



TIME FOR TRUTH NEWS!

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Curb that 'wagging' tongue of yours dear!

The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD. All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits. Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established. The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished. By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil. When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right. A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps. (Proverbs 16v1-9)

Our 30th Newsletter!

Well here it is, our 30th TtT newsletter! *Has anyone out there collected them ALL?* I'd be interested to know! In fact, I'll send a special gift to anyone who has collected ALL 30; *write & let me know*. We thank the Lord Jesus for allowing us to continue with this ministry; we have met some lovely folks through correspondence. Please keep the letters & enquiries coming. Thanks to all of you who have stayed with us this far! We look forward to hearing from you.

Christians Who 'Fall Away' – Backsliders!

Why is it that you get saved but then over time you *fall away* from the Lord, you walk away from Him – *you backslide!* *How sad this is!* I know a number of Christians who started out great; they were full of zeal & passion to follow the Lord. Then, after a while, I come in contact with them again & find they have stopped reading their Bible, they no longer pray neither fellowship with other Christians or go to church. They have LEFT their FIRST LOVE! (Rev 2v4) *But why do we so often see this?*

- 1) Perhaps they were NEVER saved in the first place & just 'pretended' to become a Christian! – It can happen, I've seen it! In this case the Gospel needs to be presented again to them pointing out that if they die IN their sins HELL is their *reward!* They need to see the LOVE of the Lord Jesus & what He did to save them!
- 2) They never got GROUNDED in the word of God therefore NEVER received that love & hunger FOR the word of God – SO MANY churches today just do NOT preach the word of God, *or they water it down!* The 'minister' does NOT FEED the sheep but instead he just gives them nice little stories, illustrations & continues to 'tickle their ears'. The 'preacher' today does NOT study for himself therefore he has nothing NEW to bring – just the same old 'moth-eaten' sermon which bores the listeners rigid! *When was the last time you left church under conviction or you left church thinking God was REALLY in the preaching tonight?* Amos 8v11 **Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:**
- 3) They just didn't LOVE the Lord very much – it's unbelievable to witness this but again it is true! To think what the Lord Jesus Christ has done for us & we do NOTHING in return but moan, grumble, backbite, murmur etc. etc.! We are lazy & we don't seek to WORK for the One who loved us & gave EVERYTHING to save us; we just sit on our backsides DOING NOTHING & watching the people around us walk/run their way to HELL FIRE – *we just sit there watching!*
- 4) They love their SIN TOO MUCH to change! – They will NOT give up their SINS because they love DOING them & living a pure & holy life is just too much & too 'boring!' They do NOT want to LIVE for God; oh sure they want their 'ticket to heaven' but they also want the pleasures of the world, & the two are immiscible! 1 John 2v15 **Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.** James 4v4 **Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy**

of God. Rom 12v2 **And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.** 2 Tim 4v10 **For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world...** I know of Christians who will NOT give up their sins even though they KNOW they are living in rebellion/disobedience to the Lord – *this I can't understand!* Get rid of your sins, do it today & LIVE RIGHT from now on!

- 5) LACK OF ENCOURAGEMENT – When was the last time you were encouraged by fellow Christians? Too often church can be very COLD, unloving, uninviting, boring, set in their ways & traditions, 'clicky', DEAD!!!
- 6) Filling their time with anything & everything BUT the Lord – Mark 8v36 **For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? How many Christians love the pleasures of this world MORE than living for the Lord?**
- 7) NO FEAR of GOD! – Rom 3v18 **There is no fear of God before their eyes.** Who cares about the consequences of sin anymore? – *just do it, it doesn't matter, you'll get away with it!* **NO YOU WON'T!** Heb 9v27 **And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:**

It disappoints & saddens me greatly to receive letters from some of you saying that you are not walking as you should & have drifted back into the world. May the Lord's love draw you back to Him again – *before He returns!*

A WARNING to 'Ministers'

There are just SO MANY things I would really like to study in the Bible & SO MANY things I want to write about, but working 5 days a week from 7.30 am – 6.30 pm (on average!) I just haven't the time sadly to say! One 'book' I would like to write would be called 'Warning to Ministers!' Some of what I would say is as follows... **For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?** 1 Pet 4v17 **My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation.** James 3v1 – As a 'Minister' you have **responsibilities** & you will be **judged** accordingly! For example – 1) If you do NOT use the AV & allow Satanic 'perversions' such as the NKJV or NIV etc into the pulpit for all to hear you are NOT pleasing God! 2) If you do NOT preach ALL the counsel of God Acts 20v27 but instead just 'tickle' the ears of your hearers you are going against God! 2 Tim 4v3 3) When was the last time you warned your hearers about the horrors of Hell & the Judgment of God? When was the last time you *sought* God for a message rather than just preach one YOU wanted to preach? How often do you pray *really* seeking God to speak to you & your hearers? 4) Are you living RIGHT or preaching as a hypocrite? 5) Do you love the preeminence TOO MUCH to let go & allow someone else to preach or teach? 6) How much time do you spend STUDYING the Bible each day/week? 2 Tim 2v15. 7) How often do you 'correct' or 'change' the word of God? Do you realise that you are getting people to DOUBT the word of God & put their trust in YOU instead? Psalm 118v8. 8) Do you preach 'ritualism & tradition' above or 'on par' with the Scriptures? 9) Do you seek a reputation rather than be the *man* that God wants you to be? Phil 2v7. 10) Are you 'fleecing' the sheep rather than FEEDING them? 11) What kind of EXAMPLE are you to your hearers? John 13v15, 1 Pet 2v21, 1 Pet 5v3. 12) Are you too 'attached' to MONEY? 1 Tim 3v3+8, Titus 1v7+11, 1 Pet 5v2. 13) Do you REALLY 'know' the Lord or just *about* Him? 14) Do you take a stand where you should? Acts 5v29 15) What is your motive as to why you want to be a minister/elder, pastor, deacon etc. Has God *really* called you or is it self will you are there? 16) Are you unskilled in the word? Heb 5v13 17) Do you seek popularity, fame & fortune rather than the heart of God? 18) Are you RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH or are you teaching heresy i.e. *tongues for today, God has finished with the Jews* etc? 19) Have you a real LOVE for the lost sinners of this world or are you just going through the motions? 20) What is your prayer life like?

These are just a few thoughts I would really like to look at in regard to the 'ministry'. I find them challenging to myself more than anyone! If you are leading the sheep take note of the above & search your heart before God. We have a responsibility!

For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works. 2 Cor 11v13-15

The BIBLE v the Charismatic / Pentecostal...

A friend of mine writes... The first reason why I am not a 'Charismatic' is because I spend a lot of time reading the Bible; I take it to mean what it says & say what it means. For example, when I read that the apostolic 'signs' (2 Cor 12v12) are signs given to Jewish apostles (Mark 16v12-20) because 'the Jews require a sign' (1 Cor 1v22), I believe what I read. When I find these 'signs' manifest in the book of The Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2v43), I assume they are there because they were said to follow the ministry of the Jewish Apostles (Mark 16v17-20). When I learn that the nation of Israel begins with 'signs' (Deut 4v34), & the first time the word shows up (Exod 4v9) it shows up with the first leader of the Jews as a nation (Exod 4), & I note that the Jewish Sabbath was a 'sign' given to Israel (Ezek 20v2) at Mt. Sinai (Neh 9v14), I know where I am, theologically speaking, when dealing with Gentile Christians who claim to have the Jewish apostolic SIGNS given to Israel. I am dealing with LIARS! Rev 2v2 says they are LIARS!

So we have seen, since the days of the Bethel Bible College (Topeka, Kansas, 1900) & the Azusa Street Mission (Los Angeles, 1905), a steady string of 'spirit filled' liars, 'tongue-speaking' liars, 'promise keeping' liars, 'seed-faith' liars, 'divine-healing' liars, 'devil-binding' liars, plus thousands of just plain Charismatic liars! A few of their 'mentors' would be... Aimee Semple McPherson, A.A. Allen, William Branham, Oral Roberts, T.L. Osborne, Benny Hinn, Marilyn Hickey, Jimmy Swaggart, Jimmy & Tammy Bakker, Kathryn Kuhlman, Kenneth Hagin, Kenneth Copeland etc.. After observing them, reading after them, listening to them, & talking with their converts, I am convinced that they are the most anti-scriptural, powerless, fruitless professing Christians inside the Body of Christ, with the possible exceptions of Calvinists & Hyper-Dispensationalists, although both of those dead-head groups can quote a great deal more Scripture than the Charismatics can! All Charismatics are Scripturally bankrupt when it comes to doctrine (1 Tim 4v6, 13, 16). From its inception (1900), to its present state of emotional-humanism (2006), the entire movement rejected THE TRUTH (John 17v17) & refused to hear it (John 8v40-44). I know WHO has the 'sign gifts' (1 Cor 12v7-10), WHY they have them (1 Cor 1v22), & WHO they were for (Exod 4). I KNOW that YOU don't have them, & neither does your preacher or your pastor or your evangelist. I know that if they profess to have them then they are LIARS (Rev 2v2). Here is a typical Assembly of God nut, claiming he has been given the apostolic gift of 'HEALING.' The proof text for this will be Mark 16v17+18. It is listed as an apostolic sign given to Jewish apostles (2 Cor 12v12). Every man who has the 'gift of healing' is a pork-abstaining, Sabbath-observing, temple-worshipping, BEARDED, circumcised JEW: like Paul. The converts of these apostles, up until Acts chapter 28, can be given some of these 'sign gifts.' This is apparent from 1 Cor 12v7-10. But this transaction only follows the CONVERTS who are converted under an apostle. Notice the wording of Mark 16v20 that no Charismatic pays any attention to at all. Now, notice how the Holy Ghost, the Author of Scripture – *the very one these fake apostles talk about so much!* – told you that the greatest healer in the NT outside of Jesus Christ Himself (Paul, Acts 19v12) COULDN'T HEAL A SICK CAT AFTER Acts chapter 28. After Acts 28, Paul recommends MEDICINE for Timothy & leaves Trophimus SICK at Miletum (see 1 Tim 5v23 & 2 Tim 4v20). No charismatic can walk on water; not one of them can pull a man out of a grave after he has been dead & buried for four days. **Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.** No Charismatic has ever produced medical evidence (x-rays, doctor's signatures etc.) that he ever replaced an ear that was cut off (John 18v10), restored sight to someone born blind (John 9v6+7), or caused anyone who was genuinely crippled for life (Acts 3v2) to LEAP & RUN (Acts 3v8+9). Every 'FAKER' who ever professed to have done the above, or anything LIKE it, gave the same testimony. The 'disease' or 'cancer' was INTERNAL, & no one could see it! - I am NOT a Charismatic or Pentecostal BECAUSE I READ & STUDY THE BIBLE! *Taken from Dr Ruckman's Book 'Why I am NOT a Charismatic!' (I suggest you order some copies & start passing them out!)*

Take EVERY Opportunity!

It is unbelievable where & when the Lord calls us to witness! There I was in Holland in the best hotel in Enschede in the middle of an 'eight' course meal when the subject of conversation turned onto 'how can 'intellectual' people become terrorists & fly planes into buildings?' I waited for my chance & then put forward the fact of HELL after death! From then on the conversation really took a serious tone. I was able to present the Gospel & talk about 'ONLY ONE WAY' through Christ! The guy from Belgium said I was scaring him & the guy from Sweden said I was fanatical about what I believed! Amen & Amen! Let us pray they get SAVED!

It's Your Choice!

Well enclosed is a complimentary copy of our NEW booklet 'It's Your Choice!' I haven't seen personally, a booklet that is as DIRECT regarding the GOSPEL as this one! Donna & I are praying that it shall be widely distributed & used to bring sinners to the Saviour.

"You Asked The Question!"

Thank you Lord! 10,000 "You Asked The Question!" booklets have now arrived! Please place your orders as soon as you can; don't forget they are only 28p each (*i.e. the cost WE buy them at from the printer!*). Why not put one through every door down your street? If you cannot afford them but would like some please write & request how many you NEED & we will do our best to meet your request.

Our Next Visit was to a Methodist Church – unbelievable!

Once again the 'famous five' *tried* another church on a Sunday evening, for *educational* purposes! About forty elderly folk were there; a 'lay' preacher was leading & preaching! NOT ONE person we could see brought a Bible! The lay preacher NEVER read from his Bible but instead preached from the hymn 'Be thou my vision...' He did quote from the Apocrypha plus 'Oscar Wilde' - & *it was WILD I can tell you!* I tried so hard before the service to be open, unbiased, encouraging, open-minded & to give the church & preacher a chance; BUT HOW CAN YOU when you experience such DROSS? I sat there honestly thinking

'what on earth has gone wrong; don't ANY of these people GET IT?' One man (I won't say 'brother' because I'm really not sure!) came up to me afterwards & said, regarding the preacher, "He's quite an amazing man!" I replied "You don't have to tell me that!!!" – He didn't get THAT either! I dare not start to write what I really feel regarding this whole situation of 'church' & 'Christians' because I think I'd offend 99% OF CHRISTIANS! – It's a mess folks, a real mess! Most churches are so far ASTRAY from the Scriptures it is unbelievable! What is your church like regarding teaching the Scriptures, the word of God?

Hockley Pentecostal Church!

Severn of us visited Hockley Pentecostal Church recently for our continued look at 'other' churches & how they function / operate etc. Don't forget that some of our young folk have only seen the 'Brethren' side of things! Well this church was once renowned for big congregations but sadly, like so many churches today, numbers have dwindled. From hundreds to about 60 in the evening (when we were there)! It is run by a couple who BOTH class themselves as 'pastors' – Mistake number 1. The meeting was led by the lady 'pastor', the 'worship' was led by the lady 'pastor' & the 'preaching' was done by a visiting LADY 'bible teacher' at the AOG Bible College! *Can it get any worse???* Tongues were in operation i.e. people were praying & worshipping IN tongues!!! It really was a sad affair. It was sad to think that these people (out of the 60 only a handful were 'men') are really *trying* to do what they think is right but they are so UNSCRIPTURAL it is incredible! Modern versions, women 'ministers', showmanship & overall, a church that is far from SOUND! If God is going to BLESS (like the Pentecostals keep going on about!) He will bless the preaching of His word (The Authorized Version ONLY), He will bless MEN preachers who STAND upon His word & will NOT compromise! The UK AOG Bible college wanted us all to give some money each month to help fund there new development which included a Leisure Centre!!! I wonder if John Wesley ever asked for money for a venture like that! It is very interesting to note that the woman 'preacher' said we must SEEK THE POSITIVE & not the negative, God doesn't want us to be NEGATIVE – Only last week I received Dr Ruckman's new book 'The Power of NEGATIVE Thinking!' I suggest EVERY Christian buys a copy & then once you have read it SEND IT TO A PENTECOSTAL PASTOR!!!

'Who Cares?' Now Available AGAIN!

We have now received 10,000 copies from the printer of our 'Who Cares?' tract. If you would like some they are 5 pence each; but again, if you cannot afford them please just write & request what you need & we will do our best to meet your requirement!

Mailing List Response Forms!

I thought we would lose quite a few from our mailing list especially regarding the content of the last issue! However I was also encouraged by how many response forms were returned & how many EXTRA copies folk wanted PLUS many of you asked for friends & family to be included on our mailing list. It seems every time we lose some folk the Lord adds MORE! Perhaps a lesson is to be learnt here! **STAND for the TRUTH & let GOD DO THE REST!**

God's Protection!

We woke up one Saturday morning to find that our car (company car) had a flat tyre. After calling the AA out we found that the suspension coil had broken & pierced the tyre! The night before we were driving some of the DG back to the church. Thank you Lord for EVERY journey of safety! Thank you to those who continually pray for us on our travels!

Easter Weekend!

Donna & I had both Friday & Monday off from work this Easter. On the Sunday afternoon we took 4 of the DG members to Stratford Upon Avon & did some tracting in the town centre. Well over 300 tracts were given out with hardly any 'rejection!' We thank the Lord for this encouraging time.

Prayer Requests...

Gladys Colwell from Brierley Hill AOG Church who has had a heart attack; Victoria who is finding the Christian walk very difficult at present; Mike Harper who is recovering from a stroke; Pastor Cyril Baker who is constantly fighting illness; Donna's dad with Parkinson's Disease & her mother who looks after him; Dave Messer who needs a touch from the Lord!

The 'Leaders' of Our Country

What if every Christian STOOD UP for what IS RIGHT; I wonder what a difference we would make? But as usual it is the 'very' minority who DO ANYTHING! How about you & I getting a list of all the leaders i.e. MP's, Peers & Lord's etc. & write them a letter in regard to the state of our country & the reason for it i.e. turning their back upon God & His word! Include a Gospel booklet

or tract? Then let us pray that God will save these folks! England is shot through it seems BUT we must NEVER GIVE UP in trying to win souls for the Lord Jesus Christ. You can obtain a list of 'Leaders' from the 'Christian Institute.' Let us STOP thinking about 'doing' something & start DOING something!

What are your plans for the rest of the year?

Have you made any? Does The Lord approve of them?

Have you asked Him for guidance in your decisions?

Some More Good Quotes!

Men who conquer go in for attack – Spurgeon

The tavern-keeper is the only businessman who is ashamed of his best customer!

A drunk is the past tense of a drink!

He who works the oars seldom rocks the boat!

Sign at the entrance of a large manufacturing plant reads...

IF YOU ARE LIKE A WHEELBARROW – GOING NO FARTHER THAN YOU ARE PUSHED-
YOU NEED NOT APPLY FOR WORK HERE!

Discipleship Group (DG)

We had a great study around the word of God at the last DG meeting; much ground was covered! On June the 3rd we shall be holding an OPEN DG meeting & inviting other youngsters to come along for the experience. There are a few young folk at Hope Chapel who really would like to join the DG but at present they are not quite ready for it. We hope that by coming to this open DG meeting they will 'knuckle down' & show some real commitment to Bible study & maturity in their Christian walk!

Issue Number 7 Found!

I was looking through some old disks the other day & I came across TtT! News 'issue 7'. Issue 18 is as far back as we can go so this was a pleasant surprise. Although it is obviously out of date there are still a few very interesting articles including one on 'tongues' etc. If you would like a copy (or more than one!) please drop us a line!

'Men Don't Want To Study The Bible!' – He said!

A guy who came on one of the training weeks (Action Weeks!) at Chester City Mission we ran when we were there, called me recently for a chat; it was great to hear from him. He is now married & has a 'little one' on the way! He is continuing in his Christian walk, which is great to hear, & said that he had recently started up a men's meeting to study the Bible. He phoned me to tell me that 'the men' were NOT really interested in the word of God & therefore studying it. I could tell he was saddened & disappointed with this situation. To be quite honest & 'FRANK' with you; there are not very many Christians AT ALL, who REALLY do want to study the Bible! Most of the Christians I meet are very shallow when it comes to Bible study & they certainly do not have a desire to STUDY IT! - **Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.** (2 Tim 2v15) We are told to STUDY to shew THYSELF approved unto God! What sort of Bible study are you involved in. How do YOU study the Bible? What are YOU learning each week? Could you take a blank sheet of paper & list 10 NEW things you learnt about the word of God over this last month? Why don't Christians want to study the Bible?

Flying!

What a mad week!! Recently Donna & I had to fly to Edinburgh on business: we got to Birmingham Airport for 5.30 am. Our appointment in Edinburgh was 11.00 am, which we made. The mad thing is, we were back HOME for 5.30 pm! The next day I flew to Holland for our twice yearly sales meeting. I still don't like flying much but I thank the Lord for bringing me back safe & sound! I've got to go to Holland again in June!

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST!!!

Nick, (a guy I used to work with in sales at my previous company); his wife has just had a brain tumour (malignant) operation! She desperately needs a touch from our Lord Jesus. Nick recently had a heart attack himself! He is only in his late forties! They have two children. I had the chance to witness to Nick when I went to visit him in hospital & he read my booklet "You Asked The Question!" while in there. He is from a strong Roman Catholic background! Please pray that they both seek the Lord for salvation & that The Lord will restore them to full health! He was very willing for us to pray!

Happy 17th Birthday!!!

Well on May 4th I was '17 years old' in my Christian life! What an amazing 17 years they have been too! I could write 'books' on what has happened in those years! **I cannot thank the Lord Jesus Christ enough for saving me; for washing ALL my sins clean away.** Becoming a Christian has been the BEST thing that has EVER happened to me & these last 17 years have certainly been exciting. I just can't believe how quick they have gone. As I look back I also realise how much time I have wasted when I could & should have been studying the Bible; DON'T WASTE TIME like I have, GET INTO THE BIBLE, & live it!

Can YOU answer the following questions... I'm NOT interested in your 'opinions!'

1. According to the Scriptures WHEN are you married?
2. According to the Scriptures HOW are you married?
3. According to the Scriptures what are the grounds for divorce?

Thank You!

Again Donna & I would like to thank all those who pray regularly for us. Thank you also to those who write encouraging us in the ministry the Lord has given to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ continue to lead & guide us in HIS perfect will. Time is going so fast & there is so much work to be done. Let us keep helping one another along the way...