

Fault-finding has to Cease

Father has issued instructions that all fault-finding and finger-pointing is to cease in the behaviour of his sons. This directive may have been released by some in the form of prophetic messages, but the instance I'm referring to was through the training that Kriston Couchey received from him.¹ Mike Parsons also received instruction in this area, but mainly in regard to judging others, taking offence and forgiving/releasing.² When Rick Joyner was schooled during a prophetic dream in 1995,³ he was shown the enemy's demon troops which he personally called "The hoards of hell"⁴. Interestingly, the weapons they used to destroy people included fault-finding:

*"The weapons carried by this horde were also named. The swords were named Intimidation; the spears were named Treachery; and the arrows were named Accusation, Gossip, Slander, and Faultfinding."*⁵

In other words, Father's instruction to us is not a new direction in 2022 – he's wanted it all along.

For me, I took on-board Father's instructions to Kriston as I thought of my life and how I've actually allowed fault-finding and finger-pointing to have a place since reading 'The Final Quest'. I haven't really wanted to be involved in either of them, but as I allowed the Spirit to show me where I had done so, it became clear that I still had a way to go to get them cleared out of my life. As a consequence, I've allowed Father to clean me out, as I daily surrender to him for his cleansing processes.

Fault-finding is always look for faults in others, focusing on those faults &/or majoring on faults, rather than on others' good points.

Finger-pointing, in this case, is unrighteously judging others, making a point of it, and bringing it out in the open. In that regard, it's the end result of the activity of fault-finding.

Both these activities are components of making negative judgements about other people. However, we know we are called to make appropriate judgements about others in the *ekklesia*, in situations of oversight and in the family.⁶ These judgements are meant to be righteous judgements, not unrighteous ones. Unrighteous judgements come from the wrong heart attitude, where the attitudes towards the person being judged, or what they are guilty of, are unloving. Simply put, from Father's perspective, the wrong heart attitude is anything other than his love. But, his love is not human love or *agapē* love. His love flows from us when he puts it into us through our intimacy, oneness and time spent with him. Judging out of his heart is the only time that our judgements are acceptable to him.

When we operate outside of Father's love, we give the enemy room to operate. It's true, however, that a person who is properly judged out of Father's heart for a fault, can still react negatively and allow the enemy room. That's a different instance altogether. With fault-finding and finger-pointing (which we are looking at in this article), the issue is with the person making the judgement and what they do with it, not the receiver. At the foundational level, criticism and the critical spirit are the basis of fault-finding and finger-pointing, and these have no place in the Kingdom. Critiquing is appropriate when it's done in the right attitude, and so is criticism offered for righteous purposes. Both these can produce spiritual growth in the receiver.⁷

1 – Kriston Couchey (2021) "An Adventurer's Guide To The Next Age: A prophetic journey out of religion into union with God"

www.amazon.com.au/ADVENTURERS-GUIDE-NEXT-AGE-prophetic-ebook/dp/B097LYMLMG [Kindle ed: End of Chapter 6]

2 – Mike Parsons (2018) "My Journey Beyond Beyond: An autobiographical record of deep calling to deep in pursuit of intimacy with God"

www.amazon.com.au/My-Journey-Beyond-autobiographical-intimacy-ebook/dp/B07K1LYTTF

[Kindle ed: Chapter 'Beyond Separating and Reintegrating Soul and Spirit']

3 – Rick Joyner (1996) "The Final Quest" Part 1 [now in "The Final Quest Trilogy"]

www.amazon.com.au/Final-Quest-Book-ebook/dp/B003X4M6IE

4 – This is Christian-ese. It's based on Christian jargon, rather than spiritual reality.

5 – Rick Joyner (2017) "The Final Quest Trilogy" www.amazon.com.au/Final-Quest-Trilogy-Rick-Joyner-ebook/dp/B06XFW7FGQ

6 – "Judging Others" canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/Judging-Others.pdf

7 – "Criticism Can Bring Growth if Handled Properly"

charismamag.com/blogs/propheticfire/criticism-can-bring-growth-if-handled-properly

Here's what Kriston learnt from Father about judging:

Passing judgment is solely the domain of our heavenly Father. But as his children we are to judge or discern things constantly as it pertains to people and situations. The ability to make judgments (discern) is an aspect of being created in the image of God.

There are two types of judgment: false judgments made by the soul of man, and righteous judgments inspired by the Holy Spirit within. True Spirit-inspired correction is long overdue in the ecclesia, but we will not be able to bring correction without repenting of all attitudes of false judgments first.

There is a massive difference between 'finger pointing' and speaking the truth by the Holy Spirit that confronts or convicts. The church has for so long passed judgment according to the flesh, that they have confused true correction with the finger pointing of men. Finger pointing causes division. It is the nature of the accuser to expose the errors and weakness of others through finger pointing. You cannot speak a Spirit-truth that confronts and convicts if you are still finger pointing.

Our Father desires to teach us to walk in righteous discernment from hearts cleansed of finger pointing.

There is a difference between the pure in heart who have simply been taught false doctrine and practices, and those who are promoting, teaching, and proselytizing with false doctrine or practices from a root of self-interest. We should not be harshly censoring and correcting people with pure hearts who are seeking to know God but are still on the journey out of religion.

While not compromising truth; we must learn to honor and give grace to brothers and sisters who are pure of heart. Yet we must also know by the Holy Spirit what must not be tolerated in the ecclesia, and we must not fear to confront on the level of public or private platform upon which it is promoted. If evil seed is spread broadly, it must be dealt with broadly.”⁸

The need to cease fault-finding and finger-pointing is paramount if we are to move deeper into oneness, Those negativities are a couple of the buffers which prevent Father's love from filling us to overflowing. We don't know these are obstructing us because we've been programmed by religion to look at our 'sin'. However, we don't realise that sin is essentially anything that doesn't align with Father's character,⁹ so we miss identifying many of the things that are hindrances and they remain hidden from our notice.

If we're going to carry the glory as manifest sons, and if we're going to impact the world to bring about The Restoration of All things, it's imperative that we operate with Father's heart and release his love wherever we are. Kriston was also taught about this, especially in relation to any inappropriate stance against religion and legalism, because Father is interested in restoration and reconciliation, not destruction:

“I must confess I have received a profound heart change and done much repentance lately. Many have been waiting for a kingdom outpouring that will sweep the nations. I tell you without question that when it comes, it will ONLY be revealed in its fullness when it is released as a 'Wave of Love', laying down its life for others.

I am not impressed with prophecies, doctrines, and gifts, but rather, I am impressed with one's ability to tear down the strongholds in the hearts of men with transforming Love!

If we are not a true and living expression of Father and His kingdom, what good does it do us to preach the kingdom? I do not know about you, but I am done with pointing of the finger. I am done with ruminating on the wrongs done me by the 'organized church' and its leaders.

I am rather choosing to lay my life down for religious men. I will cry out REPENT! But it will not be with a heart of anger over the way in which I have been treated, it will be with a heart of brokenness for the way in which the enemy has killed, stolen and destroyed the people of God.”¹⁰

8 – Kriston Couchey (2021) “An Adventurer's Guide To The Next Age: A prophetic journey out of religion into union with God” www.amazon.com.au/ADVENTURERS-GUIDE-NEXT-AGE-prophetic-ebook/dp/B097LYMLMG [Kindle ed: Start of Chapter 7]

9 – “What Really is Sin?” canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/What-Really-is-Sin.pdf

10 – Kriston Couchey (2021) “An Adventurer's Guide To The Next Age: A prophetic journey out of religion into union with God” www.amazon.com.au/ADVENTURERS-GUIDE-NEXT-AGE-prophetic-ebook/dp/B097LYMLMG [Kindle ed: End of Chapter 6]

Hmmm. That's different.

It appears that the old adage of "Look for the good in others", which we may have dismissed when it was recited to us by our mother or grandmother, needs to become a fixture in our mind (although, not in a puritanical way, as a legalistic rule).

Not focusing on other people's faults is much like the Kingdom principle of not focusing on the enemy, or on the evil around us. When we concentrate on the negative, from the standpoint of religious holiness, negativity begins to taint us so we move more and more away from Father's ways of relating to others. Its very easy to slip into seeing all the negativity and becoming negative ourselves as a consequence, especially if we ruminat¹¹ on the negative by thinking about it and mulling over it in our mind.



I know one of my roles is to assist as many as possible to leave religion and bring them into the reality of life as a Kingdom son. But I need to operate in that area with Father's heart, mind and love. That means I need to be extra careful when writing about the religious church system. I must make sure I speak and write with grace, but with apostolic authority.

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(Readers will need to look up for themselves any scriptures alluded to in this document)

11 – To turn a matter over and over in the mind. www.thefreedictionary.com/ruminate