



A light to my path. Psalm 119:105

Do Not Deceive Anyone!

Deception is to persuade someone that what is false is really true. The person doing the persuading is a bearer of false witness. Telling another something that is false, as though it were true, is not a river of living water. They are a river of death. Jesus cautioned his disciples to be careful that no one deceived them (Luke 24:4, NKJV). Paul told the brethren of the Corinthian church not to be deceived by other brethren. He said, “Evil company corrupts good habits.” Paul wanted them to awaken to righteousness, not sin (1 Corinthians 15:33-34). Deceiving others was widespread in Paul’s time, for he also told the Galatians, Colossians, and Timothy to be aware of deception and not to deceive others (Galatians 6:7, Colossians 2:8, 2 Timothy 3:13). Peter also wrote in his letters to lay aside all deceit (1 Peter 2:1).

Beloved, God knows when we are being deceived. He knows when we are persuading someone to be deceived. It does not surprise him. He has told us what we do or say to one another will come back to us. Our response to someone who has deceived us is to tell them their fault. If they repent, then consider the matter settled. If they do not listen, then take one or more witnesses so they can hear more truth. Should the person refuse to change, then give them to Jesus (Matthew 18:17).

Shalom!!

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