

Bible Baptist Temple NEWSLETTER

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AMERICAN
DICTIONARY
OF THE
ENGLISH
LANGUAGE
- Noah Webster
1828



LIFE CHANGING CONVERSION - Before & After

Noah Webster made a public profession of faith in April 1808,

together with his two oldest daughters. It was a *life-changing conversion experience*.
'Webster's conversion was the intellectual and moral watershed of his life.'

Consider some details of Webster's life *prior to, before, his conversion*: He was an active church member. From age 20 he had resolved 'to pursue a course of virtue through life, and to perform all moral and social duties with scrupulous exactness.' He believed in God and was thankful to God. '... for some years past, I have rarely cast my eyes to heaven or plucked the fruit of my garden without feeling emotions of gratitude and adoration.'

He believed that Christ died for man's sins, but he also believed that good works are necessary for salvation. He doubted some doctrines of the Bible, being that religion should conform to man's reason and if something wasn't 'reasonable,' it could be rejected. He believed that one should not be passionate about religion.

After his *conversion* - As such, it provided him with a spiritual and intellectual framework which *extended into every sphere of life*, including perceptions of and judgments about man, morality, government, education, and the very purpose of being ... Internal *conversion* results in a profound alteration of an individual's conception of the nature of God, man, sin, and brings a transformation in both thought and action. ... conversion is a return to God, a restoration of the relationship God originally had intended to have with man, through a turning away from sin (*i.e., rebellion against God's commands*) and a turning to the mercies of a forgiving Father ... "

- Alan Snyder,
Webster's biographer

Stumbling Others

"Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend."

I Corinthians 8:13

"We ought never to do anything that we judge to be wrong, but we ought also to be willing to abstain from things which might *not* be wrong in themselves, but which might be an occasion of stumbling to others." - copied

Man's Image 'Moulded'

"A man is gradually changed into the image of that which he loves. He who hath his portion in this world grows worldly. When a man gives himself to any pursuit he first of all moulds it, and then it moulds him."

Bible Quiz

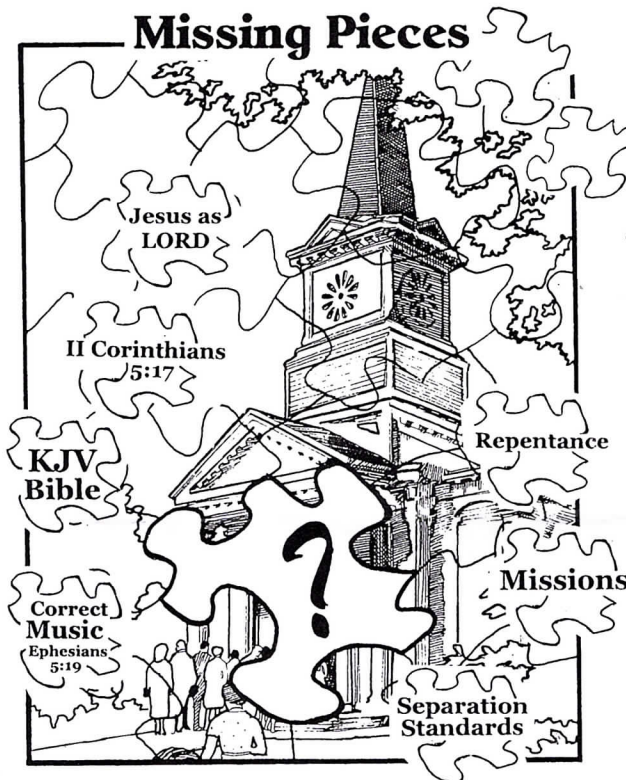
II Timothy 3:15-17

"And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

Questions:

1. To whom does the Apostle Paul write this letter?
2. Which word means the same as 'believe'?
3. What 'means' or 'method' is used to give faith?
4. What one-word adjective describes God's Word, the 'Scriptures'?
4. For what purpose does the Bible give wisdom?
5. What must be true, what must be known, in order to understand and have salvation?
6. Where, upon Who, must Bible faith be placed?

Missing Pieces



music

(contemporary 'Christian' music - CCM)

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

DOCTRINE

"The word 'doctrine' comes from a root word meaning 'mental instruction'.

DOCTRINE, in other words, edifies the mind and the spirit more than the soul or emotions. The Word of God divides ('discerns') between the soul and the spirit, the intellect and the emotions. "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit." (Hebrews 4:12)

A distinction is made between the emotional part and the reasoning part of man. It is *easier* to accept false doctrine on an emotional level than it is on an intellectual level." - Roy Thompson

'Wisdom'

"My son, give me thine heart ... " - Psalm 23:26

"'Wisdom' is another name for God, or, better still, for the Lord Jesus, who is incarnate wisdom.

The request is for the 'heart', the 'affections', the 'centre' of our being. 'Give me thine heart', is the first, the daily, the chief, the ultimate demand of the good Spirit.

'Wisdom' persuades us to obey this loving request." - copied

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday Services, 10:30, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Wednesdays - Prayer & Bible Studies

Friday Night Church - 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month - 7:00 pm

September 28 - Annual Missions' Sunday

QUOTES

(Quotes are true & helpful & some are profound, clever, humorous, cynical, & some even scary!)

"Half-hearted Christianity is common because it is easy."

"Real life does not come with background music."

"The cowardice of one may cause others run and flee."

Grey hair is a sign of age, *not* a sign of wisdom.

Bad governments are a consequence of a bad society.

"Nowhere (*in the Bible*) are we told to pray for humility; this is something that we can do ourselves.

"(Bible) Ignorance is a recipe for apostasy."

"Biblical Christianity is more than just *believing* the right thing, it is also *being* the right thing."

"What part of Sodom and Gomorrah don't they understand?"

"... that we ... might serve him without fear, In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life."

- Luke 1:74-75

With Just One Gulp!

"The problem with all Churches joining together ...

While some people naively think that all Christians and Christian churches should get together and that that would make a bigger 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 just one gulp!'"

TURNING FROM SIN

"A man may restrain the acts of sin, yet not turn from sin in a right manner.

Acts of sin may be restrained out of fear or design, but a true penitent turns from sin out of a religious principle, namely, love to God.

Even if sin did not bear such bitter fruit, if death did not grow on this tree, a gracious soul would forsake it out of love to God.

This is the most kindly turning from sin. **When things are frozen and congealed, the best way to separate them is by fire!**

When men and their sins are congealed together, the best way to separate them is by the fire of love.

Three men, asking one another what made them leave sin? One says, I think of the joys of heaven; another, I think of the torments of hell; but the third, I think of the love of God, and that makes me forsake it. How shall I offend the God of love?" - Thomas Watson

THIS & THAT

From HERE & THERE

King James Bible

"...was completed in 1611 following seven years of translation work by 54 Hebrew and Greek scholars."

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The Bible is ...

"... printed in more languages and dialects than any other book."

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OBEDIENCE

"There are many reasons why we may obey someone, including God:

Fear

Obeying because you have to

Reward-

Obeying because you get something out of it

Love

Obeying because you love Christ and your fellowman."

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Don't Toss the Book!

As I was sitting in the auditorium of Home Line Baptist Church, meditating and preparing for our upcoming service, I began to praise the Lord for the privilege that we have to still be able to physically carry our Bible, the pure preserved words of God, into the church service. I have heard it said for years, "There may come a day when we no longer have a Bible." That statement has brought the question to my mind time and time again: "How is that even possible when the Bible is the best-selling book of all time?" No doubt, Satan, in his crafty and deceitful way of doing things, is destroying the pure Word of God, one word at a time and one version at a time.

However, another thought process to consider: As we think about the possibility of how it would even be possible for the enemy to attempt to eliminate that which God has preserved, we can't rule out the possibility of technology being a source of elimination.

The world of technology is leading us down a road where almost every church in America is going to a digitized system. Many churches and pastors are tossing the old hand-held book and reaching for the tablet or iPad to read their Bible in church. No doubt, it is convenient! It is becoming rarer to see a young person in most churches still walking into the house

of God with a Bible in their hand or tucked under their arm.

What would it be like if the world and the church went entirely digital and we tossed the physical hand-held book for convenience's sake? Could that be how the enemy eliminates the Word? We walk into church one day, turn on the computer, the tablet, the iPad, the iPhone, the Android device, and nothing comes on. I beg us as pastors and believers, DON'T TOSS THE BOOK! Keep THE BOOK, the King James Bible, in the pulpit. Keep it in the seat rack of the pew! Urge our people to continue to bring THE BOOK, God's Holy Word, to the church house.

I guess it goes without saying that the printed Word of God and its distribution are probably more important now than they have ever been. It proves to us the importance and urgency of continuing to print the physical, hand-held, precious Word of God.

There is such a huge need to print more Scripture, to continue to put a physical hand-held copy of the Word of God in everyone's hand. Yes, the enemy may conjure up a plan to try to eliminate THE BOOK, the King James Bible, but we know that the Word of God tells us in Isaiah 40:8, "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever."

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September 2025

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.



September

Weekly RADIO Programs - WHKW 1220 AM -



Thursday Evenings, 8:00 pm

Friday Afternoons, 2:00 pm

Saturday Mornings, 10:00 am

Sunday Afternoons, 2:30 pm

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Foolish Questions

"A 'foolish question' is a question that is asked insincerely by a heretic with the goal of confusing people and leading them astray from sound doctrine.

This is the ... context of Titus 3:9-10.

"A man that is an heretic after the first and second admonition reject; Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself."

A 'heretic' is someone who is self-willed and has rejected sound doctrine in favor of his own opinions and perversions of the truth.

The terms 'heretic' and 'heresy' refer to the willful choice of false doctrine, a willful alignment with error. The heretic is not content with the plain teaching of Scripture but pursues his own agenda."

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The Endeared Sin & Castles

"The sin which a man finds most difficult in giving up is the *endeared sin*. As with a castle that has several forts about it, the first and second fort are taken, but when it comes to the castle, the governor will rather fight and die than yield to that. So a man may allow some of his sins to be demolished, but when it comes to one sin, that is the taking of the castle, he will never agree to part with that.

That is the master sin for sure!

- Thomas Watson, *The Godly Man's Picture*