

Words of Wisdom by John T Polk II For WECO FM 101.3

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

10-18-2021 Insane Opposition

Christians must try to teach Bible truth and correct:

... Those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will (2 Timothy 2:24-26).

Those who contradict Bible place themselves in opposition, and need to "know the truth," because some are not "straightforward about the truth of the gospel" (Galatians 2:14). They are ensnared of the Devil and need to "come to their senses," or be sane, again! The Devil's doctrine "captivates," but knowledge of God's truth, frees a person to do God's will." Repentance is that change of heart that will make the difference.

[God] now commands all men everywhere to repent (Acts 17:30).

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10-19-2021 It Is God's Word

Sin entered the world when the Devil tempted Eve, and she gave in to it! The Devil questioned God's Word:

"Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?" (Genesis 3:1).

The Devil contradicted and denied God's Word:

"You will not surely die" (Genesis 3:4).

The Devil promised humans could know everything God knows:

"Your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil" (**Genesis 3:5**).

The Devil has not changed His tactic. Jesus has said His Gospel preached to every creature promises:

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16).

The Devil asks: Has God really commanded water baptism?

The Devil says: You can be saved if you're not baptized.

The Devil says: You will know you're saved as if God has told you. Conquer sin, obey God.

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10-20-2021 What Money Can't Buy

David said:

If riches increase, Do not set your heart on them (**Psalm 62:10**).

Riches cannot buy:

- 1. **salvation**. "knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold" (1 Peter 1:18);
- 2. "A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, Loving favor rather than silver and gold" (Proverbs 22:1);
- 3. **Permanence**. "Will you set your eyes on that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings; They fly away like an eagle toward heaven" (**Proverbs 23:5**);

For riches are not forever, Nor does a crown endure to all generations (**Proverbs 27:24**).

Truly Jesus warned that it was possible for riches to kill faith before it can begin, for one who:

... Hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful (Matthew 13:22).

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10-21-2021 Trembling At God's Word

[The Angel of the LORD appeared to Moses] in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush, but the bush was not consumed (**Exodus 3:2**), [and] "God called to him from the midst of the bush (**Exodus 3:4**).

When Moses knew he was confronted with the Word of God,

[He] hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God (Exodus 3:6).

After Moses led Israelites from Egypt to the foot of Mount Sinai,

There were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain (Exodus 19:16),

And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I am exceedingly afraid and trembling' [the Hebrew writer emphasizes] (**Hebrews 12:21**).

Like a Moses, God wants a person "who is poor and of a contrite spirit, And who trembles at My word" (**Isaiah 66:2**).

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10-22-2021 The Final Say

Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity' (Luke 13:24-27).

Everybody will not be saved just because Jesus lived and taught on Earth! God's Judgment will be final and complete. Obey Christ today and be ready.

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