

November 2014 Newsletter – Dealing With Emotions – Review

Human emotions are very strong and we need to learn to deal with them spiritually. God created Adam's soul perfect and complete; it was created to have a perfect soul interaction with God, with other people and with a female counterpart, even though she did not yet exist. His soul was formatted to be able to interact with his right female, who did not exist at that time, so it lie dormant. But when *Yahweh Elohim* created her from his rib and brought her to him, then that aspect of his soul was now activated.

The mental and emotional aspect of this interaction of the soul is called love. It was a perfect love and not to be confused with what people experience today. When Adam sinned against God he died spiritually, but his soul was still formatted to the human love of RM-RW, but now because of his newly acquired sinful nature that love became distorted and no longer operated as originally created to do.

Adam's newly acquired emotional dimension of love for Eve, this new part of his soul that had been opened up when the woman was brought to him became such a strong factor in Adam's soul that he chose for love by choosing to go along with the woman, instead of choosing for obedience to God and his spiritual fellowship with the Lord.

Adam and Eve had a soul love relationship with each other, but they also had a spiritual dynamic relationship with the Lord, which was far superior and which also made the soul love relationship with each other possible! It is important to note that a soul love relationship must stem, first of all, from our spiritual communion with God! The mistake that most people make is that they think all they need in life is to have a soul love relationship with the opposite sex and forget about having that spiritual communion with their Creator.

This is one of the major concepts that needs to be dealt with in dealing with our emotions, for no matter how great and pleasant your soul love is with your right man or right woman it will never replace your need to maintain your spiritual life dynamic with the Lord. In fact, soul love relationships are one of the blessings that come from our communion with the Lord. If you're in a bad relationship, or none at all, we have to get it through our heads that soul love is not going to solve our problems!

Jesus Christ did not create the man and the woman to go off and have a soul love relationship with each other apart from him! He created them to have fellowship with him and their soul love relationship was dependent on that. “*And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.*” Genesis 2:22 Their joy, peace and capacity to enjoy life did not proceed from their love for each other, but from their spiritual fellowship with God.

When Eve ate the fruit, Adam was still loving Eve, but Eve was no longer loving Adam for she had sinned and subsequently acquired a fallen nature and that ruined her capacity for the love she once had and enjoyed with her right man! When a wife is not in submission to her husband's authority, she does not have the capacity to love him or respect him. A wife that tries to control her husband destroys the love in their relationship. Love is the first casualty in the war of who's boss in the home; the battles ruin it. Human love creates problems; *agape* love solves them. Human love, even when it's good, is often a distraction from the spiritual life. Christians who are always looking for soul love will never get with living in the spiritual life dynamic and end up being a loser in life. The Christian's first priority is to develop a spiritual love relationship with Christ, not someone of the opposite sex. Adam and Eve had a perfect love relationship before the Fall, but afterward it became something that we all experience and know so well.

Much of the anger problems believers experience in life proceed out of wanting to have a soul love relationship (being in love) and not having it. Remember: **Lust delayed produces frustration. Lust denied produces anger!**

Anger is a problem for all people, believers included, and it needs to be recognized and dealt with. One of the analogies we can use to explain it is the **grenade** concept. We often use the expression “they just blew up” to explain an outburst of anger by someone, so a grenade helps explain the workings of anger. To explode a grenade one must first pull the pin, be sure to throw it away from you, and then it will blow up. The pulling of the pin ignites the fuse, the fuse burns down, it ignites the charge, the charge first implodes, then it explodes sending its fragments outward.

It is our pride that pulls the pin. Pride being the mental attitude that reacts to negative external stimuli: things that we do not like, or things that we don't want to do. It's not really about the things themselves as to whether they are good or bad, they could even be the will of God, the problem is the rebellious will and it's that part of the fallen nature that doesn't want to do something.

Once we react to something out of a personal sense of pride, then our fuse starts to burn; it can be slow-burning or a fast burn, but once it starts to burn, then the inevitable result will be an **explosion** of anger. But before the explosion there will be an **implosion** where our anger turns inward on ourselves ravaging our own souls, then outward on those around us. But God does not want us to live in anger, but in love. “*But now ye also put off all these; **anger**, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.*” Colossians 3:8 “*Let all bitterness, and **wrath**, and **anger**, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.*” Ephesians 4:31,32

The emotions of wrath and anger come from our fallen natures, while love comes from our new natures. Love is from God, who is the God of love, *agape* love that is. “*Beloved, let us love one another: for **love** is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.*” 1 John 4:7 While wrath and anger come from Satan! “*Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great **wrath**, (megas thumos), because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.*” Revelations 12:12

We can see the anger dynamic operating in the devil in this passage where we have the devil's lust denied resulting in anger. The intensity of his anger, great wrath, is there as the result of the level of his pride! He is the king of pride of the entire universe! “*He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children of **pride**.*” Job 41:34

We see Satan's pride reflected in his will to place his throne above the throne of God in heaven. “*For thou hast said in thine heart, **I will** ascend into heaven, **I will** exalt my throne above the stars of God: **I will** sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: **I will** ascend above the heights of the clouds; **I will** be like the most High.*” Isaiah 14:13,14 We also see the element of jealousy in all this. So we have pride, jealousy and anger all found in this rebellious angel.

So in dealing with our emotions, we must not overlook the activity that Satan or his demons can have in them. He can fill believers with an overwhelming sense of dread and fear; he can stimulate us to illicit sexual arousal; and he can fill our hearts with bitterness and anger “*But Peter said, Ananias, why hath **Satan filled thine heart** to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?*” Acts 5:3 “*But he turned, and said unto Peter, **Get thee behind me, Satan:***” Matthew 16:23a

There are quite a few Pastors who deny this concept of Satan being able to arouse lusts, passions and sinful emotions in believers; basically they lay the total blame for all this at the believer's feet in the operation of the sin nature dwelling in our flesh. But what does the Word have to say? Satan incited David to take a census of the fighting men of Israel, which caused guilt in the non-military Israelites. *“And Satan stood up against Israel, and **provoked** David to number Israel.”* 1 Chronicles 21:1

The word for **provoke** is *suth*, (some have it as *saweth*), and it has been translated as to provoke, to incite or to instigate. It had the idea of being converted or changed from one course or behavior to the **opposite one**. The Greek takes it as *apatao* or *exapatao*, to deceive or to seduce. It has the idea of to move or mislead someone into doing something that was against his will and original intention.

It was not a word of force or pressure, but rather one of persuasion and that along the lines of seductive or enticing persuasion. It is the word used to describe the dynamic when friends or other believers try to get doctrinal believers away from the Word; when men are faced with the temptress that men are to avoid; and for the devil attacking the people of God.

The devil will put thoughts in the mind, as we have seen with David, ideas that are not biblical; and he will try to arouse the emotions, the passions and the OSN to try to get us to do what we would not normally do. The devil put thoughts in the mind of Peter, when he told the Lord that this wouldn't happen. *“Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee. But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, **Satan**: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.”* Matthew 16:22,23

Satan filled Ananias' heart to lie to the Holy Spirit. *“But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, why hath **Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land?**”* Acts 5:1-3

We see this with Eve in the Garden. Eve lusted for power; she wanted to have the control of things. But from where did she get that idea? It was Satan operating along the lines of suggestion that put those ideas in her head. We don't know what the serpent had talked to Eve about before this time, but we do know what he said in Genesis 3. *“For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.”* Genesis 3:5

The Apostle Peter warns us to be on the alert for Satan's activity in our lives, to be mentally sober, to not be getting into our emotions, about worry, and the problem of pride and being in submission to God's authority. *“Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:”* 1 Peter 5:5-8

We have studied about Asaph in Psalms 73 and how he become bitter, (an emotion), over the prosperity of the wicked. He had become so bitter that he stayed away from Bible Doctrine that was being taught in the temple; so bitter that he had no fellowship with God, even to the place of being like a senseless beast before the Lord. So what did he do? He went back to the temple, got right with God, got back under the teaching of God's Word and began **recovering from the emotional revolt of his soul**. Only the spiritual life dynamic that God has provided will enable us to do that!

The emotional complex of the flesh nature will keep us away from the joy and peace of God found living in the spiritual life dynamic, but at the same time the spiritual life dynamic will keep us away from the destructive effect of the emotional complex of the soul!

We all know the story of **Jonah** and how God had wanted him to go the Ninevites and preach the Gospel to them, which would have been a ministry of the spiritual life dynamic. But Jonah hated the Ninevites, because they were so wicked, that in anger he headed off in another direction. God intervened in the matter; caused a great storm to come up; he was thrown overboard; a large fish swallowed him; and after he had a change of mental attitude over the whole matter and decided to do God's will the fish vomited him up on the shores of Ninevah.

Jonah's anger, which is an emotion of the flesh nature, shut down all spiritual activity in his soul and its physical expression. But God worked in such a way that Jonah was compelled to do what God wanted him to do in spite of his childish anger. One way or the other God can get us to do what he wants us to do only it's better to be willing in the matter. And after it was all over Jonah was still angry because he wanted God to destroy them! So we have wrath, anger, implacability, a non-grace mental attitude, vindictiveness, resistance, rebellion, unforgiveness, etc..

The key to all this is not being focused on our emotions, or living in our emotions, or trying to detect certain emotions, or self analysis, but to be focused on living in the spiritual life dynamic each day! For when we do that we will minimize our involvement in the emotional complex of the soul and the effect that the indwelling sin nature has upon them. And when and if we do get caught up in our feelings, we will know what to do to get back into the spiritual life dynamic. It's about developing spiritual self discipline to keep us on track.

In every case in the Bible we find that when believers get away from the spiritual life dynamic, they always end up being controlled by their emotions. And they can only get free of them, when they get back to faith in the Word of God. David was so afraid of Achish king of Gath that he feigned insanity. *“And David arose, and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to Achish the king of Gath. And the servants of Achish said unto him, Is not this David the king of the land? did they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands? And David laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid of Achish the king of Gath. And he changed his behaviour before them, and feigned himself mad in their hands, and scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard.”* 1 Samuel 21:10-13

God has established a procedure that we must precisely follow for us to live in the spiritual life. We must know exactly what the Word teaches and we must follow it exactly. And our emotions are not a part of it! Our emotions are a part of the fallen nature that we received from Adam, while the spiritual life is from God and is found only in the new nature and the filling of the Holy Spirit. Yet today most Christians live in their emotions and most churches cater to their emotions!

When we deal with the various emotions that we have in the flesh: fear, anger, guilt, grief, jealousy, human love and human happiness; we must follow the applicable problem solving devices to handle them. If we don't, then we end up failing to live in the spiritual life and will be kept in the grip of these emotions that devastate our souls! Emotions have no common sense, no ability to think rationally, no ability to think along the lines of Bible Doctrine. They are a blind force that affects and controls our lives and if not checked by the spiritual life dynamic, they will always lead us away from the plan and will of God for our lives.

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The emotion of human love is a very powerful force causing most people on earth, believers as well as unbelievers, to search for their right man or right woman, to find their “soul mates”. But what they fail to see is that a RM-RW relationship is a blessing of Bible Doctrine and that its successful enjoyment is dependent upon both the RM and the RW being **positive to doctrine!**

And even if a RM-RW relationship exists in marriage, and even if the two “enjoy” each other's company, that relationship will never supply what their souls need! Only spiritual fellowship with Christ over his Word will provide what their souls need! The man must be positive to BD, obey the Lord and exercise his authority and leadership in the home. The woman must be positive to BD, obey the Lord and respect her husband's authority by following his lead.

The problem is, as it was with Eve, that the woman lusts to not be under her husband's authority and to control the home and the relationship. For a RM-RW relationship to work this matter has to be straightened out to be in conformity to what the Lord says. And that includes that the man has to love his wife and treat her as the weaker vessel.

The woman was created by God to be a responder and helper to her husband, but where she went wrong was by responding to the serpent, instead of her husband! She did this so she could get what she wanted and that was **control!** And even though Eve was Adam's RW; she was leading him into sin, disobedience, and away from BD and his fellowship with the Lord! For the relationship of RM and RW to work, which is the epitome of human love on earth, then both must be positive to BD, fulfill their individual roles, make the right choices and live in the spiritual life dynamic.

Being RM-RW puts a couple in the position of being able to really enjoy their marriage and life itself, but there's no guarantee that they will. There are many factors that can destroy a marriage, as we have all seen here in America, where 52% of the first time marriages end in divorce in four years. And many RM-RW marriages have tragically ended in divorce, when it could have been prevented.

One major factor is that each one has an OSN and if they don't know how to deal with it spiritually, doctrinally, then it will destroy the enjoyment of the marriage and can actually in time destroy the marriage itself! At the same time we must also learn to protect the circle of the marriage union from the OSN's of other people! Which would include family and friends, as well as those on the sidelines.

Both the man and the woman need to have a large dose of practical realism and understand that marriage is not always about hearts and flowers and Hollywood's idea of romance! We will need to understand that we will be living with somebody else's old sin nature much of the time and will need to be able to handle that. The old time concept of courting was not just to discover the other person's personality, but their “quirks” to see if you want to live around that the rest of your life.

We need to understand what each other's roles are in marriage, which are explained in the Word of God not the cosmic viewpoint of the world system controlled by Satan. The **woman** needs to see that her husband is the authority in the home over her and the children and is to submit to his authority. “*Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.*” Ephesians 5:22 The **man** needs to see that he is to accept his leadership role and lead his family in love as unto the Lord, and that he is to love his wife as Christ loved the Church! “*Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;*” Ephesians 5:25

Personal **pride** on either party of the marriage union can negatively affect or destroy the marriage. She won't submit to his authority; he won't take the reins of biblical leadership; neither will forgive, anger, defiance, resentment; the list goes on. Pride not only destroys the well being of our souls; it can also destroy the marriage union, or at least the enjoyment of the marriage union.

Scar tissue in the soul of RM-RW can affect the marriage; it can lead to divorce, but it doesn't have to. Every believer has some scar tissue on their souls, but it doesn't have to lead to divorce, after all we did promise to be with them for the rest of our lives!

Negativity toward the Word of God, or living in the spiritual life dynamic by either of the mates will bring serious problems into the marriage union, for either the negative one will always be trying to pull the positive one away from living in the spiritual life to go after the things of the flesh or the world system, or there will always be strife and contention in the home. Often the negative one will leave the marriage. *“But if the unbelieving, (apistos), depart, **let him depart**. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such cases: but **God hath called us to peace**.”* 1 Corinthians 7:15

The Emotion Of Happiness

“I just want to be happy”, “I just want to have fun”. This may fly in the face of what everyone wants and pursues after, but the frantic pursuit for happiness is one of the main emotions that keeps us away from the true joy that God has provided every believer in Christ. *“I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with **mirth**, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.”* Ecclesiastes 2:1
“There is a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone.” Isaiah 24:11

The difference between happiness and joy is that **happiness** is an emotion produced in the flesh nature as the result of the individual experiencing something pleasant, fun, exhilarating, or by them getting to do what they want to do. It is an internal emotion brought about by pleasant external stimuli. While **joy** is a spiritual phenomenon brought about by the filling of the Holy Spirit in the believer's new nature. *“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, **joy**, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,”* Galatians 5:22

Happiness was something that both Adam and Eve experienced before the Fall, but after they sinned and were expelled out of the Garden whatever happiness they may have felt afterward was nothing like they originally experienced; it was flawed and fleeting. The happiness they did experience in the Garden came as the result of having innocent natures and their daily fellowship with the Lord over his Word. It wasn't something they possessed as an inherent quality.

One of their major mental errors, (or perhaps they had never thought of it), was that they could act independently of the Lord and they would be able to have the same happiness that they did before! Apparently they assumed that the things they experienced in the Garden before they sinned would continue on afterward! Just like they assumed that they would be able to continue on living in the Garden! It never entered their minds that they would be kicked out of the Garden! It never entered their minds that the love and happiness they experienced in the Garden would now be replaced by fear, anger and guilt!

What they had now was a distant memory of the happiness they once had in the Garden coupled with the desire to have it again, so they went out in life trying to garner what little happiness they could find in various ways, but it would never be the same as it was before. But God has something infinitely superior for all believers in Christ and that is to be able to experience the joy of the Lord.

After the Fall man still had the desire for happiness, but the inability to realize the joy they once had with the Lord. So man now embarks on the pursuit for happiness anyway they could find it. We see this frantic pursuit for happiness in Cain, (see in Solomon as well in Ecclesiastes 2:1-10), who being separated from Christ the Creator seeking some form of fulfillment and happiness in: marriage, sex, children, farming, ranching, agriculture, music, the arts and entertainment, manufacturing, industry, construction, the developing of a system of laws, residential construction, the building of cities and the establishment of religion.

It was Cain who built a city and named it after his son Enoch. What was the motivation for such a great undertaking? It was a sense of pride and the desire to find happiness. He didn't do it because it made him miserable; he did it because he **enjoyed** doing so! To enjoy is to find joy or happiness in something. It appears that his son Enoch developed a religious system under Satan for his name meant the Initiated One; probably very similar to the system developed by Cush under Satan after the flood, which mystery religion is called Babylon.

Three generations down from Enoch we see his great grandson Lamech, who had three sons: Jabal, Jubal and Tubal-Cain. Jabal was the father of all those in live in tents and raise livestock; father is to be taken in the sense of being the first one to do this. Lamech's boast to his two wives can also be taken as a statement of law saying in effect that it was legal for him to kill a man in self defense if attacked. *“And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt. If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.”* Genesis 4:23,24

There are millions living in America today who are not saved, or who are saved and not sitting under the Word, who get a form of happiness, pleasure, or satisfaction out of raising all kinds of animals. From llamas to dogs and cats, to birds, cattle, sheep and horses. Horses seem to be the big thing for the ego crowd. Some raise horses for breeding, some for the racing crowd, some for the rodeo circuit, while others raise sheep, pigs, cattle, etc.. What's wrong with that you say? Nothing is wrong with the animal itself; what is wrong is the substituting of these things for the daily fellowship with Christ over his Word! In all these you find those who are seeking human happiness and fulfillment in their area of interest or expertise.

Jubal was the first musician; the first one to go into the arts and entertainment. He probably made the first harp out of animal gut and the flute out of animal bones. Jubal's expertise was the making of music and the making of musical instruments. So why did he do it? One, is because he had an expertise in that area, and two, because he enjoyed doing it, that is, he found joy and satisfaction in doing it.

How many countless millions today enjoy listening to music? How many find happiness and pleasure in music? or TV? Now there's nothing wrong with music at all, that is real music, but the question is why aren't they seeking the joy that comes about as the result of fellowshiping with God through his Spirit? The problem is that these things become substitutes for the only thing that brings us joy and satisfaction for our souls and the only thing that matters and that is fellowship with God!

A more detailed look at **human happiness**, which the KJV translates as *mirth*, is that it is an emotion that includes the ideas of exhilarating, pleasing, festivity, frivolity, hilarity, hysteria, having a good time, horseplay, joking around, having some kicks, fun, (the obsession of most Americans today), exciting; it is the opposite of sadness and despair. It includes such things as: gladness, gaiety, laughter, cheer, merriment and amusement, such as what is found in amusement parks.

Even the people of God turned away from communion with God for the purpose of fun and games. *“Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.” 1 Corinthians 10:7* **Play** here is *paizo* and it meant to play like children especially in joking, singing and dancing, to jest, to be involved in sports, to amuse oneself.

Tubal-Cain's expertise was in the area of forging tools out of bronze and iron. He was adept in geology, mining, metallurgy, alloys, casting, weapons manufacturing, as well as making all kinds of tools that could be used in farming, ranching, hand tools, axes, saws, weapons, residential construction, masonry, etc.. Now homes, temples, buildings, ships, etc., could be built because of his expertise in tools. He was the prototype of all involved in the areas of manufacturing, trades and craftsmanship; and he did it because he enjoyed it.

But Tubal-Cain was like virtually every other person on earth in that they weren't interested in the Lord and the joy he had for them; they sought fulfillment and happiness in occupying themselves with the things of this life. And how many today are seeking to find happiness in swimming, boating, pleasurable pursuits, fishing, drinking, hunting, socializing, games, sports, sex, drugs, music, work, hobbies, recreation, entertainment, gambling, dancing, shopping, amusement parks, thrills, etc.?

But God has provided in his grace perfect joy to everyone who will come to his Son, Jesus Christ, in faith, and fellowship with him through his Word and faith and the filling of the Holy Spirit. But how many people run from the joy God has for them in a frantic search for human happiness? But human happiness, fun, doesn't fill the soul. Only spiritual joy fills the soul, strengthens the soul, edifies the soul. Fun, human happiness, is a temporary stimulus, but afterward it leaves the soul empty and wanting more; a greater thrill, a greater happiness, a greater kick, more fun, etc..

It is exactly like the phenomenon of drugs and people's addiction to them. They give people a thrill, a euphoric high where people feel happy for awhile, but after the drugs wears off, the people come down worse off than they were before. The only solution in the mind of the addict is to get more drugs, stronger drugs and stay high (happy) for a longer period of time. After awhile all they do is live to get high on drugs and so are those who live to have fun.

Solomon, who was seated in the position of tremendous wealth and power, sought to experience all the carnal pleasures that life has to offer and one of them was having fun. But he, too, realized that fun was only fleeting. *“I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with **mirth**, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity. I said of laughter, It is mad: and of **mirth**, What doeth it?” Ecc. 2:1,2*

Jeremiah prophesied God's judgment on the southern kingdom in Jeremiah 7:34, *“Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of **mirth**, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for the land shall be desolate.”* They, like the Americans today, were going about partying, banqueting, marriage celebrations having fun like the rest, but they had forgotten the Lord. *“For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.” Jeremiah 16:9* Jeremiah wasn't allowed to even associate with them; it was that bad. *“Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.” Jeremiah 16:8*

The prophet **Hosea** reveals the hypocrisy of Israel's religiosity in Hosea 2:11, *“I will also cause all her **mirth** to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.”*