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Encouraging people to "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15)

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Built His House Upon A Rock - Part IX (Matthew 7:24)



A study of Matthew 5, 6, and 7.

Continuing our study of Matthew



5, 6, and 7, in learning what it means to be "a wise man, which built his house upon a rock" (Matthew 7:24), we continue from last month.

Matthew 5:38 Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:

The full context of civil law is Exodus 21:23-25, which says, "And if [any] mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life, Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe." It is also found in Deuteronomy 19:21 "And thine eye shall not pity; [but] life [shall go] for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot."

The fact that it is a civil law and not a spiritual law is brought out in Leviticus 24:17-22 "And he that killeth any man shall surely be put to death. And he that killeth a beast shall make it good; beast for beast. And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as he hath done, so shall it be done to him; Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be done to him [again]. And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that killeth a man, he shall be put to death. Ye shall have one manner of law, as well for the stranger, as for one of your own country: for I [am] the LORD your God."

The reference to country makes the law apply to the civil and not spiritual.

The reason we are making this distinction is that it was not Jesus' intention to replace the civil law with the spiritual application that He made in verse 39, expounded upon below.

People were taking the civil law and applying it spiritually, and the spirit of forgiveness was being lost. If the civil law were to be done away with, society would cease to exist. A society is only as strong as the laws that are enforced. God's kingdom is considered a society.

We will dwell with the angels and even God Himself. Those that advocate that the Ten Commandments are no longer binding are actually proclaiming that the Kingdom of Heaven has no rules. In this case, Satan and his evil angels may gain entrance back into Heaven. Further, when the devil and the unrepentant sinners are finally dealt with, a kingdom without law will surely find itself repeating history. Sin would break out again. Therefore, God still has a strict obedience to the law – the Ten Commandments. Praise God that we have the help of grace, through faith, by the power of the blood of Jesus Christ to enable us.

Christians using foul language reveals that they belong to the society of earth – not heaven. Christians embezzling show that they belong to the society of earth – not heaven. Christians who are barely giving God an hour at church once a week, instead of a full day with Him and their families as called for in the commandment are of earth, not heaven. Those who do not give their lives wholly to God every moment of every day, through His strength, show that they belong to the society of earth – not heaven. Those who barely donate to the cause of God and spend much on themselves are ones that belongs to the society of earth – not

WE ARE NOT A CHURCH BUT ENCOURAGE ALL TO ATTEND CHURCH NOT AS A PEW WARMER BUT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

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Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

NEWS FOR CHILDREN OF LIGHT

(1 Thessalonians 5:5)



The following are "sudden destruction" news items that

appeared between April 16 and May 15, 2006.

[Preview future "sudden destruction" news snippets at www.tstl.net/suddendestruction.]

► **WorldNetDaily, April 18, 2006 - Kentucky goes P.C. on B.C., A.D.**

The Kentucky State Board of Education has recommended textbooks in the state include the secular dating abbreviations of B.C.E. and C.E. alongside the traditional Christian-based B.C. and A.D. B.C.E., or Before Common Era, and C.E., for Common Era, have become popular among academics and some historians, largely because B.C., or Before Christ, and A.D., Anno Domini, in the year of our Lord, are based on Christianity.

TSTL: Matthew 10:33 *"But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven."* If this passes, the next step is to remove the AD and BC. We are in a spiritual warfare. While we think the issue is Iraq, Iran, or terrorism in general, spirituality is being removed and intolerance of people holding on to their faith will soon be on the rise.

heaven.

Matthew 5:39 But I say unto you, that ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

Lamentations 3:30 contains similar wording showing that this is not an original concept in the New Testament but an expansion of the Old. *"He giveth [his] cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach."* To give one's cheek to be smitten is to give it without expecting to smite back. That is exactly as Jesus says. Spiritually, do not smite back.

To "resist not evil" is not to allow evil ways to go unchecked. On this point, too many Christians become powerless and allow evil to take over their homes and eventually their church. God is calling us to not seek revenge. But again, for the sake of society, civil laws must be enforced. Forgive a murderer but the murderer still needs to be punished. Likewise, unrepentant sinners can be forgiven upon repentance but they should not be allowed to wreck the church. And they should not have their way at home. That makes parents no better than Eli, which God condemned.

In other words, the civil laws shows us that there are to be consequences to wrong behavior, yet turning the cheek tells us to leave your emotions out of it. Deal firmly and consistently but never in anger or revenge.

Matthew 5:40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat,

let him have [thy] cloke also.

Again, Jesus brings out personal forgiveness. If you lost a court case, it is "human nature" to never speak to the other side again. But that is not how Jesus wants it. Personally, we are to forgive.

Matthew 5:41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

In those days, transportation was very limited. Though the word "mile" is not the same as our "mile" today, nonetheless, Jesus does not want us to complain about being compelled to go with the person. Though it be a burden, we ought to be willing to give of ourselves 200%.

Matthew 5:42 Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

Now be careful. If you give to every one that asks, Satan would rob the church and the cause of God would come to a financial close. On the other hand, because of the many con artists, *"and because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold"* (Matthew 24:12) people are usually too stingy. As you give, you shall receive. For the person who is truly in need, give without expecting equal in return.

To be continued...

We will continue our verse-by-verse study next month, but for now, may you have personal forgiveness while establishing and enforcing the law.

THAT THOU MAYEST PROSPER AND BE IN HEALTH, EVEN AS THY SOUL PROSPERETH (3 John 1:2)



Topic: Knowledge a Duty

It is the duty of every human being, for his own sake and for the sake of humanity, to inform himself or herself in regard to the laws of

organic life [not to be confused with organic foods], and conscientiously to obey them. . . . It is the duty of every person to become intelligent in regard to disease and its causes (Exodus 15:26). You must study your Bible (2 Timothy 2:15), in order to understand the value that the Lord places

on the men (Isaiah 13:12) whom Christ has purchased at such an infinite price (Acts 20:28). Then we should become acquainted with the laws of life (Proverbs 13:14), that every action of the human agent may be in perfect harmony with the laws of God. When there is so great peril in ignorance (1 Peter 1:14), is it not best to be wise (Proverbs 3:35) in regard to the human habitation fitted up by our Creator (Ephesians 2:21), and over which he desires that we shall be faithful stewards (1 Corinthians 4:2)?

Health Tidbit: Flax - Flour derived from flaxseed is increasingly being used in

bread and bakery products to add a nutty flavor and to increase the nutritional and health benefits of the finished product. Flaxseed in the diet can lower blood cholesterol levels because of its very low saturated-fat content. Flaxseed oil is also a very rich source of the omega-3 type of fat. This provides flax with its anti-inflammatory action, making flax potentially useful to

treat lupus, arthritis, and different allergies. Flaxseed is also known to enhance immune function. Oil seeds such as sesame seed and especially flaxseed are very rich sources of lignans. The colon converts plant lignans to substances that are similar to estrogens and can bind to estrogen receptors and inhibit the growth of estrogen-stimulated breast cancer.

UPDATES & STATS TO WWW.TSTL.NET

The latest updates include:

- New Bible Study released: **The Greatest Coverup**.
- Newly released **August and September 2003 Newsletters** are now online.
- Newly released **August and September 2003 Children's Newsletters** are now online.

Since April 2005...

- The main page has been seen by nearly 38,000 visitors; up over 3,000 since April 15, 2006.
- Nearly 11,000 content searches; up 2,000 since April 15.

TRAIN UP A CHILD IN THE WAY HE SHOULD GO: AND WHEN HE IS OLD, HE WILL NOT DEPART FROM IT (Prov. 22:6)



Character Examples From the Bible – Daniel (Chapter 2, reacting to the decree)

Daniel 2:12-19 *For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise [men] of Babylon. And the decree went forth that the wise [men] should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain. Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise [men] of Babylon: He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why [is] the decree [so] hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel. Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.*

Continuing with observing Daniel's character, one of the greatest examples provided in the Bible, we observe how he reacts to a hasty decree from the king.

In life, there are situations that are unfair. Of these, there are some that can be fixed,

but there are many that cannot be and one has to choose to react properly.

Daniel knew there was no speaking to the king to change his mind. Daniel knew that throwing a fit, refusing to do his chores, drawing attention to himself, being angry, or any other childish reaction would have no affect in altering the command of the king. Likewise children must learn that when a command from a parent is given, there is no changing it, unless the parent knows they spoke wrongly.

Daniel worked with what he had. After finding the root cause of the problem, Daniel sought time to provide a solution.

If a child does not care to do the chore, they may feel the need to figure a way out of completing the chore. Many children try harder and longer to get out of the chore than if they would have just done it.

Encourage your child through proper discipline to do what must be done promptly and without complaint so they too can be like Daniel.

WHO HATH BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM IS THE ARM OF THE LORD REVEALED?

(Isaiah 53:1) - COMMENTS ON ITEMS IN THE NEWS -



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»CNS, May 15, 2006 -

Pope says Christians must be open to dialogue, but remember Gospel

In today's globalized world where people from so many different cultures and religions are coming face to face, Christians are called to be open to dialogue with others without forgetting to propose the Gospel message, Pope Benedict XVI said.

TSTL: Mark 16:15 *"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."* In agreement

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BIBLE STUDY



Who Is A Fool?

1. What do foolish people despise? **Proverbs 1:7**
2. What do fools hate? **Proverbs 1:22**
3. What does a fool think he is? **Proverbs 12:15**
4. What does a fool delight in? **Proverbs 18:2**
5. What is the first step in being foolish? **Proverbs 24:9**

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S STUDY:

Putting It In Your Heart

1. What does God have for the righteous? **Proverbs 3:32** *For the froward [is] abomination to the LORD: but his secret [is] with the righteous.*
2. What does one do if they have the item from God? **Psalms 64:2** (HINT: the wicked will not be able to find them) *Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection*

with the Pope on this issue, we are on earth for two reasons: 1) to become ready for heaven and 2) help others to be ready. Everyone is called upon after becoming converted to help others to be ready.

»Denver Post, May 14, 2006 - "Christian yoga" strikes a new pose

As Susan Bordenkircher sees it, Christians for too long have kept yoga on the mat. In her new book, "Yoga for Christians," the certified group fitness instructor and a devout Methodist argues Christians should change their posture and stretch their concept of worship to embrace yoga. "What we are attempting to do with a Christ-centered practice is fill the heart and mind with God, becoming 'single- minded' as Scripture calls it," Bordenkircher says. Critics contend that with yoga something else is at work. In 2003, the Roman Catholic Church reaffirmed its stance against Eastern practices such as yoga, which it had condemned in 1989, warning that yoga "can degenerate into a cult of the body." Regardless of the spin, Sannyasin Arumugaswami, managing editor of Hinduism Today, says Hinduism is the soul of yoga "based as it is on Hindu Scripture and developed by Hindu sages. Yoga opens up new and more refined states of mind, and to understand them one needs to believe in and understand the Hindu way of looking at God. ... A Christian trying to adapt these practices will likely disrupt their own Christian beliefs."

TSTL: The Bible defines the single minded idea. Philippians 2:2 says, "*Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, [being] of one accord, of one mind.*" To be of one mind is not to connect mentally but to be likeminded, which is to think the same thing on any given subject. All Christians should believe the same is what the verse is saying. So as the Catholic Church rightly condemns yoga and as a Hindu representative tells us, yoga and Christianity do not mix. Do not be deceived on this. Does yoga relieve stress? Absolutely. The devil does not trick anybody with things that do not work.

»NBC, May 10, 2006 - Jesus Rock Draws Hundreds Of Pilgrims

An image on a rock that some say resembles Jesus has drawn hundreds of people to the mountains of southern Mexico. Gregorio Gomez, a 57-year-old Tzotzil

Indian, said a voice told him in a dream last month that he would find an image of Christ on a rock. Last week, he discovered the image as he was walking near his village of Santa Anita, on Huitepec Mountain.

TSTL: Matthew 24:23-24 "*Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here [is] Christ, or there; believe [it] not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible, they shall deceive the very elect.*" Signs and wonders include the dreaming and discovery of the rock. And then of course, God says do not believe it. Some may ask, "What harm is there?" We have not specifics, but the warning from God is all we need to have.

»Jerusalem Post, May 9, 2006 - Chief rabbi: Buffalo meat kosher

How about throwing a water buffalo steak on the barbeque to impress your friends? Chief Sephardi Rabbi Shlomo Amar would not object, he might even dig himself. After two years of deliberations, Amar ruled Tuesday that water buffalo (jamoose in Arabic) is kosher. But before ruling the buffalo fit for the most pious Jew's table, the chief rabbi meticulously investigated the bovine's culinary history, anatomy and eating habits with the aid of Dr. Zohar Amar [no relation to rabbi Amar] and Dr. Ari Zivotofsky of Bar Ilan University. Shmuel Friedman, head of the Agriculture Ministry's grazing division, also helped Amar reach the bottom of the water buffalo quandary. As required by the bible [Leviticus 11], the water buffalo has split hooves and chews its cud.

TSTL: Leviticus 11:3 "*Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, [and] cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.*" As the investigation reveals, which animals are clean and unclean is not wholly a spiritual issue. It is a health one. There are less health problems on the Leviticus 11 diet than there are on the belief all meats are eatable. The doing away with Leviticus 11 movement is purely based upon the spiritual application. God knows what He is talking about. That is why the distinction between these two classes is not a Moses thing but is clearly revealed at the time of Noah (Genesis 7:2). And evidently God expects it to continue to the end of time because when Jesus returns, there is a specific group of people

to suffer His wrath - those eating unclean animals (Isaiah 66:15-17).

»WorldNetdaily, April 25, 2006 - Hospital to 'kill' sick woman?

An ill woman in Houston could die within days because a hospital ethics committee has voted to take her off life support – this despite the fact the 54-year-old is not in a coma, is not brain dead and wants to go on living, her family says.

TSTL: Proverbs 16:31 *"The hoary head [is] a crown of glory, [if] it be found in the way of righteousness."* To live is the way of righteousness. Though we are not supporters of all means to keep people alive "technically", we do see a trend happening that is leading the way to now remove the ill from society. First, abortion and now this. Where does the killing cease? Watch out if you are not blonde and blue eyed and younger than 30. Science fiction is not so fiction if we continue down this path.

»WorldNetdaily, April 24, 2006 - ABC viewers urge: Fire Diane Sawyer

Outraged ABC viewers are calling for the arrest or firing of Diane Sawyer after the anchor broadcast a TV segment that included the beating of a teenage girl by her father – without first going to authorities about what was captured on tape. [Tapes are dated 2002/2003. That is three year old information!]

TSTL: Proverbs 25:27 *"[for men] to search their own glory [is not] glory."* Gone are the days that the news media was interested in reporting the news and helping.

»The Weather Channel, April 24, 2006 - 5 Hurricane Names Retired from 2005

Season

Since tropical cyclones were first named in 1953, 67 names have been retired (the first being Carol and Hazel in 1954), and with a total of five, 2005 has the most retired storm names in a single season (previous record: four in 1955, 1995 and 2004). Now retired, these five storms, part of last season's record-setting 27 named storms and 15 hurricanes, will not reappear on the list of potential storm names that is otherwise recycled every six years: DENNIS, KATRINA, RITA, STAN AND WILMA. [And there are several dozen records broken including the most storms in one season beating the previous record by 6.]

TSTL: Luke 21:11 *And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.*

»OC Register, April 18, 2006 - Homeless man returns lost wallet

When Kim Bogue lost her wallet last week, she had little hope that she'd recover it or the \$900 and bundle of credit cards inside. A homeless man who roams the Santa Ana civic buildings also was searching for something. He made his routine visit to the trash bins nearby to look for aluminum cans. Instead, he found Bogue's wallet wrapped in a plastic bag. That Monday, the man, who declined to be identified, gave the money to Sherry Wesley, an Irvine woman who works in one of the buildings.

TSTL: 2 Corinthians 13:7 *Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.*

of the workers of iniquity

3. What is to be in a person's heart to help them remain among the righteous? **Psalms 119:11** *Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.*
4. What are we to be if the item is in the heart? **James 1:22** *"But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."*

BIBLE THOUGHT

Unity As God Would Have It

John 17:11 *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].*

John 17:21-23 *That they all may be one; as thou, Father, [art] in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may*

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ANSWERS FOUND IN THE SCRIPTURE OF TRUTH

(Daniel 10:21)

QUESTION #1 – Do you have a Thus Saith the Lord that Daniel 9:26 refers to Jesus?

ANSWER #1 – Isaiah 53:1-12 is all about the life of Jesus. Daniel 9:26 says, *"And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and*

unto the end of the war desolations are determined." Notice the use of "cut off". That matches the wording in Isaiah 53:8, but we will include all twelve verses for full context.

"Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed? For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness;

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know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

There is much activity in regards to denominations being one, so much so that many denominations have agreed not to “steal each other’s sheep.” As long as a person is attending a church, it is assumed that the person is fine in God’s eyes. Further, the only target for conversion and gathering are the “unchurched”. Going further, an exchange of ministering is permitted while at the same time unique doctrines of various denominations are played down. Even new denominations have arisen based purely on accepting Jesus as Savior.

But Jesus prayed for a different sort of unity. One where people conform to the perfect will of God. In other words, all differences should be settled by a “Thus Saith the Lord”. Search the scriptures. “The law of the LORD [is] perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD [is] sure, making wise the simple” (Psalms 19:7). And we bring this to your attention because “if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins” (James 5:19-20). You only can err from truth if you are not conformed to the truth of the Word. Do you have a TSTL – “Thus Saith the Lord...” for all that you believe. If we all did, then we would have true unity.

and when we shall see him, [there is] no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were [our] faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he [was] wounded for our transgressions, [he was] bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace [was] upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither [was any] deceit in his mouth. Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put [him] to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see [his] seed, he shall prolong [his] days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, [and] shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him [a portion] with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.”

QUESTION #2– What evil thing did the Israelites lust after according to 1 Corinthians 10:6 because it looks like it would be repeated in the last days?

ANSWER #2– You are correct in your conclusion. 1 Corinthians 10:11 says, “Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.” So something is an example for those at the time of the end of the world. We believe we are at that time, but for those that disagree, that would be a whole other subject consisting of about two

dozen points that all point to this time.

So what things would that be? 1 Corinthians 10:1-4 says, “Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; And did all eat the same spiritual meat; And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.” So it is the time of Moses and the Israelites.

So whatever happened to them is an example for us here at the end of time. “Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted” (1 Corinthians 10:6). So it is a lust issue.

What did they lust after? Numbers 11:4-5 “And the mixed multitude that [was] among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat? We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely.” Eating flesh or meat was their lust. They were tired of a Vegetarian diet on manna.

Are we sure? “And the people stood up all that day, and all [that] night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread [them] all abroad for themselves round about the camp. And while the flesh [was] yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague. And he called the name of that place Kibrothhattaavah: because there they buried the people that lusted” (Numbers 11:32-34).

Now for a direct TSTL - “Thus Saith the Lord” on the subject. Psalms 78:18 says, “And they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their lust.” Psalms 78:30 says, “They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat [was] yet in their mouths.” As you see, both verses define the lust being meat, as is an issue today.

We believe it is another sign of the last days. Never in the history of the world have people been so desirous for eating meat. When restaurants advertise for their products, it is a focus on meat. But beyond that, it is this age that all sorts of new meats have been introduced, with the most

interesting comment – it tastes like chicken. People are so fascinated with various meats even in various forms. No longer is it steak and potatoes. Now you

can have your meat in so many ways that you never have to eat the same type of meat twice in one month.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A BIBLICAL FATHER?

The world's idea is different from the Bible's idea

The world says, "There is no right from wrong. Everything is relative. There is no black and white. Everything is gray."

Thus Saith the Lord, "Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way" (1 Samuel 12:23).

The world says, "Encourage self-esteem."

Thus Saith the Lord, "If any [man] will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me." (Luke 9:23)

The world says, "Encourage the child to be a team player, even if the team is hard hitting, and blood thirsty for the championship."

Thus Saith the Lord, "My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not. If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood." (Proverbs 1:10-11)

The world says, "Love your children, don't spank them".

Thus Saith the Lord, "He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes." (Proverbs 13:24)

The world says, "Protect yourself from disease and unwanted pregnancy, use the condoms."

Thus Saith the Lord, "Now the body [is] not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body." (1 Corinthians 6:13)

The world says, "Look for recognition, praises, awards, certificates of accomplishments, etc."







Thus Saith the Lord, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33)

Thus Saith the Lord, *"I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him [that is] from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one. Love not the world, neither the things [that are] in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that [is] in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever."* (1 John 2:14-17)

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