

I'm sure, but not well-thought-out or prayed-out criticisms & objections to a few harmless statements made in one of these Letters.

2. I'm sure you just do not realise the seriousness of delaying, objecting to or criticising the Words of God's Prophet, even those which do not come in a direct revelatory night-time, right straight-out-of-the-sky prophecy. As a result of being more concerned with yourselves & your own interests, you have completely discouraged God's Prophet from giving out any of the Words that are desperately needed, & you are hindering God's Work from going forward & making the progress God wants it to make.

3. We have all been guilty of this at some time or another, myself included, & perhaps I know better than any of you the horrible results of letting the Devil use any of us to discourage David. You who have lived with him for so long should surely realise this by now & should try your very best to only encourage & uplift him, & only in cases of extreme urgency or life-or-death matters & only after much prayer, write or say or do anything that would enable you to be a tool of the Opposition. There is a very delicate balance, & one little word can tip the scales either for or against, either to encouragement or to discouragement.

4. You should not take advantage of the great love you know he has for you, & how he'll do almost anything to protect you & comfort you & do what you request—you should not use this to protect your own interests to the loss of saving others & supplying their needs.

5. None of us likes to be exposed to those under us, & that is exactly what some Letters will do & are doing. But if our exposure will further the Work of God & save His Kingdom & encourage others, can we not make that sacrifice?

6. None of us are perfect & we all make mistakes & we all need to be exposed for our own sakes & so that others may be helped thereby. I'm no saint either, as you all know, & my sins have had to be made manifest to the World, things which I know now have been a much greater help to others than they have been a small embarrassment to me.

7. I become very grieved sometimes when I see the m 1
Letters going out to you leaders, because I know that many of these lessons given to you & the many hours spent on reading & answering your mail will go no further than yourselves, which I suppose is natural, seeing there are only a handful of you.

8. But when I think of what the results could be if thousands of kids all over the World were taught the same lessons and given the same tender loving care as you are, it astounds me, and I know the results would be fantastic if others had the same opportunity as you and I to sit at the Prophet's feet & learn the ways of the Lord! (You now do, PTL!—Thanks to Maria! GBH!—D.)

9. So when we are reluctant to let these lessons be passed on & when we are responsible for withholding the Words from the World, just because of our fear of being exposed, it's going to bear bad fruit somewhere along the line! God's Prophet becomes discouraged, I become very angry sometimes, God's little sheep become leaderless, & though He gives you (or me, as the case may be) the desires of our hearts, He sends leanness to our souls (Psa.106:15), because we have not shared the lessons He has taught us through our problems & trials, the very reason why He lets us go through these, so others could be warned & avoid the same pitfalls & so we could comfort others with the comfort with which we are comforted.

10. I think we all need to realise that one of the reasons we have so many failings & make so many mistakes is so we can be dandy bad examples of what not to do, & others can learn from us. An example is something or someone who is held up before others so they can see it, not hid in the dark free from exposure.

11. I think one of the most inspiring things Faith ever had printed was her confession to the kids at Bromley of how she & the other shepherds there had failed them. It was one of the most encouraging & inspiring examples of a good shepherdess, who, even though she had made mistakes, she was willing to confess them & humbly ask for their forgiveness, & show them by so doing how they were to be with their sheep. I think I loved her