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The Bible Stands Alone

"It is almost universally admitted ... that there is no serious rival to the Bible in our days; scholars have examined the classics of the ancients and the sacred books of the East, and by men inside and outside of the Church they are confessed to be spiritually sterile.

The Koran of Mohamet consists of a vast amount of chaff within which lies hidden a few grains of wholesome wheat borrowed from the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures. The Veda of the Hindus (1000 B.C.), the Zendesta of the Parsees (500 B.C.), the Tipitaka of the Buddhists (500 B.C.), and the Confucian Classics of the Chinese (500 B.C.) contain 'Unreadable masses of lumber,

wearisome, confused jumble,' and excite no general interest whatever.' The Bible Stands alone - unrivaled and unequaled!

Rich & Poor

"How much less to him that accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more than the poor? for they all are the work of his hands." (Job 34:19)"

"Among the children of men, Divine Providence has so ordered it, that some are rich and others poor, and these are intermixed in society; the Lord is the Maker of both; both the Author of their beings, and the Disposer of their lot. The greatest man in the world must acknowledge God to be his

Maker, and is under the same obligations to be subject to him that the meanest ('low in social standing') are; and the poorest have the honor to be the work of God's hands as much as the greatest.

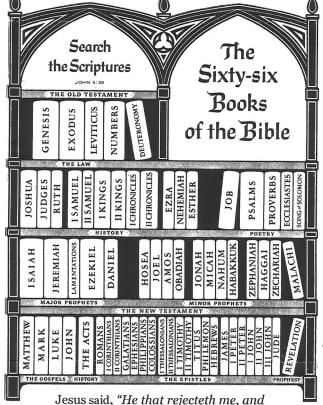
Have they not all one Father? (Malachi 2:10; Job 31:15).

God makes some rich, that they may be charitable to the poor, and others poor, that they may be helpful to the rich, and they have need one of another,

I Corinthians 12:21.

He makes some poor, to exercise their patience, and contentment, and dependence upon God; and others rich, to exercise their thankfulness and beneficence." - Matthew Henry

"GOD is Almighty to pardon, but He will not use His power for a shameless sinner. He is able to save and help in time of need, but if you have not repented how can you expect His aid? The same power God expends on the believer's salvation will be spent on your damnation, for He has bound Himself under oath to destroy every impenitent soul." - William Gurnall



receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." - John 12:48

BAPTIST 'Distinctives'

"To find to origin of the Baptist movement, you must go back not to any single man or movement in history, but to certain bedrock Biblical principles called Baptist 'Distinctives'. For these, Baptists of the past have cared to stand. Your thrilling task is to understand clearly what these distinctives are, how and where we got them, and then to decide what our stand as twentieth-century Baptists is going to be:-

Here are the eight Baptist 'distinctives':

- The Lordship of Christ;
- 2. The Bible, the standard of faith and practice;
- 3. A Regenerated membership;
- Believer's baptism by immersion;
- 5. Progressive sanctification;
- 6. Soul liberty;
- Congregational government;
- 8. Separation of church and state.
 - Herbert E. Anderson, 'BAPTISTS dare to Stand',1966

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday Services, 10:30, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm Wednesdays - Bible Studies -7:00 pm

Quotes ·

"Give GOD what's right, not what's left."

'The formula for success is the same as the formula for a nervous breakdown.'

There's always less time.

"Joking often loses a friend and never gains an enemy."

"Doubt is the shadow of truth."

"Eve chose to believe the serpent and she chose to trust herself, and was deceived by both.'

"Every sinner will be crossed at the point of their rebellion." "A fallen lighthouse is more dangerous than a reef."

"God's Faithfulness leads Him to keep His promises. God's Goodness leads Him to make them."

MORALITY NEEDED

"We must own up to the fact that laws and regulations alone cannot produce a civilized society. Morality is society's first line of defense against uncivilized behavior. Moral standards of conduct have been under siege in our country

for over a half a century. Moral absolutes have been abandoned as guiding principles. We've been taught not to be judgmental, that one lifestyle is just as good as another. We no longer hold people accountable for their behavior and

we accept excuse-making. Problems of murder, mayhem and other forms of anti-social behavior will continue until we regain our moral footing." - Walter Williams, 'Hidden Agenda or Ignorance?'

Two Words for 'Love'

"Of the two words for 'love' in the New Testament, one designates an emotional affection, which is not and cannot be commanded, (John 11:36), while the other expresses a rational and benevolent affection which springs from *deliberate choice*, (Matthew 19:19, 5:44). The immanent love of God is a rational and voluntary affection grounded in perfect reason and deliberate choice." Emery H. Bancroft, 'Christian Theology', p 63

"God Himself came into the world in Jesus Christ to rescue people from His own judgment."



"Seek ye out the book of the LORD, and read." - Isaiah 34:16

> "Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD. Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore." - Psalm 105:3,4



KJV ACCURACY & REVERENCE

Prefer a Bible in today's English if you wish, but you'll be hard-pressed to find one that is an accurate translation from the Textus Receptus. This is what the New King James claims to be, yet I find some of it to be inaccurate, such as its change of the key word 'imagination' into 'intent, etc. The King James Bible is classic English, unsurpassed in its beauty of expression ... you make far too much of the alleged difficulty of such language. School children in Europe learn several languages, including the dead language Latin. Operas and literary classics still use Elizabethan language and the audience or readers don't complain but seem to appreciate it. Stay with your modern English if you must, but allow the rest of us who enjoy the King James Bible to retain it and have no fear that today's youth can't handle it. I have never suggested that God talks like that, nor have I ever heard this complaint from anyone else.

On the other hand, perhaps King James English brings reverence to the reading of Scripture, which is lacking in today's English. I think we could do with more reverence. - copied, The Berean Call, 'Questions & Answers', July 2020, (slightly edited)

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Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Services 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Services 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Studies 7:00 p.m.



THIS & THAT From HERE & THERE

Statistics

"About 56 MILLION people die world-wide every year, which is 153,000 deaths per day, 6,400 per hour, every hour.'

Voodoo

"According to the tenets of the Haitian religion of Voodoo, a dead person can be revived with no will of its own, and used as a slave or 'zombie'. - copied

Climate Change **Activist Apologizes**

"Michael Shellenberger, prominent climate change activist, has apologized

in a new book Apocalypse Never: Why Environmental Alarmism Hurts Us All. 'On behalf of environmentalists everywhere,

I would like to formally apologize for the climate scare we created over the last 30 years.'"

Requirement for Entrance into Heaven

"Ye must be 'born again'." - Jesus Christ, John 3:3, 5,6, I Peter 1:23

Orchids

"It takes seven years to raise an orchid.'

Ostriches

"The ostrich is the biggest bird alive. It's also the biggest bird dead." - copied

"No man is ever the same after listening to the TRUTH.

He may say he pays no attention to it; he may appear to forget all about it; but at any moment the TRUTH may spring up into his consciousness and destroy all his peace of mind." - copied



Marriages & Lockdowns

"One Toronto law firm reports a 20% increase in divorce inquiries than before the coronavirus outbreak. Some lawyers predict that courts across the country could see a surge in proceedings once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. Canada appears to be following the same lines as China and Italy where COVID-19 hit first, and which are already

showing statistics of increasing marital separation. The pandemic appears to have spurred breakups due to financial stress, boredom, lack of alone time and space, and conflicts regarding children and household responsibilities. Couples that were already dealing with marital issue when the lockdown restrictions were implemented have seen tensions boil to the surface after being

forcibly cooped up at home together." - CTV News

Eternal Destiny Now

"What opiate does Satan sprinkle on the pillows of the unregenerate? How can they sleep so soundly even after they have been warned of the consequences of ignoring God's gracious ultimatum? Sinner, Satan may trick you into supposing it takes wisdom or courage to refuse the terms of God's mercy, but it is really the ultimate act of foolishness. Your eternal destiny rests with God. If you will *not* deal with Him *now*, you must answer His charges later. Know this, 'It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.'

(Hebrews 10:31).

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"Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of and endeavor after, new obedience.", (Westminster Shorter Catechism) A definition of repentance must include the concept of faith (an apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ) and thus evangelical faith is repentant faith. It is not an addition to saving faith to include acknowledgement of the Lordship of Christ. It is an integral part of saving faith, for faith includes a repentance that turns from sin to God 'with full purpose of and endeavor after, new obedience, *i.e.*, submission to the Lordship of Jesus Christ." - Robert Lescilious, 'Lordship Salvation', p 23

REPENTANCE

COVID-19 Info

To get some accurate and up-to-date information on the Coronavirus, see www.wayoflife.org "Coronavirus Good and Odd News' (literature - home page).

ALSO reference www.flattenthefear.com

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mine."

- II Timothy 1:7