

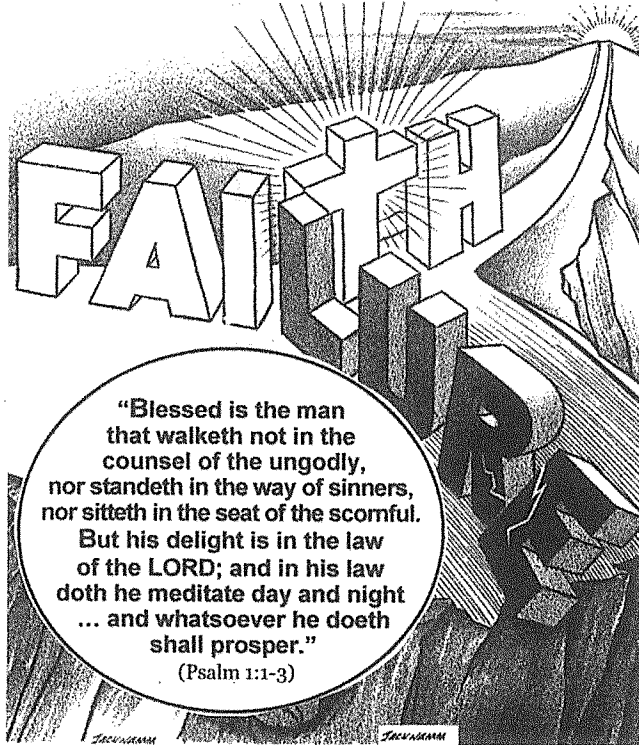


THE BIG DIFFERENCE

There are Great DIFFERENCES between the Christian life and the worldly life.

There are differences in *Morality* – Christians seek to live a holy and righteous life in the eyes of the Lord; in belief about the *Future* – believing that God knows the future and speaks prophetically about it; in *Motivation* – why Christians spend their time as they do; in their *Belief about Jesus Christ* – knowing from the Bible that He is God, Lord, Saviour, Creator, Redeemer, and Coming Again as King of kings and Lord of lords; *believe about the Bible, God's Word* - inspired in the originals, preserved over the centuries, to be read, studied, believed, obeyed as the very words of the Eternal God Himself!; and, in *Assurance and Confidence* – knowing that heaven is waiting for him!

"Heaven and hell are in opposite directions, and no man can go both ways at the same time!"



"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night ... and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."
(Psalm 1:1-3)

The BLESSING of the RIGHTEOUS on the UNRIGHTEOUS

"The blessing and consequent joy that comes to others when the time has come for it to 'go well with the righteous'. By the blessing of the *righteous* the city is exalted ... Even the bad in a kingdom have cause for joy when the righteous have the pre-eminence in a community; whatever be their condition, they would be much worse off under the rule of unrighteousness. The lost in hell and those who are being lost on earth are in a better condition from having the Righteous God upon the throne of the universe. The greatest criminals in our prisons find it better to have a just and righteous 'jailor' than an unrighteous one. So the whole city has reason to rejoice in the pre-eminence – in the success of the righteous ... Righteousness is a stronger wall than any material defense. Sodom would have been spared if there had been ten righteous within the city. Unrighteousness in a nation must bring national calamity, but a minority of good men delays the visitation (judgment). - copied, 'The Preacher's Homiletic Commentary', Proverbs 11:11, p 207

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday Services, 10:30, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm
Wednesdays - Adult & Teen Bible Studies & Kids' Bible Club - 7:00 pm

Quotes

"God's grace does not mean that holiness is optional."

"A Godly man ... is not only for the doing of holy things, but also for the holy doing of things."

"Apostates are worse than those who are openly wicked. They give godliness a bad name."

"Don't judge a church by its worst member."

"Many people want a Saviour from hell, but not a Saviour from sin."

"It's better to be alone than in bad company."

"If you don't make up your mind, your unmade mind will unmake you."

"What you perceive to be true, you will believe to be true, even if it is not true."

"You cannot legislate the poor into prosperity by legislating the wealthy out of prosperity."

With Just One Gulp!

"While some people naively think that all Christians and Christian churches should get together and therefore make a greater impact and have a greater spiritual influence, consider what Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., wisely said ...

"If all churches were put together, Satan could get the whole bunch with one gulp!"

Controlling What People Think
Mainstream Televisions Reporter says controlling what people think 'is our job'. On the February 22 edition of MSNBC's 'Morning Joe,' co-host Mika Brzezinski warned that President Donald Trump is 'trying to undermine the media' and is 'undermining the messaging so effectively that 'he can actually control exactly what people think.' Brzezinski said, '[T]hat is our job,' referring to the news media.

This is a telling remark. She actually thinks that her job is to control people's thinking, whereas the proper job of the news media is to report news without bias filtering. But in this lying world, the only place you are going to find the truth entirely unfiltered is the Word of God."
- Friday Church News Notes, March 10, 2017

Enough Rope to Hang Himself

"For the unbiased, God gives enough evidence to prove that the Bible is divinely inspired, but enough is left unproven and enough questions remain to give the *willful unbeliever* rope to hang himself. As the renowned Harvard law professor Simon Greenleaf stated: 'Christianity does not profess to convince the perverse and head-strong, to bring irresistible evidence to the daring and profane, to vanquish the proud scorner, and afford evidences from which the careless and perverse cannot possibly escape. This might go to destroy man's responsibility. All that Christianity professes, is to propose such evidences as may satisfy the meek, the tractable, the candid, the serious inquirer' ('The Testimony of the Evangelists Examined by the Rules of Evidence').

In His story of the rich man and Lazarus, Luke 16, Jesus warned that no amount of evidence will convince a committed skeptic. The Word of God itself is the ultimate evidence, and men are required to believe it. A committed skeptic would not be convinced if he saw Noah's ark with his own eyes and if Noah himself rose from the dead to tell the story. "Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead" (Luke 16:27-31).

- (Friday Church News Notes, November 23, 2012, wayoflife.org)

California Earthquakes

"California recently experienced an earthquake that shook Los Angeles so much that it destroyed all the displays at the 'Etch-a-Sketch' museum."

... one more of the Pastor's favorites ...

Wax Museums

"You know it's not a good wax museum when there are wicks coming out of the people's heads."

"Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;"

- I Peter 2:11

SPEAKING OF CLOTHES – What Message?

David Kidd once posed the following question to a young college girl who was inquiring about his family's conservative dress: 'If you are shopping and see a girl in a long, loose fitting dress, what is your first impression of her?' Without any hesitation, she answered 'that she is probably religious.' He concluded, 'It behooves us to recognize that our manner of dress is a statement that either reflects or contradicts our Christian purpose.'

(*The Fall and Rise of Christian Standards*, p. 154)

Ripped jeans preach the message of a cheap affectation of poverty, of 'I don't care' and thus slovenliness, and of moral casualness. Hair styles are also statements ...

God's people must beware of sending the wrong message with their clothing. We must understand that the clothing industry is not in submission to God and cares nothing about submitting to His Word.

It doesn't do to say, 'Well, my tight, ripped jeans don't preach that message to me.' The important point is not what message the clothing preaches to any particular individual who wears it, but (1) what message it preaches in the context of its history, (2) what message in the context of society at large, and

(3) what message to those who are forced to look at it.

The child of God should ask, 'Who invented this type of dress, this particular fashion, and what was his or her objective?' - copied, (slightly edited)

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God: Even as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved." (I Corinthians 10:31-33)

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"All scholars shall live religious, godly and blameless lives according to the rules of God's Word, diligently reading the Holy Scriptures, the Fountain of light and truth, and constantly attend upon all the duties of religion both in public and secret."

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"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)

"Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;"

- II Corinthians 10:5

THIS & THAT

From HERE & THERE

Negative

"Most, more than half the Bible, is written in the negative; 'Thou shalt not', etc."

(That means those who say they want to be only positive, must ignore more than 1/2 the Bible.)

The BIBLE

"The BIBLE contains - 66 books - 1,189 chapters- 31,175 verses - 773,692 words - 3,567,180 letters."

Big Differences

"Researchers have identified 6,500 genes that are expressed differently in men and women."

George Washington

"George Washington rejected a movement among army officers to make him king of the United States, saying, 'I didn't fight George III to become George I.'"

Friday 13th

"Months that begin on a Sunday will always have a Friday the 13th."

Tug-of-War

Tug-of-War is the only game where you win by going backwards.



Sinners in the Thoughts

1. "Seeing that sin is so sinful, it is evil even to be a thinking sinner, or a sinner though only in thought."
2. "When men please themselves in the thoughts of their past sins ... they do the sin over and over again by thinking of it."
3. "(They) think sinfully of the sins they have not done, grieving at and regretting they had not taken such and such opportunities ..."
4. "... do not lie in bed and plan to fulfill the lusts hereafter which you cannot practice at present."
5. "For thoughts are the words of our hearts ..."
6. "God has a special eye to the thoughts of men's hearts, ... to those of good men (*Malachi 3:16*) ... and to those of bad men (*Genesis 6:5*)."
7. "So abominable in the sight of God is the villainy and vanity of thoughts."
8. "Thoughts are the first-born of the soul; words and actions are only younger brothers. They are the oil that feeds and maintains the wick, which would otherwise go out."
9. "It is hard for those who think well to do ill, and harder still for those who think ill to do well."
10. "A man may think himself to Hell, if the sinfulness of his thoughts is not forgiven him."
11. "If God were to pardon all our word-sins and evil deeds, and leave only our thought-sins un-pardoned, we would be undone for ever."
12. "Even if such thoughts do not increase to more ungodliness ... yet there is impiety and ungodliness enough in them to ruin us everlastingly."
13. "Indeed, they will more easily surrender the sins of their tongues and hands than their heart-sins."
14. "While men are dead in sins they do not consider or regard what is in their heart and thoughts."
15. "For this reason, regeneration is called the *renewing of the mind*, and repentance is a change of mind."
16. "The first movements of the Prodigal were in his thoughts."

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17. "... like the Pharisees, (who) study only to make the outside look fair and beautiful, the godly man is employed about his inside, to keep his heart clean."
18. "As conversion begins and is carried on in the thoughts, so it is completed, finished and perfected in them ..."
19. "Think, then, that for thoughts you must be judged, and therefore make conscience of them, for not only God's knowledge but man's conscience will be one of the books opened as witness in that day, according to which men shall be judged."
20. "Have you thought evil? ... not only if you have done foolishly but if you have only thought evil ... The vanity and vileness, the folly and filthiness of our thoughts should make us ashamed."
21. "For what we say in our hearts we shall soon say with our lips."
22. "Suppress sinful thoughts, thus preventing them from expressing themselves." (II Corinthians 10:5) ("The Sinfulness of Sin", Ralph Venning, pgs 224-231)