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**And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for DOCTRINE, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works. (2 Tim 3:15-17)**

## **Once you are SAVED you CANNOT LOSE your SALVATION! - Part 1**

Just recently I had a talk with a lady from Manchester who believed that a 'backsliding Christian', who did NOT repent of his 'current' sins, would go to HELL! She believed that a Christian could lose their salvation! Of course this is nonsense & a Christian in THIS 'dispensation', as one preacher put it, '*could not go to hell even if he wanted to!*' The problem was that she was getting confused with breaking 'fellowship' with the Lord & losing your salvation. If you have a child & that child wrongs you, no matter what they have done against you, they are still your son or daughter! Once you are a child of God & adopted into His family (Gal 4v5, Eph 1v5) you are His son FOREVER. If you could work or earn your salvation then YES you could lose it; but you & I have DONE NOTHING in ourselves to gain or obtain salvation – Christ Jesus has DONE it ALL & there is NOTHING we can ADD to what HE HAS DONE at Calvary by shedding His incorruptible Blood to save us! Rom 5:9 **Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.** Eph 1:7 **In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;** 1 John 1:6+7 **If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: 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.** Now this lady thought that because I believed once you are saved you are saved **forever**, that it gives you a licence to sin; but a Christian will try his utmost to live a life of holiness & purity, & walk in the Spirit of God (Gal 5v16) obeying the will of God! Yet Christians DO mess up & can even go as far as losing their 'testimony' & turning their back upon God YET they are still SAVED, & will go to the Heavenly Jerusalem when they die! By still sinning (deliberately or ignorantly) God may punish us here on earth i.e. Heb 12:5-7 **And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?** We may also LOSE rewards at the Judgement Seat of Christ...1 Co 3:11-15 **For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved;** yet so as by fire. So the backslider may suffer loss but he is still SAVED because it is the Lord Jesus Christ who has SAVED him through His BLOOD; we have done nothing to EARN our salvation

or WORK for it! Eph 2:8-10 **For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.** (*Note should walk in them but not all Christians do – some backslide & live for themselves rather than the Lord!*) Christians who teach that you can lose your salvation often live in bondage constantly worrying about losing their salvation i.e. 'Have I lost it yet? When did I lose it? How can I get it back? Have I got it back?' It becomes 'salvation' based upon WORKS!!! There is no liberty in this kind of a relationship – Gal 2:4 **And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:** Gal 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. 2 Cor 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Those that say you CAN lose your salvation are getting their 'dispensations' mixed up & CANNOT rightly divide the word of truth! Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Tim 2:15 So the 'lady from Manchester' could NOT rightly divide the word of truth! It's either the BIBLE as your Final Authority or your opinions!

Some excellent verses from the Scriptures that PROVE once we are saved we are saved for ETERNITY & CANNOT lose our salvation (note NOT fellowship!) are as follows...

- 1) John 10:27-30 **My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.** John 10:29 **My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. I and my Father are one.** Once you are a 'sheep' you CANNOT PERISH! You are saved FOREVER & CANNOT lose your salvation! Eternal life means 'ETERNAL' life!
- 2) John 5:24 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.** You ARE PASSED FROM death unto life – no going back!
- 3) Eph 4:30 **And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.** The Christian is SEALED & God's seal CANNOT be broken! (see also John 14v16 – the Comforter abides with you, the Christian, FOREVER!)
- 4) 1 John 5:13 **These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.** We may KNOW that we have eternal life!
- 5) **And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:** Eph 2:6 Spiritually speaking we ARE in Heaven already! The 'lose your salvation crowd' would have us 'in & out' of Heaven like a yoyo!
- 6) **For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.** Eph 5:5. Note lose our 'inheritance' NOT our salvation!

Now don't get me wrong, the Bible DOES teach that you CAN LOSE your salvation BUT certainly NOT in this DISPENSATION i.e. the Body of Christ up until the Rapture!

What I have found yet again when 'discussing' doctrine with Christians, is that too often they try to interpret the Scriptures on the basis of their views & opinions rather than take the Scriptures, the word of God, as their FINAL AUTHORITY!

### **Once you are SAVED you CANNOT LOSE your SALVATION! – Part 2**

Again this subject came up in one of our youth meetings & a guy (*from a Pentecostal Church – you might have guessed!*) pointed to John 15v1-6 as a proof text that you CAN lose your salvation! Let us briefly deal with the passage...John 15:1-6 **I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.** Now some Christians believe that a born again believer i.e. someone who is IN Christ can be CUT OUT of Christ & go to Hell i.e. using verse 6 as a proof text! Now note that not one disciple was IN Christ at that time! Not one of them was ‘abiding IN Christ’ & He was NOT ‘abiding’ in any of them i.e. until the Comforter was come - John 14:16+17 **And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.** Now the Lord is THAT Spirit – 2 Cor 3:17 **Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. ‘That Spirit’ IS The Lord. ‘Col 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:’** Note also regarding John 15v6 – No ‘angels’ burn anyone in the fire (as in Mat 13v39+40). ‘Men’ gather these ‘branches’ & burn them! Many Christians alive now (probably 80% plus) & for the last 20 centuries, have been ‘IN Christ’ with the Holy Spirit ‘abiding’ in them (John 15v5), but they did NOT bring forth ‘much fruit!’ Ruckman writes... ‘You see, when you study the Scriptures by comparing Scripture with Scripture, you don’t find any NT Christian since AD 70 ‘losing his salvation’ anywhere. It is simply an ‘illustration’ likening His eleven disciples to branches extending from Him. He is the ‘VINE’. This is NOT the equivalent of ‘the church’ being His ‘Body’ (read 1 Cor 12v13-27). After Pentecost, believers are ‘bone of His bone & flesh of His flesh’ (Eph 5), not appendages *stuck on to Him* as branches are stuck on a tree. Notice that the word ‘abide’ here is the one used in John 14v16. It is a reference to a permanent place of fellowship, not just someone who ‘comes & goes’. Note, further, that the ‘branch’ is cast forth (v6) ‘AS’ a branch. It can be doctrinally aimed at an UNSAVED man who has never been in fellowship with Christ & so is not a *real* ‘branch’. The illustration CANNOT be applied to a Christian *doctrinally*, for TWO possibilities are in the passage: if you are ‘IN Christ’ you are bearing fruit & abiding & getting your prayers answered (v7), & if you are NOT bearing fruit & NOT getting your prayers answered you were NEVER ‘In Him’ in the first place. As we have said before, this does NOT match the ‘IN Christ’ passages in the Pauline Epistles that deal with the BODY of Christ!’

So John 15v1-6 DOCTRINALLY is NOT aimed at the BODY of Christ it is aimed at the apostles BEFORE Christ was crucified & BEFORE the BODY of Christ was ‘formed’ i.e. became an ‘organism’ in Acts 2. Ruckman again regarding Acts 2... ‘When Peter preaches, the local church is present & has been present since Mat 10v1-3. This local church now becomes an organism through a life-giving, activating power in the PERSON of the Holy Ghost, & its entire membership is regenerated. Until v41, every one of its members were baptised ‘for the remission of sins’ by John the Baptist, *under the law* (Luke 16v16). No one in the group could have known anything about Christ’s indwelling Gentiles (Col 1v27), or the ‘one Spirit’ of 1 Cor 12v13, or the Jew-Gentile body - And this is why nothing about these matters is ‘RECORDED!’

### **Once you are SAVED you CANNOT LOSE your SALVATION! – Part 3**

While ‘discussing’ about ETERNAL SECURITY with a Christian recently, I was given 1 Cor 9v22-27 again as a proof text that ‘backsliding Christians’ would GO TO HELL when they die if they did not repent of their ‘backsliding!’ 1Co 9:22-27 **To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some. And this I**

**do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you. Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.** The word 'castaway' was the HELL-FIRE text given! But again, not being able to 'rightly divide the word of truth' (2 Tim 2v15) gets you into all sorts of problems! First of all this passage has NOTHING at all to do with SALVATION! It is to do with your Christian walk & the WORK you DO! Paul was 'free' (v1) both physically & spiritually yet regarding the gospel he made himself a slave to both Jews & Gentiles (v19). He said in Romans 1v14 **I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians.** Paul made himself a 'slave' (spiritually) to reach ALL men for Jesus Christ. Paul often, when he entered a city, went to the Jew first (Rom 1v16). He would then go into the synagogue & preach to his 'kinsmen' i.e. Jews (Acts 13v5 + 14-44, Acts 14v1, Acts 17v1-2+10+17, Acts 18v4). Paul wanted to see the Jews saved so badly (Rom 10v1) that he once consented to go to the temple & purify himself & shave his head to show the Jews that he kept the Law (Acts 21v20-24). Paul had no problem whatsoever to go to the Gentiles, in front of the Jews, when the Jews had rejected the gospel (Acts 13v42-48, Acts 18v4-6, Act 28v17-31.) He laid no claims of the Law upon his Gentile converts (Acts 15v1-2), except those stipulations laid down by the apostles & elders in Jerusalem (Acts 15v19-22, Acts 21v25) – that is what he is saying in 1 Cor 9v21!

1 Cor 9v22 – WITHOUT 'compromising' your faith/belief act/become like the person you're trying to reach i.e. if you are dealing with someone with some class/culture, act like a gentleman! Be sympathetic towards the Jew, the Roman Catholic, JW etc. 'bend' but DON'T compromise to sin or NOT stand your ground when you know you SHOULD! **And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with you.** (v23)

1 Cor 9v24 – Paul likens the Christian life to a race (compare Phil 3v13+14, Heb 12v1+2). YOU are to run to WIN, not to show off to the spectators or 'entertain' them – RUN to WIN! Many Christians today, in regard to the 'crucified life' (Gal 2v20) & 'self denial/sanctification', are NOT running TO WIN! Track athletes run to win; they do not get in each others way or in each others lane. They run in their OWN lane looking towards the finishing line (Heb 12v2) not towards the ground or the crowd! Christians are always getting in someone else's lane! YOU have your lane & I have mine! Run YOUR race & keep LOOKING UNTO JESUS! **(He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.** Ecc 11v4)

1 Cor 9v25 – DON'T drink, smoke or do/participate in anything where it will HINDER (Gal 5v7) your walk with the Lord! If you are going to MASTER the thing, you have to be temperate in your habits! (TEM'PERATE - Moderate; not excessive; as temperate heat; a temperate climate; temperate air.

1. Moderate in the indulgence of the appetites and passions; as temperate in eating and drinking; temperate in pleasures; temperate in speech.

Be sober and temperate, and you will be healthy.

2. Cool; calm; not marked with passion; not violent; as a temperate discourse or address; temperate language.

3. Free from ardent passion.)

The reward for the 'temperate' athlete is a corruptible crown, but in the Christian 'race' it is an INCORRUPTIBLE crown – 1 Pet 1:4 **To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you...**

1 Cor 9v26 – In running you have to be certain of the course. You don't weave all over the track. We read in Phil 3v14 **I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.** A boxer doesn't enter the ring & start throwing punches everywhere & anywhere, he aims his blows towards the target!

1 Cor 9v27 – We should die to the FLESH daily & walk IN THE SPIRIT (Gal 5v16) keeping our body under control & in subjection! Do not fulfil the lusts of the flesh!

Finally to 1 Cor 9v27 – (CASTAWAY - Rejected; useless; of no value worthless) In other words, if you haven't kept your body, your flesh under control, if you have fulfilled your own desires rather than the Lord's, if you have followed your own will rather than do the will of Jesus Christ you are good for nothing! Ps 127:1 **Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it...** This says NOTHING of being cast into HELL FIRE or losing your salvation! It is talking about the Christian WALK/LIFE! Regarding v27 – The idea is that the body can get out of hand i.e. lust, fornication, laziness, compromise, etc. What is your relationship like with the Lord Jesus Christ? Are you LIVING FOR HIM or for yourself? *Are YOU a castaway?*

## Once you are SAVED you CANNOT LOSE your SALVATION! – Part 4

By now you should be convinced BY SCRIPTURE that you CANNOT lose your salvation! If not, YOU are NOT a Bible believer! A great passage on eternal security is Rom 8v35-39. Dr Ruckman writes Verse 35 '**Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?...**' Paul then lists 7 possibilities... **shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?** NO! If anyone could have been separated 'from the love of Christ' by those things, Paul was a prime candidate. He went through all of those things & more! '**For I am persuaded...**' (v38). Paul has been convinced of what he is about to say. He is certain of it! Concerning the subject of eternal security , the companion verse to this passage is 2 Tim 1v12... **I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.** His persuasion is that NOTHING & NO ONE is '**able to separate us from the love of God...**'. As he did in verse 35, he listed 7 seven things. Here in verses 38-39, he lists 10 things, some of them natural & some of them super-natural. If you are IN God's love, YOU ARE SAVED! The '**love of God**' is '**IN Christ Jesus our Lord**'. If you aren't IN Jesus Christ, then you aren't IN '**the love of God**'. If you aren't IN '**the love of God**' you are LOST! Since eternal security is one of the main themes of Romans 8, I want to give 7 reasons why the salvation of the believer IS SECURE...

- 1) The believer is eternally secure because of the *election of the Father*. The Lord elected anyone who was in Christ to get home to Heaven. Once a sinner gets IN Christ, his journey IS complete. There is no doctrine of 'un-election' or 'dis-election'!
- 2) *The union of the believer with Jesus Christ* guarantees his salvation. If you're IN Christ, you CAN'T go to Hell, because you are part of Jesus Christ, & no part of Christ will ever go to Hell 'again'!
- 3) *Eternal life is a FREE gift*. You did NOTHING to earn it, & you can do NOTHING to lose it.
- 4) *The intercession of Jesus Christ for us means* we can NEVER lose our salvation! You have the greatest Prayer Warrior in the universe praying for you!
- 5) You are eternally secure because you are '**kept by the power of God**' (1 Pet 1v5). You are kept by the same power that raised Jesus Christ from the dead!
- 6) *Your security is based on the righteousness of a sinless man*, not on your goodness! You have the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ. It isn't yours to lose! You could make the biggest mess you ever saw, & it wouldn't affect the righteousness of Christ at all. Like David, you might have to have the joy of your salvation restored (Ps 51v12), but your *salvation* went NOWHERE!
- 7) Finally, God's eternal purpose means that when everything men think could ever take your salvation away has been forgotten in eternity (Isa 65v17, Rev 21v4), God will gather everything in Christ to Himself (Eph 1v10). Jesus Christ & the Father keep us to fulfil the purpose of God the Son when He prayed... '**And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.**' John 17v11-12+24

Now the ONLY way YOU are going to MISS Heaven is if you are NOT saved; that's the ONLY way! As CHRISTIANS we should NEVER worry about going to Hell; it CAN'T happen if we are SAVED by the BLOOD of CHRIST!

Do you know of anyone else who would benefit by receiving our newsletter? (TfT News!) If so please fill in the enclosed form with their details and return it to us; we will then add them to our mailing list.

**The Holy Spirit is a PERSON!**

### **'HE' is NOT an 'active force' like the cults teach!**

- 1) The Holy Spirit is the THIRD member of the Godhead!
- 2) The Scriptures use 'personal pronouns' in referring to the Holy Spirit – John 15v26, John 16v8+13+14 i.e. 'HE'.
- 3) The Holy Spirit is a PERSON for He possesses certain characteristics...
  - ❖ Will power – 1 Cor 12v11
  - ❖ Intelligence – Neh 9v20, Rom 8v27
  - ❖ Knowledge – 1 Cor 2v10-12
  - ❖ Power – Acts 1v8
  - ❖ Capacity for love – Rom 15v30
  - ❖ Capacity for grief – Eph 4v30
- 4) The Holy Spirit does things that only a 'person' can do...
  - ❖ He searches the deep things of God – 1 Cor 2v10
  - ❖ He speaks – Rev 2v7
  - ❖ He can cry out – Gal 4v6
  - ❖ He intercedes – Rom 8v26
  - ❖ He testifies – John 15v26
  - ❖ He teaches – John 14v26, John 16v12-14
  - ❖ He leads & directs – Rom 8v14
  - ❖ He commands – Acts 16v6+7
  - ❖ He calls men to work & gives them tasks – Acts 13v2, Acts 20v28
  - ❖ He proceeds on the mission to which He is sent – John 15v26
- 5) The Holy Spirit has been assigned a definite office – He is the Comforter – John 14v16
- 6) The Holy Spirit has emotions...
  - ❖ He can be grieved – Isa 63v10
  - ❖ He can be insulted – Heb 10v29
  - ❖ He can be lied to – Acts 5v3
  - ❖ He can be blasphemed – Mat 12v31+32
- 7) The Holy Spirit is a PERSON because He possesses all the necessary qualities of intellect, emotion, will, knowledge & actions!

### **'ANOTHER' Bible Corrector Slips Through The Net at Hope Chapel!**

Ken Buckler from Tipton was asked to speak at the evening Gospel service recently at Hope Chapel. There is a sign on the pulpit asking ALL preachers to read from the Authorised Version! Obviously the rule doesn't apply to dear old Ken!!! So we all sat under another load of 'drivel!' Why we let things like this happen in our churches I just can't understand! IF I were a 'leader' I wouldn't allow ANYBODY to read or preach from anything BUT an AUTHORIZED VERSION – *but that's one reason why I am NOT a leader!*

### **'It's Your Choice' & "You Asked The Question!" Responses!**

We have had a great response so far regarding orders for our literature, especially our booklet 'It's Your Choice!' We are praying that the Lord will use this booklet to save lost souls. I was also aware that many bookshops would not order this booklet because it uses the AUTHORIZED VERSION! One book shop has already sent us a note back saying they would only stock it if we used the NIV or NKJV because they are 'easier to understand!' *Needless to say I wrote back to the Muppets!* If you know of ANYONE that might benefit from our literature please let us know. David, one of the elders from Hope Chapel, purchased 200 to distribute to every house down his street; have you tracted your street yet? Over 3000 have been sent out already!

**What is the Lord saying to YOU at this time?**

### **Coal Basket Bible – taken from ‘the Evangelist May 2006’**

The Story is told of an old man who lived on a farm in the mountains of eastern Kentucky with his young grandson. Each morning, Grandpa was up early sitting at the kitchen table reading from his old worn-out Bible. His grandson, who wanted to be just like him, tried to imitate him in any way he could. One day the grandson asked, “Papa, I try to read my Bible just like you but I don’t understand it, & what I do understand I forget as soon as I close the book. What good does reading the Bible do?” The grandfather quietly turned from putting coal in the stove & said, “Take this coal basket down to the river & bring back a basket of water.” The boy did as he was told, even though all the water leaked out before he could get back to the house. The grandfather laughed & said, “You will have to move a little faster next time,” & sent him back to the river with the basket to try again. This time the boy ran faster, but again the basket was empty before he returned home. Out of breath, he told his grandfather that it was impossible to carry water in a basket, & he went to get a bucket instead. The old man said, “I don’t want a bucket of water; I want, a basket of water. You can do this. You’re just not trying hard enough,” & he went out to watch the boy try again. At this point, the boy knew it was impossible, but he wanted to show his grandfather that even if he ran as fast as he could, the water would leak out before he got very far. The boy scooped the water & ran hard, but when he reached his grandfather the basket was again empty. Out of breath, he said, “See Papa, it’s useless!” “So you think it is useless?” The old man said, “Look at the basket.” The boy looked at the basket & for the first time he realised that the basket looked different. Instead of a dirty old coal basket, it was clean. “Son, that’s what happens when you read the Bible. You might not understand or remember everything, but when you read it, it will change you from the inside out. That is the work of God in our lives. To change us from the inside out & slowly transform us into the image of His Son.” - **Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.** (John 17v17) **Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.** (John 15v3) **That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word...** (Eph 5v26) *How often do you ‘wash’ IN the word of God?*

### **Keep Going – Not Long Left...**

The judgement we face as saved sinners will determine the QUALITY (1 Cor 3v13) of our battles; not the number of our encampment. The QUALITY of Paul’s ‘good fight’ & ministry was (& still is) beyond criticism or improvement. He preached & taught the word (Acts 20v27, 28v31) & left the results to God, the Holy Spirit. This is the ministry a Christian minister is supposed to follow (1 Tim 5v17), & a faithful ‘fellow soldier’ (Phil 2v25) will obey his Supreme Commander – Forward! ‘The Acts of the Tribulation Saints’ (Dan 11) are yet future; ‘The Acts of the Church Fathers’ & ‘The Acts of the Reformers’ are behind us. Those of us who have gone to work in the vineyard at 5.45 pm have been promised the same reward as the Apostles (Mat 20v12) who enlisted at 6.00 am & carried out the book of ‘The Acts of the Apostles’. Our job is clear. We are to harvest before the shades of night fall, & in the last few minutes of ‘gathering grapes’ we should not waste too much time observing the wind or the clouds (Ecc 11v4+5). While Communism & Catholicism cluster in thunderheads on the horizon our duty is clear; we are working for the Master (Eph 6v9) in His vineyard (Mat 21v28), & He who causes the seed to bear fruit after its kind (Gen 1v11+12) controls the elements (Mat 14v32). We do not have to compromise on Evolution to please the Communists, & we do not have to compromise on Manuscript Evidence to please the Catholics. Our Rock is not ‘their rock’ (Deut 32v31), our Vine is not ‘their vine’ (Deut 32v32), & our Holy Bible is not – nor ever shall be – the leavened corruption of Alexandria, Egypt. Our Bible is the ‘living word of the living God,’ & it will be just as infallible & immovable after the disintegration of the Solar System as it was the day that God delivered it to the church who KEPT it (Rev 3v8). **‘This is the way; walk ye in it!’**

**Taken from Dr Ruckman’s commentary on the Book of Acts.**

**For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?**

**Mark 8v36**

## 'OPEN' Discipleship Group!



Sixteen gathered for our first ever 'OPEN' DG meeting! We invited those from the church who had showed an interest in getting on this 'course!' They seemed to really enjoy themselves. We covered much ground as usual including the 'abortion' issue. We spent much time reading the Scriptures & discussing what we had read. There was an open time for questions, which proved very worthwhile. We also had the 'role play' & 'under pressure' sections!



We also spent some time comparing the NIV with the AV & showing how the NIV is a satanic counterfeit of the TRUE word of God! Overall, it was a great night around the Scriptures! We shall be holding another one of these kind of meetings in the future, Lord willing. (*The two 'elderly' folk in the picture were two old dears we found throwing stones at the church windows! We promised them that they could have some free food if they stopped damaging the building! Quite a nice couple really!*)



## Literature Distribution!

We recently sent 2,500 'Who Cares?' tracts & 180 "You Asked The Question!" booklets, to a lady in Essex who is actively involved in evangelism in her church. We also had a request from a minister in Lichfield who saw our 'Who Cares?' tract at a church he preaches at. Again, if you would like some Gospel literature to distribute please just write in & request some.

## Good Old Barney!!!

Well I couldn't believe my ears! Barney phoned to confirm that tennis was on for Saturday; **he also said that today he had a 'fight' with another AOG pastor over the version issue i.e. Barney standing up for the AV – did you hear that folks!!!** So I dedicate the following article to my dear old FRIEND Barney to pass on to his Bible 'correcting' friend! Way to go Barney; keep it up fella!

**To the Bible 'CORRECTOR' who doesn't believe that Acts 8v37 should be in  
the Bible! - But he DOES believe 'Tongues' are for today!!!**

**And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.**

Acts 8v37

As they say, 'idiots' are a dime a dozen! (*Idiot - A natural fool or fool from his birth; a human being in form, but destitute of reason*)

First of all the Bible 'corrector' will say that this verse wasn't in the originals, (*which HE has never seen as they no longer exist!*), or he'll say that this verse is not in the earliest manuscripts (*he probably doesn't even know the difference in manuscripts & probably can't even read Greek nor Hebrew!*) Yet we are to take HIS word for it & believe what HE says!

**God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar... Rom 3:4**

Acts 8v37 has been removed from the Revised Version (1881), The American Standard Version, the New International Version plus many other so called 'bibles'!

Acts 8v37 is quoted by the Church Fathers more than 100 years BEFORE Vaticanus or Sinaiticus were written! (*i.e. the TEXT'S that the NIV etc. are based upon!!!*) The verse has been taken out of A, B, C, H, L, & P & papyrus 45 & 74, & some Byzantine manuscripts that Origen & Eusebius fiddled with between 250 & 350 A.D.

**We have evidence of the Authorized Version reading in 225 A.D. (Cyprian), in 190 A.D. (Irenaeus) & 370 A.D. (Pacian): Tertullian, Ambrose, & Augustine are familiar with it.**

Those who first threw Acts 8v37 out were P45 & P74, followed by the Cult (Sinaiticus, Vaticanus, 'C', the Sahidic, & the Bohairic; & then the Harclean & Peshitta Syriac, after Origen messed with them). It is also missing from cursives 049, 056, 0142, 436, 326, 1241, 1505, 2127, 181, 81, 88 & several others.

To offset this vast array of African scholarship produced by half-baked apostates, **we have the verse, in whole or in part, in the works of Irenaeus (190 A.D.), Tertullian (200 A.D.) Cyprian (225 A.D.), Pacian (370 A.D.), Ambrose, uncial manuscript E, Old Latin manuscripts, Old Syriac manuscripts, plus the Armenian & Georgian translations. It is also found in cursive 629... (from) the dates of the Church Fathers listed above, we find the verse being quoted 100 - 200 years BEFORE Sinaiticus or Vaticanus were written!**

Acts 8v37 has an unbroken chain of testimony from Old Latin (2<sup>nd</sup> Century) to the present time! *Unfortunately pastor 'Nutcase' from Dudley Christian Fellowship puts 'scholarship' above The Word of God!* We are NOT that foolish!

**(Taken from 'O BIBLIOS'- THE BOOK by Alan O'Reilly  
Every Christian should have a copy of this book in his library!)**

**'Picking Teams' - I hope all 'Team Leaders' will take note of this poem!**

When we pick teams in the playground  
Whatever the game might be,  
There's always somebody left till last  
And usually it's me!

I stand there looking hopeful  
And tapping myself on the chest,  
But the captains pick the others first,  
Starting, of course with the best!

Maybe if teams were sometimes picked  
Starting with the worst,  
Once in his life a boy like me  
Could end up being first!

*(I shall be watching my own team leaders very carefully in future!)*

**Have you ordered any copies of 'It's Your Choice!' yet to give away?  
If not place your order today!!! (See enclosed order form)**

### **Are YOU Persecuted?**

**Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.** 2 Tim 3:12 – The more ‘godly’ you LIVE the more persecution you will suffer, it’s as simple as that. This is why most Christians do NOT suffer; they LIVE a life of compromise trying to get on with EVERYBODY & NOT standing for the Lord when they KNOW they should – most Christians are like that! There are very few Christians who really love the Lord Jesus Christ enough to stand up for Him in this world, very few. We are lukewarm Christians living in the day where the ‘church’ is generally lukewarm. We are neither HOT nor cold! We have left our first love & instead serve ourselves FIRST & then the Lord. We are men pleasers rather than God pleasers! Oh sure, we’re great ‘talkers’ telling folks (even ourselves) what we ARE going to do, but we NEVER do it! Here in the UK most of us know NOTHING about persecution; we can’t even open our mouths to stand up & witness for the Lord at work, school, college even IN our ‘churches!’ – can you believe what kind of people we are! Where has our love gone; did we ever really love the Lord that much to LIVE for Him in every part & area of our lives? Where are the faithful Christians today? I wonder how the Lord feels looking down on such a godless world full of people that mostly care only for themselves? Heart-breaking! Are you going to change, am I?

**What are YOU doing to reach the HELL-bound sinners in YOUR neighbourhood with the Gospel? They live down YOUR street – are YOU letting them walk right into Hell without trying to STOP them? YOU have a responsibility!**

**Have YOU ever ‘tracted’ YOUR area?  
If YOU don’t WHO will?**

### **Christians who DON’T Believe the Bible!**

What kind of Christian are you if you do not put your complete trust in the written word of God? What kind of Christian are you if you think that God could NOT preserve His word PERFECT for today? God has only ever written ONE BOOK & He then gave it to the human race to read, study & live by. Most people read anything BUT the Bible yet the Bible is THE BOOK that tells us EVERYTHING we NEED to know. How many times have you read the Bible, 10, 20, 30+ times or have you NEVER read it yet? If you do not trust the word of God, the Authorized Version Bible, 100%, WITHOUT error, then you do NOT have a Final Authority to turn to – *think about that for a while!*

### **Match Point ‘TWICE’ for Barney!**

Barney told me that he hasn’t beaten me at tennis for two years now; I didn’t think it was that long! So his chance came on our recent meeting when he started off by winning the first set quite comfortably! He also went 5-4 up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> set & had 2 match points. But alas, this ‘AV, Jack Russell’ spirited young fellow (ME that is!), just dug in really deep & fought back; I mean, come on, a ‘Pentecostal’ beating a BIBLE BELIEVER, it just doesn’t happen. Fight back, that I did! I took the set to even things out at 1 set all. Next the ‘decider’! We were 5 all, the tension was high, back & forth the ball went, when I saw my opportunity & seized the moment! He tried to play it a little clever & lob one very high but it landed mid court. I let the ball bounce & then struck it with such ‘AV Bible Believing force’ it nearly broke poor Barney’s strings & took the racket out of his hand! He stood there just staring, thinking ‘I just can’t break that little fella!’ *He sure couldn’t!* By this time he was mad, & I mean MAD! He said in his so called ‘dominating pastor’s voice’... “I WANT another set!” ‘Okay hotshot’, I thought (or something similar!), so we played ANOTHER for Barney’s sake. Poor old Barney! He went down quicker than a ‘lead balloon’ – 6-1. So the final score was 1 set to poor old Barney & 3 sets to the ‘AV Kid’!

He did want me to mention that he served an ACE against me recently, so here it is!

### **The Last Days are Evil Days!**

Recently I have put another sermon (very fitting for 2006) onto cassette. It is called ‘the Last Days are Evil Days!’ If you would like a copy, free of charge, please drop us a line.

### **Lay hands suddenly on no man!**

1 Tim 5:22 **Lay hands suddenly on no man...** How many times have you found yourself in a mess because you 'laid hands suddenly on someone!' You thought they were the right person at the time but you found out later they WEREN'T! It happens often in churches; not many people are actively involved in the church so when someone comes along who shows interest & zeal to do some 'work' whether its mundane i.e. cleaning, giving lifts etc. or evangelism, reaching the lost with the gospel, visitation, preaching etc. we tend to 'jump' on them because they have shown the slightest of interest. This can cause great problems in a church. Many a church has split because the WRONG person was put in the WRONG position. Be very careful when someone NEW turns up at church & wants to get involved with 'everything'; be very careful when that NEW person starts throwing around compliments about you & then goes on trying to advise you how THEY can *help improve things in the church!* The Devil certainly uses Christians & Christian 'plants' (*if you catch my drift!*) to cause division & split churches; I have seen this happen on a number of occasions. Just beware of jumping on someone right away. Let them settle in & PROVE themselves before you make any rash / hasty decisions. Gal 6:4 **But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.** 1 Thes 5:21 **Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.** 1 Tim 3:10 **And let these also first be proved;** then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless.

### **More Flights!**

During June I had to fly again to Edinburgh & then Holland. I still don't like flying & even less when I'm away from Donna! But all worked out & the Lord blessed the journeys. Donna was able to fly with me to Edinburgh which was really nice; a lovely city for architecture!

### **Correspondence...**

We have had some interesting letters of late. One young man from university wanted to know more about where Jesus went after He died, where Hell is; & 'Tongues' – are they for today?

### **Note NEW change to mailed out copies of 'Time for Truth News!' (TfTN!)**

Starting with this issue of TfT News! we shall be sending out ONLY ONE copy per person! Therefore, if you usually receive multiple copies, from this issue, YOU will only receive ONE copy from now on! The reason for this is to help us speed up getting the copies out i.e. weighing multiple copies is very time consuming. If you usually pass on the extra copies to friends etc. please fill in the enclosed form with their addresses written on in full (i.e. including postcode) & **we shall mail them a copy direct!** Sorry for any inconvenience this causes but it will really help us speed things up.

### **Has man really walked ON the Moon?**

While on holiday I watched a documentary on whether man really did go to the moon; it was very interesting indeed. What follows is a summary of why MAN has NEVER set foot ON the Moon – *you draw your own conclusions...*

1. In all of the photos & films shown regarding the Moon, STARS never seem to be present!
2. There is no air on the Moon yet the American flag was waving IN THE WIND?
3. No blast crater was under the rocket ship when it landed. (10,000 pounds of blast would have left some sort of crater!)
4. 10 astronauts died mysteriously; probably to keep things quiet & not let the secret out!
5. The race to the Moon was FADED because it was a space race between Russia & the USA & Russia had already put 'Sputnik' (a satellite launched on October 4<sup>th</sup> 1957) into space & there was concern about nuclear weapons being used FROM this satellite!
6. You could hear the astronauts talk from the space-ship yet a running rocket of that size produces 140/150 decibels making it IMPOSSIBLE to hear any voice?
7. July 20<sup>th</sup> 1969 was the date of landing on the Moon yet many believe it was filmed in Area 51 of the Nevada desert. From satellite pictures you can see craters similar to that of the Moon in area 51 of the desert!
8. The rocket blast of landing/taking off, onto & from the Moon, would have dispersed the

- POWDER/DUST far away yet footprints near the space-craft can clearly be seen!
9. It was all a Government cover-up!
  10. The photos were 'faked' – most, if not all of the *important* ones, were very 'grainy' & you couldn't see the necessary detail!
  11. Gravity on the Moon is one sixth of the earths. When you double the speed of the film of the astronauts running it's as if they are walking normal according to 'earths' gravity!
  12. If you double the speed of the space vehicle it looks as if it is moving normal speed as if ON EARTH!
  13. In order to survive the radiation that the space craft would have to go through to get to the Moon you would need a 6 foot thick LEAD shielding to protect the crew! Think about the protection you have just for an X-Ray! They were only protected by thin aluminium!
  14. The temperature on the Moon ranges from 250 degrees below 0 to 250 degrees above 0. The space suits could not cope with this.
  15. Russian astronauts have stated that NO man has ever walked on the Moon!
  16. While on the Moon you could see shadows cast in different directions showing MORE THAN ONE light source i.e. artificial lighting. When you expected to see a silhouette of the space craft because the sun was BEHIND it, you could see the front of the craft lit up as well with 'United States' written across it!

I just thought the above information was very interesting. If we haven't walked on the Moon & yet we have been LIED to, to say that we *have* walked on the Moon, I wonder what else WE HAVE BEEN LIED TO ABOUT???

**It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.** Ps 118:8  
**God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar...** Rom 3:4

### Church for sale!



Often times when Donna & I are travelling around the UK we see churches up for sale just like this one. Depending upon space etc. I may include a few pictures of some in future newsletters for your interest! How sad it is. We see so many that are either derelict or being used as carpet/furniture warehouses etc.

### Only in England...

- ❖ ...Can a pizza get to your house faster than an ambulance!
- ❖ ...Do supermarkets make sick people walk all the way to the back of the shop to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front!
- ❖ ...Do banks leave both doors open & chain the pens to the counters!
- ❖ ...Do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries & a DIET coke!
- ❖ ...Do we leave cars worth thousands of pounds on the drive & lock up our junk & lawn mower in the garage!

### Seven funny one-liners!

- ☺ It's lonely at the top; but you do eat better!
- ☺ No one is listening until you make a mistake!
- ☺ Always remember you are unique; *just like everyone else!*
- ☺ Why is 'abbreviation' such a long word?
- ☺ The word 'gullible' isn't in the dictionary!
- ☺ If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
- ☺ I didn't used to finish sentences but now I...

### **Gospel to Councillors!**

A list of 43 councillors (*including their addresses*) appeared in our local paper recently. *What an opportunity!* Needless to say we wrote out 43 envelopes & posted them all a copy of our new booklet 'It's Your Choice!' *Pray they get saved!*

### **Does the Trinitarian Bible Society have the most 'miserable' staff in the world?**

They do a great work but every time I make contact with them their staff are more 'sour' than a lemon! Some Christian organisations are so miserable & cold it's no wonder 'the world' doesn't want to go to church & mix with *people like these; neither do I.* So when you next speak to them (if you do) ask, *the women especially*, whether they *sucked on a lemon for breakfast!!!* (Miserable lot!)

### **Harrogate Show!**

Donna & I spent four days on a stand at the Harrogate Gift Fare recently. There was a team of five of us & each evening we ate out together. One particular evening we were joined by two women, one of them was a customer who had met the other lady in her hotel. While we were eating out, Muriel (the friend of our customer!) mentioned that she had just come back from Uganda with her church. Noticing she had an Irish accent & lived in Northern Ireland I presumed she was a Roman Catholic; I couldn't have been further wrong! She started witnessing about the Lord & took a stand when challenged about her belief & other religions – she was great! I joined in & so the three of us i.e. Muriel, Donna & I united! I could see the others at the table were a little uncomfortable & so after a while they went for a cigarette just to get away I think. One of my reps stayed & got both barrels from Muriel! It was a great time of witnessing for our Lord & fellowship with Muriel. She hardly ever goes out in the evening she said but felt it was right that evening! I gave her a couple of the booklets & have already sent her some TfT! newsletters. Hopefully we shall keep in touch!

### **Worcestershire County Council**

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of July I had a letter from a lady from Worcestershire County Council which read... '*I am a mental health support worker based in Kidderminster. I have a client who lives in Bewdley who is troubled at the moment... ...She received a leaflet through her door with your name on it & asked me to write to you on her behalf. She is asking if you would visit her to talk about her problems, & reassure her. She would like me to support her at such a meeting. If you agree to see her, please could you contact me to make arrangements.*' We have often gone tracting before badminton recently & so this was quite an encouragement. Unfortunately the day I should have gone I was ill so Barney stood in for me. He took the opportunity to witness to both ladies & give them the gospel as well as praying with them. I have also sent them some more Christian literature.

### **Wesley Owen / Send The Light (STL) Christian Bookshops Say NO!**

We were very disappointed but not *really* surprised that Wesley Owen/STL turned down stocking our booklet 'It's Your choice!' They gave a feeble excuse that it would get lost in their 'vast' range of other titles. The next time you visit a Wesley Owen bookshop you have a look at what kind of 'Gospel' booklets they stock. In fact have a good look at what kind of QUALITY they stock in regard to DOCTRINE! See for yourself! You could then ask the manager to stock 'It's Your Choice!'

### **Worship – by A.W. Tozer**

Tozer writes... 'There are today many millions of people who hold right opinions, probably more than ever before in the history of the church. Yet I wonder if there was ever a time when true spiritual worship was at a lower ebb. To great sections of the church, that strange & foreign thing called the 'program'. This word has been borrowed from the stage & applied with sad wisdom to the type of public service which now passes for worship among us.'

**God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.**

John 4v24

### Nightmare!

Recently I had an awful nightmare that my dad, who is still not a Christian, died & went to Hell. In this nightmare I was sobbing uncontrollably wishing I had done more to try & reach him. *I just wanted to share that small incident with you.* We have left a Bible by the telephone & 'It's Your Choice!' booklets around the house; we pray that he will read something while we are out. Please keep praying for my dad that he will get saved, my sister also. In fact, NEVER stop praying for your own family members who are not saved YET! Let us pray for one another, & our families, & do what we can while we have the time.

### Christadelphian Bible Exhibition!

The Christadelphian CULT held one of their bible exhibitions in Birmingham recently. I wasn't around but suggested that Chris (one of our team leaders) pay them a visit to see what sort of false teachings they had on display etc. Chris, Mary & Tim spent 3 hours there debating & taking a stand against their false doctrines!

### Discipleship Group Holiday!

Well it's that time again when the DG spend a week together in a hired house way out in the country. We are all looking forward to it & no doubt there shall be some stories appearing in the next issue of TfT News! Watch this space. *Will LaToya be the 'DG Champion' again this year?*

## How much time do you spend 'winning souls for Jesus Christ?'

**The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life;  
and he that winneth souls is wise.**

**[Proverbs 11v30 ]**

### News from the boys...

Well this heat wave has lasted for quite some time now & Jack & Eddie have really made the most out of *their own* 'paddling pool'. Often times Eddie will just climb in & lay down cooling himself off after a run; while Jack seizes upon the opportunity of 'pinching' his ball or bone! They are both doing great!

### Missionary Work?

Ever thought about becoming a missionary or participating in some missionary work? Many Christians today only want to 'serve' the Lord in 'their own way' i.e. where & when it suits them; not many are interested in giving up their time & money to serve the Lord WHERE HE WANTS THEM TO GO! Why not pray & ask the Lord whether He could use you on the mission field. I hear so many Christians say that they'll get a job & then they will change the place where they work for the Lord; I've never met one yet who stood their ground where & when they should in their work place! GO where GOD calls you, home or abroad BUT GO!

### Question Time...

When did the 'Body of Christ', the 'church' START? (Col 1v18)

Was John the Baptist IN the Body of Christ?

Were the apostles IN the Body of Christ?

### Recommended Reading...

Recently I picked up a book by David W. Daniels called 'Did the Catholic Church Give Us the Bible?' I would recommend every Christian read it for a brief outline on how we received God's Holy Word 'The Authorized Version!' It truly is a miracle indeed!