## **BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

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The bible has likened itself unto certain foods. I guess you could call it soul food, that is, if the new man is connected to the soul, which I believe it is. The soul of the "born again" Christian gets a new identity (in Christ) 2<sup>nd</sup> Cor. 5:17; he gets a divine nature 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 1; and he enters into a spiritual kingdom. (Rom. 14:17) The spiritual realm (kingdom of God) is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

It is the inward man that experiences the spiritual realm. The natural or carnal part of man has no use or desire for it. If the Christian is built up in the faith, the regenerate part overrides the natural and the whole person experiences a sense of well-being, confidence in God (faith) and a joyful spirit and the battle begins. Galatians 5:17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. (See Romans 7: 14-25 for a fuller picture)

Now here is the how to. The <u>inward man</u> or as the apostle Paul called him the "new man" needs to be put on. In other words, be the one in the foreground. The one that is using the heart and mind and the body will follow. He being led by the Holy Spirit will be the dominant influence in our daily decisions. God can infuse wisdom through him. God and bestow peace though him. God can give strength of character through him.

Now as the physical body needs physical foods, the inward man in Christ needs to be fed. God has given a balanced array of foods; from bread to meat and milk and honey. Jeremiah said, "thy words were found and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart:"

Jesus said, "...man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God... Paul said, "I have fed you with milk not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it"...

Peter said, "desire the sincere milk of the word that ye may grow thereby."

The King James Bible would be compared to the organic (without the extra price) unfiltered and unadulterated source of spiritual food. The new bibles are the refined sugar and bleached out white bread and 1% milk or 2%. And they lack some of the nutrients that the King James includes. 1st John 5:7; Acts 8:37; Mt. 17:21; Mt. 18:11; Mk. 9:44, 46; Acts 28:29 (not a complete list)

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John 21:9a Jesus saith unto them. Come and dine. ...

## "THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST"

Col 4:3 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, **to speak the mystery of Christ**, for which I am also in bonds: Col 4:4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

- His Birth
- His Teachings
- His Atoning Death
- His Present Indwelling in the Believer
- His Return

Tonight at 5:00 Worship & Bible time

Monday at 4:45 Hiawatha Care Center (will you pray for this ministry)

Wed. at 7:00 Bible study & Prayer

Missionary of the week; Hazard – Philippines



Pray for these folks they have some particular needs: Mary Jo, Colleen, Jerome, Michelle,

Jas 5:16 Confess *your* faults one to another, <u>and pray one for another</u>, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.