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“Freedom for Security, and this for Slavery”

“Now they did not understand that he called God his father...”

“...Then Jesus said to those Jews that believed him: If you continue in my word, you shall be my disciples indeed:

*“And you shall know the truth, **and the truth shall make you free.***

“They answered him: We are the seed of Abraham, and we have never been slaves to any man; how sayest thou, You shall be free?”

“Jesus answered them: Amen, amen I say unto you, that whosoever committeth sin, is servant of sin.” (John 8, 27, 31-34)

Human life is full of contrarieties between our Creator and -our-selves- creatures. Indeed, He has one will, and we another; He declares one thing to be good for us, and we like to fancy other objects to be good for us, many times no useful for salvation. Actually, men play games with human life in the modern world, not only installing an industry of Abortion and Euthanasia but also in framing a market for Human Traffic. Is there a difference between Slavery and Human Traffic, affecting Freedom and Safety in today's world after the 9/11 event?

In his touching letter to Philemon, while fully recognizing the claims of the master, the Apostle Saint Paul exhorts to receive Onesimus [this name means useful], not only as his slave but also as his brother in Christ. While pleading for the slaves he does not exempt him from the lawful service he owes to his master. This brief Epistle of twenty-five verses has served as a guiding principle to the Church in her solution of the slave issue. It has contributed to immensely alleviate the miseries of humanity, immersed both in pagan practices (witchcraft) and esoteric cults.

Slavery has always been an issue to the human life. As a chain reaction, the rejection of almighty God had developed a dominating power in the conduct of men, as an individual and social domain as well. Slavery in its most odious form is still openly upheld in some countries. As it was before in Paganism, it is now in the Neo Pagan World with its naturalistic worship and anti-naturalistic customs in today's society. Let's remember that social events and problems are characteristic standards to evaluate the moral and religious attitude in families and nations like those modern social problems of Divorce Families and Same Sex Partners; like Abortion and Euthanasia; like Slavery and Human Traffic, and so forth...

Among very many occupations of human life, transactions of worldly business and speculation in trade are attractive to men during our existence on earth. Doubtless to say ambitious people encounter public occurrences to rouse degeneration and degradation of our human nature - creatures made in the likeness of God.

Many unhappy men, denying the need of God, reduce themselves to unnatural tendencies of pleasure, as any other mental injury as well, not according to our dignity as rational beings. What is to be thought in people who are ever on the search after novelties to make human life interesting to them? It seems to be that Christian activity cannot be kept up without un-Christian arrogance. Can we doubt that man's will runs contrary to God's will in today's world in regards to our eternal destiny?

Numberless amount of slaves were/acquired by military conquest. Many others are purchased in the slavery-market, or obtained by kidnapping. Children were/are being sold by impoverished or sordid traders; men are sold for debt or for gambling problem, and certain crimes were/are punished by perpetual servitude, including the lost of one's life.

As a matter of fact, Tacitus –Roman historian- said, *“an atrocious law ordained if a master was murdered, all the slaves of his house-hold, excepting those in chains and helpless invalids, should be put to death.”* (Annal. XIII, 32)

The wretched condition of slaves in pagan customs is often more intolerable by aggravating circumstances. In true, Kidnapping and Prostitution are most injurious influences on population in restraining physical freedom, but even worse in promoting sinful belligerence against Our Lord Jesus Christ's teaching. There are men who denigrate labor; increase idleness; and foster immorality, which are characteristic vices among Pagan nations.

For instance, slave marriage was not recognized by civil law. Their union was regarded only as a “living-together,” and they had no parental rights over their children, who belong exclusively to the master. So, the words of adultery, incest, polygamy, had no meaning for them. Are these words also meaningless for us?

Many people are enticing themselves from their easy-going life. They debarred others from honest toil, branding a stigma on them. They are betaking themselves to corrupting professions, including political spies and religious chatters. Therefore, debauchery and corruption of morals had been the worst features of depicting Slavery in one way. And this is the case of our modern society. Human Traffic is a problem, a very serious issue of today's world.

Perhaps "Human Traffic" sounds different but is it the same thing than slavery. In fact, from Europe to Asia, and from Africa to America, there is an infra structure of social network that contributes each in favorite vice to swell the common tide of depravity. All soon, an E-commerce became indoctrinated in the iniquity of their fellow members. Such marketing denied those privileges of a lawful family, and plunged into the lowest depths of sensuality. Some mothers had ceased to train their own children. They had neither inclination nor capacity for such duties. The instructions of the youth are entrusted to electronics nannies, mistresses of violence and selfish pleasures.

As result of the social declining in which today's life is imbued, we are amply avenged by the moral degradation, not only in each individual and family but also as a whole society and nation. There are men and women, children and adults at the merciless expenses of unscrupulous gangs with terrible consequences of initiating them into different species of vice.

With no protection, some people are abused by such modern psychological warfare of the social network. Taught from childhood to adulthood, news and truths are manipulated, and no seldom distorted from reality.

Years ago, in a certain extend, religion and political-power-game worked as driving force of slavery. But in our times sensuality and witchcraft are leading to a different level of power and satanic worship.

Those worldly accomplishments are seducing mankind into an excessive love of oneself, in abandoning God and in detriment of the love of our neighbor. We are too well inclined by nature to live by convenience sake, rather than by faith.

In this perspective, then, economic revenue is sufficient to seduce someone even more. When the vanities and pretentious ambitions lead people to love the materialistic ungodly world. Other people make the most of their time by plunging into an excess of sensual personal gratification. Others try to forget their human misery, both material and spiritual, in a continued round of intoxicating pleasures (drug-alcohol). No wonder why repeatedly we see that, no satisfying pleasures or interacting with meaningless persons, many of them often take refuge in a suicidal attitude. Suicide is unfortunately too frequently committed in our times, because they have emancipated themselves from truth in religion and in principle of life. They became SLAVES of passions and vices, and therefore they have despaired of losing their real freedom and security. If self-destruction is so common in nowadays, it is because divine revelation is not part of human life. Absolutely, the existence of God as Creator of Human Life is to be restored in our daily duties. It is only through Our Lord Jesus Christ's redemption that Mankind will realize their ultimate end of human life.

In concluding, here is an analogy: **as the Jews in the time of Christ became carnal-minded even by the influence of their divinely-appointed system, and thereby rejected the Savior of their souls; in like manner, modern men of today's world are hardened by looking the created things by God but forgetting their Creator for the rejection of Jesus Christ!**

So, if we would like to be in the world to come, we must be back to our Creator, for we cannot expect that the present system of human inter-action will be back to God without practicing the Ten Commandments. It is a plain matter of self-interest in eternal salvation, to turn our thoughts to the means of changing our mind and heart, and to take seriously care of our duty towards Our Lord Jesus Christ. Woe to us, if we make pride or selfishness, our standard of human life without practicing Catholic Faith.

Indeed, familiarity with the ungodly modern world makes men discontented with Christian doctrine. Let's reject the slavery of sin-world-devil. As Saint John said, the truth shall make you free!

Viva Cristo Rey!

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