

The Revelation of God I

John 1:1-5, 14

I. This Book Exposes:

- A. Our ability to explain our surroundings:
 - 1. Gen. 1:1 – In the beginning, God created.
 - 2. Job 38:2-4 – Foundation was laid: Sockets
- B. Our inability to devise a never changing moral compass:
 - 1. Jer. 10:23 – Not within man that walketh...
 - 2. Prov. 14:12 – A way that seemeth right...

II. This Book Instructs Mankind of:

- A. God's Intentions to:
 - 1. Gen. 3:15 – Bring judgment upon man's adversary.
 - 2. 1 Pet. 2:1-5; Rom. 12:1-2 – Build a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
 - 3. Titus 2:14 – Through Christ "who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a people for his own possession, zealous of good works"
 - 4. Eph. 3:8-11 – According to God's eternal purpose.
 - 5. Eph. 1:3-14 – Determined before the foundation of the world.
- B. Communicate with Mankind:
 - 1. Titus 2:11-12 – In "bringing salvation to all men, instructing us...to live godly and righteously.

- 2. Rom. 1:18-32 – Revealing a reckoning for those who hinder the truth.
- 3. Eph. 5:3-12 – A description of what constitutes ungodliness and unrighteousness.

C. Jesus:

- 1. Jn. 12:49 – The Father gave commands as to what Jesus would speak.
- 2. 2 Cor. 5:20—6:1-2 – Would restore, and reconciling mankind to God:
- 3. 1 Pet. 2:1-10 – Making "a people for God's own possession."



Disturbing Factors

"Radicalized refers to the process by which an individual or group adopts increasingly extreme views, often in opposition to the political, social, or religious status quo. This process can lead to the adoption of extremist beliefs and potentially harmful behaviors. In essence, being radicalized means having one's beliefs become more extreme, particularly in a political or religious context" (Wikipedia).

The death of Charlie Kirk has brought to the forefront the actuality of a divided nation: what everyone knew, but many attempted to deny. Charlie Kirk's cold-blooded murder has brought to the forefront another issue concerning the instructions students are receiving from their teachers: in public schools, universities, and unfortunately in the home.

If you recall the events associated with the 9/11 attack on the Twin Towers (and associated sites), the media aired the response of the citizens of various Middle-East locations. In the video clips men, women and children were shown to be joyous and praising the attacks that were launched

against the USA. What was unseen was disturbing, i.e., the children. For whatever reason the parents expressed joy over the 2,977 souls lost in the combined attacks, the children expressed the same jubilation.

What does that have to do with Charlie Kirk? Since the cold-blooded murder of Charlie Kirk, children (in public schools, universities, private homes and/or public media), are radicalized to believe that murder is acceptable. Every person that praises the cold-blooded murder is teaching their children, and/or other parents' children, that it is acceptable to murder someone because of what they said, or because they disagree with expressing their political, moral or religious beliefs.

Now, consider the words of the apostle Paul, saying, "But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully, as knowing this, that law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and unruly, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, for fornicators, for abusers of themselves with men, for menstealers, for liars, for false swearers, and if there be any other thing contrary to the sound doctrine; according to the gospel of the glory of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust" (1 Tim. 1:8-11).

What is the most disturbing action? That a man can go to a university and express his God given, and Constitutional freedom to encourage young minds to develop a morally clean lifestyle, and stand up for Constitutional freedom and have a person with evil intent to take the life of a Man, a Husband, and a Father (of whom his children will not come to know), simply because evil did not like what he said!

Oh, by the way, I and my wife, have also (as many men/women that we know) been to universities, and encouraged young minds to seek the Lord God in Spirit and Truth, identified moral error, and exposed the senselessness of hate for the gospel of Jesus Christ, encouraged obedience to the gospel and the blessings of free speech provided by the constitution.

So what? What happened to Charlie Kirk could just as easily (and may yet) apply to me, my wife and anyone who publicly (or privately) encourages repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. So, if a pronouncement “he had it coming” applies; you be the judge. ret



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Who knoweth the spirit of man, whether it goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast, whether it goeth downward to the earth? Wherefore I saw that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him back to see what shall be after him" (Ecclesiastes 3:16-22)?

Just as life begins, it soon ends. Man looks at his life and all the events that transpire in it and often wonders at its purpose. As a child of God, one knows their purpose is to glorify God (Isaiah 43:7), and that such is accomplished by doing those things given to us of God to accomplish (John 17:4). Even then, the difficulties of life pervade the mind and create questions, of which man is unable to answer.

Ultimately, in spite of man's desire to answer the questions of life, man comes to the same end as the beast of the land, for they doth die and return to the dust. ret

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WALK	SEEMS	RIGHT
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BUILD	HOUSE	SACRIFICE
ACCEPTABLE	REDEEM	ETERNAL
PURPOSE	WORLD	COMMUNICATE
SALVATION	TRUTH	RIGHTEOUS
GODLY	COMMAND	RESTORE
RECONCILE	PEOPLE	HOLINESS
POSSESSION	SPEAK	MANKIND
GRACE	WAY	LIFE

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With Him is

Plenteous Redemption

Psalms 130:7

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Weekly Reading

John 1:1-51; 1 John 1:1-10

2 John; 3 John; 1 John 2:1-29



Luke 16:19-31

Your Choice
Choose Wisely



Revelation 4:4

Seeking Peace

"And moreover I saw under the sun, in the place of justice, that wickedness was there; and in the place of righteousness, that wickedness was there. I said in my heart, God will judge the righteous and the wicked; for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work. I said in my heart, It is because of the sons of me, that God may prove them and that they may see that they themselves are but as beasts. For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; and man hath no preëminence above the beasts: for all is vanity.

All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again. (Continue Pg. 5)