

Words of Wisdom Radio Transcripts by John T Polk II

All Scriptures and comments are based on the New King James Version, unless otherwise noted.

12/27/2021 Ignorant Bible Critics

For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion. (Romans 11:25)

Have you noticed that the people who criticize the Bible know practically nothing of its contents? Bible critics, most of the time, are ignorant of its theme, continuity, or preservation, and are only wise in their own opinion! Many atheists and skeptics, on the other hand, have become Bible-believers when they study what it actually says.

Remember this, that the enemy has reproached, O LORD, and that a foolish people has blasphemed Your name. (Psalm 74:18)

Let Your mercies come also to me, O LORD- Your salvation according to Your word. So shall I have an answer for him who reproaches me, for I trust in Your word. (Psalm 119:41-42)

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12/28/2021 The Bible Is From God

Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)

This prophecy, given some 700 years before it happened, was not "dually fulfilled;" did not apply to Isaiah's own son or the serious situation at the time; but was only one-time fulfilled in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ, so said God's Holy- Spirit-inspired writer, Matthew, in Matthew 1:20-23. Only God could have prophesied such a unique, specific event, controlled its writing, preserved the prophecy for 700 years, and identified the event that completely fulfilled the original statement. The Bible does this hundreds of times, proving that it comes only from God, but no other religion's book does: the Hindu RigVeda; the Muslim Koran; or the Buddhist Tripitaka!

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12/29/2021 Being "Religious" Without Jesus -- Cornelius

There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of what was called the Italian Regiment, a devout man and one who feared God with all his household, who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed to God always. (Acts 10:1-2)

This was a deeply religious family man, whose prayers and contributions would have caused many churches to have voted him full membership. BUT, he was missing one important thing. God had chosen him to hear what he was missing in his religion – Jesus Christ. Peter was sent to tell him "words by which you and all your household will be saved" (Acts 11:14), and "commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord" (Acts 10:48).

It seems being "religious" is not enough for salvation without Jesus Christ.

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No Faith Without God

There are two books that prove God's existence and character: His Creation and His Bible.

[We must] believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. (**Hebrews 11:6**)

Our world could not exist without God,

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse. (Romans 1:20)

Scripture would not exist without God, for:

No prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit" (2 Peter 1:20-21)

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. (Psalm 111:10)

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What's "New" For 2021?

Do not say, 'Why were the former days better than these?' For you do not inquire wisely concerning this. (Ecclesiastes 7:10)

What would make this a "new" year for you? a: new job? new house? new car? new clothes? We can change our "things," but some things must stay the same: our relatives; our habits; our past year; our memories.

What would truly make this a "new" year is if each one of us would change ourselves, then we would make this a "new" year for those around us. If we follow Jesus Christ, it requires:

That you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness. (Ephesians 4:22-24)

Change what we can - ourselves.

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