

Dear Chosen One: Greetings in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ! Joshua 1:8 reads "This Book of the Law [Bible] shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success".

The BIBLE is our <u>B</u>asic, <u>I</u>nstruction, <u>B</u>efore, <u>L</u>eaving, <u>E</u>arth! Proverbs Chapter 1:5 says, "A wise man will hear and increase learning, and a man of understanding will attain wise counsel,." If you do not want to hear the truth about what God's Word says, you can stop reading now! However, if you choose to continue reading, may your mind get renewed, and your views about the world's system take on a different perspective.

The worldly standards by which many people are living by are corrupted and were created by man. Most of the rules that we live by, were carefully designed by carnal-minded people, with no spiritual discernment or reverence for God.

For too long, many people have allowed themselves to obey manmade laws, while they violate God's Laws. Unfortunately, some of the very people who made these laws have exempted themselves from the penalties that they have applied for others who break the law. **Listen to This Truth**! No one is above the Law, and no one will escape Judgement day before God. On a daily basis people are faced with different kinds of decision-making, and the world's system encourages them to use their "**judgement or logic**, instead of seeking godly wisdom from God. The Bible clearly tells us that "If any of [us] lacks wisdom, let [us] ask God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to [us]" (James 1:5)

Logic and judgement come from one's intellect, but wisdom and knowledge come from one's inner self when it's controlled by the Holy Spirit. How can a person trust his or her judgement if that person does not know the Good Shepherd—Jesus Christ? How can a person know what is right from wrong, if he or she has not heard the Gospel—the Good News. And how can anyone make godly decisions outside of God's will and without the help of the Holy Spirit?

Many people are going around in circles because they are trying to live up to the world's standards, by pleasing people while they disobey God. **Take Heed**! Check yourself before you wreck yourself. Start making some adjustments before you fall prey to the devil, (the one who wants to steal your joy, kill your dreams and destroy your relationship with God). However, if you are not a people pleaser and you are making decisions based on godly wisdom, then you are being prompted by your inner man—the Holy Spirit.

We are not perfect beings, but we should be aiming to reach perfection. We should not allow any negative decision or behavior to compromise our faith, beliefs, or the Word of God. As Christians, our minds should not be on secular things. We should allow the Holy Spirit to lead, guide, and direct us **ALL** the time.

SERVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL!

When you are led by the Holy Spirit, you will be able to walk through the valley of the shadow of death, and fear no evil, because you know that God is with you (Psalm 23). We are called to preach the Gospel, not to make adjustments to it because we want to be popular in the world. If you are not with God, then you are against Him!

Here is an example. Many people are following well known preachers because they have large congregations, and many "**likes**" instead of following Christ. Some people select Pastors, Apostles, and Churches based on their profile instead of basing their selection on whether or not they are preaching sound **doctrine**. The Apostle Paul told the church to follow [those] who are following Christ. However, in order for you and me to discern who is following Christ and who is following *likes* we need the Holy Spirit to guide us. I'm sure that you heard this motto before "**everything that glitters is not gold**". Yes! There is a difference between good preaching and godly preaching, so don't be deceived by the sheep in wolves clothing.

Good logic can violate biblical principles! A person who steals from the rich to help the poor and a Preacher who exploits his congregation for personal gain, both have one thing in common— **DISHONESTY**! These individuals need to repent and receive God's forgiveness.

According to today's world standards, any two people can get married, but God created marriage for a man and a woman. The Bible says, "**For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh**" (Genesis 2:24.) It may seem as if some people have gotten away with breaking God's laws, and there were no consequences for their violating or disobeying God, but time will tell. Remember, there are consequences when we violate *both* man and God's laws.

Some people's intellect tells them to neglect the needs of the poor and let the poor fend for themselves. They assume that it would be better if they accumulate as much wealth as they can while living on earth. But that is not sound doctrine. The Bible says, "If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother [sister] in need but has no pity on him, [her] how can the love of God be in [that person]" (1 John 3:17.) Remember, wealth and riches cannot be taken with you when you die and depart from this world.

Today, many Christians are playing "**Russian Roulette**" with God's principles, by living a double standard—putting man's law before God's Word. A time will come when we, the Body of Christ, will have to stand up and defend our faith and beliefs against those who want to compromise Biblical principles.

Let me encourage you! When that time comes "You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your position; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you...Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow and the Lord will be with you" (2 Chronicles 20:17.)

I believe it's time for some people to renew their old way of thinking. You could be risking your eternity by obeying people, and disobeying God.

I hope you take heed to this message, and don't get offended by the truth. There are only a few radical Godfearing people who love you enough to share sound doctrine with you, and I consider myself one of them.

May God's light surround you; His Love enfold you; His Power protect you; and His Presence watch over you, wherever you go. May the Holy Spirit guide you and keep you in perfect peace.

Scripture for the Month Daniel Chapter 3:

"If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king [Nebuchadnezzar]. But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods [break God's law] or worship the image of gold [any worldly thing] you have set up" (verse 17.)

Daniel and his friends were willing to stand up against inequality, worldly standards, lawlessness, and prejudice. May this spirit of **BOLDNESS** be on us all.