

4. Separating/Conforming

Leviticus 10:10 And that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

“Are we musically influencing our listeners, or ourselves, toward godliness or ungodliness? Are we encouraging little girls towards sensual behavior through our performance style? And which original musical intentions are we imitating, moral or immoral?” Kimberly Smith, *M and M*, p. 69.

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Leviticus 10:10-11 And that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

¹¹ And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

Ezekiel 22:26 Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

Ezekiel 44:23 And they shall teach my people *the difference* between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

“There is no way we can witness to a lost and dying world if we sequester ourselves off in the middle of nowhere” Kimberly Smith, *Let Those...*, p. 162.

2 Corinthians 6:14-17 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

¹⁵ And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

¹⁶ And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

¹⁷ Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,

--You may highly esteem this modern sounding music coming out of our Charismatic ranks.

--but, you had better be able to prove it is highly esteemed of God.

Luke 16:15 ...that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

Galatians 6:14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

“Paul states in Galatians 6:14 that he is crucified to the world and the world is crucified unto him. What is biblical separation? It is a working of grace ‘within’ regarding separation, and it produces a separation ‘without.’” Dr. H. T. Spence, *Confronting Contemporary Music*, p. 75.

“If God commands separation from anything, it means the thing from which we are to be separated is either not good for us or innately evil. And God is the *only* one Who truly knows the character of sin and evil.... It is God’s deepest desire to deliver us from our sins and the present evil world.” Dr. H. T. Spence, *Confronting...* pp. 71-72.