

Foolish Thinking

God's question to Eve is one that could apply to all, and has been used between parents to their children, saying "What is this thou hast done?"

Consider the actions many choose: "But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, And that thou hast taken my covenant in thy mouth, Seeing thou hatest instruction, And castest my words behind thee? When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst with him, And hast been partaker with adulterers. Thou givest thy mouth to evil, And thy tongue frameth deceit. Thou sittest and speakest against thy brother; Thou slanderest thine own mother's son. These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; Thou thoughtest that I was altogether such a one as thyself: [But] I will reprove thee, and set [them] in order before thine eyes" (Psalms 50:16-21).

It is obvious from this text that evil and foolish men have a habit of attributing to God their characteristics. The Psalmist also said, "The fool has said in his heart, There is no God" (14:1). When man goes through life, living as if there will be no accountability he does in essence, say "in his heart, There is no God." The Psalmist put it this way: "The transgressions of the wicked saith within my heart, There is no fear of God before his eyes" (36:1). David concluded that a man's actions reveal the condition of his heart.

The man who lives as if there is no God and/or judgment, is the man that "flattereth himself in his own eyes, That his iniquity will not be found out and be hated. The words of his mouth are iniquity and deceit: He hath ceased to be wise [and] to do good. He deviseth iniquity upon his bed; He setteth himself in a way that is not good; He abhorreth not evil" (36:2-4).

Remember the words of the Psalmist, who said, "Now consider this, ye that forget God, Lest I tear you in pieces, and there be none to deliver: Whoso offereth the sacrifice of thanksgiving glorifieth me; And to him that ordereth his way [aright] Will I show the salvation of God" (50:22-24). Ross Triplett, Sr.