

Human trauma gave birth to the Bible, suggests David Carr. The Bible's ability to speak to suffering is a major reason why the sacred texts of Judaism and Christianity have retained their relevance for thousands of years.

Practicing Theology of Trauma
esp. since 9/11



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Always at His Work

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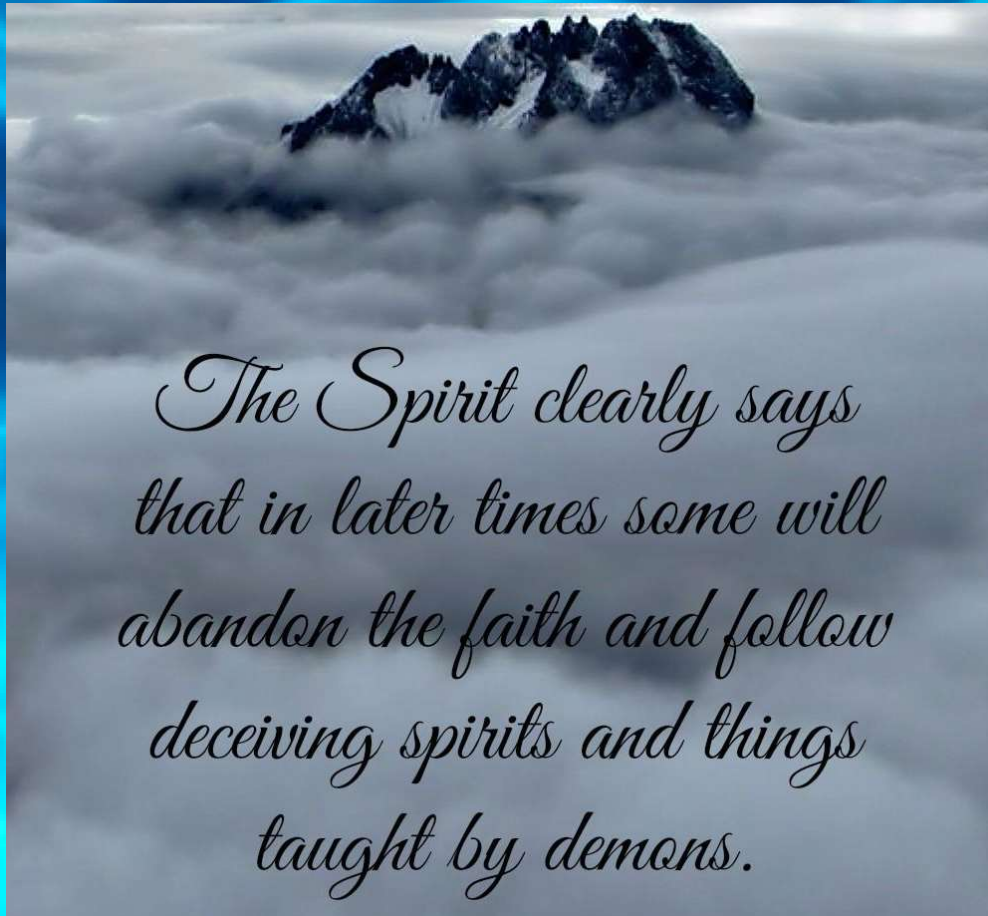
Embrace Other Sheep - Stay Relevant

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Sermon Series - Aug. 22 thru Sept 26

1 Timothy 4:1-16

Do Not Depart from the Faith.

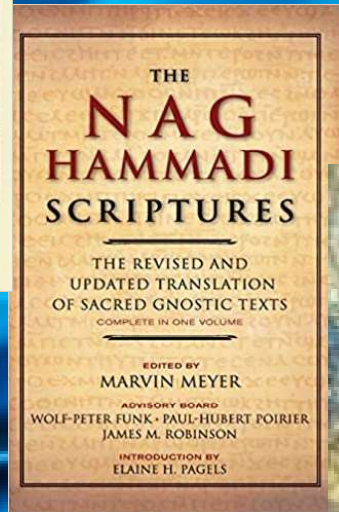
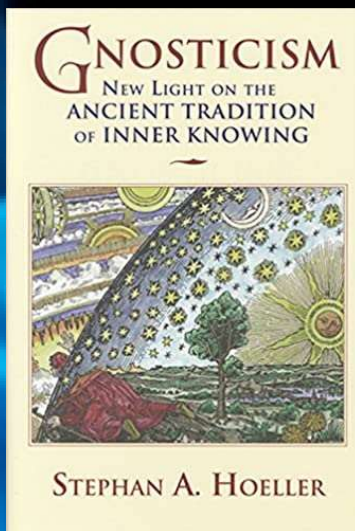


*The Spirit clearly says
that in later times some will
abandon the faith and follow
deceiving spirits and things
taught by demons.*



1 Timothy 4:1-16

Beware of the Distortion of the Gospel.



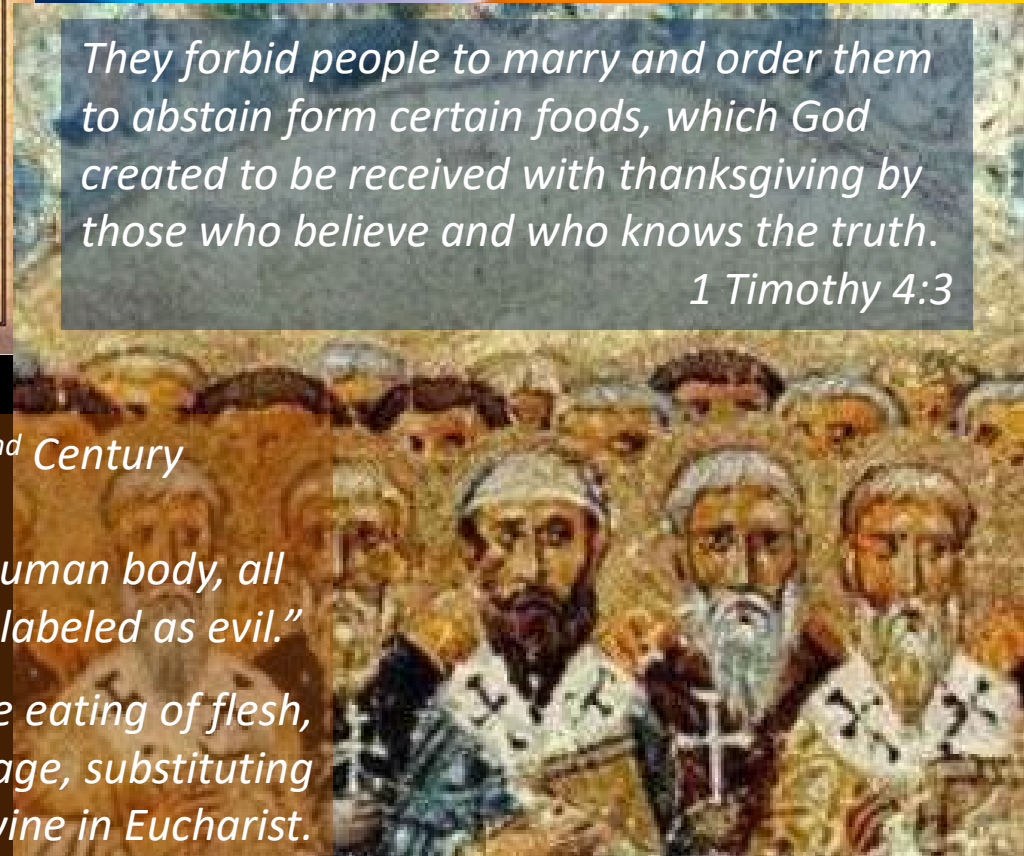
They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth.

1 Timothy 4:3

Encratites ("Self-controlled") – 2nd Century Gnostics, led by Tatian

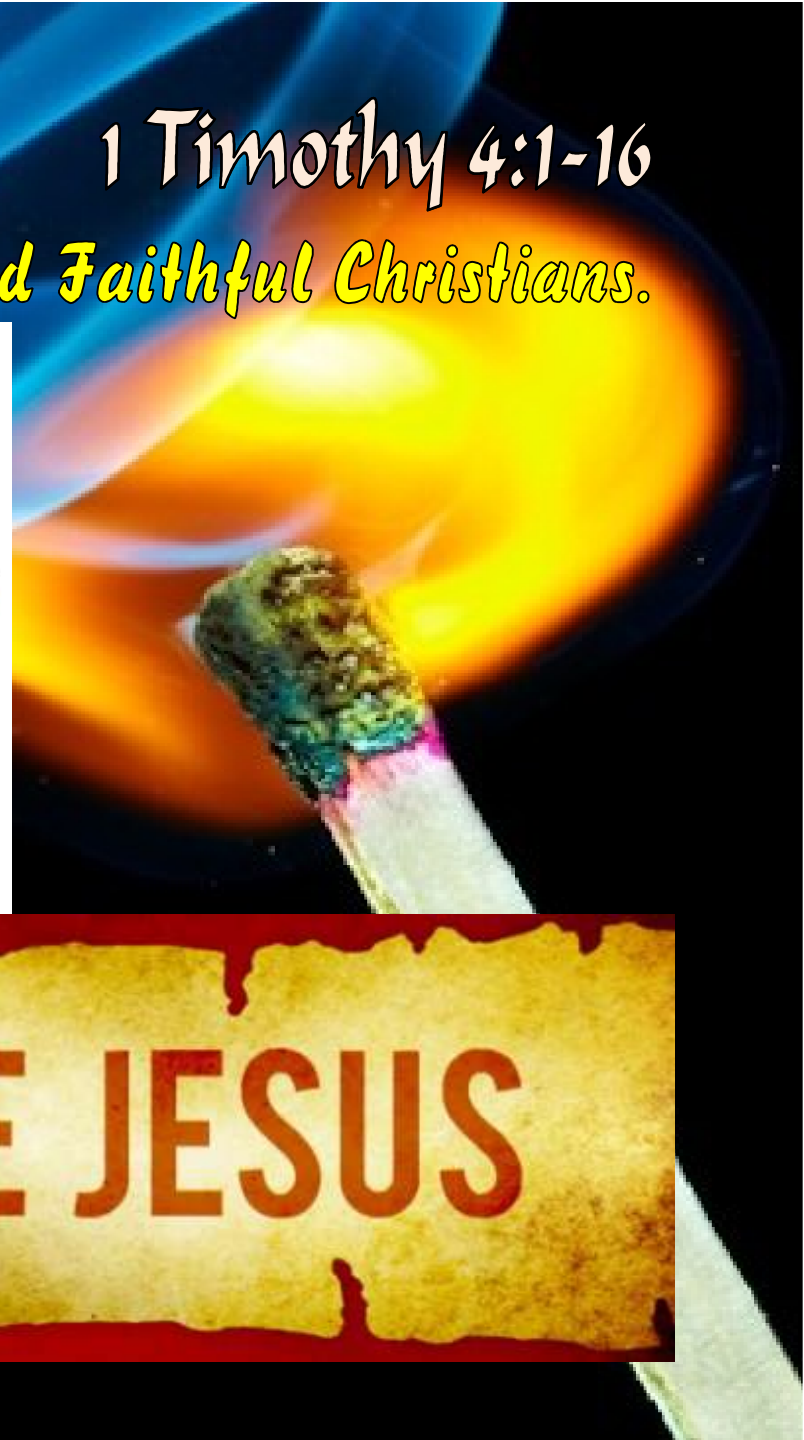
"All physical matter is evil – the human body, all forms of sexuality, pleasant food labeled as evil."

They shunned marriage, the eating of flesh, drinking of intoxicating beverage, substituting water or milk for wine in Eucharist.



1 Timothy 4:1-16

Live and Act as True and Faithful Christians.



Priorities
of the
**local
church**

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... centred
... grace
... prayer
... leadership
... scripture
... godliness

LIKE JESUS

1 Timothy 4:1-16

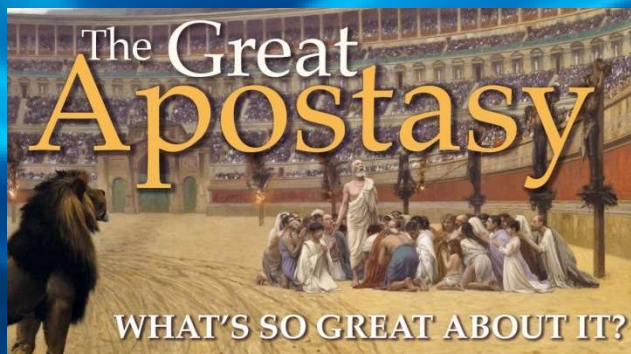
Develop Your Spiritual Gifts.

Your talents
and abilities are
meant to serve
others.

Leadership
Praying with the Spirit
Encouragement
Pastoring
Faith Tongues
Giving
Discernment
Administration
Arts and Crafts
Miracles Preaching Mercy
Intercession Wisdom
Spiritual Gifts
Music Missions
Apostleship
Service Knowledge
Evangelism
Hospitality
Teaching
Healing



1. In later times some will abandon the faith and following deceiving spirits.



- *Apostasy*
- *Persecution*
- *The reign of evil*
- *Demonic power remains still at work*
- *False teachers have been seduced by deceiving spirits;*
- *Some are entrapped.*

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1) Young Adults are Leaving/ Avoiding the Church



- REASON #3: “Churches come across as antagonistic to Science” (Barna Group)

- 72% Religiously Unaffiliated hold to Evolution (Pew)

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2. Train yourself to be godly.

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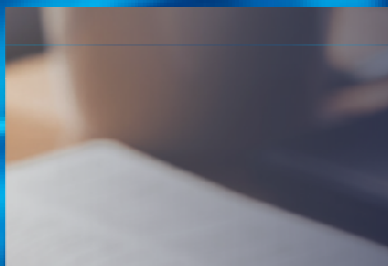
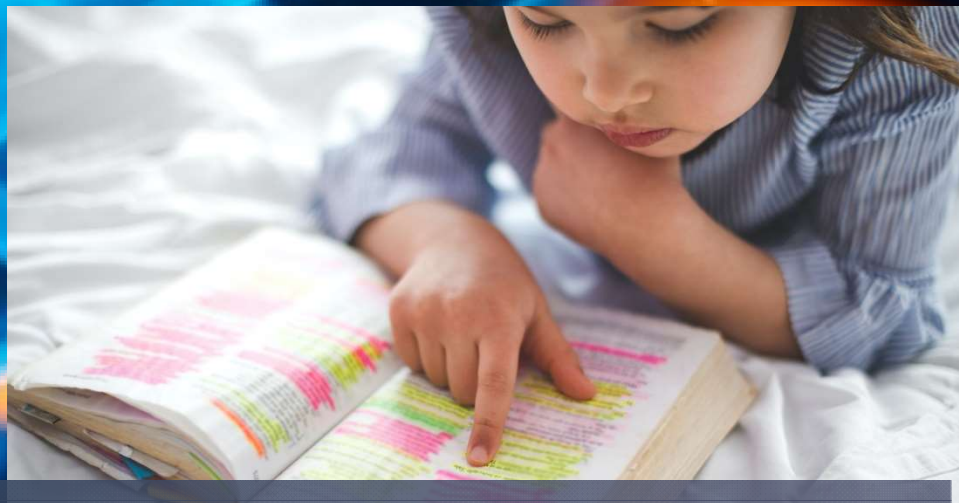
But just as he who called you is holy,
so be holy in all you do; for it is written:
"Be holy, because I am holy."

1 Peter 1:15-16

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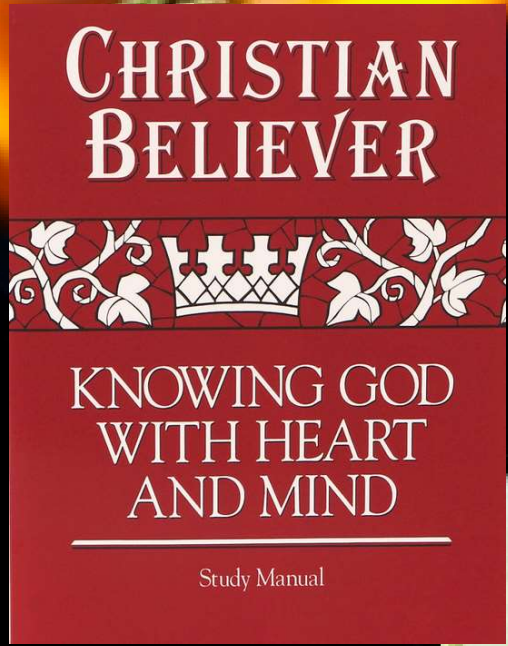
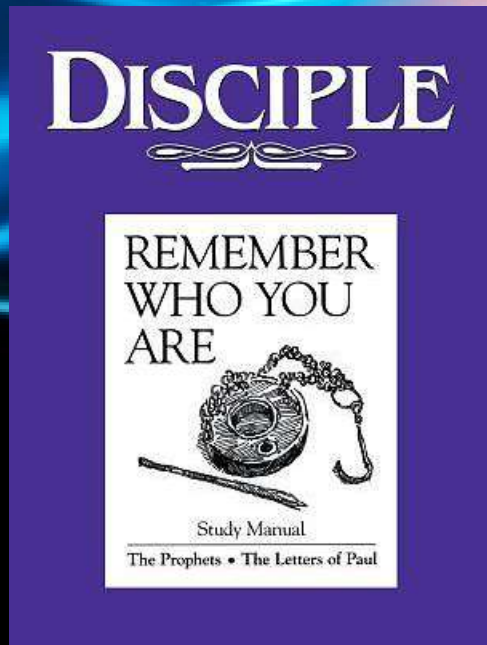
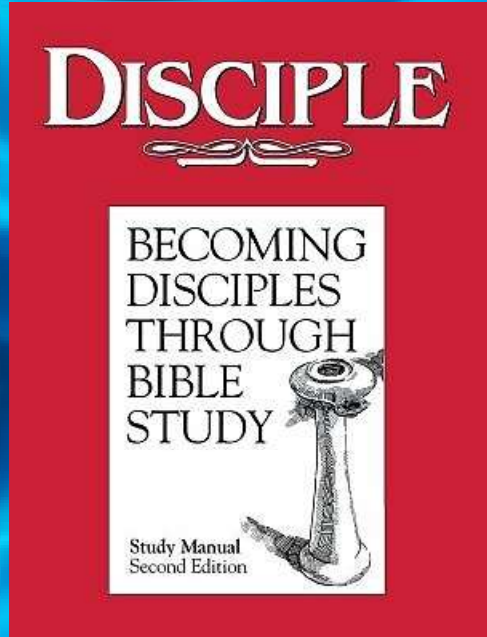
All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

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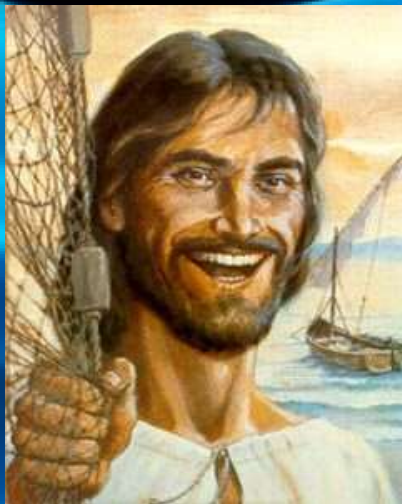
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Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

—Matthew 11:28-29

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 3. Set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

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3. Set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

don't let anyone
look down on you because
you are young.
but set an example
for the believers
in speech, in life, in love,
in faith and in purity.


1 Timothy 4:12

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3. Set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity.

Love like Jesus. Care like Jesus. Be selfless like Jesus. Forgive like Jesus. Encourage like Jesus. Serve like Jesus. Be patient like Jesus.

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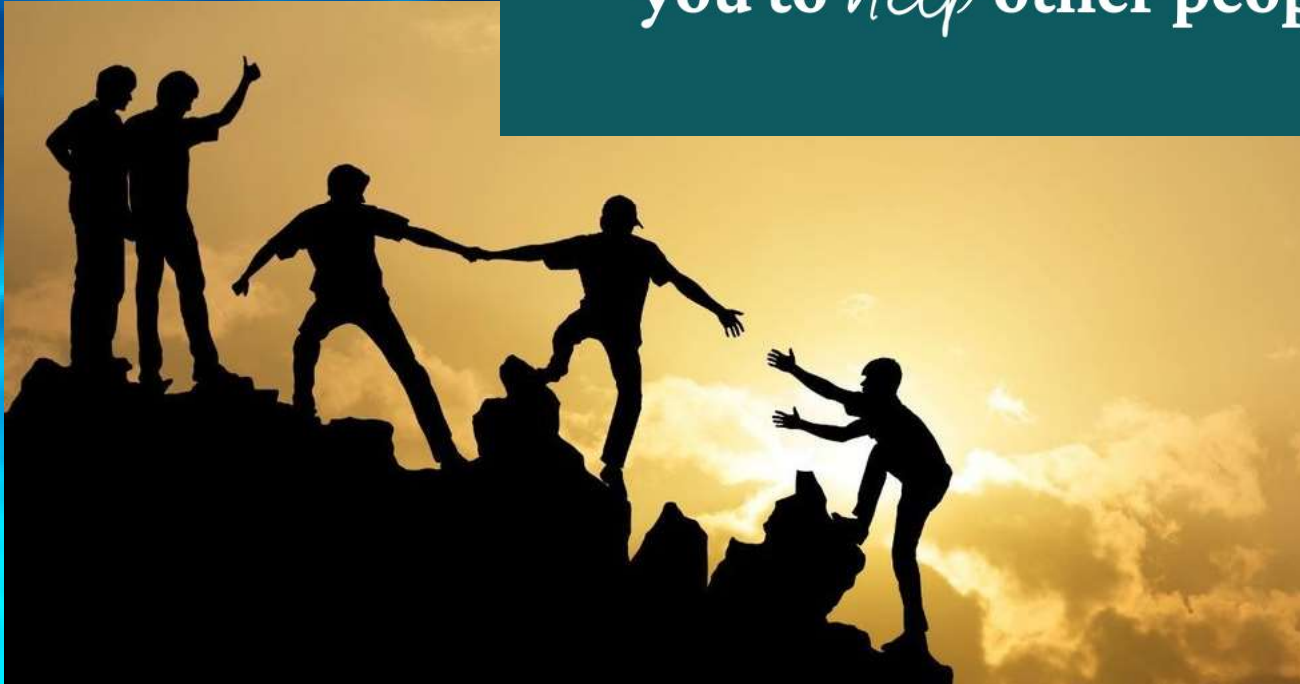
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Your spiritual gifts are given to you to *help* other people.



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SPIRITUAL GIFTS
THAT SHAPE YOUR LIFE &
CHANGE YOUR WORLD

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