Have You Not Sins Of Your Own? (2nd Corinthians 13:5)

Tony Mauck · 2 Chronicles 28:9–15

INTRODUCTION

- The prophet, who I'm going to vote as the most obscure in the Old Testament, is Oded.
- Oded was not sent to Ahaz. Oded was sent to the king of Israel. Pikah.
- Surely do you not have transgressions of your own against the Lord your God? Now therefore, listen to me. And return the captives whom you captured from your brothers, for the burning anger of the Lord is against you.

1 We First Need to Clean Up Our Own House

2 Chronicles 28:10

- Point for us is that we first need to clean up our own house.
- Clean your own house. Judah had its sins.
- Oded says, Oh no. You're not going to add to your sins.
- They might have won this war, but they were still worshiping at Dan and Bethel. This was not a sinless people.
- So often the problem of people spiritually is not that they lose complete respect for the Lord and His will. It's just that they do not have enough respect to conform their lives to his will.

2 We Need to Honestly Assess Ourselves

James 3:2; 2 Corinthians 13:5–6

- It is a much more difficult thing to see ourselves.
- We need to honestly assess ourselves.
- If you're able to demonstrate control of your tongue, you are able to control the whole body as well, James says in James chapter 3 and verse 2.
- Those things are clear and obvious, but what about issues of the heart? Selfishness.
- The goal must always be Christ in me. Nothing else. Nothing less.
- Attendance at assemblies alone does not necessarily indicate a lack of worldliness. And you need to honestly assess, where am I? Spiritually.

3 His Attitude Towards Sin Has Not Changed

1 Corinthians 9:27; Acts 17:31

- His character has not changed. His attitude towards sin has not changed, despite the offer of forgiveness that he's made through the blood of Christ.

- How long will it be? Until watching nudity in movies and hearing expletive after expletive after expletive won't even prick our consciences anymore.
- But I buffet my body and make it my slave. Lest possibly after I have preached to others, I myself should be disqualified.
- If Paul can say something like that about himself, certainly we need to be considering our behavior.
- He will judge the world in righteousness. Acts 17 and verse 31.
- Will we avoid the awful and burning anger of the Lord?

THE CHALLENGE

May this lesson encourage you to set your house in order while there's time and opportunity.

MY NOTES