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SUNDAY

Bible Study.....9:30 a.m.

Worship.....10:20 a.m.

Worship.....5:00 p.m.

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

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ON THE HOME FRONT

We are only FOUR short months away from the 46th Annual Spiritual Sword Lectureship, "The Book of James: A Roadmap for Christian Living." We have the majority of the manuscripts in and are currently proofreading them. In case you are wondering, here is a summary of the process that goes into making our lectureship book. We start out initially by inviting speakers and telling them their topics. We give them a deadline by which we need their manuscripts to make it easier for us to review them. As the speakers finish their manuscripts, they email or "snail mail" them to us. I review the manuscripts to make sure that all the verses they have included are accurate and that there are no doctrinal confusions. Then, Jacob Wallace reviews them for grammatical accuracy. Next, June Ashby typesets the manuscripts to have them in the proper format. Finally, we send them off to Paul Sain so that he can get everything set how he needs it to print in the lectureship book. It is a long process, but one that is well worth the effort.

The July issue of the Spiritual Sword is on the horizon. This is a great publication and Christians around the world benefit from it. What a great encouragement it is to have the Spiritual Sword here at Getwell! Alan Highers has done such a great job for so long in editing the publication.

Bradley Smith

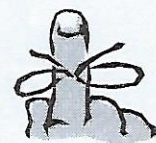
From The Desk Of Bradley Smith

What is “Wine” in the Bible?

A number of people who wish to advocate for social drinking will often make the argument that every time you see the word “wine” in the Bible, it is speaking of alcoholic, fermented wine. Is this the case? Please consider the chart below, which to my knowledge, contains every word in the Bible that is translated “wine.”

Old Testament	<i>yayin</i>	Fermented or Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>tiyrosh</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>shiqar</i>	Fermented
Old Testament	<i>yeqeb</i>	Grapes on the Vine
Old Testament	<i>Asis</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>ashishah</i>	Raisins
Old Testament	<i>chemer</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>chamar</i>	Fermented
Old Testament	<i>sobe</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>shemer</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>nasek</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>mimsak</i>	Fermented
Old Testament	<i>Yeqeb</i>	Unfermented
Old Testament	<i>enab</i>	Grapes on the Vine/Raisins
Old Testament	<i>chomets</i>	Unripe Grapes on the Vine
Old Testament	<i>misteh</i>	Unfermented or Fermented
New Testament	<i>oinos</i>	Unfermented or Fermented
New Testament	<i>sikera</i>	Fermented
New Testament	<i>gleukos</i>	Unfermented

RON'S REMINDERS



What in the world has gotten into you?

There is a question in my family that has been asked and passed down from generation to generation. My grandparents asked it, my parents asked it, and we, as parents, have asked it as well. The question is simply, "What in the world has gotten into you?"

My grandparents had 10 children and while I cannot even imagine being a busy mother of 10. I can imagine there were tons of love, much teachings, a lot of talking, and plenty of disciplining. I have been told that when disciplining the children, Grandmother would always ask the question, "What in the world has gotten into you?"

Fast forwarding, my parents had 5 children and I can very distinctly remember a time (or maybe two) that Mom before her moment of disciplining one of us would do similar. No doubt having inherited this from her mother, she would tilt her head slightly, look at us from the corner of her eye, slowly shake her head from side-to-side, and pointing her finger at you, so that you were not mistaken that she was talking directly to you, would speak that generational question spoken in a slow but plain manner, "What in the world has gotten into you?" I never really knew if Mom was expecting an answer or not. We would just drop our heads, look at the floor and mumble, "I don't know."

I will never forget a time my sister, whom I called The Bold One of my siblings gave our mom a different answer when she asked this question. Mom asked, "What in the world has gotten into you?" and my sister answered, "I guess the devil got into me." This time Mom paused for a second and then said to my sister, "Well I guess you are right." Needless to say, my sweet mom had a way of staring and scaring the devil right out of us!

When reminiscing about these childhood memories, I started to think that the answer my sister gave so many years ago was so very true, and not only that, but it is also a wakeup call to us today! If we are not careful, while living in this world, this world may end up living in us.

What in the world has gotten into you? We must remember that it is Satan who is the "god of this age" (2 Corinthians 4:4). This Scripture also tells us that he blinds the very minds of them who do not believe so that the light of the Gospel cannot shine into them. Satan is a liar, a trickster, and a deceiver. He knows he is in a losing battle and he cannot defeat the Father or the Son. So who better to try to get, than God's children? We are his very targets, his tricks and tactics are not all new—they go

back long before my grandparents and so on. He has been a liar and murderer from the beginning (John 8:44) and he is in this world with a mission "to steal, and to kill, and to destroy" (John 10:10). This adversary is as a roaring lion, walking about seeking whom he may devour (1 Peter 5:8). I believe that this very question, that has been asked in my family for generations, could have been asked to many, even from the beginning of time.

What in the world has gotten into you, Adam and Eve, when you decided to disobey God and eat from the tree?"

"What in the world has gotten into you, David, (a man after God's own heart) when you decided to have a man killed just so that you could have his wife?"

"What in the world has gotten into you, Moses, (a man who was chosen by God to lead the children of Israel out of bondage) when you disobeyed God, and struck the rock instead of speaking to it?"

"What in the world has gotten into you, Judas, (a man handpicked by Christ Himself, who walked, talked and witnessed the very miracles of Christ) when you decided to betray our Lord for 30 pieces of silver?"

Satan was busy then and he is busy now, showing no respecter of persons. These are times that we must keep our whole armor of God on so that we can stand against Satan. The further we get from God, the closer we allow Satan to get to us. Isn't that what is going on in this world today? Right is being called wrong and wrong is being called right. We have to be in this world but we do not have to be of this world.

There is a light that should shine in is so bright that others cannot help but to see it. And that light should glorify the Lord. The question is "What in the world has gotten into you?" And the answer to this old question should not be the things of this world. What should be in us are those things that are true, noble, just, pure, lovely, of good report, and if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy, let us think on these things (Philippians 4:8).

"For our citizenship is in Heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (Philippians 3:20).

This world is not our home, we are just a passing through.

Remain Blessed.