

DANGERS: Worldliness II

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POSSESSIONS	PHYSICAL	COMFORT
MIND	THINGSABOVE	SEATED
SEEK	FIRST	KINGDOM
YOUNG	MAN	CLEANSE
HEED	WHOLEHEART	COMMANDMENTS
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RICHES	SALVATION	OVERCOME
WORLD	ETERNAL	LIFE

Notes

Dangers Facing Christianity

Welcome

It is a pleasure to have you with us this hour. Our endeavor is to worship God in Spirit and in Truth by adhering to the scriptures in all that we do and teach.

If you desire to have a private Bible Study at your convenience, let us know.

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Believing A Lie

There are two “after death” conditions revealed in the scriptures: (1) Heaven, “Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to his great mercy begat us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you” (1 Peter 1:3-4). (2) Hell, “And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. But I will warn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, who after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him” (Luke 12:4-5).

Everything and all things that are known about these two abodes are contained in the scriptures, and apart from the scriptures, nothing is known.

There have been, and probably will be individuals that claim to have “gone to heaven” and seen many things, that the Bible itself refutes. Nevertheless, in 2004 a young man claimed he visited heaven. As a result of his claim, a book emerged: “The Boy Who Came Back From Heaven”: then after ten years the young man publicly recanted his experience, saying, “I said I went to heaven because I thought it would get me attention. (Continued Pg. 2)

When I made the claims that I did, I had never read the Bible." He further said, "People have profited from lies, and continue to. They should read the Bible, which is enough. The Bible is the only source of truth." When he attempted to "tell a 'pastor' how wrong the book was and how it needed stopped, he was told that the book was blessing people." The fact that people are willing to put their hope in the words of a six-year old is evidence of a society grasping for some mystical way to heaven.

What is interesting about this event is not so much that the young man confessed to his error, but that responses such as "Unfortunately, this has brought doubt to the entire genre of books and movies detailing stories of Heaven" emerged.

If there was ever a man qualified to reveal such an event, it would have been the man, of whom the Apostle Paul spoke, saying, "I know a man in Christ, fourteen years ago (whether in the body, I know not; or whether out of the body, I know not; God knoweth), such a one caught up even to the third heaven. And I know such a man (whether in the body, or apart from the body, I know not; God knoweth), how that he was caught up into Paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter" (2 Corinthians 12:2-4). However, "such a man" said nothing.

Nevertheless, individuals put their hopes and trust in books and movies motivated by the whims and imaginations of children and reject the only source of truth: what God has to say about heaven and hell.

Remember the words of the Apostle John, saying, "Many other signs therefore did Jesus in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye may have life in his name" (John 20:30-31). ret

Dangers Facing Christians Worldliness II

I. Defined:

A tendency to consider material possessions and physical comfort as more important than spiritual values: whereas the world focuses on the life that now is, while godliness focuses on that which is to come.

II. Overcoming Worldliness:

- A. Col. 3:1-4 – "Set your mind on things that are above..."
- B. Matt. 6:33 – "Seek first his kingdom"
- C. Psa. 119:9-11 – "Wherein shall a young man cleanse his ways?"
- D. Phil 2:12-16 – "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling."
- E. 1 Jn. 5:4 – "This is the victory that hath overcome the world"
- F. 1 Jn. 2:15 – "Love not the world"

III. What Will We Seek?

- A. 1 Jn. 2:4-5 – "but whoso keepeth his word"
- B. 1 Jn. 5:13 – "That ye may know that ye have eternal life"

SOLOMON SAYS

I love them that love me; And those that seek me diligently shall find me. Riches and honor are with me; Yea, durable wealth and righteousness. My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; And my revenue than choice silver.
(Prov. 8:17-19)