

Words of Wisdom Radio Transcript by John T Polk II

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

12/26/2022 Jesus: More Than Meets the Eye

Peter reminded Christians of Jesus:

... Whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory. (1 Peter 1:8)

Peter was there when Jesus said,

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." (John 20:29)

The Bible describes everything about Jesus Christ we need to know to love Him, His: character, personality, compassion, doctrine, motive, knowledge, power, wisdom, dedication, and purity. Everything, that is, except His physical appearance. The churches of Christ in the New Testament, Christians, never had statues, pictures, or any physical representation of Jesus Christ; only what was revealed in written Scriptures. According to Jesus' statement, and Peter's letter, the Holy Spirit intended that everyone look inside Jesus to be like Him.

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Another Year Of Darkness

Then God said, "Let there be light;" and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. God called the light 'Day', and the darkness He called 'Night'. So the evening and the morning were the first day. (**Genesis 1:3-5**)

From the first day of the Creation, God wants us to know the difference between Day and Night, darkness and light. The prophet Daniel said, God "knows what is in the darkness, And light dwells with Him" (**Daniel 2:22**). Solomon said,

The way of the wicked is like darkness; They do not know what makes them stumble. (**Proverbs 4:19**)

There are some people who stumbled into 2022, through 2022, and are planning to stumble into 2023. They haven't figured out yet, "what makes them stumble." Don't waste another year in darkness!

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Labels Are Not Arguments

The Devil doesn't deal with truth and its defense, but retaliates with lies, labels, slander, and blasphemy.

Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. (Romans 10:17)

Therefore preaching God's Word brings forth a torrent of misrepresentations. Preaching:

- * "baptism doth also now save us" from **1 Peter 3:21** brings the slander of "water salvationist;" or,
- * Jesus' statement, "He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female'" in **Matthew 19:4** brings the blasphemy of "homophobe;" or,
- * after Jesus raised a widow's dead son, we conclude with the crowd, "'A great prophet has risen up among us'; and, 'God has visited His people' (**Luke 7:16**), would label us "Islamaphobes."

Whoever spreads slander is a fool. (**Proverbs 10:18**)

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Insane New Year

The wicked shall be turned into hell, And all the nations that forget God. (Psalm 9:17)

No one can question that Americans have forgotten God:

- * Evolution has replaced "The everlasting God, the LORD, The Creator of the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 40:28);
- * Affluence has replaced dependence upon "the LORD Almighty" (2 Corinthians 6:18);
- * Immorality and Indecency have replaced "the pure in heart, For they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8);
- * Illegal and Lawless behavior from top to bottom rules, and "sin is lawlessness" (1 John 3:4).

If the definition of "insanity" is "doing the same things over and over, but expecting a different result," then many people are planning another "insane" year! Live the same, vote the same, think the same, and there will be NO NEW YEAR!

Turn us back to You, O LORD, and we will be restored; Renew our days as of old (Lamentations 5:21).

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What's "New" For 2023?

What would make this a "new" year for you? a: new job? new house? new car? new clothes? We can change our "things," but some things must stay the same: our relatives; our habits; our past year; our memories.

What would truly make this a "new" year is if each one of us would change ourselves, then we would make this a "new" year for those around us. If we follow Jesus Christ, it requires:

That you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which has created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness. (Ephesians 4:22-24)

Change what we can - ourselves.

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