



They do not fear bad news; they confidently trust the Lord to care for them. They are confident and fearless and can face their foes triumphantly. Ps. 112:7-8_{NLT}

There is a way that seems right to man, but the end thereof is death. Prov. 14:12 (Emphasis Editor's)



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How Can Evil Look So Good ...?

....It depends entirely on where you're coming from!

This week as story appeared in the news showing candidates and supporters for governor in lowa gathered in a public prayer - asking for women to have freedom of 'choice'. desire is that abortion which ends the life of the unborn, would flourish in their state.

To these folks this prayer is an honorable thing - that women can act as they will with no regard or compassion for another human life. It seems so right to them and nothing can dissuade them. It is sin.

As a young woman I looked to astrology for guidance. After all, it was my view that much of the Bible was questionable, and thus unreliable - so perhaps this was a way that God still speaks to people in this day. I hardly made a move without consulting my horoscope. I truly believed this. It was only later after acquainting myself with scripture that I found God had already addressed the matter!

"Beware when you look to the stars lest you begin to worship them rather than the creator of them."1 Some Bible teachers say God hasn't addressed astrology per se. But He says here it is idolatry, pure and simple. 2

Sincerity is not a virtue! Hitler was sincere...but he was sincerely wrong! I also was sincere and sorely naïve.

...And as for those Iowa folks, 'Woe to those who call evil good...' What comes after 'woe' for those who actually pray for evil to flourish?... I shudder.

Adulterous affairs are said to 'seem so right' when they're clearly wrong and destructive! Emotions lead to poor decisions!

Some folks grow up in alcohol, poverty, abuse where wrong is right to They merely gravitate into adulthood with no guidance, alienated from the life of God thru ignorance. See Ephes 4:17

objective God's scripture is: To introduce us to the Path of Life and to teach us to recognize what is genuine. Living words.3

Think on this: A bank teller doesn't check all bills for counterfeits. Experience has taught them the 'feel' of the genuine from fake bills. Scripture crafts in us the same ability to discern truth from the deception of evil.

Understand that Jesus is the 'express image' of God, and as such, the 'Word made flesh.' Heb.1:3. Someone said of Jesus: 'He is God spelling Himself out... in every language man can understand."

When we are 'born again, (it is) thru the Living & Abiding Word of God.'4

Knowing God is deeply personal! He knows everything about us... yet loves us anyway! Why? The same reason you love your children! Because they're yours! God made us...! And we're His.

Many have longed to see this day 5 - the fulfillment of all things ...Where wrongs are made right & Jesus is revealed as the returning King He is! 6

Yet we must brace for the escalation of evil as well. Talking heads and the intellectual elite explain to us what 'normal' is (gay marriage & entertainment filth)...and those who don't accept it all are considered 'out of step.' Or punished, as in the military.

Did you know before He ascended, Jesus was seen by over 500 people at one time? 7 He is an historical figure by whose everyone, (atheists too) dates their checks! Jesus isn't a 'phantom'. He's alive, not dead; Risen the 1st of many brethren!

Is He alive to YOU? ...IN you? He can be! Ask Him.

It is the world that's out of step with right and good! Many truths are in this world. Only one Truth still liberates!8 "Thy word is truth." 9 Warning If we don't love it, we'll embrace lies.10

Be careful how you live; you will be the only Bible some people ever

Want to know what your calling is ...? Follow this counsel of former federal Judge Helen Dodge who smuggled Bibles to Communist nations in her off time! She said, "Follow your burden! Your passion will lead you to where your calling is." 1976 World Convention, FGBMFI. Chicago, Illinois



Many practice the evil of silence - They See no evil; Hear no evil; Speak no evil. They don't wish to offend. But if no one discerns evil; speaks up against it; or hears of evil- then evil has unrestrained access to society...and to our children.

Empires have fallen... America isn't immune-Set your hope in God!

Common sense & a sense of humor are the same thing, moving at different speeds. A sense of humor is just common sense, dancing. William James

Dancing-The soul in motion

Humour is reason gone mad. *Groucho Marx*

Men have forgotten God – that's why all this has happened. *Alex Solzenitzyn*

References 1) Deut. 4:19 2) Ex. 20:3 3) Heb. 4:11-12 4) I Pet. 1:23 5) Heb. 11 6) Rev. 19:13 7) I Cor. 15:6 8) John 8:32,36 9) John 17:17 10) John 8:32,36 11) II Thes.2:10 - A Warning!



The world
loves religion
but not the Gospel.
The Gospel confronts
the world's wickedness &
challenges the
world system.
Reinhard Bonnke

What's Your Question?

Many years ago I saw a white billboard with the simple statement "Jesus is the Answer" printed on it. Across the bottom someone had scrawled 'What's the Question?' Problems arise when believers attempt to answer questions that have not been asked yet by others. It's a matter of trusting the Holy Spirit to create moments where spontaneous topics arise. Naturally and unforced.

And learning to follow Him. It is God that creates the questions in the heart anyway

I'm not about trying to answer questions that haven't been asked. But I do try to consider what questions are in the hearts of the readers of this newsletter. God knows...

Everyone has questions. Youth want to know 'Who am I?' 'Why am I here?' So if we

just evolved from apes, a sense of 'destiny' is hard to convey to them. Adults want to know how to succeed and how to find love? Success is a relative term, often defined by what gratifies individuals. Money never motivated me in business - but travel, trips and visits to family did! But I loved working for myself., not awaking to an alarm or driving in rush hour traffic. My gratification came in being able to live as I liked & taking the time I wished to do so.

Finding love, a sense of worth & acceptance is a whole other matter. People who are 'all about me' have their work cut out! "He who has many friends knows how to be one." It's about selflessness, not selfishness. Don't complain if no one ever calls you. How many people

do you call? Now my question to you. Where are you going in life...?

Evaluate yourself. Take a look at who it is you admire most. Make a list of attributes you like. If one is Jimmie Hendrix, you may have to adjust some priorities. Look at people admired as a whole by everyone. What appeals to you? Take some classes & meet positive folks who aren't druggies or binge drinkers. Set new goals. Change habits

Older folks question how they can do more for their children. I once lamented to my daughter I had so little to leave her and she said to me "Mom, you have given me a rich heritage, the best one of all! You've taught me the value of love and prayer." Forget things and \$.Give your children something eternal...

A Repeat That Bears Repeating!

Dear Agatha: I've now been married 6 years & I'm beginning to think I married the wrong man. I work but can't pay all the bills myself. He makes good money but we're always broke! drinks & buys lotto whether bills get paid or not. What can I do...Divorce him? Charissa Dear Charissa: Well you did choose him, and you don't say why. So I can tell you, when faced with alternatives, the hardest one is usually the right one! There is a way to right this ship, but it all depends on whether you have the tenacity & fortitude to make that choice. Let me tell you a true story, about a young man named Robb, who grew up near Chicago. He was the son of alcoholics,

and the biggest question each day was, would they buy bread or beer? Truant officers came to inquire why he wasn't in school? No clothes! He was an alcoholic by age 13; on drugs by age 17. At age 21 his mind 'snapped' and he was in a mental institution at age 22.

Today, he is Dr. Robb Thompson, Pastor, plus founder and president of Family Harvest International, a worldwide network of Christian Congregations. He also created winninginlife.org.

What happened? He says "Poverty is not lack of money, but lack of proof of right choices. Poverty in the lives of all the people that we touch – says God doesn't care. There is no lack of money. My

parents always had money for beer and fast food. Poverty is proof you misused what God gave you.

Generational curses rarely bow to prayer – But they have to bow to right decisions! The only way to make it as a believer is to surrender! God told us to pay taxes & tithe. Tithing is proof of trust. Anything that we don't have money for is an indictment for misuse. A crisis is no more than the dead end of a poor decision."

Charissa, you can set the tone in your home today by beginning to make right decisions with *your* money. Find Godly women to pray for you both. Then watch him change before your eyes. The easy way out - is divorce!



