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Inspired, Preserved ... Perfect

There could be no better advice or counsel I could give people than to read and study the Bible. If asked, 'What is the most important thing I could do to learn about God?', I would answer, 'Learn the Bible'.

Read it, study it, search it out and believe it! It God's way to teach us about Himself and His ways, will and truth.

There is nothing you need to know, or can know spiritually, eternally and even practically that is not in this Book. Today, God's Word is in written form; inspired, preserved, prophetic, perfect and personal. It is God's 'Law Book', for people will be judged out of its 'precepts' and 'commands'. To neglect learning it, is to guarantee spiritual loss and eternal condemnation. 'Deception is the guaranteed fate of those who do not know the Bible.'

It both condemns and offers pardon; it reveals both the guilt of man and God's only way of forgiveness through the Lord Jesus Christ. It declares God's great doctrines of salvation, justification, redemption, forgiveness, repentance, faith, etc.; all necessary to allow anyone into heaven;

Divine Revelation "As a theological doctrine,

revelation can be defined as the 'act whereby God voluntarily discloses His being and will to humanity' ... an action that He had no divine obligation to disclose.

There are TWO kinds of Divine revelation:

- (1) GENERAL REVELATION, is God's voluntary self-disclosure whereby He makes known His existence and power via such factors as creation and conscience.
 - (2) SPECIAL REVELATION. is God's self-disclosure of His perfections, plans and purposes via Holy Scripture. The Bible,

God's written Word, is God's only authoritative divine disclosure to humanity. God has not left man ignorant about His will and plan for humanity. In the divine Scriptures, God has given human beings an inspired, infallible and inerrant revelation that is efficacious both in (1) saving sinners (I Peter 1:23) and (2) sanctifying saints (John 7:17)."

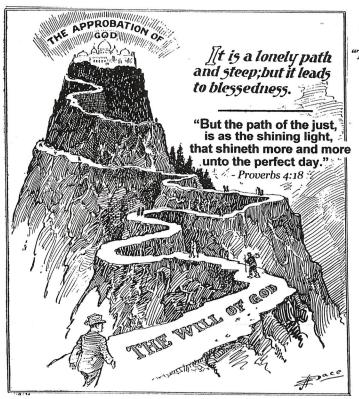
- copied, Don Jasmine, "The FUNDAMENTALIST Digest" - Feb/March '18

"If we are to be more like the Saviour, then we must be less like the world.

TRUTH & UNITY

"To remain divided is sinful! Did not our Lord pray, 'that they may be one, even as we are one'? (John 17:22)." A chorus of ecumenical voices keep harping the unity tune. What they are saying is, "Christians of all doctrinal shades and beliefs must come together in one visible organization, regardless....Unite, unite!"

Such teaching is false, reckless and dangerous. Truth alone must determine our alignments. Truth comes before unity. Unity without truth is hazardous. Our Lord's prayer in John 17 must be read in its full context. Look at verse 17: "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. Only those sanctified through the Word can be one in Christ. To teach otherwise is to betray the Gospel.



CHURCH CALENDAR

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

Ouotes

"I can explain it to you, but I can't understand it for you."

"Idealism increases in direct proportion to one's distance from reality.'

"To have the right friends, you must be willing to have the right enemies.'

"Christianity is too important to be easy."

"Unbelief is believing anything other than the Bible."

"Contemporary Christian Music attracts the tares.'

"Too many people have been vaccinated with a mild case of Christianity which prevents them from getting the real thing."

"Our generation is prone to radicalism ... we want to change the world but we have never changed a diaper."

"WISDOM is the sense/foresight to recognize a problem before it becomes an emergency."



"For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God."- Hebrews 3:4

... read it for yourself! Romans 10:17; Il Timothy 3:15,16; Acts 17:11; II Peter 1:19-21;

"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." - Psalm 119:130 "Seek ye out the book of the LORD and read." - Isaiah 34:16

Music

contemporary music ... church music must not be designed to produce a charismatic style mystical experience (1 Peter 5:8). The objective of charismatic music is to produce an experiential worship, and toward this end contemporary worshipers use music with a strong dance rhythm, non-resolving chord sequences, repetition, and electronic modulation so that people will be carried away emotionally." copied

"People are saved by believing Jesus Christ; they are *lost* by believing themselves!"

A Curse & Pest "The rapid change in attitude toward drinking among "Bible believing" Christians is a major sign of the times. **Baptist pastor Charles** Spurgeon said, "Next to the preaching of the Gospel, the most necessary thing to be done in England is to induce our people to become abstainers" (1882), and, Those beer shops are the curse of this country - no good ever can come of them, and the evil they do no tongue can tell ... the beer shops are a pest ... the sooner their licenses are taken away, the better" (1884).' (for complete article, see *Way of Life Literature* 'Christian Drinking is a Bellwether Issue')

"Righteousness art thou, O LORD, and upright are thy judgments. Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded are righteous and very faithful." - Psalm 119:137,138

The TRINITY of God a 'Revelation'

'The doctrine of the TRINITY is not a truth of *natural theology*, but of *revelation*. A.H. Strong says, 'Reason shows us the Unity of God; only revelation shows us the Trinity of God' ... Although the doctrine of the Trinity is not discoverable by human reason, it is susceptible of a rational defense now that it is revealed ...

By the Trinity we mean that there are three eternal distinctions in the one divine essence known respectively as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Athanasian Creed expresses the Trinitarian belief thus: 'We worship one God in trinity, and trinity in unity, neither confounding the persons, nor separating the substance." - Henry C. Thiessen,

"Lectures in Systematic Theology', p 135

'Blasphemy'

"In general the word means simply slander or insult and includes any action (e.g., a gesture) as well as any word that devalues another person or being, living or dead. This general secular idea was made more specific in religious contexts, where blasphemy means to insult, mock, or doubt the power of a 'god'. In the OT it is always this religious use that is intended. Blasphemy is the direct or indirect detracting from the glory and honor of God and therefore the opposite of praising or blessing God ... In the NT blasphemy occurs in its wider Greek meaning as well as its specifically religious sense, for people are slandered, not just God (Romans 3:8, I Corinthians 10:30; Ephesus 4:31; Titus 3:2). In fact, such slander and abusive language was a danger to Christians; it had been their pre-conversion habit and was the example of their culture. They were tempted to use it when falling back into old habits of speech ... The most common form of blasphemy in the NT, however, is blasphemy of God. Whenever people choose to believe men rather than, or in addition to, God, regarding the soul and spirit and the behavior that follows, they are committing blasphemy against God and His Word. Choosing to follow the wisdom of men, rather than to faithfully believe and follow (only) what God has said about the new life in Christ, blasphemes God by demeaning His Word and His promises about the new life in Christ. - Martin & Deidre Bobgan, 'PsychoHeresy Awareness Letter'; January-February 2021, Volume 29, Number 1

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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.



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THIS & THAT From HERE & THERE

Locust 'Armies'

The enemies are huge armies of desert locusts destroying farm and grazing lands across nine East African countries. In Ethiopia alone, the locusts have conquered three million acres since January ... According to the FAO, 40 million to 80 million locusts can converge in a single swarm over a square kilometer. In one day, they can consume crop that could have fed

'Bigfoot'

35,000 people.

"Unusually tall and hirsute ('hairy; shaggy') people might want to stay out of the woods in Oklahoma in October. A state lawmaker has filed a bill directing the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Division to establish a 'Bigfoot' hunting season." copied, KFOR

War on Poverty'

'Since Lyndon Johnson's ' War on Poverty almost \$23 trillion has been spent on

programs to end poverty, but the poverty rate remains the same. - Cato Institute.

On What Day of the Week was our Lord Crucified?

To us it is perfectly obvious that the crucifixion was on Wednesday. The general impression that the crucifixion took place on Friday is doubtless due to the fact that it occurred on the day before the Sabbath, and it has been generally assumed that the Sabbath referred to was the weekly Sabbath, which, of course, came on Saturday.

But there were many Sabbaths in the Hebrew calendar beside the fifty-two weekly Sabbaths of the year; and the Sabbaths by which the feast of Passover and unleaven bread was begun and ended were reckoned as peculiarly sacred Sabbaths. "In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation*: ye shall do no servile work therein. But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto Jehovah seven days: in the seventh day is an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.'

(Leviticus 23:7,8). ('convocation'- 'a calling together; assembling by summons'). The Passover always fell on the 14th day of Abib (Leviticus 23:5); and of course this would be on a different day of the week each successive year.

All the evidence on the subject of the day of our Lord's crucifixion seems to lead to the conclusion that the feast began that year on Thursday - and 'that Sabbath day was on high day' (John 19:31) - and that the crucifixion was on the day before, which would be Wednesday."

 Pettinggill & Torrey, '1001 Bible Questions Answered', p 191

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God by our murmurings, our complainings, and our thought that there is pleasure in sin, and weariness in the divine service ... Frequently the murmuring against man is only a covert way of murmuring against God ... There is very much meaning in that old English word murmur; just sound it,—it is murmur. Any child can say that; it is one of the easiest words to speak; and that is why, I think, we have that word for complaining and grumbling, because murmuring is such an easy thing; anyone can murmur, anyone can grumble, anyone can complain." - copied

"Murmuring is a great sin and not a mere weakness; it contains within itself unbelief, pride, rebellion, and a whole host of sins. It is a home sin, and is generally practiced by complainers 'in their tents,' but it is just as evil there as in the streets, and will be quite as grievous to the Lord ... Murmurers are bad hearers ... The heathen misrepresent God by worshipping idols: we misrepresent



HOW MANY OF THE TEN **COMMAND MENTS** CAN YOU RECITE FROM MEMORY

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