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# GOD'S WAYS HIGHER (Isaiah 55)

(v 9) "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts ... (v 8) For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. (11) So that my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void,

but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. (v 7) Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.'

"Jesus saith ... I am the way, the truth, and the life; - John 14:6

### God's Promise True! HOLY & HAPPY

"Tens of thousands have found the promise true, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.' (Matthew 11:28).

What the pursuit of money, fame and pleasure fails to do, God's Word does for those who come humbly, sincerely, believing its promises.

How often we read in the Gospels that those who came, believing, to Christ during His earthly ministry, were blessed, and went on their way rejoicing!

And it has been so from that day to this.

This writer, in common with thousands of others, can testify, truly, that he has received from reading and believing God's Word

the greatest blessing to be experienced in this life inward peace of heart and mind .. any Book that makes men both righteous and happy must come from the Supreme Being of Love who wants His creatures to be both holy and happy.

- copied, Fred John Meldau '57 Reasons Why we Know the Bible is the WORD OF GOD'

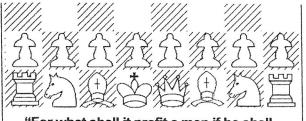
"The GOSPEL is not simply a statement of facts to be believed, but a Person to be obeyed.'

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13 "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46 "He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God, hath not life." - I John 5:1,2

Worldly Philosophies .. philosophy is like

a blind man looking in a dark room for a black cat that isn't there." - copied





"For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" -Mark 8:36

## CHURCH CALENDAR

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

Quotes

"The most expensive piece of furniture in a church is the empty pew.'

"There is more faith in doubt than faith in truth." "Convictions with conditions are contradictions."

"Better no son than an Absalom."

"God created music. Satan degrades music." (Isaiah 14:11-12).

"Civil Wars happen when the victimized are armed. Genocide happens when they are not." "Don't judge a church by its worst member."

Many people believe a lot of things because they want to, not because they're true."

"THEOLOGICALLY, wealth is a more serious problem than poverty."

"Hate speech 'laws' are hate speech."

"A Christian must never leave off repenting, for I fear he never leaves off sinning.' · Charles Spurgeon p 174, 'Spurgeon at his Best'

"The atheists have, for all practical purposes, taken over the public education in this country.' - copied

"If you let Caesar educate your children, they will become Romans." - copied

"Educate children without religion, and you make a race of clever devils."

- copied, Duke of Wellington

## The *"PRETENDER"*

We of the Christian faith need not go on the defensive, for it is the modern man of the world who is the dreamer, not the Christian believer!

The sinner can never be quite himself. All his life he must pretend. He must act as if he were never going to die, and yet he knows too well that he is. He must act as if he had not sinned, when in his deep heart he knows very well that he He must act unconcerned about God and judgment and the future life, and all the time his heart deeply disturbed about precarious condition. He must keep up a front of nonchalance while shrinking from facts and wincing under the lash of conscience. All his adult life he must dodge and hide and conceal. When he finally drops the act he either loses his mind or tries suicide.

If realism is the recognition of things as they actually are, the Christian is of all persons the most realistic. He of all intelligent thinkers is the one most concerned with reality. He pares things down their stark essentials and squeezes out of his mind everything that inflates his thinking. demands to know the whole truth about God, sin, life, death, moral accountability and the world to come. He wants to know the worst about himself in order that he may do something about it. He takes into account the undeniable fact that he has sinned. He recognizes the shortness of time and the certainty of death. These he does not try to avoid or alter to his own liking. They are facts and he faces them full The believer is a realist - his expectations are valid and his faith

well grounded. - A.W. Tozer, "Renewed Day by Day"

"Never allow the thought, 'I am of no use where I am'. You are certainly of no use where you are not. - Oswald Chambers

ON BEING A SERVANT "I am willing to be a servant. I just don't want to be treated like one." (:

Something to Remember "When dealing with people, remember you are not dealing with creatures of logic, but with creatures of emotion; creatures bristling with prejudice and motivated by pride and vanity."

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"Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven." - Psalm 148:13

Knowledge is Not Easy
"Many people do *not* want to learn
more because of fear.

They're afraid they might find out that they are wrong, and then they would have to change; and change might be unwanted or difficult for many reasons. If they find out that others are wrong, then they would have to disagree and be against them! Knowledge is not easy, but neither is ignorance. Ignorance that is not admitted, corrected and repented of is also a type of rebellion." - copied

"The Heavens Declare the Glory of God' "This is an expression used but perhaps not always analyzed or understood as it should be. The Scriptures state, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. (Psalm 19:1,2). What does it mean when it is said that the heavens declare the glory of God? The heavens declare that God is perfect. The heavens manifest His wisdom, His power and His intelligent end. The heavens are manifesting the glory of God in the sense that they reveal what God is and what He can do. But the heavens are *not* designed to reveal the love of God, the grace of God, nor the righteousness of God. That is where Christians come into the picture. We are designed to 'shew the exceeding riches of his grace in

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## Second Coming

"The Second Coming of Jesus Christ is mentioned 318 times in 260 chapters of the New Testament." - copied

#### Mary crowned Queen of Heaven

"In spite of claims of Catholic propagandists, the Roman Catholic Church worships Mary. They use the term 'venerate,' but it is the same thing.

According to Rome, she was immaculately (sinlessly) conceived, participated in Christ's suffering for mankind, ascended bodily to Heaven, was crowned Queen of the universe, and intercedes for sinners." - copied (see I Timothy 2:5; Isaiah 42:8, 43:11, 45:5, Jeremiah 7:15-20)

## Longest Sentence

"The longest single sentence in the King James Bible features the genealogy of Jesus, and spans sixteen verses from Luke 3:23 to Luke 3:38."

#### Electoral College

"The Electoral College
was created by our
country's founders to
prevent a tyranny of
the majority living in the
big populous cities."
- Adriana Cohen

## AMERICA'S MASS SCHOOL SHOOTINGS

"The latest mass school shooting in America occurred on May 24, when 18-year-old Salvador Ramos killed 19 elementary school students and two teachers in Uvalde, Texas. While there were isolated incidences of gun violence in America's public schools prior to the 1960s, there were no

mass murders. The first was in August 1966, when 25 year old Charles Whitman killed 16 and wounded 31 at the University of Texas-Austin. Since then, there have been 13 or more mass school shootings, depending on how they are counted ('13 Mass School Shootings,' May 26, 2022, Reason.com). For example, in April 1999, 18-year-old Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold murdered 12 students and a teacher at Columbine High School near Denver, then killed themselves. In March 2005, 16-year-old Jeffrey Weise killed seven students and staff at Red Lake High School in Minnesota. In April 2007, 23-year-old Seung-Hui Cho killed 32 students and faculty at Virginia Tech. After each of these highly publicized events, new laws have been proposed, but for the most part they are political knee-jerk things that don't address the fundamental issues. America has always had a gun culture, but America has not always been as violent prone as today. A larger percentage of the American population owned guns in the first half of the 20th century and a larger percentage had military and other martial experience, but there were zero mass school shootings. The thing that has changed is (1) America's moral character and (2) prevailing culture.

We list three of the fundamentals underlying this change.

The first is the apostasy of America's churches. The 20th century witnessed a great downgrade in the character of evangelical Protestant and Baptist churches. There was a large scale disappearance of such basics as a regenerate membership, forthright preaching, church discipline, separation and a pilgrim lifestyle, fathers as spiritual heads of the home and overseers of the children's education, and mothers as keepers of the home. A light-hearted party atmosphere replaced a holy atmosphere. The churches walked in lockstep with the world.

The second fundamental was the rise of a vile, antichrist pop culture and entertainment industry. The music-driven youth culture blasted on the scene in the 1950s (preceded by the smaller jazz culture) and exploded in influence in the 1960s. With the self-centered theme, "It's your life; do what you want," it is in open rebellion to God and His holy laws and is a recipe for moral disaster. The pop culture and entertainment industry have grown progressively ... (continued below ...)

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more corrupt and violent-prone with each passing decade, and the internet, smart phone, and social media have amplified the influence.

A third fundamental was the philosophical corruption of the public school system. This began at the turn of the 20th century and spread slowly, gaining ground more dramatically as the century progressed toward the halfway mark. Major turning points were the replacement of creationism with evolution and the rejection of the biblical view of God and man and absolute morals. The result has been evident for all to see. The moral difference between the America into which I was born in 1949 and the America that exists today is breathtaking.

Mass school shootings are only one small element.

The top two things that would bring real moral change to America are these: The *first thing* is spiritual revival in Bible-believing churches. The churches hold the key to this if they are willing to pay the price. Pastors must stop following and start leading. The *second thing* that could bring real moral change in America is the dismantling of the public educational system, including government-supported colleges and universities. (Friday Church News Notes, 6/3/22, www.wayoflife.org.fbns@wayoflife.org,866-295-4143)