person who said something offensive, the "Woe" is to that person easily offended. It happens, "for it must needs be".

Look what Peter says about our Lord:

"Peter answered and said unto him. Though ALL MEN shall be offended because of thee, yet will I never BE OFFENDED"
(Mat.26:33)

Jesus offends in Nazareth-Matthew 13:57

Jesus offended the Pharisees-Matthew 15:12

All Men-Matthew 26:33

Emotional Christians-Mark 4:17

Rich young ruler-Mark 10:22

Jesus prepares his disciples-John 16:1

THERE ARE DEGREES OF SIN AND JUDGMENT



NOT ALL SIN IS THE SAME SIN AND NOT ALL JUDGMENT WILL RECEIVE THE SAME JUDGMENT. This should be STREET PREACHING 101 as we see sin outside the four walls more than most. Even within our man made laws we find this true. A person that steals a candy bar is not the same as someone who murdered two people. They both can be found guilty but the penalty is not be the same.

Jesus said:

"Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For ye devour widow's houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the GREATER DAMNATION" (Mat.23:14)

"Which devour widow's houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these shall receive GREATER DAMNATION." (Mk.12:40)

DID YOU READ THAT 'GREATER DAMNATION'? So there will be certain sin and people that we might reprove harder, as James understood this.

'My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation' (James 3:1)

Even the Pharisees understood this. Publicans AND sinners...are they not the same sinners? These Publicans have their own category.

"And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, why eateth your Master with PUBLICANS AND SINNERS?" (Mat.9:11)

Here's more:

"The son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of PUBLICANS AND SINNERS. But wisdom is justified of her children." (Mat.11:19)

"And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an HEATHEN MAN AND A PUBLICAN." (Mat.18:17)

The publican was addressed specifically, could his sin be WORSE than a regular sinner? Here is something amusing, Matthew himself was a publican and he pointed this out in his own Gospel, he never mentioned who was a fishermen.

"Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, AND MATTHEW THE PUBLICAN; James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus; Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him." (Mat.10:2-4)

The Apostle Paul understood degrees of sinners

"This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I AM CHIEF" (1Tim.1:15)

This concept is not new, David wrote in Psalms 5:5

'The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity'

God does not hate everyone, but He does hate the **'worker of iniquity'** that is the actual person, not just their sin. The very someone who works at their sin, someone who is proud of their transgression and someone that boasts of their offense. IT IS THAT PERSON WHO IS HATED OF GOD and as Ambassadors we must know and proclaim this.

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