THE DEVIL'S INFLUENCE OVER HIPHOP

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(Matthew 6:24)

Hiphop is an art form that communicates messages in a poetic manner. The art form of Hiphop is **NOT** bad but the messages that are promoted are often bad. The devil's influence is highly potent in this industry because he is influencing millions to idolize the riches of the world **OVER** God.

The origin of Hiphop was not centered around bragging about how much money you have. It was centered around social change. The primary focus of **TODAY'S** Hiphop is to draw people **AWAY** from serving God and **LEAD THEM TOWARD SERVING MONEY**. When a person is led to serve money, they have become an enemy to God!

WHEN MONEY BECOMES YOUR MASTER

The devil is engineering the message of Hiphop to be focused on chasing money. Money is a necessity for us to survive in this world. To that end, I am not diluting it's importance but I am explaining the **POSITION** that money has taken within this specific industry. Making money has become the **MOST IMPORTANT** thing in the Hiphop industry. Consequently, when anything takes precedence **OVER** God, it has become your **MASTER**. Nearly 95% of the Hiphop artists **DO NOT** serve God. They serve money.

Think about it! The **REASON** a lot of rappers degrade women with their lyrics is because this particular type of language will sell lots of records to the public. Thus, making them lots of money. The **REASON** rappers rhyme about every **NEGATIVE** aspect of life is because the record labels tell them that it will be accepted by the public and make them a lot of money. The **REASON R&B** singers are **WILLING** to degrade themselves, by wearing

raunchy clothing and dancing like strippers, is because sex sells. Why are the artists in the Hiphop community willing to make a fool of themselves? Because people will **PAY** to see foolishness. When money has become your master, **GOD HAS BECOME YOUR ENEMY**!

ARE YOU A SERVANT TO MONEY?

- If money STOPS you from doing the right thing, money is your master.
- If money CONTROLS how you behave in public, money is your master.
- If money DICTATES what you can and can not say, money is your master.
- If money CONTROLS your ability to stand with the truth or kneel before a lie, money is your master.
- If money INFLUENCES you to agree with what is wrong and reject what is right, money is your master.

- If money CONTROLS how you treat people, money is your master.
- If money CONTROLS your loyalty, money is your master.
- If money CONTROLS who you would or would not help, money is your master.

So many of our Hiphop artists sell out their **OWN** communities and degrade themselves because money is their master. Money tells them what to do, when to do it and how to do it. When money is your master, **ALL OF YOUR ACTIONS WILL BE MOTIVATED ON THE BASIS OF MAKING MONEY**. A lot of our young men and women are being sucked into this demonic vacuum.

The message of the Hiphop community has persuaded the millennial generation to chase money **OVER** God. This demonic epidemic has spread worldwide, impacting different professions across the world. In this day and age,

you will find very few people who will do things from their heart. This is very unfortunate as the god of money has taken dominion on the earth. In earlier years people would preach because they were called by God but now people preach because they are getting paid. People would rap because they wanted their voices to be heard but now everybody wants to rap because it's big business.

IF MONEY CONTROLS YOUR MOTIVE, GOD IS NOT YOUR MASTER!

GOD OR MONEY

Matthew 6:24

You cannot serve God **AND** money. You must choose who will be Lord in your life. You must choose who will have the greatest influence over you. Will the voice of God control your behavior or will the accumulation of money control your behavior? Are you a slave to being paid? The scripture says, "No one can serve two masters. The person

will HATE one master and love the other, or will follow one master and refuse to follow the other. You cannot serve both God & worldly riches."

Do you realize that when money becomes your master, it symbolizes your **HATE** for God? You may not verbally tell God that you hate Him, but when you are **CONTROLLED BY THE THOUGHT** of money, your actions will validate your hatred towards God. It does not matter if you go to church and lift your hands in worship or hustle in the streets. If money has **MORE** influence in your life than the voice of God, **YOU ARE AN ENEMY TO GOD!!**

The devil has infiltrated the art form of Hiphop in an effort to destroy future generations of young adults. This demonic spirit has covered the minds of millions across the globe. If you have been **SEDUCED** by this demonic spirt, ask God for forgiveness and **REPENT** by changing your ways and putting Him as the dominant influence in your life. You will have many enemies in your lifetime **BUT** the one enemy you **DO NOT** want to inherit is God.

CHASE GOD, NOT MONEY!

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