



CHART SERMONS
VOL IV

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The reception that continues to be given to Chart Sermons Vol. I, II, and III and the fine comments that a number of brethren make on these efforts is encouraging and greatly appreciated. In addition to using the charts in the pulpit they can be used effectively in Bible classes in homes, prisons and in foreign fields. Some of these charts are now being used effectively in Nigeria by American and native workers. The following excerpts from a letter received from one of the American evangelists is especially appreciated: "...I had no idea that they (the charts) would be as useful to me here as they have been. the fact is they have been invaluable.... often I decide to preach something else, but when I pull up to the place for preaching and think it over, I nearly always pull out one of the charts because I know the people will come much nearer stopping and listening when they are being used than they will without them."

Chart Sermons Vol. IV is now brought forth with a hope and a prayer that it will be found useful to a number of faithful brethren in their efforts in the Lord's vineyard and that they may be a real help to all who hear them preached or who study the outlines themselves. Again there are lessons for the lost and the saved.

I paint these and other charts for a number of brethren. They are painted on a half bed sheet and measure about four by seven feet. If interested write for information.

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CHOKED AMONG THORNS

Lk. 8:11-15

1. This is a greatly needed lesson today for church members for many are being choked with cares, riches and pleasures.
2. This lesson should cause us all serious and careful self examination.

I. The Thorns That Choke

- A. Living in a materialistic age there are many temptations to loose sight of the spiritual for the material and to be neglectful or our duties as Christians in the race to worldly success.
- B. So many allow the cares of business, their interest in clubs, fraternal orders, etc. to choke them out so that they have no time for the Lord.
- C. Pleasures are choking many because they are allowed to take up too much time.

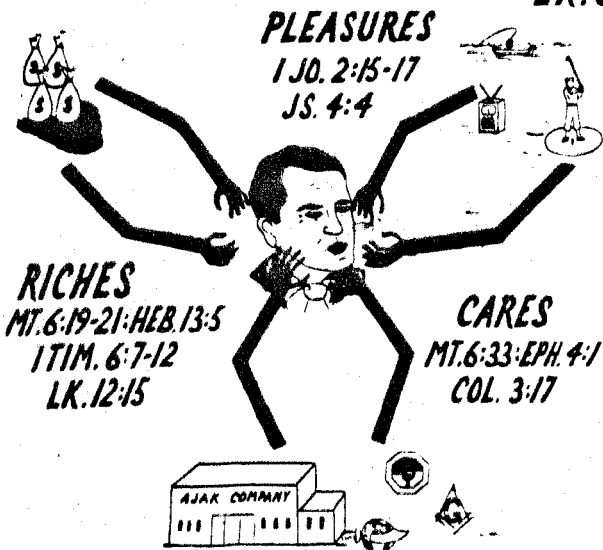
II. Important Duties And Privileges Are Neglected

- A. Many are too busy to devote time to the study of the Bible.
- B. After a hard week of work many feel they should rest in bed or relax on the golf course rather than attend services.
- C. There is just no time to teach a neighbor the truth.
- D. The mid-week service is completely crowded out.
- E. Just entirely too busy to visit the sick.

ARE YOU BEING CHOKED SO THAT YOU WILL BRING NO FRUIT TO PERFECTION?

CHOKED AMONG THORNS

LK. 8:11-15



PLEASURES

1 JO. 2:15-17

JS. 4:4

RICHES

MT. 6:19-21-HEB. 13:5

1 TIM. 6:7-12

LK. 12:15

CARES

MT. 6:33-EPH. 4:1

COL. 3:17

BIBLE NEGLECTED



2 TIM. 2:15

2 TIM. 3:16,17

2 PET. 1:3

NEIGHBOR

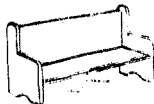


ACTS 8:30,31

MK. 16:15

HEB. 5:12

MID-WEEK SERVICE



ACTS 2:46,47

2 PET. 3:18

MT. 7:12

LORD'S DAY



ACTS 20:7

HEB. 10:25

SICK



GAL. 6:10-MT. 25:41-46

1 COR. 15:58

DEATH - WHEN? - THEN?

Heb. 9:27

We should think soberly as to death and our preparation to live with God.

I. Death Is

- A. Certain for it is appointed unto man once to die.
- B. Separation from loved ones and from this world.
- C. End of opportunity. We need to keep our good intentions now.
- D. To the faithful Christian death is
 1. Victory - victory over suffering and temptation.
 2. Paul says it is gain.
 3. A blessing - trials and tribulations will be over.
- E. To the sinner death is doom.

II. When Will Death Come?

- A. Though some live to a ripe old age, many die young thus death may overtake us at any time.
- B. Death may come by accident (consider the many auto accidents and those in the home), disease (we may now have a disease, unknown to us that will in a short while stamp out our life), decay (old age), murder or suicide.
- C. Flesh is as grass and life as a vapor.

III. Then What?

- A. There will be the resurrection of all - good and evil.
- B. All will appear before Christ and give an account to Him in judgment.
- C. Then heaven for the righteous and hell for the wicked.

TIME IS SWIFTLY PASSING - NOW IS THE TIME TO PREPARE.

* This is a mechanically illustrated chart - the hand on the clock moves.

DEATH - WHEN? - THEN?

DEATH IS

CERTAIN - HEB. 9:27
SEPARATION - ECC. 12:7
END OF OPPORTUNITY - JO. 9:4
TO FAITHFUL CHRISTIAN
VICTORY - 1 COR. 15:54-57
OVER SUFFERING - REV. 21:4
OVER TEMPTATION - REV. 3:5
GAIN - PHIL. 1:21
BLESSING - REV. 14:13
TO SINNER & UNGODLY
DOOM - 1 THESS. 4:13; 1 PET. 4:17, 18
2 THESS. 1:7-9



WHEN?

ANYTIME - ACCIDENT, DISEASE,
DECAY, MURDER OR SUICIDE
FLESH AS GRASS - 1 PET. 1:24
LIFE AS VAPOR - JS. 4:14



NOW IS THE TIME
TO PREPARE
2 COR. 6:2

IS SWIFTLY PASSING

THEN?

RESURRECTION - JO. 5:28, 29
ALL APPEAR BEFORE CHRIST - 2 COR. 5:10
ALL GIVE AN ACCOUNT - ROM. 14:12
JUDGMENT - HEB. 9:27; ACTS 17:30, 31
REV. 20:11-15
HEAVEN OR HELL - MT. 25:34, 41, 46

FRUITFUL HEARERS

Lk.8:11-15

1. In the parable of the sower the fruitful hearers were the ones who heard and kept the word.
2. Doers of the word are those who are blessed.

To Be A Fruitful Hearer One Must

- A. Obey the truth when he learns it.
- B. Be faithful in attending the services of the church.
- C. Apply himself to a study of the word that he might grow and develop in a spiritual way.
- D. Be regular in prayer knowing that prayer is a source of strength to the child of God.
- E. Be liberal in the support of the greatest work on earth realizing that the gospel is God's power to save and must be preached before it can be obeyed.
- F. Have a part in the work of the church such as teaching a class.
- G. Have an interest in friends and neighbors and try to teach them.
- H. Recognizing individual responsibility to have compassion toward needy.
- I. Make efforts to restore the erring to the truth.

ARE YOU A FRUITFUL HEARER?

FRUITFUL HEARERS

LK. 8: 11-15

OBEYING GOSPEL



MK. 16:16: ACTS 2:38

GAL. 3:26,27;

STUDYING



1 TIM. 4:13,16: 2 TIM. 2:15

2 PET. 3:18

FAITHFUL ATTENDANCE



ACTS 2:46,47: NEB. 10:25

MT. 7:24,25

PRAYING



LK. 18:1: 1 THESS. 5:17

TEACHING



MT. 28:20: 2 TIM. 2:2

LIBERAL GIVING



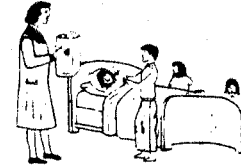
1 COR. 16:1,2: 2 COR. 8:1-8:9: 6-8

TEACHING INDIVIDUAL



MK. 7:15: 1 PET. 3:15

VISITING SICK



GAL. 6:10: MT. 25:34-40

JS. 1:27

RESTORING
ERRING



GAL. 6:1: JS. 5:19,20

GOD'S MEANS OF DELIVERANCE

1. In the three ages of time God has had a deliverance for man.
2. In each deliverance God has used water.

I. Noah's Deliverance

- A. In the patriarchal age God delivered Noah and his family from the world of wickedness into a new world.
- B. Noah was instructed of God - he believed and obeyed the instructions, built the ark and was delivered by the flood.

II. Israel's Deliverance

- A. Israel was delivered from bondage in Egypt.
- B. Moses was called and instructed - he believed and obeyed.
- C. God opened the red sea for their deliverance and then used it to drown their enemies.
- D. They were fed from heaven and the law was given to them.

III. Man's Deliverance Today

- A. Lost man, in the bondage of sin, is called by the gospel of Christ.
 - B. When he hears and heeds the call - believes and obeys the commands he is delivered from sin into the church by baptism.
 - C. He is then in the body, the kingdom - has light and a sufficient guide.
- Since God has used water in the first two ages is it inconsistent or unbelievable that He should use water in the gospel age?

HAVE YOU BEEN DELIVERED? WHY NOT NOW?

GOD'S MEANS OF DELIVERANCE

PATRIARCHAL AGE

SAVED - GEN. 7:23 · 2 PET. 2:5

NEW WORLD

GEN. 8:15.16.20

1 PET. 3:20

FLOOD

GEN. 7:11.12

FAITH & OBEDIENCE

GEN. 6:22

NOAH INSTRUCTED - GEN. 6:8.14.18-21

WORLD OF WICKEDNESS

GEN. 6:5-7

JEWISH AGE

DELIVERED - EX. 18:8.9

WILDERNESS

LAW GIVEN - NEH. 9:13.14

FED FROM HEAVEN - EX. 16:4

EX. 15:1

EX. 14:30

RED SEA

1 COR. 10:1.2

EX. 14:21.22

FAITH & OBEDIENCE

EX. 14:15.16

MOSES CALLED - EX. 3:2-5.10

BONDAGE IN EGYPT

EX. 1:13.14

GOSPEL AGE

DELIVERED - GAL. 1:3-5 · 1 PE. 3:21

CHURCH

SUFFICIENT GUIDE - 2 TIM. 3:16.17

IN LIGHT - 1 PET. 2:9

IN KINGDOM - COL. 1:13

IN BOY -

MK. 16:16 · 1 COR. 12:13

ACT. 2:38 · 22:16

ROM. 6:1-5

BAPTISM

FAITH & OBEDIENCE

MT. 7:21 · HEB. 5:8.9

THE GOSPEL CALL - 2 THESS. 2:14

BONDAGE IN SIN

ROM. 3:23 · EPH. 2:12

THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

Rom. 1:16

1. Gospel means good news, glad tidings.
2. The gospel is to be preached and taught - it appeals to man's intellect.

I. The Gospel

- A. Is God's saving power.
- B. Paul preached a certified gospel.
- C. Is God's call to man.
- D. Is God's means of begetting.
- E. Is something you must believe or be lost (compare to human doctrines - denominational preachers will not claim you must believe their particular doctrines to be saved therefore such is no part of the gospel).
- F. Is something your must obey or be destroyed.
- G. Is something you can't afford to forget.
- H. Bears no substitution.

II. The Gospel Consists Of

- A. Facts to believe - the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.
- B. Commands to obey - believe facts, repent, confess and be baptized.
- C. Promises to enjoy - remission of sins, gift of the Holy Ghost, and eternal life.

WHY NOT OBEY THE GOSPEL?

THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

ROM. 1:16

GOSPEL - GOOD NEWS - GLAD TIDINGS - ROM. 10:15 TO BE TAUGHT - PREACHED - MT. 28:19, 20 - MK. 16:15, 16
APPEALS TO MAN'S INTELLECT - JO. 6:44, 45

THE GOSPEL

IS GOD'S SAVING POWER - ROM. 1:16

IS CERTIFIED - GAL. 1:11, 12

IS GOD'S CALL - 2 THESS. 2:14

IS GOD'S MEANS OF BEGETTING - 1 COR. 4:15

YOU MUST BELIEVE OR BE LOST - ROM. 1:16 - MK. 16:16 - HEB. 4:2

COMPARE HUMAN DOCTRINES

YOU MUST OBEY OR BE DESTROYED - 1 PET. 4:17, 18

2 THESS. 1:7-9

YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO FORGET - 1 COR. 15:12 - HEB. 2:1-4

BEARS NO SUBSTITUTION - GAL. 1:6-9; 2 JO. 9

GOSPEL

FACTS
TO BELIEVE

D 1 COR. 15:1-4
B ROM. 6:4
R ROM. 10:9

COMMANDS
TO OBEY

B - ROM. 10:17 - MK. 16:16
R - ACTS 2:38
C - ACTS 8:37
B - ACTS 10:48 - MK. 16:17, 18

PROMISES
TO ENJOY

R. OF SINS - ACTS 2:38
G. HOLY GHOST - ACTS 2:38
E. LIFE - 2 TIM. 1:10 - REV. 2:10

WHY NOT OBEY THE GOSPEL?

HEAVEN OR HELL?

Mt. 7:13,14

There is a narrow way that leads to heaven and a broad way that leads to hell. Every accountable being should ponder, "Which road am I traveling?"

I. Heaven

- A. What? - a prepared place for a prepared people, an incorruptible inheritance, where our treasure should be, and a heavenly city.
- B. For whom? - those who do God's will, the righteous, the faithful, and those who love His appearance.
- C. How can we go? - having love for and obedience to God and Christ, after obeying gospel grow spiritually being faithful and fruitful.

II. Hell

- A. What? - a prepared place for the unprepared, a lake of fire, a place of torment, and a place of punishment.
- B. For whom? - the devil and his angels, unbelievers, liars, those not in book of life, and the disobedient whether purposefully or neglectfully.
- C. How does one go? - being unbelieving, allowing the word to be stolen from him, going in a way that seems right but not in harmony with God's word, and through neglectfulness and unfaithfulness.

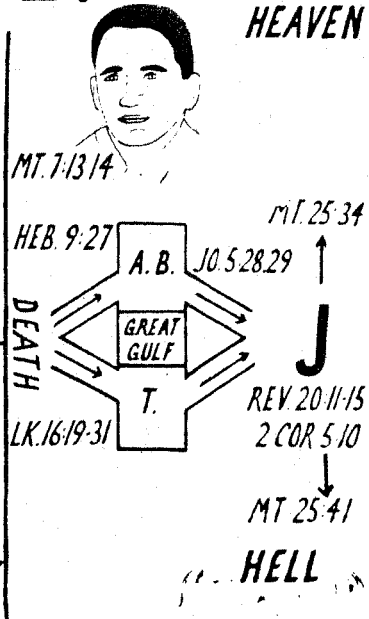
III. After Death

- A. Into hades in rest or torment as Lazarus and rich man.
- B. General resurrection and judgment.
- C. Great separation - "Come unto me.." or "Depart from me.."

WHICH ROAD ARE YOU TRAVELING?

HEAVEN OR HELL?

WHAT?	FOR WHOM?	HOW?
<p>PREPARED PLACE MT. 25:34</p> <p>INCORRUPTIBLE INHERITANCE 1 PET. 1:4</p> <p>PLACE FOR TREASURE MT. 6:20</p> <p>HEAVENLY CITY REV. 22:14</p>	<p>DOERS OF GOD'S WILL MT. 7:21; JS. 1:22-25</p> <p>THE RIGHTEOUS 1 PET. 4:18</p> <p>THE FAITHFUL REV. 2:10</p> <p>LOVERS OF HIS APPEARANCE 2 TIM. 4:8</p>	<p>LOVE & OBEDIENCE JO. 14:15, 21; MT. 7:21 ACTS 2:38-41; HEB. 5:8, 9</p> <p>SPIRITUAL GROWTH 2 PET. 1:3-11; 3:18</p> <p>FAITHFUL & FRUITFUL 1 TIM. 4:16; HEB. 10:25 LK. 8:15; JO. 15:5</p>
<p>PREPARED PLACE MT. 25:41</p> <p>LAKE OF FIRE REV. 20:14, 15</p> <p>PLACE OF TORMENT MT. 24:51; REV. 20:10</p> <p>PUNISHMENT 2 THESS. 1:7-9</p>	<p>DEVIL & HIS ANGELS MT. 25:41</p> <p>UNBELIEVERS-LIARS REV. 21:8</p> <p>THOSE NOT IN BOOK OF LIFE REV. 20:15</p> <p>THOSE WHO OBEY NOT 1 PET. 4:17, 18; 2 TH. 1:7-9</p>	<p>NOT BELIEVING HEB. 4:2; MK. 16:16</p> <p>BEING ROBBED LK. 8:11, 12; 2 TH. 1:7-9</p> <p>IN WAY THAT SEEMS RIGHT PROV. 14:12; ACTS 26:9-11</p> <p>NEGLECT & UNFAITHFULNESS HEB. 2:1-4; LK. 8:13, 14</p>



"HOLDING FORTH THE WORD OF LIFE.."

Phil. 2:14-16

As Christians we should do all we can to hold forth the word of life to those in sin and in religious error.

I. The Word Of Life

- A. Jesus has words of life - the truth - the truth that frees.
- B. The truth cleanses and saves.
- C. The truth will stand forever and will judge us at the last day.

II. The Truth Is Entrusted To Christians

- A. First to the apostles - then to faithful men with ability to teach.
- B. The church composed of Christians is the pillar and ground of truth.
- C. We are to hold fast the truth - never forsake it.

III. Hold Forth By Doing

- A. Jesus set the example of doing and teaching.
- B. We are to live by the word - to keep it.
- C. We must be doers of the word.
- D. We are to be examples to others - live becoming the gospel of Christ.

IV. Hold Forth By Teaching

- A. Study needed in order to be able to teach and preach the truth.
- B. We must contend for the truth.

KNOWING THAT SOME MAKE IT OF NONE EFFECT, SOME PERVERT IT AND SOME SPEAK EVIL OF IT SHOULD CAUSE US TO BE ALL THE MORE DETERMINED TO HOLD IT FORTH.

HOLDING FORTH THE WORD OF LIFE.."

THE WORD OF LIFE

WORDS JESUS HAS - JO. 6:68.63

TRUTH - JO. 17:17

TRUTH FREES - JO. 8:32

CLEANSSES - JO. 15:3

SAVES - ROM. 1:16: ACTS 11:12-14:13:26

ETERNAL - MT. 24:35

JUDGES - JO. 12:48

ENTRUSTED TO CHRISTIANS

FIRST TO APOSTLES - MK. 16:15: 2 COR. 5:18.19: TIT. 1:3

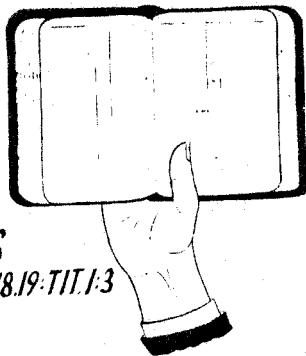
FAITHFUL MEN - 2 TIM. 2:2

EARTHEN VESSELS - 2 COR. 4:7

PILLAR & GROUND OF TRUTH - 1 TIM. 3:15.

HOLD FAST - 2 TIM. 1:13

PHIL. 2:14-16



HOLD FORTH BY DOING

JESUS SET EXAMPLE - ACTS 1:1

LIVE BY WORD - LK. 4:4

KEEP WORD - LK. 11:28

BE DOERS OF WORD - JS. 1:22-25

BE EXAMPLE - 1 TIM. 4:12

LIVE BECOMING GOSPEL - PHIL. 1:27

HOLD FORTH BY TEACHING

STUDY - 2 TIM. 2:15

FAITHFUL TEACH - 2 TIM. 2:12

PREACH - 2 TIM. 4:2

CONTEND FOR - JUDE 3: PHIL. 1:17

SOME MAKE OF NONE EFFECT - MK. 7:9-13

SOME PERVERT - GAL. 1:6-9

SOME SPEAK EVIL OF TRUTH - 2 PET. 2:1-3

THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jo.7:39

1. The Spirit is one of the Godhead.
2. The Spirit's work was to comfort, teach, remind, guide, reveal the truth to the apostles and to reprove the world of sin.

I. How Conversion Takes Place

- A. In conversion man is drawn, taught, called and is to obey that he might be made free.
- B. Examples are seen in about 3,000 on Pentecost, the eunuch, Saul of Tarsus, Cornelius and the jailer.
- C. The Spirit gave the law (revealed it), reproves of sin (through the word), His sword was used, bears witness with our spirit when we comply with what He has revealed for us to do.

II. Different Measures Or Manifestations Of The Spirit

- A. Christ had the Spirit without measure - without limit.
- B. Christ baptized with the Holy Ghost - apostles and house of Cornelius - (Jews and Gentiles).
- C. The apostles through the laying on of their hands imparted miraculous power of the Spirit.
- D. God gives the Spirit to those who obey Him.

GOD, CHRIST AND THE HOLY SPIRIT DWELL IN OUR HEARTS BY FAITH. THE MORE OF GOD'S WORD WE HAVE AS PART OF US THE MORE OF GOD, CHRIST AND THE SPIRIT WE HAVE.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

JO. 7:39

THE SPIRIT IS ONE OF GODHEAD - MT. 28:19: 1 JO. 5:7: COL. 2:9

THE WORK OF THE SPIRIT: TO COMFORT. TEACH. REMIND. GUIDE. REVEAL TO APOSTLES - JO. 14:26:16:13: 2 PET. 1:21
TO REPROVE THE WORLD - JO. 16:7-11

ACTS 1:8:2:38:39: 1 COR. 2:12:13

IN CONVERSION MAN IS:

DRAWN - JO. 6:44:45

TAUGHT - JO. 6:45: 1 COR. 12:3

CALLED - 2 THESS. 2:14

OBEDIENT - ROM. 6:17: 1 PET. 1:22:23

FREED - ROM. 1:16:8:2: 6:17:18:1-5

EXAMPLES:

PENTECOST - ACTS 2:22-41

EUNUCH - ACTS 8:36-39

SAUL - ACTS 9:1-6:22:16

CORNELIUS - ACTS 10:1-6, 48

JAILER - ACTS 16:28-34

THE SPIRIT'S PART:

GAVE LAW - ROM. 8:2

REPROVES - JO. 16:7-11: ACTS 2

SWORD USED - EPH. 6:17: HEB. 4:12

BEARS WITNESS - ROM. 8:16:17

HOW? - ROM. 6:1-5: GAL. 3:26:27

GOD GAVE SPIRIT TO CHRIST WITHOUT MEASURE - JO. 3:34: MT. 3:16:17

CHRIST BAPTIZED WITH HOLY GHOST - MT. 3:11: JOEL 2:28 { APOSTLES (JEWS) - ACTS 1:5: 2:1-21
CORNELIUS & HOUSE (GENTILES) - ACTS 10:44-48: 11:15-17

APOSTLES IMPARTED MIRACULOUS POWER OF SPIRIT - ACTS 6:1-6: 8:5, 6, 14-18: 19:1-6: 1 COR. 12:1-11: 13:8-10

GOD GIVES SPIRIT TO THOSE WHO OBEY HIM - ACTS 2:38: 5:32: GAL. 4:6

GOD, CHRIST & HOLY SPIRIT DWELL IN MAN BY FAITH - 1 JO. 4:12: ROM. 8:10: 11: EPH. 3:17: ROM. 10:17

THE MAN OF SIN

2 Thess.2:1-12

Paul's description of the man of sin fits the "pope" of Rome.

I. Paul's Description

- A. Opposes and exalts self above all called God or worshipped.
- B. Sits in temple of God - shows self he is God.
- C. At that time he was being held back until his time.
- D. At that time mystery of iniquity at work that would produce him.
- E. He would be revealed - his coming would be after working of Satan.
- F. He would speak lies, forbid to marry, etc.

II. The "Pope" Of Rome

- A. Claims to hold the place of God - Great Encyclical Letters.
- B. "Pope" - father - External of Catholic Church.
- C. All to pay homage to this "spiritual prince" - Faith of Our Fathers.
- D. His foot to be kissed - Catholic Encyclopedia XII.
- E. Declared to be head of the church - Faith of Our Fathers.
- F. Rome fell in 476 - no longer restrained - Story of Christian Church. *
- G. Catholics admit corruption of Christianity - Catholic Encyclopedia XII.
- H. Much of government not scriptural - External of Catholic Church.
- I. First universal bishop in 606 - Church History For Busy People. *
- J. Doctrine of transubstantiation (miracle) - Question Box.
- K. Lying justified - Catholica Encyclopedia IX.
- L. Celibacy not divine law - Question Box.
- M. Eating meat in disobedience to church - sin - Question Box.

ACTUALLY CATHOLICS REFUTE THEIR OWN CLAIMS - NOTE STATEMENT IN CATHOLIC FACTS.

* All sources are Catholic except these two.

THE MAN OF SIN

2 THESS. 2:1-12

OPPOSES & EXALTS SELF ABOVE ALL
CALLED GOD OR WORSHIPPED-2 TH. 2:4

SITS IN TEMPLE OF GOD - SHEWS
HIMSELF HE IS GOD-2 TH. 2:4

WHAT WITHHOLDETH THAT HE MIGHT BE
REVEALED IN HIS TIME-2 TH. 2:6

MYSTERY OF INIQUITY AT WORK-2 TH. 2:7

THAT WICKED BE REVEALED-2 TH. 2:8

COMING AFTER WORKING OF SATAN
POWER, SIGNS, LYING WONDERS-2 TH. 2:9

SPEAKING LIES-1 TIM. 4:1-3

FORBIDDING TO MARRY-1 TIM. 4:1-3

COMMANDING ABSTAIN FROM MEAT-1 TIM. 4:1-3

IF IT IS NOT IDENTICAL IN BEL, GOVT, ETC. WITH PRIMITIVE CH. NOT CHURCH OF CHRIST-C. FACTS 27



HOLD PLACE OF GOD-GR. ENC. LET. 304

"POPE"-FATHER-EXT. C.C. 8. MT. 23:9

ALL PAY HOMAGE-SP. PRINCE-FF. 96

KISSING "POPE'S" FOOT-C. ENCY. XII 270

ISA. 9:6: REV. 22:8,9: ACTS 10:25,26

HEAD OF CHURCH-FF. 98-EPH. 1:19-23

ROME-FELL IN 476-ST. CH. CH. 97

GRADUAL CORRUPTION OF CHRISTIANITY

BEGAN V. EARLY-C. ENCY. XII 414-ACTS 20:28-31

MANY PARTS OF GOVT. SYSTEM OF C.C.

ARE HUMAN INSTITUTIONS-EXT. C.C. 20

UNIVERSAL BISHOP-606-CH. HIST. B.P. 26

TRANSUBSTANTIATION-Q.B. 247

FALSE STATEMENT NO LIE-C. ENCY. IX 471-REV. 21:8

CL. CELIBACY NOT DIVINE BUT CHURCH LAW-Q.B. 317

TO EAT MEAT BY DEF. OF LAW OF CH. GR. SIN-Q.B. 440

THE MAN WHO THINKS FOR HIMSELF

Isa.55:8,9

1. The expression in its modern use - concerned with what is convenient, enjoyable, liked, etc.
2. Real thinking (seriously considering facts) will not cause one to disregard the findings of science and medicine and gratify hurtful lusts.

I. Some Who Thought For Themselves

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| A. Abraham - of own safety. | B. Naaman - how cure would be. |
| C. Haman - he was due honor. | D. Persecutors - should persecute. |
| E. Simon - power could be bought. | F. Saul- Christians should be persecuted. |

II. Some Who Think For Themselves

- A. Some think they can be saved by faith only.
- B. Some think salvation without obedience to commands.
- C. Some think baptism not essential, sprinkling is baptism.
- D. Some think they can safely follow their conscience.
- E. One church is good as another - religious division a blessing.
- F. Not limited to Bible for doctrine - man can make improvements on it.

III. Man Needs To...

- A. Follow God's thinking - hear Christ - search the Scriptures.
- B. Know that ways that seem right end in death, that the fool trusts in his own heart, the way of man is not in himself and that God chooses delusions for those who love not the truth.
- C. Do God's will rather than following own thinking.

DON'T TRUST YOUR OWN THOUGHTS - RELY UPON THE WORD OF GOD.

The Man Who Thinks For Himself...

ISA.55:8,9

SOME WHO THOUGHT FOR THEMSELVES

ABRAHAM - GEN. 20:11
NAAMAN - 2 KI. 5:8-12
HAMAN - ESTHER 6:6
PERSECUTORS - JO. 16:2
SIMON - ACTS 8:18-23
SAUL - ACTS 26:9-11



SOME WHO THINK FOR THEMSELVES

~~THINK~~ CAN BE SAVED BY FAITH ONLY - JS. 2:24
CAN BE SAVED WITHOUT OBEDIENCE - MT. 7:21
BAPTISM NOT ESSENTIAL - MK. 16:16; ACTS 2:38
SPRINKLING IS BAPTISM - ROM. 6:3-5; COL. 2:12
MAN CAN FOLLOW CONSCIENCE - ACTS 23:1
ONE CHURCH GOOD AS ANOTHER - MT. 16:18
EPH. 1:22,23; 4:4; COL. 1:18
RELIGIOUS DIVISION A BLESSING -
JO. 17:20-23; 1 COR. 1:10
NOT CONFINED JUST TO THE BIBLE -
2 TIM. 3:16,17; 2 JO. 9
MAN CAN IMPROVE ON GOD'S WAY -
MT. 15:8,9; EPH. 5:19

MAN NEEDS TO...

FOLLOW GOD'S THINKING - ISA. 55:8,9
HEAR CHRIST - MT. 17:5; HEB. 1:1,2; JO. 6:44,45
SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES - JO. 5:39
KNOW A WAY THAT SEEMS RIGHT - DEATH - PROV. 14:12
FOOL TRUSTS IN HEART - PROV. 28:26
WAY NOT IN MAN - JER. 10:23
GOD CHOOSES DELUSIONS - ISA. 66:7-9; 2 THESS. 2:10-12
DO GOD'S WILL - MT. 7:21; 1 JO. 5:3; ACTS 2:38; 1 PET. 4:11

"PROVE ALL THINGS.."

1 Thess 5:21

1. In religious affairs men should be desirous of doing just what text says.
2. Many are using human standards rather than the one divine one.

I. The Human Standards

- A. The modernist has his intellect as his standard.
- B. The Catholic has his "popo".
- C. The denominations have their human creeds.
- D. Others have their conscience as their guide.

II. The Bible Is The Divine Standard

- A. It is inspired of God and is complete.
- B. We should speak as the oracles of God.
- C. Man should be content to abide in the doctrine of Christ.
- D. We will be judged by it.

III. There Is A Great Difference In Man's Teaching And God's

- A. On salvation man teaches - faith only, prayer, can't fall.
God teaches - obedience necessary - take heed lest ye fall.
- B. On baptism man teaches - not necessary, sprinkling or pouring, infants.
God teaches - burial in water for believers, for remission.
- C. On church man teaches - many, your choice, doesn't save anyway.
God teaches - one, the Lord's church, contains the saved.
- D. On music man teaches - mechanical music is fine.
God teaches - sing and make melody in heart.

MEASURE YOURSELF, YOUR RELIGION BY THIS DIVINE STANDARD - THE BIBLE.

"PROVE ALL THINGS..."

HUMAN STANDARDS

INTELLECT - MODERNIST - JER. 10:23
"POP" - CATHOLICS - 1 TIM. 2:5 - MT. 23:8-10
HUMAN CREEDS - DENOMINATIONS - MT. 15:8-9
CONSCIENCE - MANY - ACTS 23:1-24:16-26:4-11

1 THESS. 5:21

THE BIBLE IS DIVINE STANDARD

INSPIRED OF GOD - 2 TIM. 3:16-17
COMPLETE - JUDE 3
SPEAK AS ORACLES OF GOD - 1 PET. 4:11
ABIDE IN DOCTRINE - 2 JO. 9 - GAL. 1:8-9
JUDGED BY IT - JO. 12:48 - REV. 20:12

SALVATION

FAITH ONLY
BY PRAYER
NO APOSTACY

BAPTISM

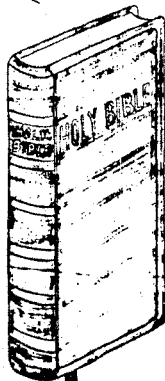
SPRINKLE OR POUR
INFANTS
BECAUSE SAVED

CHURCH

MANY CHURCHES
CHURCH OF CHOICE
CHURCH DOESN'T SAVE

MUSIC

MECHANICAL INST.



JS. 2:24 - MK. 16:16 - ACTS 2:38
1 PET. 3:12 - MT. 7:21 - HEB. 5:8-9
1 COR. 9:27 - 10:12 - HEB. 10:39
ROM. 6:3, 4 - COL. 2:12
MT. 28:18-20 - MK. 16:16
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MT. 16:18 - COL. 1:18
EPH. 1:22, 23 - 4:4-6 - 5:23
ACTS 20:28 - EPH. 5:25
MT. 26:30 - EPH. 5:19 - COL. 3:16

REPEATING NAAMAN'S MISTAKES

2 Kings 5:1-14

Naaman in his desire to be cured of leprosy made a number of mistakes which many are still making today.

I. Mistakes Of Naaman, The Leper

- A. Went to the wrong man - to the king rather than God's prophet.
- B. He was willing to pay and pay well for the cure.
- C. He thought how cure would take place.
- D. He was angry to learn that God's way was different than he thought.
- E. He wanted to substitute "better waters".

II. The Mistakes Of Many Sinners

- A. Go to wrong man - denominational preacher, priest or thief on cross.
- B. Some are willing to pay their way thinking their contributions will offset some of their sins.
- C. Think for themselves that faith alone, no obedience will save, their way seems right, church doesn't matter - can join any.
- D. Protest God's way of obedience - "Why not by prayer?" - "Why baptism?"
- E. Want to substitute prayer for obedience, infants for believers, sprinkling for baptism, denomination for church, and man's ways for God's.

Naaman finally gave in to God's way - his servants persuaded him to obey the simple command - when he did he was cured.

WILL YOU BE PERSUADED TO OBEY THE LORD'S SIMPLE COMMANDS - IF AND WHEN YOU DO
YOU WILL BE FREED FROM SIN.

REPEATING NAAMAN'S MISTAKES

LEPER

2 KINGS 5:1-14

SINNER



WENT TO WRONG MAN
KING OF ISRAEL - 2 KI. 5:6

WILLING TO PAY FOR CURE
GOLD, SILVER, RAIMENT - 2 KI. 5:5

THOUGHT FOR HIMSELF
HAD PLANNED HOW IT SHOULD BE - 2 KI. 5:11

PROTESTED GOD'S WAY
WASH IN RIVERS OF DAMASCUS - 2 KI. 5:12

WANTED TO SUBSTITUTE
"BETTER WATERS" - 2 KI. 5:12

SERVANTS PERSUADED NAAMAN TO OBEY
WHEN HE DID - CURED - 2 KI. 5:13,14

GO TO WRONG MAN

DEN. PREACHER - "PRIEST" - THIEF ON CROSS
CHRIST IS SAVIOUR - 1 JO. 4:14; JO. 14:6; 1 TIM. 2:5
CHRIST HAS WORDS OF LIFE - JO. 6:68; 12:48; ACTS 11:14

WILLING TO PAY HIS WAY
SINFUL BUT CONTRIBUTE - ACTS 8:18-20
THINKS FOR HIMSELF

FAITH ALONE - NO OBEDIENCE - JS. 2:24; MT. 7:21
WAY SEEMS RIGHT - PROV. 14:12; JER. 10:23
CHURCH DOESN'T MATTER - JOIN ANY - MT. 16:18; ACTS 2:47

PROTESTS GOD'S WAY
WAY NOT BY PRAYER? - 1 PET. 3:12
WHY BAPTISM? - MK. 16:16; ACTS 2:38; GAL. 3:27

WANT TO SUBSTITUTE
PRAYER FOR OBEDIENCE - JO. 14:15 INFANTS FOR BELIEVERS - MK. 16:16
SPRINKLING FOR BAPTISM - COL. 2:12 DENOMINATION FOR CHURCH -
EPH. 5:23; 1:22,23 MAN'S WAYS FOR GOD'S WAYS - ISA. 55:8,9

WILL YOU BE PERSUADED TO OBEY? - HEB. 5:8,9
IF & WHEN YOU DO - FREE FROM SIN - ROM. 6:17,18



THE SHIELD OF FAITH

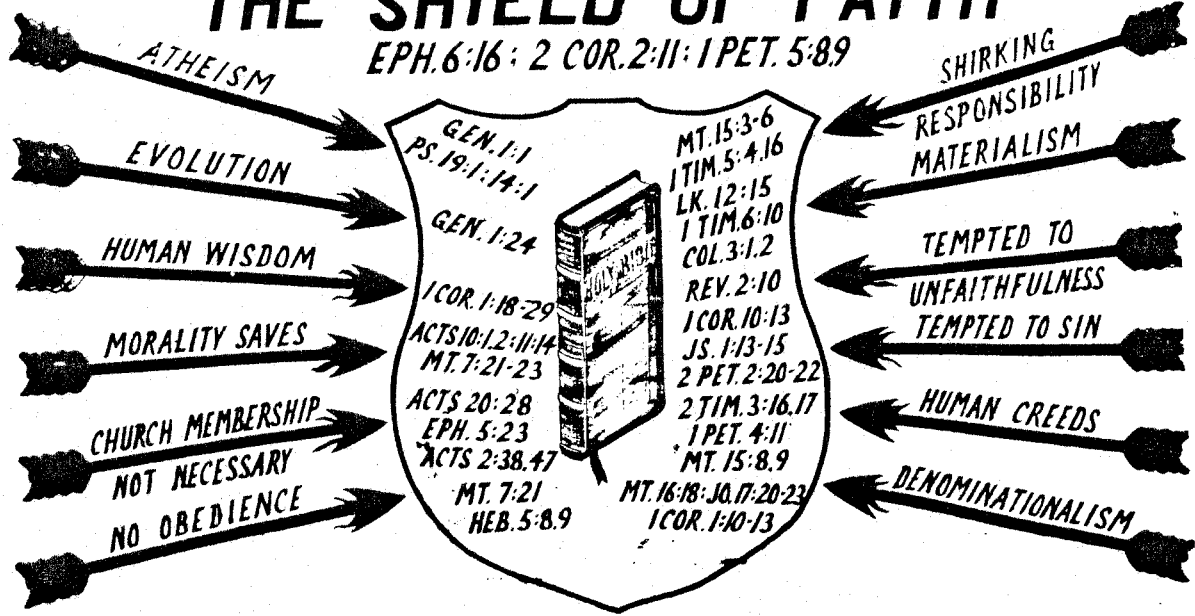
Eph.6:16; 2 Cor.2:11; 1 Pet.5:8,9

1. With the proper use of the shield of faith Christians can quench all the fiery darts of the wicked - knowing from the Scriptures of his devices.
2. Many attacks are made against the truth. We should be ready with the shield of faith.
 - I. The atheist assumes force, matter and space. The Christian believes God.
 - II. The evolutionist is without any proof of life producing other than after its own kind as God's law states.
 - III. Man's own wisdom is very finite at best.
 - IV. If man's own goodness can save him Christ died in vain.
 - V. Christ gave His life, His blood for the church. He will save the church. The saved are added to the church.
 - VI. Promises of heaven and salvation are to the obedient.
 - VII. Denominationalism is contrary to Christ's will as seen in His prayer.
 - VIII. Human creeds are a reflection on the completeness of God's word.
 - IX. We are warned against giving over to temptation.
 - X. The faithful will be saved - not the unfaithful.
 - XI. Love of the material will prevent many from entering heaven.
 - XII. We are not to shirk our own individual responsibility by giving it up to some institution seeking church support.

HOW WELL ARE YOU USING THE SHIELD OF FAITH?

THE SHIELD OF FAITH

EPH. 6:16; 2 COR. 2:11; 1 PET. 5:8,9



STRONG DELUSION

Isa.66:1-4; 2 Thess.2:10-12

Man by choosing his own ways invites delusion - note carefully the text.

I. Delusion Sent To Pharoah And Ahab

- A. Pharoah's attitude - "Who is the Lord, that I should obey His voice?"
- B. No reason to believe fakery involved in things magicians did. As Jesus said of Pilate - they could have no power unless God allowed them to.
- C. Give serious consideration to God's warning.
- D. Ahab's attitude - hatred of God's prophet. He preferred error.
- E. Note how the delusion was sent to Ahab - 1 Ki. 22:19-23.
- F. Heed warning - 2 Thess. 2:10-12.

II. Facts About The Truth

- A. Truth came by Jesus Christ.
- B. The truth frees men from sin and error.
- C. It is God's word and it is to be believed and obeyed.
- D. We are to walk in truth.

III. Just What Is Your Attitude Toward The Truth?

- A. Some welcome and obey the truth.
- B. Some don't love it and will not receive it.
- C. Some resist the truth - some turn away from it.
- D. Some speak evil of truth.
- E. Many never obey - wilful or neglectful the result is the same - lost.

TO AVOID DELUSION LOVE, OBEY AND ABIDE IN THE TRUTH.

STRONG DELUSION

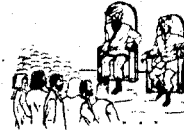
PHAROAH SENT DELUSION ISA. 66:1-4: 2 THESS. 2:10-12

HIS ATTITUDE - EX. 5:1,2

RODS TO SERPENTS - EX. 7:10-13

WATER TO BLOOD - EX. 7:20-22

FROGS - EX. 8:5-7



AHAB SENT DELUSION

HIS ATTITUDE - 1 KI. 22:5-8

PROPHETS - 1 KI. 22:6, 12

HATED MICAIAH - 1 KI. 22:8

DELUSION - 1 KI. 22:19-23

GOD'S WARNING TO ISRAEL - DEUT. 13:1-3

GOD'S WARNING TO US - 2 THESS. 2:10-12

TRUTH

CAME BY CHRIST - JO. 1:17

FREES - JO. 8:31, 32

GOD'S WORD - JO. 18:38:17-17

TO BE BELIEVED & OBEYED -

2 THESS. 2:13: 1 PET. 1:22

WALK IN TRUTH - 2 JO. 4

YOUR ATTITUDE ?

SOME WELCOME - ACTS 8:30, 31

SOME OBEY - 1 PET. 1:22: ACTS 10:33: 17:10-12

SOME DON'T LOVE - 2 THESS. 2:10-12

SOME RECEIVE NOT - JO. 12:48

SOME RESIST - 2 TIM. 3:1, 2, 8

SOME TURN AWAY - 2 TIM. 4:3, 4

SOME SPEAK EVIL - 2 PET. 2:1-3

MANY NEVER OBEY - ROM. 2:8, 9

2 THESS. 1:7-9

TO AVOID DELUSION

LOVE, OBEY & ABIDE IN TRUTH - 2 TIM. 3:16, 17: 1 PET. 1:22: 2 JO. 9

THEY ON THE ROCK

Lk.8:11-15

Jesus spoke of some who had no root who would upon hearing the word receive it and would for awhile believe then fall away. This shows apostacy does occur.

I. The Rocky Ground Hearer

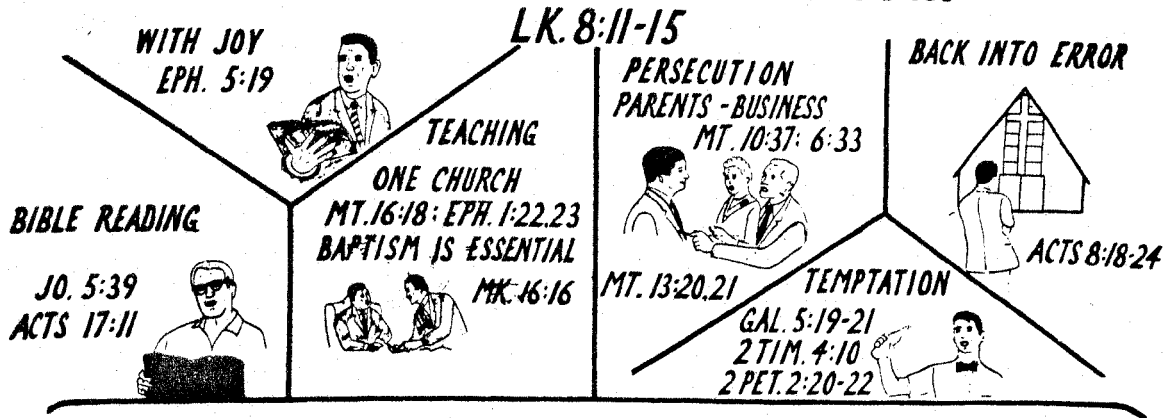
- A. Receives the word with joy and becomes active in worship.
- B. He reads his Bible to learn more and tries to teach others.
- C. Later through tribulation or persecution he gives up the truth - this might be caused by business reasons, by trying to please parents, etc.
- D. Some will go back into denominational error.
- E. Some will go back into worldliness and ungodliness. Demas did.

II. For Awhile Believe - Then Fall Away

- A. We do not argue that the believer is not secure but one who ceases to believe is no longer a believer and will not receive the blessings.
- B. There are examples of those who have believed and then ceased to believe - Psm. 106:10-24.
- C. If impossible for believer to come to the point of having an evil heart of unbelief then why Heb. 3:12 and other such scriptures.
- D. Warnings about drawing back - Heb. 10:38; 1 Cor. 10:12.
- E. Warnings about Israel's example of unbelief - Heb. 4:11.
- F. Spirit said some would depart the faith - 1 Tim. 4:1.

Some advocates of impossibility of apostacy say some scriptures do indicate possibility but the plain passages teach otherwise. How can anything be clearer than these scriptures showing that one can fall away?

"THEY ON THE ROCK.."



FOR AWHILE BELIEVE
PS. 106:10-12: HEB. 3:12
HEB. 10:38

AND IN TIME OF TEMPTATION
FALL AWAY
PS. 106:13-15. 24: 1COR. 10:12
1TIM. 4:1: HEB. 4:11: GAL. 5:4

UNWANTED PREACHING

Gal.1:10

1. Some preaching is unpopular and unwanted by the lost and by some brethren as well.
2. Like Paul we should be seeking to please God and not man.

I. Preaching Unwanted By Brethren

- A. Many tire very easily to preaching on giving. It hurts to be reminded of where we fall short and especially if we have no intention of doing anything about it.
- B. The worldly minded member wants to be entertained and doesn't like to hear preaching on hell.
- C. Those in unscriptural marriages don't want to be reminded of their sin.
- D. The gossipier objects to Bible teaching on her sin.
- E. The lazy person is made angry when reminded of his duty of work.
- F. The lodge member often is more wrapped up in his lodge than in the church and resents his "secrets" being known.
- G. The unfaithful can ease her conscience by occasional attendance and by sending the children to Bible study.

II. Preaching Unwanted By Denominationalists

- A. The idea of one church is "so narrow" to them.
- B. Baptism for salvation just can't be - "What about my parents?"

THE FAITHFUL PREACHER OF THE GOSPEL WILL NOT COMPROMISE WITH EITHER.

UNWANTED PREACHING

I'M TIRED OF HEARING
GIVING ALL THE TIME



GIVE AS PROSPER
1COR.16:12-2COR.9:6-8
LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY
2COR. 9:1-4



THAT'S WHAT WE PAY THE
PREACHER TO DO



WORK - GAL. 5:6
1COR. 15:58
VISIT - JS. 1:25-27
GAL. 6:5



WHY DON'T HE
PREACH TO OTHERS
GOSSIP - EPH. 4:29
COL. 4:6

THE LODGE
DOES A LOT
OF GOOD WORK
SECRECY - JO. 3:19-21
GLORY OF GOD - 1COR. 10:31
IN CHRIST'S NAME - COL. 3:17



GAL. 1:10
I'VE HEARD ENOUGH
HELL FIRE PREACHING
WORLDLINESS - GAL. 5:19-21
CHURCH ENT. - 1COR. 11:22-34
HELL - MT. 5:22-10:28

SUCH NARROW-MINDED PREACHING

ONE CHURCH
MT. 16:18-1COR. 12:12-13
EPH. 1:22, 23: 4:4:5:23



BAPTISM FOR SALVATION
MK. 16:16-1 PET. 3:21
ACTS 2:38-GAL. 3:27

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO
EVERY TIME... BESIDES
WE SEND THE KIDS
FAITHFULNESS - REV. 2:10
BIBLE STUDY - JO. 5: 39
ACTS 17:11- 2 TIM. 2:15



MY LIFE IS MY BUSINESS

DIVORCE
ADULTERY
MT. 5:32-19:3-9

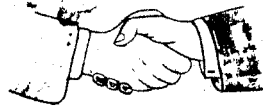


HOW GOOD & HOW PLEASANT UNITY

EVILS OF DIVISION

KINGDOM DIVIDED CANNOT STAND - MK. 3:24,25
SIGN OF CARNALITY - 1 COR. 3:3
SERVES NOT THE LORD - ROM. 16:17,18
CAUSE OF UNBELIEF - JO. 17:21
WHERE STRIFE - EVERY EVIL WORK - JS. 3:16
SOWER OF DISCORD - HATED - PROV. 6:16-19

PSM. 133



NEED OF UNITY

JESUS PRAYED FOR UNITY - JO. 17:20-23
PAUL PLED FOR UNITY - 1 COR. 1:10-13
UNITY IS VERY PLEASANT - PSM. 133
"THAT THE WORLD MAY BELIEVE" - JO. 17:21-23
TO SEE THE LORD - FOLLOW PEACE - HEB. 12:14
PEACEMAKERS - BLESSED - MT. 5:9

BASIS FOR UNITY

NOT THEORIES, IDEAS & DOCTRINES OF MEN - MT. 15:8,9
NOT TRADITIONS & PRACTICES OF MEN - COL. 2:8; MK. 7:9-13
LOVE FOR GOD & CHRIST - MK. 12:28-31; 1 JO. 5:3; JO. 14:15,21
LOVE FOR TRUTH - ISA. 66:2; 2 THESS. 2:10-12
LOVE FOR ONE ANOTHER - 1 THESS. 4:9
WALK BY SAME RULE - PHIL. 3:16; 2 TIM. 3:16,17
USE BIBLE AUTHORITY - 1 PET. 4:11
ABIDE IN DOCTRINE OF CHRIST - 2 JO. 9

THERE IS ONE BODY
EPH. 4:4-6; 1 COR. 12:12,13

THE WAYSIDE HEARER

Lk.8:11-15

1. In showing the meaning of the parable of the sower Jesus shows that there are four kinds of hearers.
2. The wayside hearer allows the devil to take the word from him lest he believe and be saved.

I. Some Well Impressed At First Hearing Of Truth

- A. The fact that God's word is true regardless of what men may say is some thing different to what many have heard and it impresses them.
- B. The truth concerning the one church is new to many.
- C. Many are unaware of the narrow way until taught of it.
- D. The certified gospel is unknown to many as is the fact that the gospel is to be obeyed.
- E. The preaching of God's plan of salvation impresses honest hearts.
- F. Teaching men to live godly, faithfully, and to be workers for the Lord is appreciated by many.

II. The Devil Working Through His Agents Takes The Truth From Many

- A. Preachers of error and sometimes members of one's family seek to prejudice those who have been well impressed with the truth against it and those who preach truth.
- B. Note carefully 2 Cor. 11:13-15.
- C. Note warnings from scripture.
- D. Paul set a good example. He conferred not with flesh and blood.

DON'T BE A WAYSIDE HEARER

THE WAYSIDE HEARER

LK. 8:11-15

GOD'S WORD IS TRUE-ROM. 3:4

CHRIST PROMISED ONE CHURCH-
MT. 16:16-18. EPH. 1:22. 23:4. 4:6. 5:23. 25

NARROW IS THE WAY-MT. 7:13. 14

THE CERTIFIED GOSPEL-GAL. 1:11. 12
GOSPEL TO BE OBEYED-

MT. 7:21. HEB. 5:8. 9

2 THESS. 1:7-9

GOD'S PLAN

HEAR-ACTS 3:22. 23

BELIEVE-JO. 1:12. 20:30. 31

REPENT-ACTS 2:38

CONFESS-ACTS 8:37

BE BAPTIZED-MK. 16:16. ACTS 2:38



LIVE GODLY-TIT. 2:11. 12

BE FAITHFUL-REV. 2:10

BE A WORKER-1 COR. 15:58

DON'T BELIEVE THAT NARROW PREACHING
WHAT ABOUT YOUR PARENTS ?

DON'T YOU BELIEVE
IN PRAYER ?

NOTHING TO DO
AT MOMENT OF
FAITH ONLY
ETERNALLY SAVED



STAY AWAY
MANY CHURCHES
GOOD PEOPLE
IN ALL

2 COR. 11:13-15

WARNINGS!

MT. 10:37

1 PET. 3:12

MT. 15:8. 9

2 PET. 2:1-3

GAL. 1:6-9. COL. 2:8

EPH. 5:6. MT. 15:14

PAUL'S EXAMPLE GAL. 1:13-16

WHAT ABOUT TOMORROW?

We should not allow the glitter of the material, the passing fancies of the day, the patterns set by those of the world, nor anything else to blind our minds to the things of real value.

I. Let Us Remember

- A. Life is a vapor and does not consist of material abundance.
- B. Many are choked with cares, riches and pleasures and are fruitless.
- C. The soul is the most valuable possession we have.

II. Let Us Be Determined

- A. To seek the kingdom first.
- B. To make the proper and complete preparation necessary.
- C. To give our children the proper training.
- D. To make sure we set the proper examples before others.
- E. To set our affections on things above not on things on the earth.
- F. To work while it is day and to be faithful unto death.

III. Let Us Never Forget

- A. That all things are to be dissolved.
- B. The Lord will descend and we will be changed.
- C. In judgment we will all give an account of all we do here.
- D. There is a great separation of the righteous and the unrighteous.

ARE WE PREPARED FOR THIS TOMORROW OF TOMORROWS?

WHAT ABOUT TOMORROW?

LIFE A VAPOR - JS. 4:14

LIFE NOT MATERIAL ABUNDANCE - EK. 12:15-21

MANY CHOKED WITH CARES - 1 JO. 2:15-17; LK. 8:14

VALUE OF THE SOUL - MT. 16:24-26

SEEK KINGDOM FIRST - MT. 6:33

PREPARATION - 2 COR. 6:2

TRAIN CHILD - PROV. 22:6; EPH. 6:4

THOSE THAT OFFEND - MT. 18:6

SET AFFECTIONS ABOVE - COL. 3:1-2; MT. 6:20

WORK WHILE DAY - JO. 9:4

BELIEVE TO SAVING OF SOUL - HEB. 10:39

ALL THINGS TO BE DISSOLVED - 2 PET. 3:9-12

THE LORD WILL DESCEND - 1 THESS. 4:16, 17

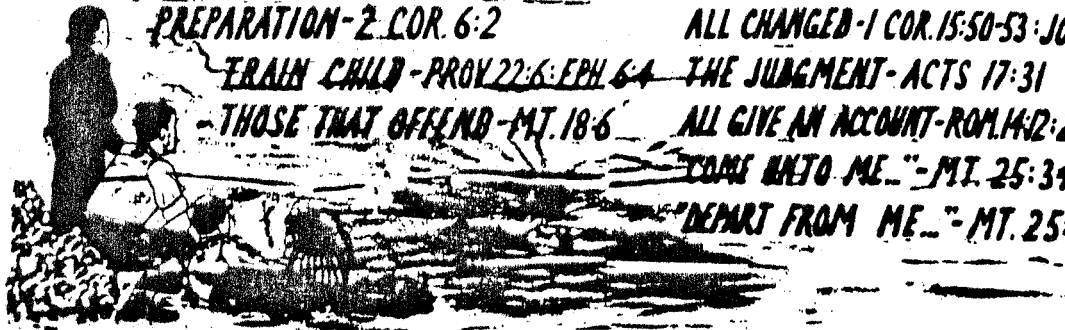
ALL CHANGED - 1 COR. 15:50-53; JO. 5:28, 29

THE JUDGMENT - ACTS 17:31

ALL GIVE AN ACCOUNT - ROM. 14:12; 2 COR. 5:10

"COME INTO ME..." - MT. 25:34

"DEPART FROM ME..." - MT. 25:41



WHERE THERE IS NO PATTERN

Heb. 8:5; 1 Pet. 4:11

1. Brethren used to preach often on the pattern and the need of following it.
 2. Some now want to do things for which they can find no Bible authority and say there is no pattern - use your own "good" judgment.
 - I. There Is No Pattern For Churches Of Men
 - A. None for Catholic, Baptist, Methodist, etc. Such will be rooted up.
 - B. There is a pattern for the Lord's church. It was prophesied, promised, and came into being with Christ as the head of the one Body.
 - II. There Is No Pattern For Human Creeds
 - A. None for manuals, disciplines, etc. Such is vain worship.
 - B. There is a divine creed - the Bible - our sufficient guide.
 - III. There Is No Pattern For Government Devised By Man
 - A. There is no authority for "popo" rule, rule by conventions, etc.
 - B. God's plan calls for evangelists, saints, bishops and deacons.
 - IV. There Is No Pattern For Will Worship
 - A. Mechanical music, choirs, etc. may please men but not authorized.
 - B. God has appointed the worship for His people.
 - V. There Is No Pattern For Man Devised Works
 - A. There is no authority in God's word for missionary nor benevolent societies, brotherhood projects, church dinners, church sponsored entertainment and recreation. The hungry are to eat at home.
 - B. God has set the work for His church - preach, edify, and assist saints.
- WHY NOT BE CONTENT TO FOLLOW THE PATTERN GOD HAS GIVEN?

WHERE THERE IS NO PATTERN

NONE FOR CHURCHES OF MEN

CATHOLIC - EPISCOPAL - PRESBYTERIAN
BAPTIST - METHODIST - HOLINESS

MT. 15:13 ISA. 2:2,3 MT. 16:18 MK. 9:1
ACTS 2:1-4 47: EPH. 1:22,23:
4:4 5:23 1 COR. 12:7,13,20

NONE FOR HUMAN GOVERNMENT

"POPE" - PRESIDENT - CONVENTION
VOTING - CENTRALIZED CONTROL

ISA. 55:8,9

EPH. 1:19-23 1 PET. 5:4
ACTS 20:17,28 1 PET. 5:1-3
PHIL. 1:1 2 TIM. 4:5

NONE FOR MAN DEvised WORKS

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES - BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES
BROTHERHOOD PROJECTS - CHURCH DINNERS
ENTERTAINMENT - RECREATION

HEB. 8:5 1 PET. 4:11



NONE FOR HUMAN CREEDS

MANUALS - DISCIPLINES
PRAYER BOOKS - CATECHISMS

JO. 5:39-12:48 2 TIM. 3:16,17 MT. 15:8,9
2 PET. 1:3 1 PET. 4:11

NONE FOR WILL WORSHIP

MECHANICAL MUSIC - CHOIRS
PAGEANTS - SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS

JO. 4:23,24 ACTS 2:42 20:7
COL. 3:16 1 COR. 16:1,2

MT. 15:8,9

MK. 16:15 PHIL. 4:15,16 ACTS 20:33,34 18:3
MT. 28:19,20 1 COR. 14:3-5 GAL. 6:1
ACTS 11:27-30 2 COR. 8:1-4

1 COR. 11:22,34

