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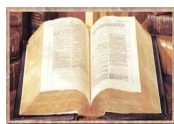
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I Will Trust (Psalms 18:2)



Who and what do you trust?

Do you trust your mechanic? Do you trust the government? Do you trust that all will turn out well? Do you trust in a sixth sense? Do you trust the news reporter? Do you trust relatives? Do you trust co-workers? Do you trust yourself?

All of these are perplexing questions when you begin to run down specific things to trust about each of them. Do you trust each with money? To watch your young children? To let you know if you are dressed appropriately or not? Etc.

Who do you trust for salvation?

2 Samuel 22:3 *The God of my rock; in him will I trust: [he is] my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.*

God should be the answer, but many trust to themselves. They personally determine right from wrong. They personally define what is and is not required for salvation. They even define salvation. Even if they attribute impressions to God, they still are trusting themselves.

Now many realize that one is not instantly endowed with all of the knowledge of God and therefore they do not trust in themselves for knowing what salvation is all about. So they turn to the next likely person, the minister. Besides, did not the minister study this in school? Is not the minister paid to know this? Although it is better than simply trusting oneself, if one turns from the Word and simply accepts a minister's teaching then they are no better off in the end.

So instead of being attached to a minister, many turn to the church. Whatever is on the books and taught as a whole must be

correct, right? Again, that is not necessarily true. How many times has society over-ruled church rules? It is even happening now. For the longest time, homosexuality was condemned in the churches. No questions asked. Now many churches allow it. Movies and television were once condemned by just about every church. But now it is even promoted as a church activity. Women used to have to cover their heads before entering into a church. Right or wrong, they not only are not covering their heads, but there are other body parts being exposed. This shocks just about any minister, even though not always addressed.

Now when we say that God is the answer that does not mean trusting in impressions alone or even the majority of the time. There has to be a standard that everyone can eventually reach. Once again, we suggest the Bible. Put aside the thoughts that you can get anything you want out of it. Sure, and it is wrong if done that way. Put aside the thoughts that it is an ancient book. If the old scriptures were good enough for Jesus, they should be good enough for us, and besides, they appeared to be good enough well into the 1800's. These criticisms are only fairly recent arguments to discredit the Bible.

Besides, "[As for] God, his way [is] perfect; the word of the LORD [is] tried: he [is] a buckler to all them that trust in him" (2 Samuel 22:31).

Should we trust our self implicitly?

2 Corinthians 3:4-6 *And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward: Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency [is] of God; who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.*

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.*

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Besides, trusting in oneself should be seriously reconsidered. *“Do ye look on things after the outward appearance? If any man trust to himself that he is Christ’s, let him of himself think this again, that, as he [is] Christ’s, even so [are] we Christ’s”* (2 Corinthians 10:7).

2 Corinthians 1:9-10 *But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead: Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver [us].*

Please note the seriousness of these last couple of verses. Yes, Jesus saved us from the sentence of eternal death, but Paul did not live in the belief he was eternally saved already. The word “yet” means future. We can be in Christ today and yet choose to be an atheist tomorrow. Paul lived with the belief that *“he that endureth to the end shall be saved”* (Matthew 10:22, Matthew 24:13, Mark 13:13).

Should we trust in obedience to the law?

John 5:45 *Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is [one] that accuseth you, [even] Moses, in whom ye trust.*

Obedience to the law does not earn salvation. It is an inanimate object. It cannot save. But please be balanced. *“What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?”* (Romans 6:1-2) And *“whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law”* (1 John 3:4).

So, we do not trust in obedience of the law to be saved, but because we have been saved, we desire to keep the law and it is not grievous.

But what of the physical world?

What does one do during economic challenges?

1 Timothy 6:17 *Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy.*

Mark 10:24 *And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how*

hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!

Do not think the wealthy have it made. During any economic situation, all of it is uncertain.

How can this nation be so far into sin when it is supposed to be Christian?

Hosea 10:13 *Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.*

God is being left out of the equation more and more in this nation. In fact, there is an outright push to remove God from everything.

What do you trust in science?

Do you think global warming is going to destroy our planet? Do you think we evolved from apes?

1 Timothy 6:20 *O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane [and] vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called.*

Keep in mind, if global warming is to destroy all life, who will be alive when Jesus comes again?

What has been entrusted to us?

1 Timothy 1:11 *According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.*

1 Thessalonians 2:4 *But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.*

What may happen as a result of speaking rightly?

1 Timothy 4:10 *For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.*

A slammed door, being made fun of, ridiculed through the media, even false reports may circulate, but all of that is expected. Besides, *“In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me”* (Psalms 56:11).

Could ministers be teaching lies?

Jeremiah 28:15 *Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The LORD hath not sent thee; but thou makest this people to trust in*

a lie.

And in the last days, Paul identifies what will happen in the church. *“For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away [their] ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables”* (2 Timothy 4:3-4).

And the people listening to smooth talking ministers will so much want to believe the easy road full of lies, that *“with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved”* (2 Thessalonians 2:10).

How you can tell that it is already in the works is by what Paul predicted would happen in the church. *“This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away”* (2 Timothy 3:1-5).

Now you ask why? Why not? Churches have explained away the standard as a dusty old book good for lessons and stories but not good for much else despite the Bible stating, *“All scripture [is] given by inspiration of God, and [is] profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness”* (2 Timothy 3:16).

This is where our doctrines are to come from but evidently someone has it wrong! How do we know? Just how many denominations do we have? Somebody, and more than likely, many some bodies have it wrong. We should all have the same doctrine and therefore should not have all these denominations.

But the blame is not wholly on the many splinter groups and flavors of Christianity, but even on the church members. If Paul was not automatically trusted in Berea (Acts 17:10-15), how much more or less should any of our ministers be trusted today? Jeremiah 7:8-11 states this fact

plainly. *“Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; and come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen [it], saith the LORD.”*

Oh, people may not worship Baal and follow other gods, but spiritually they do. When we make God out to be something different than what the Bible actually teaches in a balanced manner, we are doing the same thing. Further, notice what specific lying words are here. It is one that allows someone to basically sin and yet to be considered an upright person in the house of God. In other words, it is taught that you can continue in sin and still accept a clean title, the name we are called after our God. More plainly spoken, Jesus is called Christ. We are called by His name when we call ourselves Christian. We may even go as far as putting deliverance from sin wholly on Christ, that we have nothing ourselves to strive against. In so doing, if we teach such, we are robbing God of souls for as the beginning stated, it is a lie.

Now, we are not referring to someone who detests sin but yet submits to the temptation and sins and then turns to Jesus for forgiveness. That is all covered in the summary verse of *“My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous”* (1 John 2:1).

So, should we teach and believe that we are always in right standing with Christ even if knowingly committing sin? Jeremiah is quite clear. That is a lie! People who accept that teaching are willing to believe that lie and will be condemned, as also stated earlier.

And if Jeremiah is not enough, listen to Isaiah. *“None calleth for justice, nor [any] pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity”* (Isaiah 59:4).

Now keeping in mind that every writer of

THINK ON THESE THINGS

(Philippians 4:8)

Doing Accordingly

And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him. (Genesis 7:5)

Did you know that we would have less differences if we all did according as the Lord has commanded?

Did you know that we would have less problems if we personally did according to the Lord has commanded.

Did you know that we would have life more abundantly than others if we did according to the Lord has commanded.

Did you know that it reveals trust when we do exactly as the Lord commanded?

Did you know we would be considered right in the eyes of the Lord if we do according to the Lord has commanded.

And did you know that those who have been given eternal life will do what the Lord has commanded? They will not do what the Lord has commanded to get eternal life, but because they have been given it, they will do what the Lord has commanded.

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Over our 10 year history, \$80,000 accumulated in ministry debt both from short periods of time of not being able to cover all of the expenses and the over 4 year period (Jan. 2004 - May 2007) when we personally could not sustain this ministry.

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But all that changed through God's blessings on the other side of the trial and God's inspiration to those who sensed God's calling to assist us financially.

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- 63,115 O'Donnell's
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5,435 O'Donnell's
\$ 0 Current Balance

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Thank you!

the Bible was a prophet or seer, Isaiah continues to make things rebukingly plain when we believe the Bible should not be treated as the Word of God.

"Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: That this [is] a rebellious people, lying children, children [that] will not hear the law of the LORD: Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits: Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, Because ye despise this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon: Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant" (Isaiah 30:8-13).

And if you think this is just a bunch of Old Testament content, think again. Notice the end of Isaiah's rebuke – "whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant". Couple with the future statement of Paul's prophecy. *"For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape"* (1 Thessalonians 5:3).

Who survives this sudden destruction?

"But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness" (1 Thessalonians 5:4-5).

Being children of light is the answer. But how are we children of light? *"Thy word [is] a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path"* (Psalms 119:105).

We cannot stress enough to submitting to God's Word and cease attacking the Bible. It's a "Thus Saith the Lord" or it is a lie.

What if you do not know you are believing wrongly?

God will answer this prayer if one is willing to submit wholly to His Word. *"In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion"* (Psalms 71:1).

Psalms 37:5 *"Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring*

[it] to pass."

How do we get to know Jesus?

When Jesus comes again, there will be *"Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity"* (Matthew 7:22-23). Please note that these are Christians. Who else preaches in the name of Jesus, prophesies in the name of Jesus, cast out devils and do many wonderful works for Jesus?

So it is important that Jesus knows us. Therefore, let us find out how to have Jesus know us. *"The LORD [is] good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him"* (Nahum 1:7).

What is the bottom line?

After completing this study on the use of the word "trust", here are some summary verses to ponder.

Psalms 115:11 *"Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he [is] their help and their shield."*

Psalms 91:2 *"I will say of the LORD, [He is] my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust."*

Isaiah 12:2 *"Behold, God [is] my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH [is] my strength and [my] song; he also is become my salvation."*

Proverbs 30:5 *"Every word of God [is] pure: he [is] a shield unto them that put their trust in him."*

Psalms 91:4 *"He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth [shall be thy] shield and buckler."* And couple this with *"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth"* (John 17:17).

Psalms 18:30 *"[As for] God, his way [is] perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he [is] a buckler to all those that trust in him."*

Psalms 118:8 *"[It is] better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man."*

Proverbs 3:5 *"Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding."*

DO YOU HAVE A TSTL FOR THAT?

The purpose of these Bible studies is to help you seek for a TSTL—"Thus Saith the Lord..." for all that you believe. May you go forward in this study with that goal.



Instruction

1. Where do we find instruction?
2 Timothy 3:16

2. Who despises instruction?
Proverbs 1:7

3. What will happen to people that refuse to receive instruction? **Proverbs 13:18**

4. What should we do with instruction?
Proverbs 4:13

5. What is reproof of instruction? **Proverbs 6:23**

6. What will instruction do for a person?
Proverbs 8:33

7. What do those that have eternal life do with instruction? **Proverbs 10:17**

8. What does one learn in the instruction of wisdom? **Proverbs 15:33**

quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These [be] thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt."

2. What shall quickly happen to those that serve other gods? **Joshua 23:16** *"When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath given unto you."*

3. What were the women at the tomb to do quickly? **Matthew 28:7** *"And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you."*

4. What should those who are servants of God, do quickly? **Luke 14:21** *"So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind."*

5. Where did Mary go quickly and we ought to as well? **John 11:29-30** *"As soon as she heard [that], she arose quickly, and came unto him. Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him."*

6. What happened quickly to Peter when in prison? **Acts 12:7** *"And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon [him], and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from [his] hands."*

7. What was Paul to do quickly? **Acts 22:18** *"And saw him saying unto me, Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me."*

8. What ought we to do to avoid the vengeance of God? **Revelation 2:16** *"Repent: or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth."*

9. What is Jesus going to do quickly? **Revelation 22:20** *"He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."*

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S STUDY:

What Can Happen Quickly?

1. What can people turn away from quickly?
Exodus 32:8 *"They have turned aside*

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

(Isaiah 53:1)



▶ **NY Daily News, Dec. 14 - New Hampshire lawmakers look to get rid of 200-year-old adultery crime**

The original punishments - including standing on the gallows for an hour with a noose around the neck - have been softened to a \$1,200 fine, yet some lawmakers think it's time for the 200-year-old crime of adultery to come off New Hampshire's books.

COMMENT: "For I [am] the LORD, I change not" (Malachi 3:6). Yet another example of why we need a better standard than humans. If the scriptures were good enough for Jesus to use, then we ought to submit wholly to them as well.

▶ **World Net Daily, December 14, 2009 - 1 in 3 Democrats communicate with the dead**

Democrats are far more in touch with the dead than Republicans and they also visit fortune-tellers more often, a new study reveals. The number of Americans who say they have interacted with a ghost has doubled in the last 13 years, the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life revealed in its "Many Americans Mix Multiple Faiths" report.

COMMENT: 1 Corinthians 15:20-23 "But now is Christ risen from the dead, [and] become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man [came] death, by man [came] also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming." Here is one of the clearest texts on the state of the dead. In short, stop trying to contact them seeing no one is awake to hear you outside of Moses (Jude 1:9), Enoch (Genesis 5:24), and Elijah (2 Kings 2:9-12) as well as those that rose when Jesus rose (Matthew 27:52).

▶ **Wear TV, Dec. 7 - There's controversy in Crestview tonight about Santa Claus**

Children are questioning Auburn Pentecostal Church sign that's sending a bold message about the meaning of the holiday. "Santa isn't really coming for Christmas. Jesus is!"

COMMENT: Exodus 20:16 "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour." The article really missed the meaning that the church was focused upon. In the article, the focus was on the meaning of the season and suggested other messages. But to put up such a bold statement was beyond what the public is sensing, which shows the ignorance of people today. More than likely, the Pentecostal group is sensing the nearness of the second coming and wanted to make that a point to be brought out. The other point is to declare that Santa is not real and in fact, Christians should be

ashamed for lying to their children. Face it, who is omnipresent? Who rewards the good and the bad? Who should we be on our best behavior for? Who has a list of everyone's names? Who can see if we are naughty or nice? Whose coming do we look forward to? If you answered Jesus for every one of these, you must be kidding yourself. The average Christian child knows more about Santa (Satan), who is dressed in red being a color applied most often towards Satan, than they do Jesus. How unbelievably sly Satan has been. Even the name Santa is the arrangement of the same letters as Satan. In addition, where is Santa's home and where does Satan want to rule from? Isaiah 14:12-13 "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [how] art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north." Salvation is in Jesus, not Satan. With that said, could they have used a less direct method? Maybe. But if you think, "Jesus is the reason for the season" is an option, not with the explanation above. True Christians do not give credence one bit to Santa, Easter Bunny, or even the Tooth Fairy.

▶ **Tuscaloosa News, November 28, 2009 - Church sermons include time, place for congregants to get tattoos**

The sight of a woman being tattooed live on the altar accompanied by the sound of a buzzing ink gun provided a startling backdrop to Sunday's evangelical sermon. The Mill Creek, Wash., church is not exactly staid — booming 20-minute rock sets launch regular sermons — yet the pastors acknowledge this series was pushing societal norms. As Snell's tattoo took shape, pastor Dan Kellogg told the congregation that permanent markings, both good and evil, are mentioned in the Bible. The most famous symbol, he said, is '666,' the sign of the devil. But there's also mention in the Bible of markings on Jesus, saying he is the king of kings and lord of lords, Kellogg said. "We think of it as amoral. It's neither immoral nor moral, it's just the choice of a person."

COMMENT: If this so-called pastor does not want to call it wrong, then listen to God's Word. Leviticus 19:28 "Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I [am] the LORD." And this is not referring to printing on a dead person as one pastor challenged us years ago. Read it carefully. Do not cut the flesh of the dead person, but to the living (you), do not print any marks. Before this century, all Christians knew that tattoos were of Satan. But with Satan and Sa-

tan practices not being labeled properly today so as to be more inclusive, Christians are getting confused. It is wrong. And then to justify it by mis-quotes from the Bible is utterly ridiculous. The mark of 666 for instance, is not a tattoo. Besides, read Revelation 1:1 and find out that the contents of Revelation are not literal. So stop looking for 666 physically written on people's foreheads. *"The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John".* And then to say Jesus is tattooed! Read the reference of Him being King of kings, and Lord of lords. Revelation 19:16 *"And he hath on [his] vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."* It is on His vesture. And if you think the use of "thigh" means skin, think again. Since when is Jesus immodest? Rev. 1:13 says that Jesus is clothed to His foot. Again, Revelation is symbolic. What we have here is once again a case of Christianizing something from Satan making it appear acceptable, but it is Satan's backdoor to getting Christians to be of the world. James 4:4 says, *"Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God."* To commit adultery in this verse means to turn from God's pure way and accept some version of the worldly practice. Tattoos are worldly. Stay far away from them. This does not mean those who had tattoos and become true Christians are condemned forever. No. There is salvation in Christ and forgiveness.

►World Net Daily, Nov. 23, 2009 - EU 'prez' champions 'global management of planet'

Proclaims G20, Copenhagen climate summit steps toward 1-world government.

The Washington Times, October 25, 2009 - Obama's new world order

President Obama is on a path toward establishing a one-world government. This is the warning of Christopher Monckton, a former major policy adviser to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. If Mr. Obama signs the Copenhagen treaty, he "will sign your freedom, your democracy, and your prosperity away forever," Monckton recently said, "I read that treaty and what it says is this: that a world government is going to be created."

COMMENT: Revelation 17:12-13 *"And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast."* To be able to give power to the beast, the kings need to be united first and news articles are revealing the willingness to do so.

►Telegraph, November 17, 2009 - Women banned from wearing trousers in Paris

A decree banning women from wearing trousers in Paris is still technically in force, it emerged on Monday, making the laissez-faire French capital theoretically stricter than hardline Sudan in the

fashion stakes. The rule banning women from dressing like men – namely by wearing trousers – was first introduced in 1800 by Paris' police chief and has survived repeated attempts to repeal it. In 1969, amid a global movement towards gender equality, the Paris council asked the city's police chief to bin the decree. His response was: "It is unwise to change texts which foreseen or unforeseen variations in fashion can return to the fore."

COMMENT: Deuteronomy 22:5 *"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so [are] abomination unto the LORD thy God."* Do not tell us that this is Old Testament. Evidently the practice continued well past the Old Testament even until the late 1800's when it became evident that changes were taking place contrary to the biblical practice and a law to prevent it was necessary. So the change is not for the sake of living in the New Testament. Further, the more recent request to remove the law in Paris was for gender equality. Please note that God's words are not just some outdated caution God intended it. It is a serious matter. It is an abomination. That is the strongest of sins. Dare it be said, God did not mean for gender equality. We are not talking equal pay for equal work. There is to be no confusion among the genders in appearance. Dressing alike may appear cute to boyfriend and girlfriend, husband and wife, but God says not to do it. And if women are upset, keep in mind, the verse is equally clear that men are not to dress like women and they are doing so today. This goes to show why we need to have some standard outside of the human emotions to base right and wrong, what is and is not a sin. Left to society, sins can change and are changing. So that standard should be a "Thus Saith the Lord", however, many people believe the Bible to be just a human inspiration. If one does not believe the Bible to be the inerrant Word of God inspired by God using human instruments that wrote in their own style without changing the intent of God's words, then that person is believing the first lie of Satan that leads to societal breakdown. And after a series of lies from there, we are at a point of societal breakdown. Gone is not only the distinction between the genders, but gone is also the restriction of joining just male and female together, the encouragement to refrain from such activity before marriage, the concept that marriage is for life, keeping holy a day and not just attending church for a bit once a week to fulfill some obligation, the avoidance of Satanic practices such as Halloween, and the list goes on, which are mostly all an exploitation inside the church fairly recently. Not to worry, it was to be like this just before Jesus returns according to 2 Tim. 3:1-5.

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FOR MY THOUGHTS [ARE] NOT YOUR THOUGHTS, NEITHER [ARE] YOUR WAYS MY WAYS, SAITH THE LORD.

(Isaiah 55:8)



How Many Beasts En- tered The Ark?

Genesis 7:2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that [are] not clean by two, the male and his female.

Genesis 7:8-9 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that [are] not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, there went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.

First, please note that the distinction between clean and unclean, or should we say healthy and unhealthy animals was made in the time of Noah and not Moses. Maybe we should reconsider the eating of unclean animals today for health reasons.

As for working out this contradiction, the short answer is that of course there is no contradiction. The first verse identifies that the clean animals are collected in sevens and the unclean in groups of two. But when they enter the ark in verses 8 and 9, the clean animals are not walking seven abreast. They are to enter in two by two. Of course the seventh animal will enter in alone or paired with an extra animal from another group.

So according to verses 8 and 9, an alligator would enter in as male and female, but a set of cows would enter in by male and female for the first three pairs and maybe the last cow could enter in with the extra sheep, for both are considered clean animals, or even alone.

Therefore verse 2 is the number collected while 8 and 9 reveals how to walk into the ark.

ANSWERS FOUND IN THE SCRIPTURE OF TRUTH (Daniel 10:21)



QUESTION:
What danger is there in believing in 2012?

ANSWER: The basic problem is that we, as Christians, would then be giving credence to another religion. We must come to the fact that Jesus is "*Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us*" (Matthew 1:23). Also, prior to Christianity was the nation of Israel. As for Israel, God was the "*God of Israel*" (Exodus 5:1). God chose no other nation. And Prior to Israel was the fathers of Isaac, Abraham, and all the way back to Adam.

In short, Christianity is the only true religion today, however, God does accept those of other faiths on an individual basis, Rahab being one of them.

By accepting the 2012 beliefs, we would then be accepting that the most impor-

tant message, the second coming, is to be ushered in through a pagan religion. Although pagans have been involved in prophecy before, they never are used as the main prophet or prophets. For instance, King Nebuchadnezzar was used before his conversion. Just read Daniel 2 and then his conversion in chapter 4. But the main prophet was Daniel.

In addition, God has no time frame that he has revealed. "*But of that day and hour knoweth no [man], no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only*" (Matthew 24:36). And when this was stated, the Mayan calendar had already existed for six hundred years prior. Therefore, Jesus would have had to put in an exception, but He did not.

Like the six thousandth year dating, Y2K, and even the first millennium, this too draws attention in the wrong direction.