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SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.
 Worship.....10:20 a.m.
 Worship.....5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

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ON THE HOME FRONT

Lord willing, we will soon complete our study of First and Second Timothy. If you have a recommendation for a book of the Bible which you would like for us to study in the auditorium Bible class, please let me know. Obviously, we will only be able to study one book at a time, so we will not be able to honor every request right now. Maybe you have a favorite book or a book about which you would like to hear a more in-depth conversation, please let me know and it will be considered.

We are currently about two months away from the start of the 45th Annual Spiritual Sword Lectureship. We are very excited for this effort. Hopefully, we will have our brochures in soon. When we do get them in, please pick some up and give them to friends, family, neighbors, and anyone else that you can invite to hear God's Word being preached. Please allow me to share this passage with you.

My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;
 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.
 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.
 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord (James 1:2-7).

Bradley Smith

From The Desk Of Bradley Smith

Here is another Spiritual Sword letter I would like to share with you that show the lives it touches:

Calvary Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

I am pleased to inform you once again that your materials are ever been received and used in spreading the message of the Lord in key topics. I have just received Vol 50 (No. 3), April, 2019 Edition.

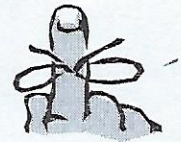
It has been wonderful to maintain such beautiful brotherliness with you all over there. I hope to meet you all someday, and if not possible on earth, then in Heaven.

The work is growing here in Nigeria. Though we are challenged by Islamic activities and bad governance, yet there are still many who have made resolve to serve the Lord; though there is hardship and pain, yet we have chosen to remain steadfast. Please always pray for Nigeria, especially for the saints in it - that God should find a way for us all.

Special regards to the Minister(s) and the Elders and Deacons of the Congregation. May His grace be with you all. Amen.
Remain blessed.

In His Service
Obeten Okoi Oka
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RON'S REMINDERS



The following will be a 4 part article written by Eric Lyons from Reason & Revelation June 2020
The Four Most Important Questions You Will Ever Ask (Conti.)

QUESTION #4—HOW DO I GET THERE?

Realizing that every person will ultimately end up in either heaven or hell, the next logical, all-important question to ask is, "How?" How do we get from here to there?

Virtually no one professes that they actually want to go to hell, yet the path leading there is quite broad, and "many are those who enter" it in many different ways (Matthew 7:13). How exactly?

- By refusing to acknowledge where we came from.²⁰
- By doing little-to-nothing—like the lazy servant in the parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14-30).
- By rejecting the spiritual (and practical) wisdom of God and going full-steam ahead with a materialistic lifestyle. As Ecclesiastes highlights, a focus on earthly wisdom, prosperity, and worldly pleasures is a recipe for spiritual disaster.
- By doing whatever "I think" is best. Rather than listen to God, man often does what is "right in his own eyes" (Judges 21:25). Yet, "the way of man is not in himself; it is not in man who walks to direct his own steps" (Jeremiah 10:23). Indeed, "[t]here is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death" (Proverbs 14:12).
- In short, by sinning and not wholly trusting in the Lord—Who is the one and only answer to the sin (and punishment) problem.²¹

Similar to how God set "life and death, blessing and cursing" before the Israelites (prior to their entrance into the land of Canaan—Deuteronomy 30:19), God sets spiritual life and death before us all and pleads with us to "choose life." God doesn't want **anyone** to perish (2 Peter 3:9). He "desires all men to be saved" (1 Timothy 2:4). From the moment wretched sin entered the world, God began revealing His answer to the sin problem (Genesis 3:15; 12:1-3). Following thousands of years of Old Testament promises and prophecies pointing to the ultimate

"Lamb of God Who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29), "God sent forth His Son" to redeem the slaves of sin and allow them to become His saved-from-sin children (Galatians 4:4-5). "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved" (John 3:16-17). Indeed, God is so loving that He not only warned us of the eternal consequences of unforgiven sin, but even when we succumbed to sin, God took upon Himself the just punishment for our sins, that we might be saved! So why will many people still go to eternal hell? Because they **choose** to. Because they "trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was [they were] sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace" (Hebrews 10:29).

Our Overall Response to God In General Terms

The Bible is all about God, His plan to save man, and what He requires from us in response. In general terms, God calls us to do what Solomon concluded 3,000 years ago about the "whole matter": "Fear God and keep His commandments" (Ecclesiastes 12:13). Another way of stating what our general response to God should be is found in Solomon's words in Proverbs 3:5-7: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.... Fear the Lord and depart from evil." Or, we could rightly summarize the essence of faithfulness (under Judaism and Christianity) with these challenging words from Jesus (Who was quoting the Old Testament²²): "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets" (Matthew 22:37-40)