CHART SERMONS VOL VI

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Another book of chart sermons - the sixth one in the last nine years goes forth with a hope and a prayer that they will do good. I trust that these simple outlines will be a blessing to those who read and study them and a real help to faithful gospel preachers into whose hands they come.

I seek constantly to improve my charts in content and attractiveness and appreciate suggestions and ideas from others in this. The sermons in this book I believe to be some of the best I hade made so far. There are lessons for those in and out of the Lord's kingdom. May they be a means of stirring up an interest in a more careful study of God's word leading many to strive harder to please the Lord.

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CONSIDER THESE BLESSINGS

Ephesians 1:3

All ought to give very serious consideration to these blessings. None other can compare with them anywhere. They are avaiable in only one place.

I. Many Great Blessings

- A. Sins washed away redemption and forgiveness of sins.
- B. Salvation and peace with God.
- C. Become a new creature with past wiped out, forgiven and forgotten.
- D. Have eternal life in Christ.
- E. The privilege of prayer to God a way to God through Christ.
- F. Christ to interceed in your behalf with His Father.
- G. An inheritance that is incorruptible, undefiled and that fadeth not away.
- H. The privilege of dying in Christ and having an abundant entrance into heaven.
- I. The crown of life given to those who love His appearing.

II. These Blessings Can Be Yours

- A. They are all in Christ and available to you and to all who will have them.
- B. You can be in Christ. There is only one way and that is by being baptized into Him.
- C. You must remain faithful in Christ.

Surely You Must Want These Blessings. Won't You Make Them Yours Now?

CONSIDER THESE BLESSINGS

EPH. 1:3

SINS WASHED AWAY-REV. 1:5

REDEMPTION - EPH. 1:7

SALVATION - 2 TIM. 2:10

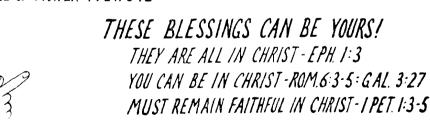
PEACE WITH GOD - ROM. 5:1

BECOME NEW CREATURE-2 COR. 5:17

ETERNAL LIFE - 1 JO. 5:11

PRIVILEGE OF PRAYER-1 PET 3:12

A WAY TO GOD - 1 JO. 2:1.2
INTERCESSION OF CHRIST - HEB. 7:25
INCORRUPTIBLE INHERITANCE - 1 PET. 1:3-5
DEATH IN CHRIST - REV. 14:13
ABUNDANT ENTRANCE INTO HEAVEN-2 PET. 1:11
CROWN OF LIFE - REV. 2:10



DANGERS THE CHURCH FACES

Ephesians 6:10-18

There are a number of dangers facing the church today. We need to be aware of these dangers and overcome them.

I. Let Us Be Awake To The Dangers Of...

- A. Ignorance many members of the church now are not good students of the word.
- B. Neglectfulness many grow careless in their duties to the Lord.
- C. Worldliness the increasing popularity of worldliness and pleasure seeking is entangling more and more members of the Lord's body. Teaching is needed.
- D. There is constant danger of error coming in.
- E. Boastfulness some now are very proud of "their many good works".
- F. Compromise there is a desire on the part of a number to get along with the denominations and to become more like them.

II. Let Us Fight Against The Danger Of...

- A. Materialism too much emphasis is put on material wealth. We must fight against the temptation to keep up with the world.
- B. Lukewarmness materialism tends to bring on lukewarmness.
- C. Indifference we must take a positive stand for the Lord and His way.
- D. The doctrine being corrupted with the ideas and ways of men.
- E. There is always the danger of apostacy with which to contend.

Are You Fully Aware Of These Dangers? Are You Helping To Overcome Them?

DANGERS THE CHURCH FACES

IGNORANCE HOS 4:6: JO 6:45 2TIM.2:15:COL 1:9

NEGLECTFULNESS HEB 2:1-4

WORLDLINESS 2TIM 4:10: JS 1:27

130.2:15-17:GAL.5:19-21

ERROR GAL. 1:6-9:2:11-14-

BOASTFULNESS MT. 6:/-4

COMPROMISE EPH. 5:11:GAL. 2:11.12 JUDE 3: PHIL. 1:27

MATERIALISM LK.8:14:17/M.6:6:10

LUKEWARMNESS REV. 3:14-18

INDIFFERENCE MT. 12:30

DOCTRINE CORRUPTED 2 T/M. 1:13: 2:1,2 2 T/M.3:16.17

APOSTACY 1 COR. 10:12: HEB. 2:12.13 ITIM. 4:1-3:2 TIM. 4:3.4



FAITH - DEAD OR ALIVE?

James 2:14-26

- 1. The doctrine of faith only is a very popular one. Many deny that man is required to do anything to be saved.
- 2. For our soul's sake let us make an impartial study of this subject from the Bible.

I. Dead Faith

- A. James says that faith only is a dead faith.
- B. Now contrast this statement of James with statements from the Baptist manual and the Methodist discipline.
- C. Faith only does not love and does not obey.
- D. Faith only is dead and therefore can do nothing.

II. Live Faith

- A. It takes live faith to love, work and obey.
- B. Such faith is perfected by its action.
- C. Live, loving, working, obedient faith justifies.
- D. Consider the examples of Noah, Abraham, about 3,000 on Pentecost and the eunuch. These people had live faith that caused them to obey the commands given them and they were rewarded.
- E. Other examples can be seen in the blind man washing his eyes, the sinner being baptized, Christians being faithful in their duties as Jesus commanded.

Do You Have A Dead Faith Or Is It Alive And Working?

FAITH-DEAD OR ALIVE?

DEAD FAITH

JS 2:14-26

LIVE FAITH

FAITH ONLY-FAITH ALONE-JS 2:17.24.26

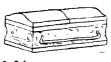
"... THAT IT (JUSTIFICATION) IS BESTOWED, NOT IN CONSIDERATION OF ANY WORKS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS WHICH WE HAVE DONE. BUT SOLELY THROUGH FAITH... CH. MANUAL FOR BAP. CH.

"WHEREFORE, THAT WE ARE JUSTIFIED BY FAITH ONLY IS A MOST WHOLESOME DOCTRINE AND YERY FULL OF COMFORY." DIS. OF METH. CH.

DOES NOT LOVE - JO. 14:24 DOES NOT OBEY - 1 JO. 2:4 DOES NOTHING - JO. 12:42.43

NOTHING TO DO





JS 2:26

LOVES - JO. 14:/5.21 WORKS - GAL 5:6 OBFYS - MT 7:21 IS PERFECTED - JS. 2:22 JUSTIFIES - JS. 2:24

EXAMPLES:

NOAH - HEB. 11:7 ABRAHAM - HEB. 11:8-10.17 ABOUT 3000-ACTS 2:36-42 THE EUNUCH - ACTS 8:26-39



10.9:1-7



MK.16:16



FROM BIRTH TO ETERNITY

Luke 16:19-31

This lesson traces man through life, death, the resurrection, judgment and to eternity.

I. From Birth To Accountability

- A. Infants are innocent and safe. They do not inherit the sins of their parents.
- B. If they die as infants they will pass into Abraham's bosom to await the resurrection.
- C. When they learn right from wrong they then pass into the power of darkness.

II. Man's Possibilities

- A. Man can remain in the power of darkness all his life and pass at death into Tartarus.
- B. Man may hear and answer the Lord's precious invitation and be baptized into the kingdom of Christ.
- C. He may become careless and unfaithful and pass at death into Tartarus.
- D. He may be faithful all the rest of his life and at death pass into Abraham's bosom.

III. The Hadean World

- A. Hades is the place of departed spirits both the righteous and the unrighteous.
- . B. The righteous are at peace in paradise or Abraham's bosom while the wicked are in torment separated from the righteous by a great gulf.

IV. The Judgment

- A. There will be a great resurrection and a great judgment a great separation.
- B. To the righteous the King will say, "Come ye blessed.." but to the wicked He will say, "Depart from Me, ye cursed," some to heaven and others to hell.

Where On This Journey Are You? In Which Direction Are You Headed As Of Now?

FROM BIRTH TO ETERNITY LK.16/93/ INNOCENTS MK. 10:14 KINGDOM OF CHRIST 1 PET. 1:3-5 8 HEB. 9:27 FAITHFUL - 2 PET, 1:5-11 MT. 7:21 2 COR. 5:17 F JUDGMENT UNFAITHFUL LK.16:26 2 PET. 2:20-22 COL. 1:13 JS. 4:17 MT. 25:46 JO. 5:28.29 PS. 89:14 POWER OF y 2 COR 5:10 DARKNESS REV. 20:11-15 REV. 21:8 ROM. 14:12 MT.10:28 2 THESS. 1:7-9 REV. 20:14

GOD'S POWER TO SAVE AND KEEP

Romans 1:16: 1 Peter 1:5

There is a great need of understanding of just how people are saved and how they are kept saved. Many think they have nothing to do with it themselves.

I. People Are Saved By...

- A. Their turning to God leaving the darkness of sin and error.
- B. The gospel it being preached heard, believed and obeyed.
- C. Being baptized into Christ.
- D. When people obey these commands of the Lord they then are freed from sin.
- E. People are thus saved by God's power in the gospel.

II. People Are Kept Saved By...

- A. The power of God through faith. Man must believe and keep himself in the love of God by being faithful believing to the saving of the soul.
- B. Continuing in the faith fighting the good fight of faith.
- C. Pressing onward and upward for salvation that comes at the end of a life of faith.
- D. The crown of life comes after a faithful life.

Man Must Be Active Himself To Be Saved And To Keep Saved. Are You?

GOD'S POWER TO SAVE & KEEP

PEOPLE ARE SAVED BY:

ROM. 1:16:1 PET. 1:5

PEOPLE ARE KEPT BY:

TURNING TO GOD - ACTS 26:15-18
LEAVING DARKNESS-1PET.2:9:COL.1:13:2THESS.2:14
THE GOSPEL - ROM. 1:16:EPH. 1:13
GOSPEL BEING PREACHED-1COR. 1:18:2COR.4:7
HEARING & BELIEVING GOSPEL-ACTS 15:7:MK.16:16
OBEYING GOSPEL - MK.16:16:2THESS.1:7-9
BEING BAPTIZED-ACTS 2:38:22:16:1 PET.3:21
GETTING INTO CHRIST-ROM.6:3-5:1JO.5:11

FAITH - IPET. 1:3-5

KEEPING SELF IN LOVE OF GOD - JUDE 21

BEING FAITHFUL - MT. 10:22: REV. 3:5

BELIEVING TO SAVING OF SOUL-HEB. 10:39

CONTINUING - COL. 1:21-23: 2 TIM. 3:14-17

FIGHTING GOOD FIGHT - I TIM. 6:12

PRESSING ON - PHIL. 3:13.14: I COR. 9:24

SALVATION - END OF FAITH - IPET. 1:9:2 TIM. 4:6-8

CROWN OF LIFE AFTER DEATH-HEB. 10:36:REV. 2:10

OBEYED-THEN FREED- ROM. 6:17,18

MAN MUST BE ACTIVE TO BENEFIT!

HAVE YOU OBEYED THE GOSPEL?

- 1. Does the expression, "Obey the gospel", sound strange to you? Is it something different to what you have always heard from preachers?
- 2. No doubt you are familiar with the popular expressions of men such as, "Get Religion", "Get Saved", "Pray Through", "Accept Christ As Your Personal Saviour", "Make Your Decision", etc. but did you know that these are not Bible expressions?

I. The Gospel Is To Be Obeyed

- A. Salvation is to the obedient who are purified by obeying the gospel.
- B. Many priests were obedient to the faith. Obedience is from the heart.
- C. All have not obeyed and many will not obey the contentious won't.
- D. It is foolish for one not to obey the gospel because those who don't will be destroyed.

II. What Is The Gospel?

- A. The gospel is God's call to man God's message of salvation to man.
- B. The gospel is God's saving power.
- C. The gospel is the death, burial and resurrection of Christ.
- D. The gospel must be kept pure from the doctrines and commandments of men.

III. How Does One Obey The Gospel?

- A. Study and consider carefully what the Romans did.
- B. One must hear and believe the facts and comply with the commands. Have You Obeyed The Gospel? Why Not Do So Now?



HAVE YOU OBEYED THE GOSPEL?

THE GOSPEL IS TO BE OBEYED——
SALVATION TO OBEDIENT-HEB. 5:8,9
PURIFIED IN OBEYING-I PET. 1:22
PRIESTS OBEYED-ACTS 6:2
OBEY FROM HEART-ROM. 6:17,18
ALL HAVE NOT OBEYED-ROM. 10:16
CONTENTIOUS OBEY NOT-ROM. 2:8.9
FOOLISH NOT TO OBEY-GAL. 3:1
OBEY NOT-BESTROYED-TPET. 4:17,18:2 THESS. 1:7-9

SOUND STRANGE OR DIFFERENT TO YOU?

MAN'S EXPRESSIONS

"GET RELIGION" "GET SAVED" "PRAY THROUGH"
"FAITH ONLY SAVES" "TRUST IN THE LORD"
"ACCEPT CHRIST AS SAVIOUR" "MAKE YOUR DECISION"

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

GOD'S CALL -2 THESS. 2:14

MESSAGE OF SALVATION - MK. 16:15: EPH. 1:13

GOD'S SAVING POWER - ROM. 1:18

DEATH. BURIAL & RESURRECTION - I COR. 15:1-4

MUST-BE KEPT PURE - GAL. 1:8,9

HOW OBEY THE GOSPEL?

WHAT THE ROMANS DID -ROM. 10:13-17:6:17:18. 1-5
HEAR & BELIEVE THE FACTS - 1 COR. 15:1-4:ROM. 10:9
COMPLY WITH THE COMMANDS-MK. 16:16:ACTS 2:38

HOW DO YOU JUDGE YOURSELF?

Acts 13:44-46

- 1. The Jews by rejecting the gopel judged themselves unworthy of everlasting life.
- 2. Many today consciously or unconsciously are judging themselves unworthy of everlasting life. Could you be guilty of doing this?
 - I. Do You Judge Yourself Unworthy Of Everlasting Life?
 - A. Because of prejudice against the truth? That was the Jews' trouble.
 - B. Some are so concerned about the action or lack of action of prominent people.
 - C. Some refuse to hear while others judge without hearing.
 - D. Some by their love for the wrong things riches, praise of men and pleasure judge themselves unworthy of everlasting life.
 - E. Some do so by their putting off and delaying to do what they know they should.
- II. Do You Judge Yourself Fortunate For The Possibility Of Having Eternal Life?
- A. We are fortunate indeed that God loves us and through His goodness, mercy and willingness He has made provision for our salvation through Christ.
 - B. We ought to be very thankful that Jesus came to save. He willingly paid the price, sacrificed His life that we might be saved and He interceeds for us.
 - C. We ought to be thankful for the gospel with its simplicity, power and terms.

How Are You Judging Yourself Now? Won't You Reconsider This Matter?

HOW DO YOU JUDGE YOURSELF?

ACTS 13:44-46

.UNWORTHY OF EVERLASTING LIFE?

BECAUSE OF PREJUDICE?

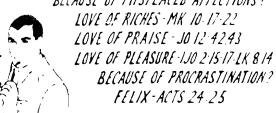
JEWS-MT 13 54-57: JO 1:11:ACTS 13 45.46

PROMINENT PEOPLE DON'T BELIEVE: JO 7:48:1COR 1:26:27

SOME REFUSE TO HEAR-MT. 13:15

JUDGE WITHOUT HEARING: JO 7:51.52

BECAUSE OF MISPLACED AFFECTIONS?



FORTUNATE FOR POSSIBILITY OF ETERNAL LIFE?

GUD'S LOVE - JO. 3:16:1 JO. 4:10
GUD'S GOODNESS - ROM. 2:4
GUD'S MERCY - HEB. 2:9
GUD'S WILLINGNESS TO SAVE - 2 PET. 3:9
GUD'S PROVISIONS - EPH. 1:3
JESUS' COMING TO SAVE - LK. 19:10
JESUS' WILLINGNESS TO PAY PRICE - TIT. 2:11-14
JESUS' SACRIFICE - 1 JO. 2:1,2
JESUS' INTERCESSIONS - HEB. 7:25
THE GOSPEL WITH ITS SIMPLICITY - 1 COR 1:18:21
POWER - ROM. 1:16
IERMS - MK. 16:15:16:ACTS 2:38

IGNORANT OF GOD'S RIGHTEOUSNESS

Romans 10:1-3

- 1. There is much ignorance of God's word God's plan of salvation.
- 2. We refer to righteousness of God as His requirements His commandments.

I. There Is Ignorance Of Who Is Saved

- A. Some think that without time or effort for God they still will not be lost.
- B. Many feel that any "good, honest, charitable" person will be saved.
- C. Many follow their conscience or parents and think they can't go wrong.
- D. Salvation is personal one must act for himself obey the gospel to be saved.

II. There Is Ignorance Of How One Is Saved

- A. Some say by "faith only" or "through prayer", "while plowing" or "like thief".
- B. Some think of salvation as something you catch like it was a disease.
- C. Many believe and follow anything their preachers or creeds say.
- D. One is saved by obeying the gospel of Christ as the Bible teaches.

III. There Is Ignorance Of Where One Is Saved

- A. Many will say, "the church doesn't save" while thinking they are safe in denominationalism. Some expect the Masonic lodge to save them.
- B. The saved are in Christ in His church, His body.

IV. There Is Ignorance Of How One Keeps Saved

- A. Some think they are saved with no chance of ever being lost regardless of what.
- B. The Bible teaches that faithfulness is necessary to keeping saved.

Do You Know What God Requires Of You? Will You Obey Him Now?

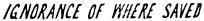
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ROM. 10:1-3

RIGHTEOUSNESS-GOD'S MEANS OF SALVATION-HIS REQUIREMENTS-COMMANDMENTS-PS. (19:172)

IGNORANCE OF WHO SAVED

"NO EFFORT TO PLEASE GOD"-MT. 7:21
"GOOD-HONEST MAN"-ACTS 10:1.2.22:11:14
"CHARITABLE"-MT. 7:22.23
"GOOD CONSCIENCE"-ACTS 23:1:26:9-11:GAL.1:13.14
"PARENTS MUST BE RIGHT"-MT. 10:37
SALVATION IS PERSONAL-MK.16:16:GAL.6:5
OBEDIENT TO BE SAVED-HEB. 5:8,9



"CHURCH DOESN'T SAYE"-ACTS 2:47:20:28
"IN DENOMINATIONALISM"-MT. 15:13
"IN MASONIC LODGE"-JO. 14:6:3:19-21:MK J6:15
SAYED ARE IN CHRIST - IN HIS CHURCH
ACTS 2:47: EPH. 5:23



"FAITH ONLY" - JS. 2:20-24
"THROUGH PRAYER" - I PET. 3:12:ACTS 22:16
"WHILE PLOWING" - 2 COR. 7:10:ACTS 2:38
"LIKE THIEF" - MT. 1:21: I PET. 2:21: HEB.9:16.17
"GET RELIGION" - ACTS 26:4.5: JS. 1:27
- "BELIEVE PREACHERS" - 2 PET. 2:1-3:GAL. 1:8.9
= "FOLLOW HUMAN CREEDS" - MT. 15:8.9:2 JO.9
RY OBEYING THE GOSPEL - ROM. 6:17.18. 1-5

IGNORANCE OF KEEPING SAVED

"CAN'T FALL" - I COR. 9:27: 10:12
"WORSHIP IN ANY WAY" - JO. 4:23.24
"STEADFASTNESS NOT ESSENTIAL" - I COR. 15:58
"MODERATELY WORLDLY" - I JO. 2:15:17: JS. 4:4
"DETERMINE OWN GOOD WORKS" - 2 TIM. 3:16.17:1 TIM. 5:16
FAITHFULNESS IS NECESSARY" - REV. 2:10

"IS THE LORD'S HAND WAXED SHORT?"

Numbers 11:18-23

- 1. There are some who feel that God will have to have human ideas to help carry out His promises.
- 2. Some had this idea in Bible days and many do today.

I. Concern For God's Promises

- A. Moses was worried about God's promise to feed all the Israelites.
- B. Sarah laughed about God's promise that she would have a son. Brother N.B. Hardeman used to say she and Hagar formed the first Ladies Aid Society.
- C. Men see no harm in ways they devise to help God fulfill His promises.

II. The Lord Asked Moses, "Is The Lord's Hand Waxed Short?"

- A. God is Almighty there is nothing lacking about Him nor His ability.
- B. His hand was not short when He spoke the world into existence made all things.
- C. His hand was not short when He spared Noah from the flood or saved Israel.
- D. Neither was it short when He provided salvation for man and purposed the church in Christ. Time would fail to tell of all His manifestations of power.

III. The Lord's Work Is Not Short

- A. God's work and way perfect complete nothing is lacking or wanting.
- B. God has provided sufficiency in the Saviour, the gospel plan, the church, the Scriptures and the work of the church but Catholics, denominationalists and many brethren don't think so and turn to their common sense for help.

Trust In The Lord And In His Way! Love And Obey Him Faithfully!

"IS THE LORD'S HAND WAXED SHORT?"

NUM. 11:18-25

CONCERN FOR GOD'S PROMISES

MOSES WAS - NUM. 11:21.22 SARAH WAS - GEN. 18:12-14 MEN ARE - PROV. 21:2

THE LORD'S HAND IS NOT SHORT

GOD IS ALMIGHTY - GEN. 17:1

GOD SPOKE WORLD INTO EXISTENCE - GEN. 1:1

GOD MADE ALL THINGS - GEN. 1:31

GOD SPARED NOAH - GEN. 6:12-14: 1PET. 3:20

GOD SAVED ISRAEL - EX. 14:21.22.30

GOD PROVIDED SALVATION FOR MAN - JO. 3:16

GOD PURPOSED CHURCH IN CHRIST-EPH. 3:8-11

TIME WOULD FALL TO TELL OF ALL - HFB. 11:32

THE LORD'S WORK IS NOT SHORT

GOD'S WORK & WAY-PERFECT-DEUT. 32:4:PS. 18:30
GOD HAS PROVIDED SUFFICIENCY IN:
THE SAVIOUR-HEB. 2:9:ACTS 4:12:HEB. 7:25 "CATHOLIC PRIESTS AS MEDIATORS"-171M. 2:5
THE GOSPEL PLAN-ROM. 1:16:ACTS 2:36-41:1 COR. 6:9-11
MEN PERVERT-GAL. 1:6-9:MT. 15:8.9:1SA. 59:1.2
THE CHURCH-MT. 16:18: EPH. 4:4:5:23
OTHER PLANTS WILL BE UPROOTED-MT. 15:13
THE SCRIPTURES- 2 TIM. 3:16.17
MEN ABIDE NOT IN DOCTRINE- 2 JO.9
THE WORK OF THE CHURCH-MT. 28:18-20:171M. 3:15
EPH. 4:15.16:1 COR. 16:1.2:171M. 5:16:1 PET. 4:11
MEN ESTABLISH AUXILIARIES-1SA. 55:8,9

\ TRUST IN THE LORD & IN HIS WAY > PROV. 3:5 : JER. 10:23 : ISA. 66:2

RUN THAT YE MAY OBTAIN

1 Corinthians 9:24

- 1. The life of a Christian is compared to a race in which one engages to win.
- 2. We need to heed Paul's admonition and run as if there were to be only one winner and we are determined to be that one.

I. One Must Qualify For The Race

- A. Must strive lawfully. Must meet the Lord's requirements hear, believe, repent. confess and be baptized.
- B. The devil tempts with a dead, do nothing faith no obedience.

II. Run A Good Race - Look To Jesus - Keep Your Eye On The Crown

- A. Heed the Bible warnings of who the devil is after and how he works.
- B. Accept the help and encouragement of the Scriptures.
- C. Overcome temptations to the works of the flesh, worldliness, human orders, unfaithfulness, neglectfulness and shirking of individual responsibility.
- D. Add to faith virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness and charity.
- E. Grow spiritually, sow bountifully, always be faithful to the Lord.
- F. Resist the devil, endure and overcome all temptations and receive the crown.
- Are You Not Yet In The Race? Why Not Get In Now? How Well Are You Running?
- This chart is furnished with a cardboard cut out man that can be made to advance up the course by use of a magnet.

RUN THAT YE MAY OBTAIN



SATAN'S POWER

1 Peter 5:6-9

- 1. We seem prone to underestimate the power of Satan. Don't do it!
- 2. Satan recognizes no one as being too big or good for him to challenge. He even tempted the Lord.

I. Facts About Satan That We Need To Know

- A. He is called in the Scriptures the prince and the god of this world.
- B. Jesus said that he is the father of lies.
- C. He controls sinners and takes captive at his will.
- D. Working through false teachers he robs men of the word lest they should believe and obey the truth.

II. The Devil Seeks To Devour

- A. Picture him as Peter does a roaring lion seeking to devour all he can.
- B. He desires the Lord's people and is often among them.
- C. He fills hearts with evil to lie, deceive, be worldly, be unfaithful in marriage and entices souls away from the truth even gospel preachers.

III. What Can We Do?

- A. Refuse to cooperate with him. He cannot be successful without our cooperation.
- B. We ought not to be ignorant of how he works since we are informed of him.
- C. Be prepared and stand against him resist him so he will flee from us.

Are You Delivered Out Of Satan's Power? Why Not Turn From Him?

SATAN'S POWER

1 PET. 5:6-9

REMEMBER HE TEMPTED CHRIST-MT. 4:3-11

DON'T UNDERESTIMATE SATAN!

FACTS ABOUT SATAN

PRINCE OF WORLD-EPH. 2:2: JO. 16:7-11

GOD OF WORLD-2 COR. 4:3.4

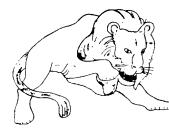
FATHER OF LIES- JO. 8:44

CONTROLS SINNERS- 1 JO. 3:8

TAKES CAPTIVE-2 TIM. 2:24-26

ROBS MEN OF WORD-LK. 8:12

WORKS THROUGH FALSE TEACHERS
ACTS 13:6-10: 2 COR. 11:13-15



THE DEVIL SEEKS TO DEVOUR

AS A ROARING LION-I PET. 5:8.9
DESIRES LORD'S PEOPLE-LK. 22:31.32
OFTEN AMONG GOD'S PEOPLE-JOB. 1:6.7
HE TEMPTS-I THESS. 3:5
HE FILLS HEARTS WITH EVIL. 10...
LIE & DECEIVE-ACTS 5:1:3
BE WORLDLY-GAL. 5:19-21
BREAK UP HOME-I COR. 7:3-5
DEPART FROM TRUTH-ITIM. 4:1-5:14.15:COL. 2:8

WHAT CAN WE DO?

REFUSE HIM COOPERATION - ACTS 5:3.4

NEED NOT BE IGNORANT OF HIS DEVICES-2 COR. 2:11

BE PREPARED & STAND AGAINST HIM - EPH. 4:26.27: 6:11

RESIST HIM - JS. 4:7: ROM. 6:12.13

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

John 5:39

- 1. The Jews prided themselves in their knowledge and understanding of the scriptures yet they were not able to recognize Jesus as the fulfillment of them.
- 2. We need to heed this admonition too and be diligent and daily in our search of the scriptures.
 - I. The Scriptures Testify Of Christ
 - A. The Scriptures prophesied of the birth, the work and the mission of Christ.
 - B. The Scriptures present Christ as Prophet, Priest and King.
 - C. In prophecy and in fulfillment they show His rejection by the Jews.
 - D. His kingdom was foretold and those prophecies were fulfilled.
 - E. Both His death and His resurrection were prophesied and accomplished.

II. We Need To Search The Scriptures

- A. For truth enlightment knowledge understanding.
- B. To prove whether or not the doctrine we have accepted, believe and uphold is the doctrine of the Bible.
- C. To have wisdom unto salvation to learn and to do God's will.
- D. To learn how to be free from sin and become servants of God.
- E. To build ourselves up in the faith and make ready for judgment.

Won't You Search, Learn And Obey The Teaching Of The Scriptures?

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

10.5:39

THEY TESTIFY OF CHRIST

HIS BIRTH - ISA. 7:14: MT. 1:20-23

HIS WORK - JO. 6:38: 9:4

HIS MISSION-MK. 2:16,17:1K. 19:10

AS PROPHET - DEUT. 18:15:ACTS 3:19-22

AS PRIEST-PSM. 110:4: HEB. 6:20

AS KING-ISA. 9:6.7: JO. 18:37: EPH. 1:19-23

HIS REJECTION BY JEWS-

ISA. 53:3: JO. /://

HIS KINGDOM -DAN. 2:44: MI.16:18.19: ACTS.2

HIS DEATH-ISA. 53:12:LK. 23:33

HIS RESURRECTION -PSM. 16:10:LK 24:1-7

SEARCH

FOR TRUTH - ACTS 17:11

FOR ENLIGHTMENT-PSM 119:105

FOR KNOWLEDGE - JU. 8:31,32:2 PET. 3 /8

FOR UNDERSTANDING-EPH. 3:3,4

FOR PROOF OF DOCTRINE-1 THESS. 5:21

FOR WISDOM UNTO SALVATION -

2 TIM. 3:14,15

TO LEARN & DO GOD'S WILL-MT. 7:21

TO BE FREE - ROM. 6:17.18

TO BE BUILT UP-ACTS 20:32

TO BE READY FOR JUDGMENT - JO. 12:48

STRANGE VOICES

John 10:4,5

- 1. The Lord compares His people to sheep who know their master's voice and follow Him. The sheep will not follow strangers.
- 2. The Lord's people will hear and follow Him rejecting the voice of strangers.
 - I. The Bible Furnishes Us With The Knowledge We Need
 - A. God commanded, "Hear ye Him.."
 - B. The Lord's sheep are those who hear and follow Him.
 - C. The Scriptures furnish us completely unto every good work.
 - D. We are to speak as the oracles of God.

II. The Strange Voices

- A. The voice of worldliness urges the gratifying of all fleshly lusts to the full.
- B. The voice of denominationalism says one "church" as good as another but all need to join together in brotherhood for all are striving for heaven.
- C. The voice of worldly success places business and profits above all else first.
- D. The voice of emotionalism talks of a religion that is better felt than told.
- E. The voice of morality speaks of one's own goodness and that that will save him.
- F. The voice of the social gospel advocates the church doing any "good work".
- G. The Lord's people know not the voice of strangers. Their ears are attuned to their Master's words. He is their authority.

Do You Know The Voice Of Strangers Or Only The Voice Of The Good Shepherd?

STRANGE VOICES

VOICE OF WORLDLINESS J0. [0:4.5 JO. 10:27.28 THEARETH MY VOICE. VOICE OF WORLDLY SUCCESS STRIVING FOR J0.18:37 THROUGHLY FURNISHED BUSINESS FIRST 2 T/M. 3:16.17 JO. 17:20-23 1TIM 610:MT 61921 YOICE OF MORALITY GOOD AS CHURCH VOICE OF EMOTIONALISM MEMBER". GOOD WORK... ACTS 10:1-4.22:11:13.14 2 T/M 25 17/M 5:4.8.16 2 THESS.1:7.9

THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE

WHAT IS TRUTH?

NOT HUMAN OPINIONS - ACTS 26:9-H

NOT DOCTRINES OF MEN-MT. 15:8,9

GOD'S WORD IS TRUTH - JO. 17:17

THE GOSTEL IS TRUTH - GAL. 2:14

FREES FROM ERROR

VAIN WORSHIP-MT. 15:8,9

HUMAN WAYS - 15A, 55:8,9

DOCTRINES OF DEVILS-1TIM. 4:1-6

FALSE TEACHING -2 PET. 2:1-3

DECEPTION - 2 THESS. 2:1-12

JO. 8:31,32



FREES FROM SIN

JESUS SAVES FROM SIN-MT. 1:21
JESUS TAKETH AWAY SIN-JO. 1:29
IN BAPTISM SINS REMITTED-ACTS 2:38.
SINS BLOTTED OUT-ACTS 3:19
SINS WASHED AWAY-ACTS 22:16
FREED BY OBEDIENCE-ROM. 6:17,18.22
LAW OF SPIRIT FREES-ROM. 8:2



FREE IN CHRIST

CHRIST MAKES FREE - JO. 8:36: GAL. 5:1 THOSE IN CHRIST NEW CREATURES: 2 COR. 5:17

THE UNPROFITABLE SERVANT

Matthew 25:24-30

- 1. Why was this servant called unprofitable? Why was he cast out?
- 2. We might be guilty of the same thing he was. Study carefully what is said of him.
 - I. There Is No Indication That This Servant Was...
 - A. Wasteful or dishonest or he would not still have had the one talent.
 - B. Lustful, drunkard or immoral or chances are he would have used the talent in gratifying his appetite.

II. His Sin Was Of...

- A. Ommission leaving undone what he should have done.
- B. He was afraid to try to do something lest he make a failure. He was not active.
- C. From a negative point of view he might have done well. He could have said, "I didn't spend it, waste it nor consume it upon lusts." He was still a wicked and slothful servant.

III. How Do We Compare?

- A. Are we as active as we should be? Are we afraid to do things lest we fail?
 - B. Are our abilities and time so taken up with business and social affairs that so far as the Lord's work is concerned they are completely hidden?
 - C. Do we give liberally of our means to His work?
 - D. Is our religion altogether negative?
- Will The Lord Say Of Us, "Cast Ye The Unprofitable Servant Into Outer Darkness?"

THE UNPROFITABLE SERVANT

WHY SO UNPROFITABLE?

MT. 25:24-30

WHY CAST OUT?

NO INDICATION HE WAS......

WASTEFUL - LK. 15:13 DISHONEST - ROM. 12:17 LUSTFUL - I COR. 10:6 DRUNKARD - I COR. 6:9.10 IMMORAL - GAL. 5:19-21



ARE WE INACTIVE? -LK. 9:23: 2 PET. 3:18 DO WE FEAR OR HAVE FAITH? - MT. 14:27-31 DO WE SPEND TIME IN STUDY?-2 TIM. 2:15 IN WE TEACH OTHERS? - ACTS 8:1.4 ARE OUR ABILITIES. TIME AND MEANS HIDDEN OR BEING USED?-MT. 25:14-18

DO WE GIVE LIBERALLY? -2 COR. 9:6-8

HIS SIN WAS OF

OMISSION - JS. 4:17 FEAR OF FAILURE -MI 25:25 INACTIVITY - MT. 25:18

FROM A NEGATIVE VIEWPOINT HF MIGHT HAVE DONE WELL.

BUSINESS BUTIES CIVIO-AFFAIRS CLUB MEETINGS

FRATERNAL PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITIES SPORTS RECREATION

IS OUR RELIGION ALL NEGATIVE? - JS. 1:27

WILL THE LORD SAY OF US "AND CAST YE THE UNPROFITABLE SERVANT INTO OUTER DARKNESS..."?

UNSEARCHABLE RICHES

Ephesians 3:8-12

- 1. Unsearchable means not traced out, cannot be comprehended, fathomless, boundless, exhaustless.
- 2. Such describes these wonderful riches now available to mankind.

I. These Riches

- A. Were once kept secret once hid in God.
- B. They are now made manifest made known to man.

II. What Are These Riches?

- A. The salvation the prophets inquired of and the angels desired to look into.
- B. Redemption and forgiveness of sins.
- C. The many wonderful blessings that are in Christ.

III. These Riches Are Unsearchable - Boundless

- A. Jesus gave Himself a ransom for all men. He made a sacrifice sufficient forever.
- B. Consider some examples of men saved as a result of these exhaustless riches the jailer, the sorcerer, those responsible for the crucifixion of Christ, the chief of sinners.
 - C. There is continuned cleansing provision for the erring.

IV. Men To Know Of These Riches

- A. They are to be made manifest now and to be spoken boldly without compromise.
- B. They are to be made known to all nations to every creature.
- Do You Know And Fully Appreciate These Great And Unsearchable Riches?

UNSEARCHABLE RICHES

EPH. 3:8-12

UNSEARCHABLE -NOT TRACED OUT, CAN NOT BE COMPREHENDED, FATHOMLESS, BOUNDLESS, EXHAUSTLESS

THESE RICHES

ONCE KEPT SECRET-ROM.16:25 ONCE HID IN GOD-EPH. 3:9 NOW MADE MANIFEST-COL.1:26.27 NOW MADE KNOWN-EPH.1:9:3:2-4

WHAT ARE THESE RICHES?

SALVATION PROPHETS INQUIRED OF-ANGELS DESIRE TO LOOK INTO-IPET.I:10-12 REDEMPTION & FORGIVENESS-EPH.I:7 WONDERFUL BLESSINGS IN CHRIST-EPH.I:3



MEN TO KNOW OF RICHES
TO BE MADE MANIFEST - COL. 4:2-4
TO BE SPOKEN BOLDLY - EPH. 6:18-20
TO ALL NATIONS - MT. 28:18-20
TO EVERY CREATURE - MK. 16:15.16

THESE RICHES UNSEARCHABLE

JESUS GAVE HIMSELF A RANSOM

FOR ALL-ROM. 1:16:17/M.2-5.6

SACRIFICE SUFFICIENT FOR

EVERY MAN-HEB 2:9

JA!LOR-ACTS 16:30-33

SORCERER-ACTS 8:9.13

THOSE WHO CRUCIFIED JESUS
ACTS 2:22.23.36-41

CHIEF OF SINNERS-17/M.1:12-15:

ROM. 5:20.21:6:1.2

CONTINUED CLEANSING-1 JO 1:7

PROVISION FOR ERRING-ACTS 8:18-24

WHAT ABOUT THE THIEF?

Luke 23:39-43

- 1. The claim is often made that the thief proves that baptism is not essential.
- 2. Is the thief an example of salvation? Our knowledge of him limited to 14 verses.
 - I. Concerning The Thief It Is Generally Supposed...
 - A. He was always wicked and evil, never baptized, only concerned about Christ when faced with death.
 - B. Some imply that he had a better concept of the kingdom that the apostles.
 - C. It is supposed he went to heaven that day but did he???

II. Consider These Facts About The Thief

- A. He is not an example of salvation. The apostles taught gospel obedience.
- B. The thief died under the law and before Christ's will and baptism became effective. He died before the church was established.
- C. Christ will save the church. He died for the church.
- We never hear of anyone who wants to be saved like the Lord told the rich ruler he could be. Why? Man wants everything for nothing and thus finds comfort in this thief.

Follow Christ -- Not The Thief. Hear, Believe And Obey Christ Now!!

--- WHAT ABOUT THE THIEF?

LK.23:39-43

PROOF BAPTISM NOT ESSENTIAL? AN EXAMPLE OF SALVATION?

THE ALWAYS WICKED & EVIL-LK.23:40.41
THIEF ALWAYS WICKED & EVIL-LK.23:40.41
THIEF NOT BAPTIZED-MT. 3:5.6
THIEF UNCONCERNED WITH CHRIST TILL DEATH-LK.23:42
THIEF HAD BETTER CONCEPT OF KINGDOM
THAN APOSTLES -LK. 23:42: ACTS 1:6
THIEF WENT TO HEAVEN THAT DAY-LK.23:43: JO. 20:17

CONSIDER THESE FACTS:

THIEF NOT EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW - LK. 9:23

APOSTLES TAUGHT OBEDIENCE- SO. 16:13: ACTS 2:38:

ACTS 10:47.48:22:16:2 THESS. 1:7-9

THIEF DIED UNDER LAW NOT CHRIST'S WILL-HEB. 9:16.17

CHRIST'S BAPTISM 43 DAYS AFTER DEATH-MK. 16:16

THIEF DIED BEFORE CHURCH-ESTABLISHED -ACTS 2:1-4.38

CHRIST WILL SAVE CHURCH-FPH 5:23:1:22.23

NO ONE WANTS TO BE SAVED LIKE RICH RULER COULD HAVE BEEN - MK. 10:17-22
FOLLOW CHRIST - NOT THIEF - MT. 1:21: | PET. 2:21 | HEAR - BELIEVE - OBEY CHRIST - ACTS 3:22.23: JO.20:30.31:14:15.21: HEB. 5:8.5

WHAT CHOICE DOES MAN HAVE?

Isaiah 66:1-4

- 1. We hear much of man's choice in religious affairs but really what choice is there for man? Consider carefully the text.
- 2. Let us learn well from some Bible examples. Obedience is important.
- I. Some Old Testament Examples
- A. What choice did Cain and Abel have when God accepted one and rejected the other in their offerings? Maybe Cain thought it made no difference.
- B. What kind of a personal choice did Noah have when he built the ark as to size, material, etc.?
- C. Consider the difference in the choice made by Lot and his wife.
- D. Could Abraham have refused by his choice to offer Isaac and still please God?
- E. Maybe Nadab and Abihu thought their choice was just as good as what God had commanded them. They paid a terrible price for their own choice.
- F. When Naaman reconsidered and changed his mind he was then blessed.
- G. Jonah was given a chance to change to God's choice after his experience.

II. Consider Some New Testament Teaching

- A. The Lord has given us the Bible for our guide. Can we choose a human creed?
- B. The Bible teaches one baptism for salvation which puts one into Christ. Can we choose to make baptism anything we want and for any purpose we desire?
- C. Can we choose a church of our own when Christ has the only one?
- D. Can we choose our own way of worship over God's commands?

We Need To Choose To Believe And Obey God - To Follow His Choosing!

WHAT CHOICE DOES MAN HAVE?

OFFERING

GEN. 4:3-7 HEB. 11:4:ROM. 10:17

ARK

GEN.6:14:7:1.5

ESCAPE CITY

GEN. 19:17,26 LK. 17:32

LEV. 10:1.2

FIRE

ISA.66:1-4 OFFER SON WATER

> GEN.22:1.2.6 JS. 2:21-24

2 KGS. 5:9-14

GUIDE

JO. 12:48 2TIM.3:16.17 MT. 15:8.9

BAPTISM



MK.16:16:ROM.6:3-5:EPH.4:4-6

CRY - PREACH



JONAH. 1:1.2.17: 2:10:3:1.2

MT. 16:18:ACTS 20:28 EPH.1:22.23:5:23

> JO. 4:23.24: ACTS 2:42 COL. 3:16

WHAT MANNER OF PERSONS OUGHT YE TO BE?

2 Peter 3:10-18

Peter in this chapter discusses the end of the world and shows that Christians ought to be prepared for it. We are given many and sufficient warnings.

I. We Ought To Be Mindful

- A. That Christ will return and that there is no second chance.
- B. Of the judgment and the fact that we all will give account of our deeds.
- C. Of eternity and the reward and punishment that is coming.

II. We Ought To Be Faithful

- A. Steadfast not forsaking our duties to the Lord.
- B. Not grow weary in well doing but being faithful unto death.

III. We Ought To Be Holy - Separate - Set Apart From The World

- A. Jesus makes holy and commands to keep holy and to present bodies holy and acceptable unto God.
- B. Follow holiness, keeping self spotless and blameless, becoming the gospel.

IV. We Should Be Busy

- A. Working while there is time, making the most of our opportunities to teach and warn others of what is coming.
- B. We need to persuade others to prepare to meet the Lord.

Are You The Kind Of Person You Ought To Be?

WHAT MANNER OF PERSONS OUGHT YE TO BE?

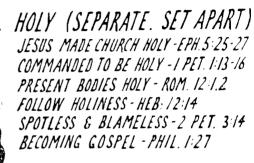
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MINDFUL

OF CHRIST'S COMING - 2 PET. 3:1-9
NO SECOND CHANCE - HEB. 9:27
OF JUDGMENT - 2 COR. 5:10
WE SHALL GIVE ACCOUNT - ROM. 14:12
OF ETERNITY - MT. 25:34:REV. 14:13:22:14
OF PUNISHMENT - MT. 25:41:2 THESS. 1:7-9

FAITHFUL

STEADFAST - COL. 2:5: | COR. 15:58 NOT FORSAKING ASSEMBLING-HEB. 10:25 NOT WEARY IN WELL DOING - GAL. 6:9 FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH.-REV. 2:10 HEED WARNING - 2 PET. 3:17



BUSY

WORK WHILE DAY - JO. 9:4

REDEEMING THE TIME - EPH. 5:15.16

TEACHING - MT. 28:19

WARNING - ACTS 20:31: COL. 1:27.28

PERSUADING-ACTS 19:8:28:23:2 COR 5 //

THE WILL OF GOD

Ephesians 5:17

All should be interested in knowing and doing God's will. We must to please the Father.

I. God Wills For Men To...

- A. Know the truth and repent of their sins.
- B. Obey the truth.
- C. Be delivered from evil.
- D. Be saved and sanctified. The saved are sanctified.

II. God Wills For His Children To...

- A. Be filled with the knowledge of His will so they may ever obey Him.
- B. Grow spiritually.
- C. Be ever faithful to Him.
- D. Be thankful grateful for all blessings received.
 - E. Be honest and law abiding.

All must do the Father's will to enter heaven. Our ignorance of, or failure to obey God's will does not and will not excuse nor justify us in the judgment.

Have You Obeyed The Will Of God? Are You Faithfully Doing His Will?

THE WILL OF GOD

WE SHOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING GOD'S WILL-ACTS 22:14

GOD WILLS FOR MEN TO...

KNOW THE TRUTH - MT. 28:19:

MK. 16:15: JO. 8:31,32

REPENT - 2 PET. 3:9: LK. 24:45-47

OBEY THE TRUTH - ROM. 16:26

BE DELIVERED FROM EVIL - GAL. 1:3-5

BE SAVED - JO. 3:16: HEB. 2:9

BE SANCTIFIED - LTHESS 4:3: HEB. 10:9/10

GOD WILLS FOR HIS CHILDREN TO...

BE FILLED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF

HIS WILL-COL. 1: 9, 10

GROW SPIRITUALLY -2 PET. 3:18

BE FAITHFUL-HEB. 10: 25: REV. 2:10

BE THANKFUL-I THESS 5:18

BE HONEST AND LAW ABIDING
1 PET. 2:11:15

ALL MUST DO THE FATHER'S WILL TO ENTER HEAVEN-MT.7:21:1 JO.2:17: HEB.10:36

OUR IGNORANCE OF, OR FAILURE TO OBEY GOD'S WILL DOES NOT AND WILL NOT

EXCUSE NOR JUSTIFY US IN JUDGMENT -ACTS 17:30.31:2 THESS 1:7-9