

### Personal Motivation III Word Search

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JOSEPH	FAITHFULNESS	TIMOTHY
FIGHT	FOCUS	SPIRITUAL
ETERNAL	ATTITUDE	GOSPEL
COAT	PIECES	TORN
PHYSICAL	LIFE	VALUE
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Words Have A Zigzag Pattern, save One

### Notes

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### 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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### Being A Christian

Have you ever questioned your relationship with God? Have you ever just sat down and asked the question, "Will I be found acceptable to God after I pass from this life to the next?" To some the question is absurd! "Why," they say, "Of course I'm going to be found acceptable to God! I'm a good person. I don't lie, cheat, or steal. I help my fellow man, and God is a God of love and will not reject anyone." The truth is, religions have provisions built into their doctrines that provide "acceptance" for all people, regardless of their actual condition. Paul summed up the Christian's life when he said to Timothy, "fight the good fight" (2 Tim. 4:8). The question we must ask is, "Is it so," i.e., is your life consistent with the Lord's definition of faithfulness? Just because a person is taught something by a religious leader, or believes something is spiritual, does not make it so. There are many things people believe in life that just aren't so. The sons of Jacob sold their younger brother Joseph into Egyptian bondage. Jacob's sons didn't come right out and tell their father that Joseph was dead, but what they did was take Joseph's coat and kill a he-goat, "and dipped the coat in the blood; and they sent the coat of many colors, and they brought it to their father, and said, This have we found: know now whether it is thy son's coat or not. And he knew it, and said, It is my son's coat; an evil beast hath devoured him; Joseph is without doubt torn in pieces" (Genesis 37:31-34).

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Jacob believed his son was dead, though he was very much alive. In the writing of First Kings, a young prophet had been sent to Bethel to cry against the altar that Jeroboam had raised that caused Israel to sin. God told the young prophet, "Thou shalt eat no bread, nor drink water, neither return by the way that thou camest" (13:9). After refusing Jeroboam's request to "come home with me and refresh thyself" (13:7), the scriptures tell us "there dwelt an old prophet in Bethel; and one of his sons came and told him all the works that the man of God had done that day in Bethel. When the old prophet heard this, he said to the young prophet, "I also am a prophet as thou art; and an angel spake unto me by the word of Jehovah, saying, Bring him back with thee into thy house, that he may eat bread and drink water. But he lied unto him. So he went back with him and did eat bread in his house, and drank water."

"And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of Jehovah came unto the prophet that brought him back; and he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith Jehovah, Forasmuch as thou hast been disobedient unto the mouth of Jehovah, and hast not kept the commandment which Jehovah thy God commanded thee, but camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place of which he said to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy body shall not come unto the sepulcher of thy fathers" (13:11-24). No matter how sincere the young prophet was in his actions, he had believed a lie and it cost him his life. Many people have fallen to similar false prophets. They have been told "an angel spake unto me by the word of Jehovah, saying..." Time and again Jehovah warns us about such men. The apostle Paul expresses an appropriate response: "But though we, or an angel from heaven, should preach unto you any gospel other than that which we preached unto you, let him be anathema" (Galatians 1:8). ret

If you're ever confused by modern dreamers, remember the words of Eve, when she said, "God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die" (Genesis 3:3). ret

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### I. Paul's View of the World:

- A. Phil. 3:7-8 – Paul's view
- B. Phil. 4:10-19 – Paul's view did not rid him of physical need.
- C. Matt. 6:33 – But one based upon the promises of Jesus

### II. Paul Had No Confidence in the Flesh:

- A. Phil. 3:1-3 – Confidence in the flesh
- B. That of which Paul could have boasted in the flesh:
  - 1. Phil. 3:4-6 – Pride among his own people
  - 2. Acts 22:3 – Taught by the greatest teacher of his day
  - 3. Acts 22:4-5 – A man of rank among his people
- C. Phil. 1:21-23 – Paul's focus was always on the eternal.

### III. Our Responsibilities:

- A. Matt. 13:44-46 – Recognize the value of the spiritual
- B. Lk. 12:16-21 - Maintain a proper attitude:

### IV. Consider Your Life:

- A. Jam. 4:14 – Heb. 9:27 – Life is short.
- B. Eph. 2:13, 18 – Have you been made nigh to God in Christ?
- C. Eph. 1:3 – All spiritual blessings are found in Christ.
- C. Heb. 4:7 – If you stand in need of the gospel, "harden not" your heart.

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## SOLOMON SAYS

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*Every wise woman buildeth her house;  
But the foolish plucketh it  
Down with her own hands  
(Proverbs 14:1)*