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Agog

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"When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek." Psalms 27:8

Agog meaning: Very curious or eager to hear or see something: "I'm all agog to hear that band".

Let us consider 'agog' in God's wonderful Word.

In the scriptures it tells where we can read about positive agogs and a negative agogs.

Let's look at the **negative agog**: those who have an eager ear and is ready to hear rumors and gossip. Busybodies; they look to see the bad in others, just so they can talk to others about it, it makes them feel better about themselves. Running to this person and that person just to spread the mess and create controversy. This tale-bearing is pure wickedness. It places people in boxes and ruins their character. It takes years to build character, it take a talebearer one time to ruin that character.

"The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly." Proverbs 18:8

"The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly." Proverbs 26:22

Do you ever wonder why the writer put this in twice? Probably for the admonition of the talebearer, and then, moreover for the admonition of the listener.

A talebearer would not have any grit if it wasn't for the other person to listen. The listener, most likely, are those who are quick to hear. It says those words will burn and stay within the body. Meaning the listener will not forget those words. Those words will change you, and to top it all off, whether those words are the truth or not, the listener will put those poor people into a box, and those victims of the talebearer will never get out of that box because they have no idea what was said about them to be able to defend themselves against the slander.

The listener is in a very dangerous place when they listen to a talebearer (gossiper). Be strong enough to stop the gossip.

"These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren." Proverbs 6:16-19

I dare say that all these six things have these three things in common:

- 1.) They are a matter of the heart.
- 2.) They all could be started with evil communications.
- 3.) They all can be corrected through true repentance

"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and



shall be turned unto fables.” 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Itching ears means they only want to hear what makes them feel better. Make me feel better pastor, preach only those things that don't bring conviction. Preach those things that cause my flesh feel better; that strokes my pride. There are many people in those churches because they cater to the masses. They don't preach Jesus' name, because Jesus requires obedience and itchy ears don't want obedience. They pride themselves that they made it to a church service which soothed their conscious. They're all agog about their church.

Now, let us focus on the **positive agog**: those who are eager to hear the Word of God and look to hear about the miracles that were prayed for, honest before God. Those listeners who go from person to person to tell them the good news they heard. They spread the Gospel to help other people realize the truth. They testify about the great works of Jesus Christ. As well as those who cannot wait to hear from God.

“For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.” Galatians 5:13

There will be some who just want to hear what they decide is the truth, and then there are those who want to hear the total truth.

“But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. [24] God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.” John 4:23-24

You see, when you are honest with your communication and honest when guarding your ears from listening to evil communications, and then you are doing right. Couple that with true worship and see what God has in store for you!

“Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.” Psalm 119:2

“Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.” Matthew 5:6

“But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.” Luke 11:28

Try your best and stand for truth.
Be drawn to the goodness of God!
And repent if you were living otherwise.

I'm all agog about Jesus Christ!

What you are all agog about?

“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.” Philippians 4:8

