

"But the LORD Said unto Samuel, 'Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I Have Refused him: for the LORD Seeth Not as man seeth; for Man Looketh On The Outward Appearance, but the LORD Looketh on the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7 KJV

Many have tried to use today's Scripture to excuse unclean shoddiness and bad manners. "You can't judge me; God Looks on the heart!" You can be poor, but clean and mannerly at the same time. There is no excuse for filth or bad behavior in the Presence of God or His Assembly! It's interesting to note that powerful evil men are generally clean-cut and mannerly. Satan has always tried to counterfeit Holiness. You need go no further than the "modern" translations of Scripture. On one hand, "new" translations claim to be "more intelligent," but on the other, they claimed to be "more simplified." While one is not exclusive of the other, how do you simplify the Ten Commandments? If this generation isn't as smart as the previous, wouldn't it follow that the translators themselves are less intelligent; but if the reverse is true, why does it need simplification? In reality, it is Satan's attempts to counterfeit and change Truth into a lie! Beware of "change" mongers; they are "double-tongued" serpents! The world chooses leaders based on words, appearance, and charisma. The world loves its own! God Is Not Impressed with either. We are to follow *"Faithful men, considering the end of their conversation."* In other words, watch their deeds. Do they obey God's Word? Actions always prove speech. Do your actions deny yours? Beware the crowd pleasers! There is no such thing as "A New Hope." Faith's Hope Is Unchanged From Eternity Past. *"Acknowledging of the Truth Which Is After Godliness; in Hope of Eternal Life, Which God, That Cannot Lie, Promised before the world began!"* All else is false hope and propagators of false hope are liars! Lust motivates those who seek to change what is good and Righteous in the name of progress. They deal wickedly in secret. Funny thing about secrets; *"there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known."* Nothing escapes God's Notice or Judgment and every deed a man does is recorded. *"And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and THE BOOKS WERE OPENED: The sea gave up the dead which were in it; and Death And Hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they Were Judged every man according to their works."* Not even death can protect you from God! When a man is lauded by the purveyors of filth, mark it down, "Birds of a feather flock together." Follow men who prove their faithfulness through daily living. Pray for their courage to stand in the day of adversity that is surely upon us! Who men approve matters not; it's who God Approves that will withstand Judgment Day! *"Study to shew thyself approved unto God."*



Follow the heart that follows God,
Consider the paths that it has trod,
A faithful heart will love the KING,
And to Him, other hearts will bring. –CGP

God Doesn't Change and the true believer doesn't either. *"The Peace of God, Which Passeth all understanding, Shall Keep your hearts and minds Through Christ Jesus. The Lord Is Faithful, Who Shall Stablish you, and Keep you from evil. 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, to the Only Wise God our Saviour, Be Glory And Majesty, Dominion And Power, Both Now And Ever. Amen."* Satan will always try to change, counterfeit, and compromise Truth. Beware men who do the same!

"As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; so is a wicked ruler over the poor people." Proverbs 28:15 KJV