## Biblical Authority for Separation: In a Client Nation's Decline Believers Must Separate from Reversionists, 2 Tim 3:3*f*-5; 9 Gates of the Hatred Complex

**2 Timothy 3:1** - Come to realize this fact, that in the <u>last days</u> [ of a client nation ] perilous times will threaten.

v. 2 - For people will be lovers of themselves, <u>lovers of money</u> [monetary lust], <u>boasters</u> [approbation lust], <u>arrogant</u> [attitude], <u>slanderous</u> [blasphemers], <u>disobedient to parents</u> [authority arrogance], <u>ungrateful</u> [no grace orientation], <u>nonrighteous</u> [no establishment standards],

v. 3 - <u>no capacity for love</u> [ superficial love with ulterior motives ], <u>irreconcilable</u> [ implacable ], <u>malicious gossips</u> [ מונים *mathon*: sowers of discord ], <u>without self-control</u> [ self-indulgent ], <u>brutal</u> [ violent ], <u>haters of good</u> [ hostile to divine viewpoint ],

The Nine Gates of the Hatred Complex:

- 1. The old sin nature
- 2. Negative Volition
- 3. Degeneration
- 4. Antiestablishment
- 5. Demonism
- 6. Cosmic panaceas
- 7. Religion
- 8. Anthropocentric academic speculation
- 9. Evil

NOTE: For a more detailed analysis of the twelve gates of the arrogance complex and the nine gates of the hatred complex see:

Thieme, R. B., Jr. *Christian Integrity*. 3d ed. (Houston: R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 2002), 173-186.

v. 4 - <u>traitors</u> [Quislings, usually crusaders & politicians], thoughtless [boorish], puffed up with pride, <u>lovers of pleasure</u> rather than lovers of God [narcissism rather than virtue love];

v. 5 - holding an <u>external appearance of godliness</u> [ the pretentious altruism of do-gooders ], although having <u>denied the power</u> [ the necessary filling of the Holy Spirit required to produce divine good ]; <u>avoid</u> [  $\dot{\alpha}\pi\sigma\sigmap\dot{\epsilon}\pi\omega$ , apotrepō: turn away from; shun ] such people as these.

(2) The Shulammite woman identified many of these character traits in Solomon and was not fooled by his lines. The existence of his large harem was a clear indication that he was into self-indulgence and thus she mentally separated from him.