

Biblical Standards of Separation

*"I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts."
Psalm 119:63*

I. GENERAL TEACHING: Phil. 2:15; I Peter 4:2

Ephesians 5:1-13

"*uncleanness*" / impurity of lust, luxurious and profligate living

"*filthiness*" / obscene

"*foolish talking*" / μωρολογία / impious or godless and to teach or speak out

"*jesting*" / εστραπελία / 1X in N.T. / biffoonery, boorishness, Lit. "easily turned"

Not serious in right situations, foolish and quick witted or speaking lightly of spiritual truths, fast with quips, wisecrack, scoff, etc.

II. CHALLENGE: I Kings 18

III. SPECIFIC PRINCIPLES: cf. Deut. 7:1-6; Neh. 13:23-25

***Personal choice not to marry outside of the will of God**

2 Cor. 6:14 "*unequally yoked together*" / eterozugouteV / Pres Act Ptc / from etero meaning the same nature or kind and ζυγουμετες meaning joining or balances

2 Cor. 6:15 "*concord*" / συμφωνησις / agreement

2 Cor. 6:16 "*agreement*" / συγκαταθεσις / joint deposit of votes! Approval, join up with!

2 Cor. 6:17 "*separate*" / αφορισθετε / mark off by boundaries, limit, exclude

"*touch not*" / απτεσθε / Pres Imper / adhere or cling to

*** Separate from idol worship and those that use idols**

Cf. I Cor. 10:21-23; Mal. 2:11; Ex. 34:16

***Separate from all who are carnal**

Cf. I Cor. 5:9-13; Psalm 26:4-5,9; Psalm 106:35

***Separate from the influences of the world system**

Cf. James 4:4; Psalm 101:3

***Separate from disorderly brethren**

Cf. 2 Thess. 3:6,11,14; I Cor. 5:11