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Wrestling with Scripture to our own destruction

Scripture Reading before Invocation Prayer: II Peter 3: 9 - 14 <u>Peace and Holiness</u>; without spot and blameless.

Scripture Lesson: II Peter 3: 15 - 18 What does it mean to be in error? When we wrestle with scripture, we are in <u>Great Danger of being Seduced</u> with the error of the wicked; and if not corrected it will be to our own destruction! If men corrupt the word of God it leads to their own destruction! Who changed the truth of God into a lie. (Romans 1: 24)

Subject: YE THEREFORE, BELOVED, SEEING THAT YE KNOW THESE THINGS BEFORE, BEWARE LEST YE ALSO, BEING LED AWAY WITH THE ERROR OF THE WICKED, FALL FROM YOUR OWN STEADFASTNESS. (II Peter 3: 17) KJV

Text: Ephesians 4: 14 - 15 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine. Truth and Love edifies the body and produces spiritual growth.

Love is a requirement for Spiritual growth as a Church and as individuals! To love God's way is a crushing of the will and a mortifying of the flesh! When we deny self then comes spiritual growth!

Introduction: St. Matthew 11: 16-19 We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced;....

Lesson Outline

- 1. St. Matthew 18: 21 35 delivered to the Tormentors (Wrestling...)
- 2. Romans 2: 1 11 when we condemn others, we condemn ourselves or Wrestle to our own destruction!
- 3. Hebrews 12: 14 –17 <u>Peace and Holiness. (1)</u> Peace with God through reconciliation through Christ, (2) Peace with our own consciences, (3) Peace with all men.
- 4. Titus 2: 1-8 that the word of God be not blasphemed (Wrestling)
- 5. Psalm 34: 12 19 seek Peace and pursue it = I Peter 3: 8 16 seek peace and ensue it.
- 6. Romans 5: 1-5 Peace with God. Peace is not the absence of war it is the presence of justice. Injustice causes conflict. "No Justice No Peace!" Justified by faith brought our peace.
- 7. Philippians 4: 6-7 (1) the Peace of God which passeth all understanding; (2) Peace of Mind