

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.

4/4/2022 - A Shameless Existence

There is no reason to be ashamed, if we obey God. David said:

You have commanded us To keep Your precepts diligently. Oh, that my ways were directed To keep Your statutes! Then I would not be ashamed, When I look into all Your commandments (**Psalm 119:4-6**).

Let my heart be blameless regarding Your statutes, That I may not be ashamed (**Psalm 119:80**).

The sinners who condemn Christians and Bible-believers are the one who should be ashamed! David also said:

Let the proud be ashamed, For they treated me wrongfully with falsehood (**Psalm 119:78**).

Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! (**Isaiah 5:20**).

No one is wrong who serves God.

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4/5/2022 - Questions for Unity

To the divided Corinthian church of Christ, Paul asked:

"Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" (1 Corinthians 1:13).

Many people act as if denominations don't matter – but they do! Regardless of their affiliation, the claim is "we're all in the church of Christ." It may not matter to them, but it did to the Apostle Paul! "Is Christ divided" was answered in the New Testament with a resounding "NO!" Paul's appeal then was that there should be "no divisions among" Christians (1 Corinthians 1:10). Paul urged Christians:

Note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them (**Romans 16:17**).

Divisions are not over "the doctrine" but over those who misrepresent and mis-teach that doctrine!

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4/6/2022 - Can You Handle "The Truth?"

Do you believe "the truth," or what someone has told you as truth? Jesus told a Samaritan woman at Jacob's well what her life had been like, and she perceived that He was "a prophet." She told her fellow citizens what had happened.

And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, 'He told me all that I ever did' (John 4:39).

After Jesus taught them for two more days:

Many more believed because of His own word. Then they said to the woman, 'Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world' (John 4:42).

Can you handle "the truth?"

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4/7/2022 - Misrepresented Book Of Revelation

The Book of Revelation does NOT prophecy beyond the First Century. The Holy Spiritinspired Apostle John said the Book was written:

... to show His servants -- things which must shortly take place (**Revelation 1:1**).

"Shortly" means "with speed." He ends the Book saying,

The Lord God of the holy prophets sent His angel to show His servants the things which must shortly take place (**Revelation 22:6**).

[The Book blesses] he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near (**Revelation 1:3**).

"Near" means close at hand." An angel told John,

"Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand" (**Revelation 22:10**).

The Holy Spirit, an angel and an Apostle say it covers events close to, or within, the First Century.

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4/8/2022 - The Natural Man

Paul wrote:

No one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual (**1 Corinthians 2:11-13**).

Only a person miraculously inspired by the Holy Spirit could make the claim: We have the mind of Christ (**1 Corinthians 2:16**). The Apostles of Christ who wrote this New Testament were thus endowed.

Everyone else who is uninspired would be "the natural man [who] does not receive the things of the Spirit of God" (**1 Corinthians 2:14**). "Natural men" must read and study the inspired New Testament for the Holy Spirit's help.

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