## **BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

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11.05.2023 (Sunrise 6:44 AM Sunset 4:56 PM) you've got to be kidding me.

1Th 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. ('cept in late fall & winter time and that better be only on the physical plane)

Jn 12:36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.

I trust you understand that Jesus was referring to Himself as the light.

Jn 8:12 Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Eph 5:8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now *are ye* light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

You see the admonition – walk as children of light. John in his epistle contrasted that walk and stated if someone hated his brother; he was in darkness and walked in darkness. 1John 2:10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor.

Walking in the light would be walking in the light of God's word.

Ps 119:105 Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Ps 119:130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

You see what dangers are looming out there. You see God's way before you.

• Doesn't the Bible give light on what eternity holds?

The bible speaks clearly on a place of eternal glory. (Revelation 21 & 22) The bible speaks clearly on a place of eternal suffering and shame and hell fire. (Mark 9:43 - 48) (Revelation 14:10, 11) (Revelation 20:14, 15)

• Doesn't the Bible give light on the snares of the devil?

1. Pride (1 Timothy 3:6, 7) 2. Love of money (I Timothy 6:9, 10) 3. Youthful lusts (1 Timothy 6:22 – 26)

Like a spider spreads a web to catch its prey. Some have been caught in the Worldwide Web. Proverbs 12:12 The wicked desireth the <u>net</u> of evil *men*: ,,, <u>www.?????.net</u> I had to check the link out so as not to land on some inappropriate site. You got my drift? *It did suggest Netflix*.

• Doesn't the Bible give light on moral behavior?

(Colossians 3:5-9) (Ephesians 4:17-32) Psalms Proverbs (Genesis – Revelation)

Have you ever seen a head-up display? Instrument readings are projected on the windshield or visor. The idea is you don't take your eyes off the road. (Spiritual analogy) If we hide the word of God in our heart the Holy Spirit brings it up to our mind's screen and we can see what going on.

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1John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

## "THE STAGES OF SIN"

Intro. How we get ensnared by sin Example in 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 24 David Numbers Israel

• ILLUSION

2Sa 24:2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which *was* with him, Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beersheba, and number ye the people, that I may know the number of the people. Warning

Joab 2Sa 24:3 And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see *it*: but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing?

• GUILT (Conscience smitten AFTER)

2Sa 24:10 And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.

• RESULTS (Others affected)

1Ch 21:14 So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

• FORGIVENESS

1Ch 21:17 And David said unto God, *Is it* not I *that* commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued.

## Tonight at 5:00 "Study on Angels"

Monday at 4:45 Hiawatha Care Center - Your prayers help

Wed. at 5:30 Visitation – again you can help by prayer Wed. at 7:00 Bible study Zechariah 7) & Prayer

Missionary of the week: Sarah Shadrick - Uganda

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