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“KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS” (Revelation 19:16)

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Revelation 19 is the battle that the world is preparing for, and probably most do not know it to be so. They are expecting a nuclear war called World War III and will have the whole population wiped out. The Russian-Ukraine war is aiding that thought along with frequent articles about nuclear weapons hitting the United States. If that were the case, then who would be alive when Jesus returns?

John penned, “And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty” (Revelation 16:13-14). This evil preparation is not a physical battle that ends with nuclear annihilation. It ends with the battle against God.

Again, that battle is actually detailed in Revelation 19, but before we get there, let us examine the preparation taking place. Revelation 16 is the seven last plagues preceding the battle with God, however, everybody's destination is settled beforehand: “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward [is] with me, to give every man according as his work shall be” (Revelation 22:11-12). Though Revelation 22 is not part of 16, we know that this takes place before Revelation 19 because of the fact that Jesus says, “I come quickly” in verse 12. That means that He is not here yet, which, of course, He is not.

To confirm that this event actually takes place before the seven last plagues, take notice of the wording in Revelation 15:8 that leads into the seven last plagues: “And the temple was filled with

smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled” (Revelation 15:8). None of us is transported to the heavenly temple where God dwells, therefore, to enter into that temple, it must be spiritual experience, like prayer. I mean, “Jesus, made an high priest” (Hebrews 6:20) has to be high priest somewhere, like the heavenly temple. And the symbol of the Old Testament temple with the incense meant something, like the “golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints” (Revelation 5:8). Revelation 8:4 further confirms this by stating, “And the smoke of the incense, [which came] with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.”

The point is that by the time the plagues begin, everyone's destination is settled, so it makes no sense for Satan to wait until the sixth plague to go out and deceive the nations like three

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unclean frogs. Instead, they are active now preparing to fight against Jesus. Every leader (“the kings of the earth”) and every soul (“the whole world”) is involved even if they make no profession of faith.

Now, the key element involved in this deception has to be spiritual. I mean, if, at the time of Jesus’ resurrection, “the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead [men]” (Matthew 28:2-4), then we are no match against many angels, even with repositioning nuclear warheads to aim into outer space. Besides, when Jesus shows up, simply put, He “shall destroy with the brightness of his coming” (2 Thessalonians 2:8). It is going to be a short physical battle.

Jesus *is* going to show up, “the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord” (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17). “For the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life” (John 5:28-29).

The only type of battle is mental or spiritual then. Interestingly, there is a parable about this. “Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings

of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock” (Matthew 7:24-25). The storm that is approaching is the last day events that we are actually in the middle of experiencing and will intensify as time progresses when “no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name” (Revelation 13:17), and “as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed” (Revelation 13:15).

Now, the hint that is given to us about this battle is in the parable: “whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them”. We do not hear sayings from Jesus as He does not walk the earth as He did nearly two-thousand years ago, however, they are recorded in scripture. Therefore, “Blessed [is] he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time [is] at hand” (Revelation 1:3). Not only are we to read, hear, and keep, the words of Revelation, but it is true for all of the scriptures. “All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works” (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Yet, so many are listening to the unclean frogs. They have not only gotten into leaders that have

declared governments are above religious beliefs as demonstrated since 2020, they are in the public schools who have taken prayer out, attack every way possible whenever God is mentioned, replaced God’s facts with theories as in the Theory of Evolution, and overall, have corrupted our kids. They are in our songs that have catchy words and beats to encourage illicit activity. They are in video games, especially the anime content coming out of Japan that actually pits people against God. They are in our producers of movies and television shows that encourage rebellion and make God out to be some evil, controlling tyrant. Just look at Star Wars. Everyone rooted for the REBEL FORCE and saw Darth Vader, Jesus Christ, as an evil foe to defeat. Even God the Father was misrepresented in one of the series.

But continuing on of where the unclean frogs have infiltrated to prepare people to fight against God, they are in most of the preachers who have convinced the vast majority of Christians to make excuses of not following God’s Word, let alone His commandments, into their lives despite the fact that we are told “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth” (John 17:17). Even godly reasons have been supplied to do away with such expectations of a true Christian. The preachers declare that Christians are saved purely by grace and not the law, allowing any amount of lawlessness in the eyes of the beholder to take place despite Paul stating, “Shall we

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The mission of *Have One Mind (in Christ)* is to encourage the desire of “Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat” (2 Peter 3:12), “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15), and to “abideth in the doctrine of Christ” (2 John 1:9) by following the words of Jesus, “If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him” (John 14:23).

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continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?" (Romans 6:1-2). The preachers declare that to keep the commandments, to obey God's Word shows a lack of faith, when Paul once again stated, "Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law" (Romans 3:31). And of course once a person is saved, there is no way they can be lost again, for God says, "I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any [man] pluck them out of my hand" (John 10:28), and "My Father, which gave [them] me, is greater than all; and no [man] is able to pluck [them] out of my Father's hand" (John 10:29), but such Christians ignore the fact that Jesus said it is all conditionally, "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow

me:" (John 10:27). Please note the colon (:) at the end of verse 27 that leads into the famously quoted verses of 28 and 29. That is an intentional, purposeful, and willful act of ignoring the context and meaning of Jesus' words found in John 10:27-29.

So, let us declare that those who are listening to the unclean frogs in any form are the ones who have been convinced to shelve the Word of God, the Bible, even with mere excuses of: "There are errors in the Bible", "The Bible is not applicable today", "The Bible is just full of fables and exaggerations", "The Bible is just ancient content", "The true words have been lost through translations", etc.

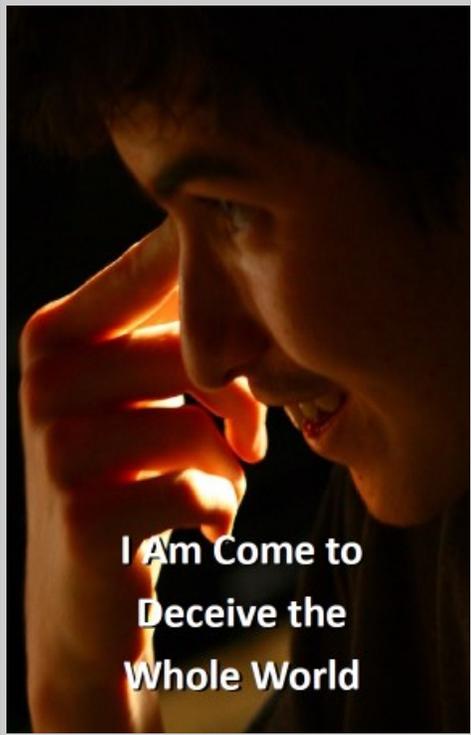
Further, let us declare that those who are listening to the unclean frogs in any form are the ones who have been convinced to

shelve the Ten Commandments as well.

And now we present the confirmation. Let us look at the battle itself and prepare to be on God's side, shaking off the effects of these unclean frogs. "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him [was] called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war" (Revelation 19:11). This indeed is the battle.

"His eyes [were] as a flame of fire, and on his head [were] many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he [was] clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God" (Revelation 19:12-13). Wait! If His name is "The Word of God", should we not then know the "Word of God"? "For thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name" (Revelation 3:8). "And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matthew 7:23). In fact, during the seven last plagues, "There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling" (Psalms 91:10). Why? "Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name" (Psalms 91:14). In other words, "Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known THE WORD OF GOD."

Continuing on in Revelation 19, "And the armies [which were] in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white



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and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God” (Revelation 19:14-15). Now Jesus does not have a real sword in His mouth. This is symbolic language, just as the King James Version of the Bible states in Revelation 1:1: “he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John” (Revelation 1:1). To signify something is to set forth symbols that represent the literal. Most modern versions of the Bible do not reveal that part in the opening verse to the Book of Revelation. In other words, the writers of modern versions of the Bible have also been infected by these frogs and their works should be discarded for study use. Now, using the Bible to define the symbol of the sword, we see in Hebrews 4:12, “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, and of the joints and marrow, and [is] a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” So, if every person is going to be discerned or judged by this sword, and every nation is going to receive His smite by the sword, do we yet see how important it is to really know the Word of God and not simply say, “I read it from time to time”?

Then we have the other lie that many Christians have fallen for, thanks to the unclean frogs infiltrating the teachers and preachers of today. “This all sounds interesting but before things really get ugly, we will be

raptured out of here.” Do you not see the lie of Satan in that statement? “This all sounds interesting but I do not have to get prepared for what is coming spiritually. I have been promised a way out before it happens!” Is that more plain as the promise turns to grains of sand and falls between the fingers back to reality? It is Satan that will use religious excuses to have either most Christians, let alone the rest of the world, unprepared.

In returning back to Revelation 19, we see that Jesus “hath on [his] vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS” (Revelation 19:16). And then it really turns ugly for those unprepared: “And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all [men, both] free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone” (Revelation 19:17-20).

Finally, “And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which [sword] proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh” (Revelation 19:21). In other words, “And the remnant were slain with the WORD OF GOD of him that sat upon the horse, which WORD proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.”

So, are you convinced yet that “if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed” (2 Thessalonians 3:14). Basically, “they have not all obeyed the gospel” (Romans 10:16). “In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power; When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day” (2 Thessalonians 1:8-10).

“For the time [is come] that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if [it] first [begin] at us, what shall the end [be] of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls [to him] in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator” (1 Peter 4:17-19).



Be In Health — 3 John 1:2

Fruit of the Spirit – Goodness

Galatians 5:22 states, “But the fruit of the Spirit is ..., goodness, ...”. In fact, Ephesians 5:9 also says, “For the fruit of the Spirit [is] in all goodness and righteousness and truth;”. Further, Psalms 107:9 declares, “For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.” Therefore, we shall not hunger if we have goodness, which ought to reduce stress and anxiety as well, which results in a calmer heart, lessening the risk of a heart attack or even aneurysm.

And that is not something we are stretching by stating, for the Bible says, “glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the LORD had shewed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people” (2 Chronicles 7:10), and in similar words, it is said, “joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that the LORD had done for David his servant, and for Israel his people” (1 Kings 8:66). A “merry heart” is a content heart of which anxiety robs a person. As a further result, we are told “let thy saints rejoice

in goodness” (2 Chronicles 6:41). It is very hard to rejoice and be anxious at the same time.

So, when Jesus said, “Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you” (Matthew 5:44), it was not to simply show kindness to our enemies, but rather, surrendering that hate that the average person would have towards an enemy that gets rid of a source of stress, anger, again, the risk of a heart attack. Simply not holding a grudge towards them is not sufficient to obtain a great health benefit from an unexpected action. Jesus specifically stated that we needed to do good towards them because in addition to the spiritual applications, it has a physical impact on our own health then.

And remember, doing good in general is fine in its own place, but Jesus warned, “if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same” (Luke 6:33). Again,

setting aside the intended spiritual application, we see a physical impact on health here. Simply doing good in general, which would usually lean towards doing good to those that do good back to us, does not have the same health benefit as doing good towards our enemies. Doing good to those that do good towards us simply keeps the health level status quo. Someone provides a baked good to one person, that person then eventually makes one and sends it back. It is a simple exchange. In fact, if there is any health impact from this scenario, it is actually a negative one because of the added stress of “Oh no! They gave me a gift, now I need to gift them back.”

Do keep in mind that we are not saying to do good only towards enemies, for the Bible does say, “let us do good unto all [men], especially unto them who are of the household of faith” (Galatians 6:10), but as for impacting our health, let our goodness go forth especially towards enemies.



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Be Ye Holy — 1 Peter 1:15

James 2:21 “Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?” First off, the notion that people of the Old Testament are saved differently than the New Testament people is an utter lie. If James can hold up Abraham as an example, Christians ought to throw away the “Christian dispensation” theory. In other words, they were not saved by commandment keeping and we by grace. Both need grace, but we do not receive it without holy or sanctified living, just as is brought out here. Works save no one, but works give evidence of being saved. So, how are your works?

1 John 3:10 says, “In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.” Here we see that not every Christian is a child of God nor is every created human being a child of God. Those who do righteousness, which is holy living, which is a sanctified life are the children of God. And then, to be called a child of God means that God has freely forgiven us of our sins, which is the justification part. So, are you doing righteousness or unrighteousness, which is called sin?

3 John 1:4 says, “I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.” Yesterday, we realized that not every Christian is

a child of God. Many are the child of Satan. Those who have their sins forgiven and repent of doing the sin are the children of God. And what is that expectation today? To walk in truth. If we do not walk in truth, again, we are not His children but Satan’s. Walking in the truth is the sanctified life for we are told from Jesus, “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth” (John 17:17). So, do you walk in the truth or your own feelings?

Ephesians 2:5 says, “Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved)”. We are saved by grace, which is the justification part, but notice who receives it: Those who “were dead in sins” not “are dead in sins”. We stop sinning. That is sanctification. That is holy living. So, are you still dead in your sins, or are you alive in Christ leaving your sins behind?

2 Corinthians 5:14 says, “For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead.” Jesus dying to save us is the free gift of grace being justified or declared to be faultless (Jude 1:24). Being constrained is the holy living or sanctification. If we do not sense a restrictive life from sinning then we are not only lacking that love of Christ but also the grace of Jesus dying for us. So, do you feel guilty for sinning, have confessed your sins, and by the power of God constrained the

body from continuing therein?

2 Thessalonians 1:12 says, “That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.” Grace is freely given to us from God through Jesus Christ, but the expectation is then to glorify Christ afterwards. This is the sanctification part – holy living. While sinning, we glorify Satan showing that his ways are stronger in us than God’s, therefore, to glorify Christ, we are to stop sinning and live in obedience. So, who do you glorify?

In Philippians 1:2, Paul reveals the free grace bestowed upon the Philippians by stating, “Grace [be] unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and [from] the Lord Jesus Christ”, however, continuing his greeting, he eventually states, “Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform [it] until the day of Jesus Christ” (Philippians 1:6), which is the sanctification part. We do not become instantly holy upon receiving the justification or forgiveness of our past sins nor are we to stay at that point in our character. Holy living is a growing in knowledge process. Nonetheless, it is growing to higher standards by letting off known sins and learning what other things in our life is considered sin and then leaving that off too. So, are you advancing

in your holy living, removing all sins in your life, or are you still the same sinful, or maybe only slightly better, person than before becoming a Christian?

1 Corinthians 13:7 says, “Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.” This is the twentieth verse so far that calls for holy living and not this worldly lifestyle that so many Christians live and claim to be saved. That is twenty verses purposely misunderstood or they would stop being worldly. In this case, to “believe all things” is our free gift of justification, which we cannot earn, for “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house” (Acts 16:31). However, to “endure all things” is our call to sanctification or holy living for “Blessed [is] the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him” (James 1:12). If we give in to the temptation of sin and living worldly, we are not enduring. Therefore, we need to resist worldliness and sinning. That is holy living. So, how is your endurance? Do you have any?

Ephesians 2:1 states, “And you [hath he quickened], who were dead in trespasses and sins.” By the gift of grace or justification, Jesus saved or quickened us. The status afterwards is that we “were dead in trespasses and sins”. This is past tense telling us that the present condition is that we are no longer in trespasses and sins for we live a holy or sanctified life now. So, how are you living?

1 Corinthians 12:13 says, “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether [we be] Jews or Gentiles, whether [we be] bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.” To be baptized is to have been justified, for baptism is the outward action of accepting Jesus Christ who freely washes away all of our sins (Revelation 1:5), but then to drink into one Spirit is to walk after the Spirit and not the flesh (Romans 8:1, 4). So, are you drinking of the one Spirit, or are you drinking of what the world has to offer?

1 John 3:18 says, “My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.” Being a child of God means we are no longer a child of Satan. We have been freely forgiven of our sins, but it is not enough to simply say, “I’m saved!” We now live in deed and in truth, which is a sanctified life – holy living. So, are you being a Christian in deed and in truth, or just claiming to be a Christian?

1 Corinthians 15:1 says, “Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand.” To receive the gospel is to receive the free gift of justification. To stand is to take a firm action against all those things that work against the gospel, primarily against sin, for the Bible says, “stand against the wiles of the devil” (Ephesians 6:11). That is sanctification, or holy living. So, are you relying only on receiving the gospel, or are you also taking a stand for Christ ceasing the

participation in the wiles of the devil – sin?

2 John 1:3-4 says, “Grace be with you, mercy, [and] peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love. I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father.” Grace, mercy, peace are free gifts of justification from God. We receive grace because we have sinned. We receive mercy because we ought to die for those sins (Romans 6:23). And we are at peace because sin has been removed from our relationship that cuts us off from God. But then the expectation is to be walking or obeying the truth. That is holy living. That is sanctification. So, how are you walking? Still in sinful paths or on the righteous and narrow way (Matthew 7:14)?

Matthew 12:36-37 states, “But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.” At first glance, it looks like actions or words are being judged and the verses lack grace, however, both justification and sanctification are in these verses. Jesus taught that a person would be justified. That is the grace, the free gift. There is nothing we can do to earn justification. Despite our past sins, Jesus is “to present [you] faultless” (Jude 24). However, justification is not for those who will continue in their sins, even in speaking. Therefore, justification

will only be applied to those who now have ceased idle words, ceased the foul mouth, ceased telling lies, ceased speaking in idolizing ways, etc. That is holy living and if we are not speaking in a holy or respectful way, we shall be condemned no matter how long we have claimed to be a Christian. That is what Jesus said. So, what do your words reveal your future will be? Receiving free justification or being condemned?

Colossians 1:2 says, "To the saints

and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace [be] unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." One cannot be a saint without receiving the grace and peace from God which is the free gift of justification. At the same time, one cannot be faithful if they are not living a holy life. To give in to temptation is not faithful. It is like handing someone some food to hold and asking them not to eat any of it and to protect it from others trying to get at it. Upon returning to this friend and

noticing that some of the food is missing due to not being in self-control, we would obviously say that such a person is not faithful. The same is true with our bodies. We have been given these bodies to "be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 5:23). If we are using the bodies in sinful ways, then we are not faithful. So, how faithful are you in resisting sin?



Study to Shew Thyself Approved Unto God—(2 Timothy 2:15)

Jesus' Timing

1. How did Jesus begin His message? **Mark 1:15**
2. What did Jesus declare? **John 7:6, 8**
3. What did Jesus accuse the Pharisees and Sadducees of not discerning? **Matthew 16:3**
4. What event was being pointed to by all things? **Matthew 16:21**
5. What was eventually at hand? **Matthew 26:18**
6. What time frame is found in the Old Testament that pointed to the Messiah? **Daniel 9:24-25**
7. What mathematical computation did Jesus provide that was of no coincidence as there happens to be seven days in a week? **Matthew 18:22**
8. How many years was the fig tree unfruitful? **Luke 13:6**
9. How long into another year do you think the fig tree was allowed to live until it was cut down? **Luke 13:8, Daniel 9:27** [hint: a week is 7 days and the exact midst or middle of it is what amount? Now subtract three from that answer since three was already covered by the answer to the previous

question, leaving a mere what?]

10. What tore ending the sacrificial system that pointed to Jesus dying on the cross right on time and ending the oblations being acceptable to God as Daniel predicted? **Matthew 27:51**

February 2023 Bible Questions and Answers

What does born-again mean?

1. What is at stake about being born-again? **End of John 3:5 “the kingdom of God”**
2. How are we born? **First half of John 3:6 “of the flesh”**
3. What is associated with how we are born? **Romans 8:3 “weak” and “sinful”**
4. What are we to be born of? **End of John 3:6 “of the Spirit”**
5. If we have taken the new birth, what is associated with that life? **1 John 3:9 “doth not commit sin”**
6. What will a born-again person not do? **1 John 5:18 “sinneth not”**
7. In fact, what does a born-again person actually do?
8. Again, what does a born-again person do? **1 John 2:29 “righteousness”**
9. The concept of being born-again makes people marvel, but what type of clarification did Jesus place upon being born-again? **John 3:7 [Hint: It is the word that declares the level of responsibility to being born again.] “must be”**
10. What do so many Christians who are in name only and not born-again do towards those who are born-again? **Galatians 4:29 “persecuted”**



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Questions & Answers

QUESTION: Can you explain Deuteronomy 12:15 and 14:25-26?

ANSWER: Deuteronomy 12:15 states, “Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.” Deuteronomy 14:25-26 says, “Then shalt thou turn [it] into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine household.”

Deuteronomy 14:25 to 26 is easier to explain. God is not giving them permission to “lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth”. He is stating that if a person lusts after any of these things, the amount of money that would have been spent on these things should be given to God instead, which is a redirection of the use of funds from sinful practices to an offering. Then they can eat proper food in celebration for overcoming the temptation along with rejoicing. Today, if a person really wanted to spend money on going to a raunchy movie, which they pretty much all are, put the price of the ticket in a jar and then offer the contents of the monies to God at the next church service that was collected from other “almost purchased” sinful items that Christians ought not participate in. It

is almost like a swear jar except the sin was not yet committed but surrendered in the form of an offering.

Now, in Deuteronomy 12:15, the animals within the gates were all clean animals, however, they may not have all been spiritually clean, yet God gave them permission to eat such. In other words, the references to unclean in the verse was not towards swine, it was towards a clean animal that was ceremonially not clean.

Such distinction between physically clean animals being clean and unclean existed in Jesus’ day. “And Jesus said, Are ye also yet without understanding? Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught? But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are [the things] which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man” (Matthew 15:16-20). If a sheep were slaughtered properly but did not go through the ceremonial cleaning, it was considered unclean by the Pharisees, something they accused Jesus’ disciples of. “Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread” (Matthew 15:1-2).

QUESTION: Can you explain Matthew 16:19 and Matthew 18:18?

ANSWER: Matthew 16:19 says, “And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” Matthew 18:18 says, “Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

First, we let the Bible define what the word “key” means: “the key of knowledge” (Luke 11:52).

Second, we redirect the knowledge away from the world into the proper focus: “Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? [them that are] weaned from the milk, [and] drawn from the breasts. For precept [must be] upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little” (Isaiah 28:9-10). In short, the knowledge people are to have is that of God’s doctrines through the scriptures.

So, Jesus gave the disciples, including us, the knowledge of His Word in which we collect all scriptures on a given subject to see the perfect will of God without mistake. And if people are not living to that standard, they shall remain bound in their sin. If they convert over the matter, they are loosed from their sins. Even Heaven will recognize such activity.

Therefore, bringing the truth of the Word of God to a practicing sinner is what we are to share. If they surrender the sin, they are loosed, but if they do not, they are still bound.

QUESTION: Which political party should we support?

ANSWER: Neither. Each party schemes simply for power. Both parties are actually working in unison, any ways, just like a television show with actors, although one side does appear to be against the agenda while really not contributing to stopping it in any significant way.

Look to Jesus as our example who refused to get caught up in the politics of the day and simply focused upon doing the work at hand instead, of which all of us are to be involved with.

We have the incident of the coin: "Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in [his] talk. And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any [man]: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, [ye] hypocrites? Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose [is] this image and superscription? They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he

unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard [these words], they marvelled, and left him, and went their way" (Matthew 22:15-22).

We have the woman caught in adultery in which if Jesus said to stone her, it would have political ramifications against the Romans who only could implement the death penalty, and if Jesus said to let her go, it would have politically gone against the religious law. "And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them. And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst, They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou? This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with [his] finger wrote on the ground, [as though he heard them not]. So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her. And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground. And they which heard [it],

being convicted by [their own] conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, [even] unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst. When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more" (John 8:2-11).

And for those that say that if we do not get involved, evil will rule the nation, then which side is evil? The answer is that both are, in their own way. But it is all a distraction anyways. All true Christians are supposed to make the necessary living to survive and then use the blessings of God to seek after perishing souls. It is not the responsibility of the pastor alone to do this for the Holy Spirit "gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ" (Ephesians 4:11-12). Each of us are to have a ministry of being involved in saving souls. Politics is all but a distraction from that mission.



News and Comments

January 2—The State

SC senator ticketed for public intoxication New Year's Day by Lexington police

"State Sen. Tom Davis released a statement Sunday night that said the Beaufort Republican, soon after

leaving a social gathering where alcohol was consumed, 'recognized he should not be driving.'"

The Bible says, "Wine [is] a mocker, strong drink [is] raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise" (Proverbs 20:1). And that is "not wise" in character. No wonder

Congress is in such a mess. Both houses are filled with unwise representatives.

January 17—Yahoo

Alcohol and cancer risk: 5 types of cancer linked to alcohol consumption

Yes, we know how red wine is supposedly good for the heart, which benefit can be obtained without the use of alcohol, but what appears to be good in one area, and we stress the word "appears", is definitely not so in others. The Bible is clear, "Wine [is] a mocker, strong drink [is] raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise" (Proverbs 20:1).

January 18—Kusi

San Diego moves forward with natural gas stove ban

Yet another sacrifice to the modern pagan worship of climate change. And this is initiated over the supposed one study of questionable content that declares children with asthma can have complicated symptoms in homes with gas stoves. Therefore, the agenda declares no one may have them as it pushes everyone into a control mechanism that cannot handle the load as it is, and we are talking about electric everything. "For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and their force [is] not right" (Jeremiah 23:10). The course they are on is evil indeed and forcing people to comply is not right.

January 20—Popular Mechanics

A Guy Says He Had a Heart Attack and Went to Hell in 2016. Here's What He Saw.

The only problem with this story is that hell does not exist yet. If "the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8), and "the angels that sinned" were "cast ... down to hell, and delivered [them] into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment" (2 Peter 2:4), that "hell" is not the place of burning as they are *reserved* unto judgment and not *suffering* the judgment yet. It is after the coming thousand years that hell begins (Revelation 20:7) and "they

went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them" (Revelation 20:9). In fact, God says to Satan, "I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee" (Ezekiel 28:18). Now that is hell fire and much hotter than most Christians want to admit, for this hell fire "For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch" (Malachi 4:1), "And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do [this], saith the LORD of hosts" (Malachi 4:3). Satan is right now walking the face of the earth to cause loss of eternal life in all who are not sober, so he cannot be the warden of hell right now, or at any time. The NDE that this person suffered is nothing short of suggestion over the years, by Satan himself or evil angels, or mere dream, as hell is not yet burning.

January 21—Red State

Christian Shopper Is Ordered to Remove His 'Jesus Saves' Shirt or Leave — at the Mall of America

"And ye shall be hated of all [men] for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved" (Matthew 10:22). All other filth is allowed to be worn, or almost all, but let Christianity be displayed and all kinds of hatred and bias is brought forth. Keep in mind, we are not advocates of wearing such shirts. We do not believe we have to wear our Christianity on our bodies but "[let it be] the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, [even the ornament] of a meek and quiet

spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price" (1 Peter 3:4).

January 22—The Daily Beast

With 'Roe v. Wade' Gone, Men Will Have a Lot Less Sex

We have been told that the concern is for incest, rape, and the mother's life that we needed Roe v. Wade to have stay in place, but in a bold attempt to hit men where it hurts, it is truly about sacrificing the unborn for pleasure, which is no different than others who have "burnt his children in the fire, after the abominations of the heathen whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel" (2 Chronicles 28:3).

January 23—The Daily Beast

The Rotation of Earth's Inner Core Might Be Reversing

The word "might" makes the discovery already suspect. The fact that humans have not even completely drilled through the crust means that all of the inward parts is but guess work. The reason this is noteworthy, is like evolution, it becomes the norm and expectancy of belief. Anything short of it, and God forbid if God is brought in to explain things, it is laughed at. Noting that this also contributes to climate change, it is really happening, is yet another angle being used to bolster up a false premise. "Blessed are ye, when [men] shall revile you, and persecute [you], and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake" (Matthew 5:11).

January 24—DW

Insects on the menu as EU approves two for human consumption

"The maggot-like larvae of lesser mealworms — a type of shiny black beetle — and house crickets will become the third and fourth insects that can be sold as food for people in

the European Union. Eight more applications await approval."

Yuk is the initial reaction. But what does God say? "Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon [all] four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth" (Leviticus 11:21).

Mealworms are the larval stage, or maggots, of the mealworm, a shiny black beetle. Maggots have no legs. Shiny black beetles have 6 legs. Crickets have 6 legs. Neither the maggots, nor the beetles, nor the cricket can be eaten.

January 24—The Guardian

Florida teachers forced to remove or cover up books to avoid felony charges

So the victims are the teachers who are trying to push the LGBTQ garbage upon children that just want to be children? Truly we are seeing "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!" (Isaiah 5:20).

January 25—Popular Mechanics

A Catastrophic Mutating Event Will Strike the World in 2 Years, Report Says

They do not say "may" strike but "will" strike. So, they are telling us in 2025, just like Bill Gates announced not too long ago, that another control mechanism, far worse than the last one, is going to be implemented. This would not be a time to plan a normal life, but adjust with the two year warning. Mostly, it would not be wise to make large investments when this one may steal your job. This is not doom and gloom but a watchful warning along with an encouragement to those considering on helping financially or physically or both in sharing the gospel, we have a mere two years of relative ease before we go through tough times

again. Then again, it is only on God's schedule. So, "ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Let go of the sports, entertainment, etc. and be involved with the last day thrust of the gospel.

January 26—Business Insider

Science has finally cracked the mystery of why so many people believe in conspiracy theories

So, the Bible says symbolically that there will be a conspiring effort to drive all activity to the antichrist through politics, preachers, pharmaceuticals, merchants, leaders of nations, etc. (Revelation 18:23, Revelation 18:3, Revelation 17:5). "And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast" (Revelation 17:12). In the meantime, the media is trying to make it look like anyone uncovering these plans is experiencing certain personality traits: "that's narcissism, psychopathy, and a tendency to see the world in black-or-white terms".

January 26—Business Insider

George Santos' new treasurer says he doesn't work for him and that his name was signed without his consent

Truly James' penned words are applicable: "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one [point], he is guilty of all" (James 2:10). He has idolized the position doing anything to obtain it, numerous accounts of lying, now stealing a signature, surely he does not keep the Sabbath, certainly his character (third commandment) is well tarnished, defying authority (covered by the fifth commandment), and is accused of some form of adultery but may be a falsehood, nevertheless, he is definitely showing an example of how one not only breaks one commandment is guilty of all, but

working on each one. Additionally, for however much they are harassing Santos, it should be equal harassment for all politicians, including those of other offices.

January 26—Business Insider

Sen. Ted Cruz Wants Capitol Hill Vending Machines to Accept Crypto

This is out of character for a Republican, but then again, it is all the same. It is a show of actors, a drama series. ... In the article, it shows that this is a FORCED obligation and in fact, some article titles say it but when one goes to the actual article, the word "forced" is removed. The contents state that Ted wants "only contract with food service contractors and vending machine operators that accept cryptocurrency for the Capitol complex in Washington, D.C." Now stay focused because this is not about politics as it is showing that even simple freedoms are at stake. To speak as a dragon (Revelation 13:11) is to force compliance. Oh, Ted is not forcing anyone to have to accept crypto currency but if you want to do business with the Capitol Complex, you have to comply. Any politician that says that we are not forced to do anything is lying, because the indirect way to force one without a direct force rule is to open up participation to only compliers. Oh, you do not need to be vaccinated but if you want employment, get on air plane, take a cruise, ..., live a life, you have to comply or die. We, indeed, are in the dragon period of this country and have left the lamb-like horn period.

January 26—Fox News

Did Kamala Harris deliberately omit 'life' when referencing the Declaration of Independence? Americans react

"Lone Star state residents and visitors weighed in on Vice President Kamala Harris omitting the right to life while paraphrasing the Declaration of

Independence during a Sunday speech promoting abortion access."

That is because the constitution does not protect a woman's right to kill the baby inside her, but protects a person's life. Even the Bible states, "If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart [from her], and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges [determine]. And if [any] mischief

follow, then thou shalt give life for life" (Exodus 21:22-23).

January 31—ABC News

What the end of the COVID-19 emergencies in the US means

"On May 11, the U.S. will no longer officially be in a COVID-19 emergency for the first time since the pandemic began three years ago."

That sounds like we were on a schedule. Since when does a pandemic have a schedule? And if May 11 is the day it ends, why not May 1, or even earlier? What, majorly, will change even between now and then? Once again, it stinks of an allowance to control people for a period of time. "For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are opened against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue" (Psalms 109:2). 

Natural Remedies

Exercise for Knee Pain

"I hear my rheumatologist wife talking about home remedies for knee pain all the time. The two core things she always tells her patients are 'Don't rest too much'

and 'Try to exercise'. Too much rest can weaken your muscles, which can actually make knee pain worse. Keeping active is usually a

better and safer alternative to side effects of many pain medications."

~Dr. Raj Dasgupta 