

Chart Sermons Vol. VIII is now ready. This is another collection of chart sermons and outlines that I hope and pray will be helpful to all who see them, use them or hear them preached. Included are lessons for sinners and saints. I trust that these sermons may provoke serious thoughts on the part of a good number and ' bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

I appreciate the acceptance that the previous books have had and the favorable comments I have received. It is encouraging that there is a continuing need for reprinting them.

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#### ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN?

- 1. There is much misunderstanding and confusion as to just who is a Christian. Some belittle the name and say it was given by enemies.
- 2. To many this question is like, "Are you a good citizen?" They will answer, "Yes." and not really know what a Christian is.
  - I. Popular Ideas
    - A. Note the dictionary definition of the word it is ridiculous.
    - B. According to this everybody is atheists, infidels the most wicked.
  - II. The Bible Answer
    - A. Since the word comes from the Bible certainly it will be well to consider what the Bible says about a Christian.
    - B. The term was first used in Acts 11. These first to be called Christians.
      - 1. They heard the preaching of the Lord Jesus (verse 20).
      - 2. They believed what they heard and turned to the Lord.
      - 3. Barnabas saw the grace of God and exhorted them with purpose of heart to cleave to the Lord.
      - 4. They made up the church in Antioch. Barnabas and Saul met with them.
      - 5. They learned being taught by Barnabas and Saul.
      - 6. Here they were first called Christians.
      - 7. They participated in helping brethren in Judea.

Now Are You A Christian? According To The Dictionary Or The Bible?

## ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN? ACTS 11:19-30

NOW ARE YOU A CHRISTIAN ? BY WHOSE DEFINITION MAN'S OR GOD'S ?

MANY WILL SAY THEY ARE WHEN THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT ONE IS DICTIONARY SAYS... BIBLE SHOWS...

ONE WHO BELIEVES OR PROFESSES OR IS ASSUMED TO BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST AND THE TRUTH AS TAUGHT BY HIM.

A HUMAN BEING AS DIS-TINGUISHED FROM ONE OF THE LOWER ANIMALS. A DECENT. CIVILIZED, OR PRESENTABLE PERSON. HEARD JESUS PREACHED - ACTS 11:20 BELIEVED - ACTS 11:21 TURNED UNTO THE LORD - ACTS 11:21 cf 3:19:2:38 (MK. 16:15.16: ROM. 10:13-17) GRACE OF GOD SEEN - ACTS 11:23 cf V. 21: TIT. 2:11.12 PURPOSE OF HEART TO CLEAVE TO LORD - ACTS 11:23: REV.2:10 ASSEMBLING - ACTS 11:26: HEB. 10:25 LEARNING - ACTS 11:26: HEB. 10:25 LEARNING - ACTS 11:26: MT. 28:20 THE CHURCH - ACTS 11:26: 2: 41. 47 DISCIPLES - ACTS 11:26 IDENTIFIED - ACTS 11:26 PARTICIPATING - ACTS 11:29 BENEVOLENT - ACTS 11:27:30: ROM. 15:25:27:1 COR 16:12

#### BAPTISM - THEN WHAT?

- 1. Baptism is very important it is necessary to salvation.
- 2. Baptism is the beginning end of salvation not finishing end 1 Pet. 1:9.
  - I. <u>Baptism Is</u>
  - A. A burial in water for the remission of sins.
  - B. For accountable beings (not infants) but those able to believe, understand and repent.
  - C. For forgiveness, the remitting of sins for salvation.
  - D. In order to get into Christ.
  - E. To make one a new creature. This does not happen before baptism.
  - F. To put one into the one body which is the one church.
  - II. Then What?
    - A. After being baptized one needs to walk and act like a new creature.
    - B. One needs to study and grow spiritually to mature as a Christian.
    - C. One is a servant of righteousness and should set good example.
    - D, Should have strong faith in God.
    - E. Should follow in the steps of Jesus humble obedience to the Father.
    - F. Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness before self and selfish interests.
    - G. Resist temptation and overcome evil.
    - H. Be faithful and fruitful,

Are You Doing What You Ought To Be Doing?

## BAPTISM - THEN WHAT? ROM. 6:3-5

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BAPTISM IS

A BURIAL - COL. 2:12 IN WATER - ACTS 8:35-38 FOR ACCOUNTABLE BEINGS - MK. 16:15,16 UNTO REMISSION OF SINS - ACTS 2:38 FOR SALVATION - MK. 16:16:1PET, 3:21 TO GET INTO CHRIST - GAL. 3:27 TO BECOME NEW CREATURE -ROM. 6:3-5:2COR.5:17 TO GET INTO THE ONE BODY -1 COR. 12:13



WALK IN NEW LIFE -ROM. 6:4 STUDY & GROW-2 TIM. 2:15:2 PET. 3:18 A SERVANT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS -ROM. 6:17.18 KEEP SELF PORE - 1 TIM. 5:22 BE AN EXAMPLE -1 TIM. 4:12 HAVE FAITH IN GOD -LPET. 1:18-21: 1 COR 2:3.4: I COR. 1:18-29: PHIL. 1:15-18

FOLLOW JESUS - 1 PET. 2:21 PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST -MT. 6:33 RESIST TEMPTATION - JS. 1:13-15 BE FAITHFUL - REV. 2:10 BE FRUITFUL -MK. 16:15,16: JO. 15:1-6,16

#### FIRST THINGS FIRST

- 1. Most of us are rather careless with things of greatest importance.
- 2. There is a great need of putting first things FIRST.
  - I. One Who Is Not A Christian Needs To Realize
  - A. He is in darkness lost and how terrible it is to be lost.
  - B. He is without God without Christ and Without hope.
  - C. Unless he makes a change he will hear, "Depart from Me ye cursed.."
  - D. Vengence will be taken on him in flaming fire death destruction.
  - II. One Not A Christian Needs To Become One
    - A. Jesus died to give life to make eternal life possible for man.
    - B. Jesus has given a plan believe, repent and be baptized.
    - C. He invites all to accept His plan.

#### III. <u>A Christian</u>

- A. Needs to put the Lord before business, pleasure and convenience.
- B. Ought not to deceive self in thinking he is doing something he is not.
- C. Must not live after the flesh but rather yield self to God.
- D. Is to put God's will above his own.
- E. Is to be spiritually minded live a transformed life.
- F. Is to be a doer of the word active in the service of the Lord.
- G. Should flee things harmful to his soul and follow things helpful.
- H. Should set affections on things above and not on things on the earth.
- I. Should teach and share with others the truth he knows.
- J. Needs to run the King's race to be a winner.

Will You Put First Things First?

# FIRST THINGS FIRST MATT. 6:33

## NOT A CHRISTIAN

IN DARKNESS - JO 12:46: ACTS 26:15-18 LOST - ROM. 3:23 WITHOUT GOD - CHRIST - HOPE - EPH 2:12 WILL HEAR. "DEPART ..." - MT. 25:41 VENGEANCE IN FIRE - 2 THESS. 1:7-9 WAGES IS DEATH - ROM. 6:23 EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT - MT. 25:46 BECOME A CHRISTIAN - ACTS 11:26 JESUS DIED TO GIVE LIFE - JO. 3:16: HEB. 2:9 HE HAS GIVEN A PLAN - JO. 14:6 BELIEVE - MK. 16:15,16 REPENT - LK. 24:45-49

CONFESS - MT. 10:32 BE BAPTIZED - MK. 16:16 HE INVITES YOU- MT. 11:28-30

WON'T YOU ACCEPT ?.



## A CHRISTIAN

PUT THE LORD'S BUSINESS BEFORE YOUR BUSINESS-PLEASURE - CONVENIENCE - LK. 2:49:MT. 6:33: ROM 12:11 DO NOT DECEIVE SELF - GAL. 6:3: JS. 1:26: GAL. 6:7.8 DON'T LIVE AFTER THE FLESH - ROM. 8:13 YIELD YOURSELVES UNTO GOD - ROM. 6:12,13 PUT THE LORD'S WILL ABOVE YOUR OWN - MT 26:39 BE SPIRITUALLY MINDED - ROM. 8:6-9 LIVE A TRANSFORMED LIFE - ROM. 12:1,2 BE A DOER OF THE WORD - JS. 1:22-25 FLEE & FOLLOW - I TIM. 6:10-12 SET AFFECTIONS ABOVE - COL. 3:1,2 TEACH - ACTS 8:4 RUN TO WIN - I COR. 9:24

WILL YOU?

#### GOD HATH SPOKEN

Note carefully the text as to when, to whom and by whom God spoke.

- I. In Times Past Unto The Fathers By The Prophets
- A. God spoke by Moses to all Israel giving them the law.
- B. God spoke by Samuel to Saul telling him to destroy the Amalekites.
- C, God used Nathan to rebuke David for his sin with Bathsheba.
- D. God sent Gad to David with a choice of a punishment.
- E. God warned Ahab of his doom by Micaiah.
- F. God spoke by Isaiah to Hezekiah and to the house of Israel.

G. Neither the king nor his servants would heed God's words by Jeremiah. Paul explained that things written aforetime were for our learning - we need to profit by the examples of the Old Testament.

#### II. In These Last Days - Unto Us - By His Son

- A. From heaven God commanded, "Hear ye Him."
- B. Jesus spoke as God commanded Him to speak.
- C. In reference to Jesus Moses said, "Him shall ye hear in all things..."
- D. Jesus has all authority He is the Mediator of a better covenant.
- E. We will be judged by the words Jesus spoke not those Moses spoke.
- F. Now consider carefully what Jesus has said on salvation, obedience, the church, faithfulness, heaven and hell.
  - Are You Hearing God's Son? Are You Heeding Jesus' Commands? We Are Not Under The Law - We Are Under Christ.

GOD HATH SPOKEN				
IN TIME PAST	IN THESE LAST DAYS			
UNTO THE FATHERS	UNTO US			
IN THE PROPHETS	BY HIS SON			
MOSES - ALL ISRAEL - DEUT_18:15: NEL 9:13.14:	GOD SAID - MATT. 17:1-B			
DEUT. 5:/-21	AS'GOD COMMANDED - JO. 12:49			
SAMUEL - SAUL - I SAM. 3:20; I5:/-3 NATHAN - DAVID-2 SAM. I2:25, 9, 10	TO BE HEARD - ACTS 3:22,23 HAS ALL AUTHORITY - MATT. 28:18:5:21.22, 27,28			
GAD - DAVID - 2 SAM, 24:10-13	MEDIATOR OF BETTER COVENANT- HEB. 8			
MICAIAH - AHAB - 1 KGS. 22:7,8, 13, 14, 17-23	AIS WORD WILL JUDGE US - JO. 12:48			
ISAIAH - HEZEKIAH - ISA. 38:1				
ISAIAH - HOUSE OF ISRAEL - ISA, 58:1 JEREMIAH - KING & PEOPLE - JER, 37:1,2	HE HAS SAID ON			
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TULLALA WAITTAN APARTINA	THE CHURCH - MATT. 16:18			
STHINGS WRITTEN AFORETIME	FAITHFULNESS - REV. 2:10			
FOR OUR LEARNING -ROM. 15:4	HEAVEN & HELL- MATT. 7:21:10:28			
	DO YOU HEAR HIM ? - ACTS 3:22.23			

#### GOD'S BLUEPRINTS

- 1. Plans blueprints are furnished to builders by architects to be followed.
- 2. God, the great Architect, the Designer of heaven and earth and all things provided plans for the things He wanted built.

I. The Ark

- A. God's purpose for the ark was to save the righteous.
- B. God selected Noah for the builder and gave him His plan for the ark.
- C. Noah strictly followed the plan he and family were saved from flood.

I. The Tabernacle

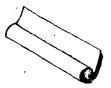
- A. God's purpose was that He might dwell among the people.
- B. Moses and the Israelites were to build the tabernacle.
- C. God gave Moses the plan covering everything that pertained to it.
- D. He had no right to deviate from the plan. Two did once in offering.

III. The Church

- A. God's purpose for the church is to contain the saved.
- B. Christ was the Builder this was God's plan from the beginning.
- C. The plan included the establishment of the church when and where the work, worship, terms of membership and everything about it.
- D. No one has a right to change anything about it.

Iluman Plans Fail. All Plants That God Has Not Planted Will Be Rooted Up

Matt. 15:13





ARCHITECT-GOB ALMIGHTY DESIGNER OF HEAVEN & EARTH, THE UNIVERSE-ALL LIFE...

## GOD'S BLUEPRINTS

FOR THE ARK PURPOSE - TO SAVE-GEN.6:17-20:7:1

BUILDER - NOAH - GEN. 6:13.14 PLAN - GEN. 6:14 - 16 NOAH FOLLOWED PLAN - GEN. 6:22: GEN. 7:5; HEB. 11:7

## FOR THE TABERNACLE

PURPOSE- GOD MAY DWELL AMONG THEM - EX. 25:8 BOILDER-MOSES & ISRAELITES-EX. 25:1.8.9

PLAN - EX. 25-27 NO RIGHT TO DEVIATE-EX.25:40:HEB.8:5 TWO WHO DTD - LEY. IO:1,2

FOR THE CHURCH PURPOSE - TO CONTAIN SAVED -ACTS 2:47:EPK.5:23:4:4-6 BUILDER - CHRIST - MT.16:18:EPH 3:8-11 PLAN - MK.9:1:LK.24:45-49: MK.16:15.16:ACTS 2:1-4.22-47 UPHOLD TRUTH - 1 TIM. 3:15 MEMBERSHIP - MK.16:16:ACTS 2:38: ROM.6:1-5.17.18 WORSHIP -JO.4:23.24:ACTS 2:42 NO RIGHT TO DEVIATE -

1 PET. 4:11: 2 JO 9

#### GOD'S CALL

- 1. Man without God is lost and is in sin and darkness.
- 2. By means of the gospel God calls man out of this darkness and into His marvelous light.
  - I. This Call Is
  - A. According to His purpose not man's,
  - B. An holy calling a high and noble calling.
  - C. To a life of holiness away from uncleaness to a life of clean and godly living.
  - D. To a relationship of fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ. This is a great honor and privilege indeed.
  - E. To follow the examples Jesus set consider His humility, His obedience and complete subjection to the Father.
  - F. Unto His kingdom we can be citizens by answering His call.
  - G. To be saints yes saints now set apart to the Lord's service.
  - II. This Call Is
    - A. That we be like Christ that is holy.
    - B. To glory to the enjoyment of eternal happiness.
    - C. To eternal life never er ling joy.

Will You Answer God's Call Now? Accept The Great And Precious Invitation.



#### THE GOSPEL IS

There are a number of things about the gospel that we should all know.

- I. Of God
- A. He is the Author of it He originated it it is from Him,
- B. It is not from man nor of man.
- II. Of Christ
  - A. It was His mission to bring the gospel to man God's power to save.
  - B. It is the good news of what His death, burial and resurrection means to all mankind.
- III. Of Grace
  - A. We do not merit or deserve the gospel.
  - B. It was given to us and for us through God's mercy and love.
- IV. Of The Kingdom
- A. It is about the kingdom and how to enter the kingdom.
- B. God calls us to enter the kingdom.
- V. Of Salvation
- A. It is the good news of how to be saved.
- B. The terms have been given.
- VI. Of Peace
  - A. It announces terms of peace and makes peace with God possible.
    - The Gospel Is To Be Obeyed. Have You Obeyed It?



## OF GOD

ROM. 1:1: 15:16 1THESS. 2:9:1 PET. 4:17 ORIGINATED WITH GOD EPH. 3:8-11: JO. 12:49

## OF GRACE

ACTS 20:24 THROUGH GOD'S GRACE HEB. 2:9:JO. 1:17

## OF CHRIST

ROM. 1:16 : 15:19 2 COR. 4:3.4 : PHIL. 1:27 DEATH - BURIAL - RESURRECTION 1 COR. 15:1-4

## OF KINGDOM

MT. 24:14 : ACT 5 8:12 CALLED TO ENTER I THESS. 2:11.12:MT. 7:21: JO. 3:5

## OF SALVATION

## OF PEACE

EPH. 1:13 TERMS ANNOUNCED MK. 16:15.16: ACTS 2:38 IT IS TO BE OBEYED! - 2 THESS. 1:7-9

ROM.10:15 :EPH 6:15 PEACE WITH GOD EPH 2:13-16:COL 1:20 OUT OF DARKNESS AND INTO LIGHT

- 1. Darkness is used in the scriptures to represent sin and error while light represents truth and rightness.
- 2. The gospel is God's call to man to come out of darkness and into light.
  - I. In Darkness
  - A. There is blindness (ignorance) and hate (ill will).
  - B. There are doctrines of men and human opinions.
  - C. There is prejudice (pre-judging of men and teaching).
  - D. Unfruitful works, unbelief, ways, wisdom and creeds of men there.

#### II. In Light

- A, God is light there is no darkness in Him at all.
- B. Jesus is the light that came into the world to bring men out of darkness.
- C. God's word is a lamp and a light to lead men in the right way.
- D. God calls us into His marvelous light.
- E. God has provided forgiveness and inheritance.
- F. Let us put on the armour of light (the truth), walk and abide in the light.
- G. God wants His children to shine as lights to be good examples.
- H. We are throughly furnished to do God's will.
- I. To be in the light we must speak as the oracles of God.

Won't You Come Out Of Darkness And Into Light Now?

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BLINDNESS H MT. 15:14 IJU	0. 2:9	GOD IS LIGHT	
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<b>WAYS OF MEN</b> JER. 10:23 : ISA. 55:8,9		BIDE IN LIGHT SHI. 190.2:10 PHIL. THROUGHLY FU	2:14.15: MT. 5:14-16
HUMAN WISDOM MEN 1704.14:12:1 COR 1:18-21 Mi	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	2 TIM. 346. SPEAK AS ORACLE	17
		I PET. 4:11	

- 1. A stop sign is a warning of possible danger.
- 2. Each letter here stands for an action that should get our serious attention.

I. Stop And See

- A. Where are you? in the narrow or board way? Everybody is in one.
- B. Are you without God, without Christ and without hope. Many are.
- C. To be out of Christ is sad indeed. There is only one way into Him.
- D. Are you in a way that just seems right?
- E. Are you in THE FAITH of the Bible? In the way of righteousness?
- F. Are you a living sacrifice?

II. Turn

- A. Men in sin need to turn from wickedness, sin and from themselves.
- B. Turn from darkness to light from Satan to God.
- C. Many in the church need to turn from indifference.

III. Obey

- A. Mankind needs to obey God.
- B. All accountable beings need to obey the gospel the form of doctrine.
- C. Eternal salvation is to the obedient.
- D. Members of the church need to obey elders and civil authorities.

IV. Persevere

- A. We need to be faithful patient stick to our responsibilities.
- B. Believe to the saving of the soul end of the way faithful unto death.

All Can Profit By Stopping And Considering Where We Are And Where Headed.

## STOP & SEE

"WHERE ART THOU?-GEN. 3:9 IN THE NARROW OR BROAD WAY?-MT. 7:13.14 WITHOUT GOD-CHRIST-HOPE?-EPH. 2:12 OUT OF CHRIST?-2 COR. 5:17: ROM. 6:1-5 IN A WAY THAT SEEMS RIGHT?-PROV. H:12 IN THE FAITH?-2 COR. 13:5 IN WAY OF RIGHTEOUSNESS?-2 PET.2:20:22 A LIVING SACRIFICE?-ROM. 12:1,2

## OBEY

GOD - MT. 7:21: ACTS 5:29 THE GOSPEL - ROM. 10:13-17:2 THESS, 1:7-9 FORM OF BOCTRINE-ROM. 6:17.18 ETERNAL SALVATION TO OBEDIENT-HEB.5:8,9 THEM THAT HAVE RULE-HEB. 13:17 MAGISTRATES-TIT. 3:1: ROM. 13:1,2



TURN

FROM WICKEDNESS-EZEK. 33:8.9 FROM SIN - ACTS 3:19 FROM SELF - LK. 9:23 FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT FROM SATAN UNTO GOD FROM INDIFFERENCE-MT. 7:26.27

## PERSEVERE

ADD PATIENCE - 2 PET, 1:5-8 YE HAVE NEED OF PATIENCE-HEB 10:36 RON WITH PATIENCE-HEB, 12:1,2 FOLLOW AFTER PATIENCE - 1 TIM, 6:11 BELIEVING TO SAVING OF SOUL-HEB, 10:39 BE FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH-REV, 2:10

#### THE UNKNOWN GOD

- 1. Drawing represents Paul's view from Mars Hill of places of idol worship.
- 2. The true God was unknown to the people of Athens.
  - I. The True God Is Still Unknown To Many People
  - A. Those who ascribe their personal concepts, likes and dislikes to Him.
  - B. God reveals Himself to us not through conscience but through His Son.
  - II. God The Almighty Is Unknown To
    - A. Those who deny that He is the Creator. Those who deny His law of life producing after its kind.
    - B. Those who fail to realize that He sends blessings to all good and bad.
    - C. Those who do not know that He allows all men what power they have.
    - D. Those who are ignorant of the fact that He holds the future not men.
- III. God Who Requires Strict Obedience Is Unknown To Most
  - A. God gave strict instructions to Noah he obeyed and was blessed.
  - B. For one act of disobedience Nadab and Abihu were consumed with fire,
  - C. Jesus taught that we must do the Father's will. Salvation is for the obedient - the doers of His commandments.
- IV. God Of Justice In Judgment Is Unknown
  - A. Many confuse justice with mercy. God deals with us now on the basis of mercy but at the judgment it will be on the basis of justice.
  - B. There will be disappointment to those who fail to obey God now.
  - C. None will escape judgment all will give an account. All We Know And Can Know Of God Is What Jesus Has Revealed. Is The God Of The Bible Unknown To You?

# THE UNKNOWN GOD

ACTS 17:16-31

GOD IS UNKNOWN TO MANY

"THE GOD THAT I SERVE..."-ROM. 10:1-3 "GOD WILL NOT SEND ME TO HELL."-MT. 10:28 "GOD DOESN'T CARE WHAT CHURCH I JOIN."-MT. 16:18:EPH. 4:4-6 cf. 1:22.23 "IT DOESN'T MATTER TO GOD HOW I WORSHIP."-JO.4:23,24:MT.15:8,9

GOD WHO REQUIRES STRICT OBEDIENCE NOAH - GEN. 6:14-16, 22 NABAB & ABIHU-LEV. 10:1,2 MUST DO FATHER'S WILL-PATT. 7:21 SALVATION TO OBEDIENT - HEB. 5:8,9 MEAVEN FOR BOERS OF COMMANDMENTS -REV.22:14 GOD THE ALMIGHTY

CREATOR OF ALL -GEN 11 CAUSES LIFE TO PRODUCE AFTER ITS KIND -GEN 1:11.24 SENDS SON & RAIN -MT. 5 44.45 ALLOWS MEN THEIR POWER -DAN. 4:17: JO. 19:10.11 GOD HOLDS THE FUTURE -MT. 24: 3.36: 25: 31 - 46

## GOD OF JUSTICE IN JUDGMENT

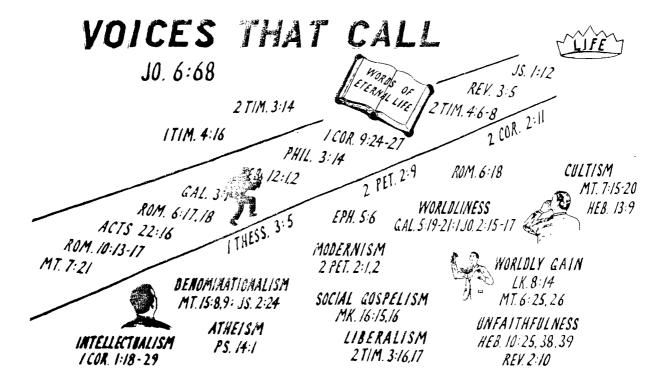
JUSTICE AT JUDGMENT - PS. 89:14 MANY WILL BE DISAPPOINTED-MT. 7:22.23 ALL WILL BE JUDGED - HEB. 9:27:1COR 5:10 ALL WILL GIVE AN ACCOUNT - ROM. 14:12

#### VOICES THAT CALL

- 1. One who strives to please God will be tempted to leave the right way.
- 2. Voices will call to him trying to persuade him to go into error.
  - I. Consider Such A Man
  - A. Like Peter, he believes that Jesus has the words of eternal life.
  - B. He hears and learns of the need to do the Father's will to obey the gospel to be baptized to wash away sin to be free and in Christ.
  - C. Having done this he runs the race pressing on to be a winner.
  - D. Encouragement comes from Paul's statements to continue.
  - E. The promise of the crown of life spurs him on.
  - II. There Are Voices That Call To Him
    - A. Intellectualism calls to him to rely on human wisdom not faith.
    - B. Atheism calls to him to be a fool and deny there is a God.
    - C. Denominationalism calls to him to take the easy, do nothing way.
    - D. Modernism would turn him from faith in Jesus Christ.
    - E. Social gospelism calls him to try to better conditions on earth.
    - G. Worldliness would turn him back into sin if it can.
    - H. Worldly gain seeks to turn his mind from heavenly to eartly treasure.
    - I. Unfaithfulness would rob him of his zeal for the Lord.
    - J. Cultism calls to him to accept late revelations and wild speculations.

We Must Heed The Warnings And Overcome The Temptations.

\* Man moves by magnet.



This is a study of questions and Bible answers on the subject of baptism.

I. What Is Baptism?

A. A command of God - not of men. We must obey to please Him.

B. A burial in water - form of death, burial and resurrection of Christ.

#### II. Where Is Baptism From?

- A. From heaven Bible baptism is not from the councils of men.
- B. From God He commanded it to refuse is to reject counsel of God.

III. Who Is Baptism For?

- A. Not for infants but for those who have been taught.
- B, Those capable of hearing. understanding and believing,
- C. Men and women who believe.
- D. Those whose hearts are open to God's will.
- E. Those who repent of their sins,
- IV. Why Be Baptized?
- A. It is God's will for men and women.
- B. It is for the remission of sins to wash away sins for salvation.
- C. It puts one into Christ into His kingdom.
- V. How Important Is It?
- A. We are to live by every word of God.
- B. It is God's will that we obey Him to enter heaven.
- C. The obedient will be saved.

Have You Obeyed This Command Of The Lord? Why Not Do So Now?

# WHAT ABOUT BAPTISM?

MATT 3:13-17

### WHAT IS?

A DIVINE COMMANDMENT-MT 28:18-20

AN ACT OF OBEDIENCE-MK.16:15.16:MT.7:21

A BURIAL - COL 2:12

A BURIAL IN WATER-ACTS 8:36-39

FORM OF D.B.R. OF CHRIST-ROM. 63-5,17,18

#### WHO FOR?

THOSE TAUGHT - MT. 28:18-20 THOSE WHO HEAR & BELIEVE-ACTS 18:8 BELIEVERS MEN & WOMEN - ACTS 8:12 THOSE WHOSE HEARTS OPENED - ACTS 16:13-15 TO LIVE BY EVERY WORD-LK 4:4 THOSE WHO REPENT-ACTS 2:38

HOW IMPORTANT?

MUST DO FATHER'S WILL-MT. 7:21 OBEDIENT WILL BE SAVED - HEB 5 8.9

## WHERE FROM?

FROM HEAVEN - MK 11.30-32 FRAM 600 - JO 12:48 49 **REFUSE - REJECT-**LK 7 30 J0 6 38 12 4950

## WHY?

GOI WILLS IT - JO. 8-28 MT. 28 18.19 FOR REM. OF SINS - ACTS 2:35 TO WASH AWAY SINS ACTS 22 16 FOR SALVATION - MK 16 16 IPET 3 21 TO GET INTO CHRIST-ROM 6 3 5 TO ENTER KINGDOM OF GOD-JC 3:5.

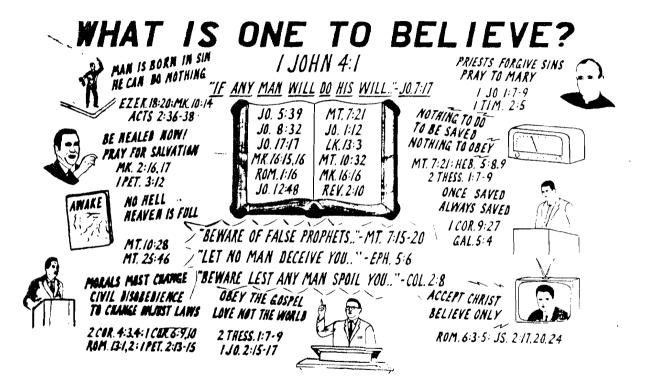
#### WHAT IS ONE TO BELIEVE?

There is indeed much confusion in religious affairs. How is one to know just what he is to believe?

- I. Many Conflicting Doctrines
- A. Some preach that man is born in sin and not capable of doing anything to help himself. If this is true why preach anything?
- B. Catholics teach that their priests can forgive sins.
- C. Some say miracles are being performed now.
- D. Many preach that there is nothing to do to be saved.
- E. "Jehovah's Witnesses" teach there is no hell and that heaven is full.
- F. Doctrine of impossibility of apostasy is very popular.
- G. Modernists justify and advocate immorality and civil disobedience.
- H. Big time "evangelists" make it an easy matter "believe only".
- I. A few will preach that there is something to do that one must obey. Contrast conflicting teachings with scriptures given.

#### II. One Can Know

- A. Jesus tells how Jn. 7:17.
- B. Heed Jesus' admonition to study, know and obey. (Study carefully the scriptures listed on Bible pages).
- C. Heed Bible warnings of false teachers Mt. 7:15-20; Eph. 5:6; Col. 2:8. Believe And Obey Bible Truth



#### WHAT IS TRUTH?

- 1. Truth isn't determined by vote, popularity, acceptance, practice, etc.
- 2. Jesus said, "Search the scriptures..." God's word is truth so we need to measure every teaching by it and accept or reject accordingly.

I. Becoming A Christian

- A. Note the popular ideas listed about how one becomes a Christian.
- B. The Bible teaches that we must obey the gospel do the Father's will.

II. The Church

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- A. Note again the general ideas about the church many, good people, etc.
- B. Bible truth there is one church, one body and only one.
- III. The Work Of The Church
  - A. Many think that it should be social, civic, entertainment, etc.
  - B. Bible truth proclaim gospel help saints.

IV. The Worship

- A. Many think it doesn't matter just be sincere do what you wish.
- B. Bible truth to be acceptable worship must be in spirit and truth.

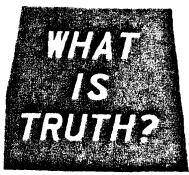
V. Our Speech

A. Many expressions are not scriptural but rather the speech of Ashdod.

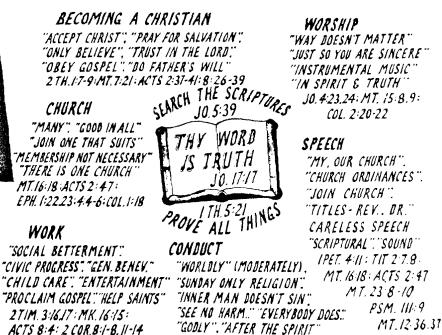
B. The Bible teaches us to speak as oracles of God - use sound speech.

VI. Conduct

- A. Note the general idea many seem to have.
- B. The Bible teaches that we are to live godly and walk after the Spirit. Are You Concerned With Truth?



JOHN 18:38 NOT DETERMINED BY... VOTE - POPOLARITY -PUBLIC ACCEPTANCE -PRACTICE - FEELING -THOUGHTS - ANCESTORS -NOR IN COUNCILS OF MENJ



PHIL. 127: 1 JO.2:15-17: JS. 1:27: ROM. 8:5-14

#### WHAT IS YOUR STANDARD?

- 1. In religious matters men accept different standards to govern themselves.
- 2. Consider some of these and then answer this question for yourself.

#### I. Standards

- A. Many are conformed to the world and are friends to the world,
- B. Many are bound by human creeds, manuals, disciplines, etc.
- C. Some depend on their own thoughts to guide them.
- D. Some accept traditions practices in use for a long period of time.
- E. Some see no need for anything more than their own conscience.
- F. Some think God ought to be well pleased with their own preferences.
- G. Very few are willing to completely accept the Bible as their standard.
- H. What about you? What really is your standard?

#### II. Test Yourself

- A. What do you accept as authority in the plan of salvation?
- B. What about terms or conditions of church membership?
- C. What is it that governs you in your worship and religious work?
- D. Can you truly say that the Bible is your guide in these things and in the manner of your dress and conduct?
- E. Do you accept the teaching of the Bible on family responsibility or your personal preference?

Won't You Accept God's Word As Your Standard?

#### WHAT IS YOUR STANDARD? **IPET** 1:23 THE WORLD? ROM. 12.1.2 GOD'S |WORD TRADITION - PRACTICE ? JAS 4:4 HUMAN CREEDS ? MT 15:1-6 COL 2:8 ISA. 55:8.9 GAL 1:14 MT 15 8.9 MT 10:37 JO. 12:48.49 THOUGHTS? CONSCIENCE? ISA 55:8.9 7 ACTS 23 1:24 16 ACTS 8:18-22:26:9-11 PERSONAL PREFERENCE? 2 COR 10:5 ISA 66 1-4 TEST YOURSELF

PLAN OF SALVATION MK 16:15.16:ACTS 2:36-41 CNACH MEMBERSHIP MT. 16:18:ACTS 2:47 WORSNIP - JO. + 27:27:ACTS 2:42 WORK - 2 TIM. 3:15,17 CONDUCT -MT 7.12 ·PHIL. / 27 DRESS - I TIM 2·9.10 · GAL 5·19·21 FAMILY RESPONSIBILITY-EPH 6·1·4 · I TIM 5·8.14

#### WHAT MUST MEN BELIEVE ?

Jesus taught that there is something men must believe or be damned.

- I. Man's Greatest Need
- A. Many are more concerned about social and civic needs than spiritual.
- B. Man's greatest need is the gospel God's saving power.
- C. Jesus commanded the gospel to be preached and believed or be damned.
- D. Jesus allows no change in the gospel.
- II. Denominational Teaching Is Not The Gospel
  - A. Jesus said the gospel must be believed or one will be damned.
  - B. Test preachers. Ask them what makes them what they are and if belief of such is necessary to salvation. If not - no part of gospel - text.
- C. Gospel preachers preach the gospel not den. doctrines.
- III. Respect For Divine Authority Needed
  - A. Speak as oracles of God abide in doctrine of Christ can't do this and join denomination.
  - B. The gospel contains facts to believe, commands to obey and promises to enjoy.
  - C. By divine authority I can believe one church, belief and baptism for remission of sins, a faith that works, need of unity, scriptures complete and safe guide and singing is scriptural worship. I cannot believe the opposite of this by divine authority.

Will You Believe And Obey The Gospel?

# WHAT MOSTE MEN BELIEVE?

MAN'S GREATEST NEED

NOT SOCIAL, JUDICIAL OR CIVIL-LK. 12:13-15 IS THE GOSPEL WHY? GOD'S SAVING POWER - ROM. 1:16 JESUS COMMANDED - MK. 16:15 BELIEVE NOT DAMNED - MK. 16:16 NO CHANGE ALLOWED - GAL. 1:6-9 DENOMINATIONAL TEACHING NOT GOSPEL ONE MUST BELIEVE GOSPEL OR BE DAMNED - MK. 16:15.16 MUST ONE BELIEVE CALVINISM? MUST ONE BELIEVE METHODIST DOCTRINE? MUST ONE BELIEVE BAPTIST DOCTRINE? MUST ONE BELIEVE ANY DENOMINATIONAL DOCTRINE? SUCH IS NO PART OF THE GOSPEL!

RESPECT FOR DIVINE AUTHORITY IS NEEDED

AS ORACLES OF GOD -/ PET. 4:11 BY DIVI. ABIDE IN DOCTRINE OF CHRIST-2 JO.9 ONE CAN NOT DO THIS & JOIN ADV., BAPT., ETC. - BELI. THE GOSPEL ACTS 26:28 BAPT BELIEVE FACTS-D.B. & R. - ICOR. IS:I-4 SALL OBEY COMMANDS-B.R.C.B. - JO.20:30.3/; SCRI ACTS 2:38:ROM. IO:9.10:6:17.18.1-5 SING ENJOY PROMISES-R.0FS - GIFT OF HOLY GHOST-ACTS 2:38

BY DIVINE AUTHORITY I CAN BELIEVE BUT I C ONE CHURCH - MT. 16:18 : EPH. 1:22,23:5:23 MAI CHRIST DIEB FOR CHURCH - ACTS 20:28:EFH. 5:25 CHUR BELIEVE & BE BAPTIZED - MK. 16:16 ONL BAPTISM FOR REMISSION OF SINS - ACTS 2:38 BAP SALVATION IS NOTBY FAITH ONLY - JS, 2:24 BY ALL NEED TO BE ONE - JO. 17:20-23 DIV SCRIPTURES - SAFE GUIDE - 2 TIM. 3:46.17 DOC SING IN WORSHIP - EPH. 5:19:COL. 3:16 PLA

BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE MANY CHURCHES 25 CHURCH NOT NECESSARY ONLY BELIEVE 38 BAPTISM BECAUSE OF 24 BY FAITH ONLY DIVISION IS DESIRABLE DOCT. OF MEN -MT.IS 8.9 PLAY M. INSTRUMENT

#### WHAT SHOULD I BE?

- 1. Different religions may cause one to wonder what he should be. Should not be determined by popularity, convenience, friendship nor business.
- Consider Jesus' statement of Jn. 7:17 and measure religions by the Bible.
  - I. Catholic?
  - A. Would have unscriptural name, head, mediator and be under man's law.
  - B. Check Catholic authorities: Question Box, Ext. of C.C., Cath. Ency.
  - II. Baptist?
    - A. Would have unscriptural name, way of membership and authority.
    - B. See manual by Pendleton.
- III. Lutheran?
  - A. Would have unscriptural name and doctrine and go against Luther.
  - B. Check Senior Catechism and Life of Martin Luther by Stork.
- IV. Methodist?
  - A. Unscriptural name and teaching. Check Discipline.
- V. <u>Nazarene?</u>
- A. Would have to believe Nazarene doctrine. Check manual.
- VI. <u>A Christian?</u>
  - A. Would have scriptural name be in church Jesus bought and have Him as Head and Mediator.
  - B. Would be under the law of Christ and have Him as Saviour.
  - C. Would have Bible as safe and complete guide.

Won't You Be Just A Christian?

# WHAT SHOULD I BE?

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CATHOLIC?

UNSCRIPTURAL NAME -Q.B. 132 "POPE" AS HEAD-Q.B. 145 cf 153 PRIESTS AS MEDIATORS -EXT. 309 UNDER "POPE'S LAW -EXT. 4; C.EAC. 15:126

LUTHERAN ? UNSCRIPTURAL NAME - SEN. CATEC. 23 LUTHERAN DOCTRINE - SEN. CATEC. 23.201 DISRESPECT LUTHER-ST. L. #L. 289



#### A CHRISTIAN ?

SCRIPTURAL NAME - ACTS 11:26:26:28 IN CHURCH OF CHRIST - MT. 16:18:ACTS 20:28:1COR.12:13 CHRIST AS HEAD - EPH. 1:22,23:COL.1:18 CHRIST AS MEDIATOR - I TIM. 2:5 CHRIST'S LAW -GAL.6:2:2JO.9:1COR.9:20.21 CHRIST AS SAVIOUR-EPH.5:23 BIBLE AS GUIDE - 2 TIM. 3:16,17

#### BAPTIST? UNSCRIPTURAL NAME

SOBMIT TO VOTE FOR MEMB.-CM. IT.IS UNDER B.C. AUTHORITY-C.M. 64.65

## METHODIST ?

UNSCRIPTURAL NAME METH. DIS. AS WORK OF THE SPIRIT-DIS.2 KEEP METH. RULES - DIS. 55

## NAZARENE?

HAVE TO BEL. N.C. DOCT. - M. SI BEGAN 1908 - MAG. 9-12-49

> MT. 15:13 1 PET 4:11

#### WHERE ARE YOUR AFFECTIONS?

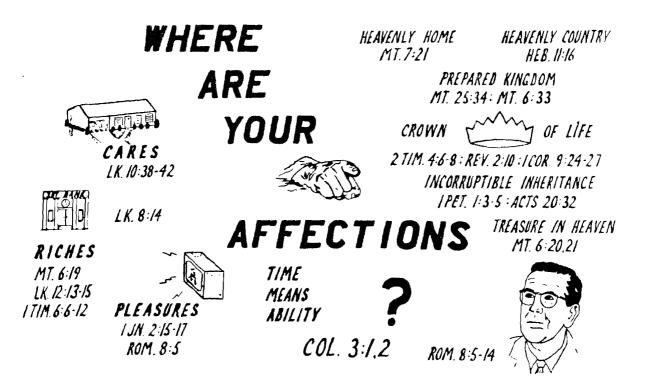
We are commanded to set our affections on things above and not on things on the earth - where are yours?

I. Things On The Earth

- A. Cares anxiety about things that pertain to this life. These may be little things but they can be allowed to choke us from fruitfulness.
- B. Riches many in their desire for material wealth are neglectful of their souls they put their business before the Lord's business.
  - 1. When a choice must be made what wins out your job or worship?
  - 2. We need to have treasure in heaven not here.
  - 3. Man's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he owns.
  - 4. Riches bring more temptations. Discuss.
- C. Pleasures we are not to love the world nor the things of it.
  - 1. A choice to attend a ball game or a gospel meeting what wins out?
  - 2. A Christian is not to walk after the flesh but after the Spirit.
- II. Things Above
  - A. A heavenly home a heavenly country.
  - B. Heaven is a prepared kingdom. Are you preparing for it?
  - C. The crown of life is for the righteous. Are you running for it?
  - D. The Lord has an incorruptible inheritance for us.

E. Our hearts are where our treasures are. On what is your heart set? The Way We Use Our Time, Means And Ability Shows Where Our Affections

Are. Consider Carefully Rom. 8:5-14. Where Are Your Affections?



#### "WHY CALL YE ME, LORD, LORD ... ?"

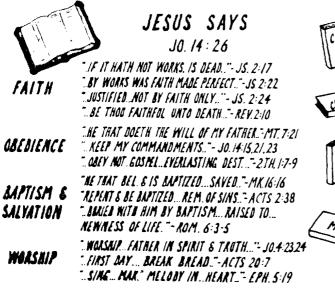
- 1. Many say they love the Lord actions betray us. To love is to obey.
- 2. To call Jesus Lord we must recognize Him as our Master and Ruler.
- 3. Note how the manuals and creeds of men deny the teaching of Jesus.
  - I. Faith
  - A. Without works it is dead but men say that faith alone saves.
  - B. It takes works to make faith perfect (whole) men deny this.
  - C. The Bible teaches that justification is not by faith only men say it is.

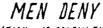
#### II. Obedience

- A. Jesus shows one must do the Father's will men say nothing to do.
- B. Jesus taught that to love is to obey. Baptist manual teaches baptism essential to obedience but not to salvation - makes obedience unnecessary.
- C. To fail to obey gospel lost. Den. know nothing of gospel obedience.
- III. Baptism And Salvation
  - A, Bible shows baptism a condition of salvation. Where it is mentioned in connection with salvation it always comes before salvation.
  - B. Baptism is a burial in water for remission of sins and being raised to a new life. Den. say that new life begins before and without baptism.
- IV. Worship
  - A. Jesus taught worship must be in spirit and truth. Men as you please.
  - B. Lord's supper is on the first day of the week not month or quarter.

C. To worship in song with lips and melody in heart - not mech. inst. Many Brethren Are Not Faithful And Should Consider Carefully This Question.

## "WHY CALL YE ME. LORD, LORD ..?"-LK.6:46





"...JUSTIFICATION ....IS SOLELY THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST..."- (CH. M. P. 62)

"...WHEREFORE, THAT WE ARE JUSTIFIED BY FAITH ONLY IS A MOST WHOLESOME DOCTRINE..."-(M.O. A. B.)

"BAPT. IS NOT ESSENTIAL TO SAL...BUT IT IS ESSENTIAL TO OBEDIENCE... CHRIST COMMANDED IT.."-(S.M. p. 20.21)

"...BAPTISM OF YOUNG CHILDREN IS TO BE RETAINED BY THE CHURCH..."- (M.D. A.RUTI)

"BAPT. MAY BE ADMINISTERED BY SPRINKLING.POUR-ING.IMMERSION...CHOICE OF APPLICANT..'-(N.M. A.13)

THE SUPPER IS DISTINCTIVELY A CHURCH ORDINANCE... BERVE IT ON IST SUM OF MO..."- (S.M. P. 20)

MANY BRETHREN ARE NOT FAITHFUL I JO. 2:3-5: ISA. 59.1.2

#### WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE

Words of eternal life are available to men and women today.

- I. These Words
- A. Are from God He sent them to us through His Son,
- B. As Peter said, Jesus has the words of eternal life,
- C. As Jesus said, the words that He spoke are spirit and life.
- D. God wants His words preached so that men and women can have them.
- E. These words of eternal life save and cleanse.
- F. God's words are able to build us up.
- G. We are to be doers of the word living by every word of God.
- H. We are to keep His words hold them forth be good examples.
- I. At the last day we will be judged by these words.
- II. These Words Do Not Benefit All
- A. Some don't profit by them because they don't mix faith with them.
- B. Some stumble at the word being disobedient.
- C. Some corrupt the word saying it is a "dead letter" by teaching "faith only" by substituting prayer for obedience.
- D. Some make the word of none effect by their false teaching.
- E. We are warned against being deceived with vain words.

Will You Believe And Keep The Words Of Eternal Life Or Ignore, Deny Or

Reject Them?

