

INTRODUCTION TO BIBLE SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Why is the Teaching of the Bible so Important?

- 1. It's the Only TRUTH that exists; everything else is a Lie! God is the Father of TRUTH, and the devil is the father of lies. Which one does your heart desire?*
- 2. The Bible reveals God's Love for humanity. God gave everything that He Loved so that you and I can go to Heaven and be with Him forever and ever. Christ God's Only Son illuminated the Father's pathway to Heaven.*
- 3. The Bible reveals God's character and our purpose for living in this world! Every question we have about God and eternal life is revealed in the scriptures. Many pray; "O Lord show me your will?" Not realizing that all His will is revealed to us in the Holy Scriptures.*



Pay Close Attention to What the Cultural Research Center

(Arizona Christian University) said in the American Worldview Inventory (2020).

The study goes on to say;

- * 70% of Americans state they are Christians.*
 - * 75% of Americans believe they are good and probably going to Heaven.*
 - * 58% of Americans reject the idea of Absolute Truth.*
 - * 40% of Americans say they are Born-Again.*
 - * But only 6% say they have a Biblical World View.*
- And for Adults between the ages of (18-29) that drops to 2%.*
- * According to the Center for Study of Global Christianity, in mid-2023 there are 47,300 Christian denominations/rites. By 2025, it is predicted that there will be 49,000: Most are in Disagreement with each other!*

*People think we are all Sons and Daughters of God? Not True!
We are all God's creation but very few are Sons and Daughters!*

Based on the Scriptures this is an Abomination to God the Holy Spirit!

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, **that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.** For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, **that there are contentions among you.** Now this I say, that every one of you saith, **I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.** **Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?** (1 Cor. 1:10-13)

And I, brethren, **could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ. I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able. For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I am of Apollos; are ye not carnal? Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man? I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.** (1 Cor. 3:1-7)

Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. (Phil. 2:2,3)

Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. (Eph. 4:3-6)

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 know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me. (John 17:21-23)

Church, What Part of ONE don't we Understand?

Here is a List of the Main Deceptions and their Explanations!

1. Pragmatism; (pleasing men rather than God)

"In a Biblical setting, pragmatism refers to the philosophy of determining Truth or moral correctness based on what "works" or yields the most practical, expedient results. Throughout Christian theology, this worldview is largely viewed as dangerous because it prioritizes human success and visible outcomes over faithful obedience to God's Word." In some modern Churches the worship is based on flesh rather than the Holy Spirit, in other words sensationalism or sensualism. The worship service looks more like a rock concert complete with smoke machines, light shows, and movie stars performing on stage. Stealing God's Glory and putting it on themselves. God's Glory (Presence) is so powerful that every knee will bow and sinners will fall flat on their face not able to talk or say anything! All false worship is for self gain, and not for the benefit of God and his people, this would include movie stars, great athletics, famous ministers, millionaires, and all who attempt to glorify themselves.

How they Worship in Heaven. (compare this to smoke machines and light shows)

After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold. And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God. And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal:

and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, **The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne**, saying, **Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created**. And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals. And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof? And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon. And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon. And one of the elders saith unto me, **Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof**. And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, **stood a Lamb as it had been slain**, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. **And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb**, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. And they sung a new song, saying, **Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth**. (Rev. 4:1-5:10)

2. False Pastors, False Teachers, False Churches

There are two kinds of false ministers we need to be aware of! One is not evil but is self deceived, in other words thinks he's ministering in the Spirit but is not correctly dividing the Word of God.

He writes the same way in all his letters, speaking in them of these matters. His letters contain some things that are hard to understand, **which ignorant and unstable people distort, as they do the other Scriptures, to their own destruction**. Therefore, dear friends, since you already know this, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of lawless men and fall from your secure position. (2 Pet. 3:16,17) NIV
“They are Sincere, but Sincerely Wrong!”

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

For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ’s. (Phil. 2:21)

Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will: The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds: But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel. What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.
(Phil. 1:15-18)

And the Second group are ministers who know they are wrong but gladly continue to lead people astray because they are evil, in other words, they belong to satan.

For **certain people have crept in unnoticed** who long ago were designated for this condemnation, **ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality** and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ. (Jude 4) ESV

Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision. For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh. (Phil. 3:2,3)

Indeed, **all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil people and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived**. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, **knowing from whom you learned it**. (2 Tim. 3:12-14) ESV

“He who is a hired hand, and not a shepherd, who is not the owner of the sheep, sees the wolf coming, and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf snatches them and scatters the flock. “He flees because he is a hired hand and does not care about the sheep. (John 10:12,13)

*In The Last Days There Will Be, TWO END TIME CHURCHES (side by side)
One is the True Church of Christ (**Philadelphia**) and the other will be false church deceived by satan himself (**Laodicea**): God does not send people to Hell, they go there self willingly by the choices they make. God will not force you to choose Christ and be saved, this is a willful personal act of the Heart, and it is Final. So choose wisely with great discernment as your eternal life is at stake!*

The Church at Philadelphia

I know thy works: behold, **I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.** Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. **Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.** Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, **that no man take thy crown.** (Rev. 3:8-11)

Nay, in all these things we are **more than conquerors** through him that loved us.
(Rom. 8:37)

And **they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony;** and they loved not their lives unto the death. (Rev. 12:11)

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: (1 Pet. 1:7)

But **ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you:** and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. (Acts 1:8)

This Church cannot fail because it is Empowered by the HOLY SPIRIT!

The Church at Laodicea

‘I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot; I wish that you were cold or hot. ‘So because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will vomit you out of My mouth. ‘Because you say, “I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have no need of anything,” and you do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked, I advise you to buy from Me gold refined by fire so that you may become rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness will not be revealed; and eye salve to apply to your eyes so that you may see. ‘Those whom I love, I rebuke and discipline; therefore be zealous and repent. ‘Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me. (Rev. 3:15-20) NASB

This church is a social man made religious Church which lacks God, that is the Power of the Holy Spirit. It's members are destroyed by satan who uses the world system and the flesh (carnal nature) to deceive them. Satan has blinded them from the Truth (2 Cor. 4:4): Also they are willfully ignorant of the Truth and God Himself will send them strong delusion to believe a lie!!

And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. (2 Thess. 2:10-12)

If a Person is Truly Born Again, They'll HUNGER to KNOW JESUS Personally

The Word of God is Not Just Written on paper; but it becomes alive in their heart, creating a hunger and great desire to know God personally. They'll sacrifice their personal stuff and time to get a revelation of the Word of God, traveling anywhere to hear someone who is ministering under the anointing of the Holy Spirit.

A wise Christian will seek God's Knowledge in Three Things; if we understand and believe these Three Things we know we're Saved!

- 1. The Authority of Scripture. (2 Tim. 3:16) and (2 Pet. 1:20,21)*
- 2. The Person and Exclusivity of Christ. (John 14:6)*
- 3. The Message of the GOSPEL. (1 Cor. 15:1-9)*

Remember the Parable of the Five Foolish Virgins? (Matthew 25:1-13)

*10 virgins were waiting for their Bridegroom (JESUS) with their lamps (spirits) burning bright, but something was wrong with 5 of them. Their Oil (the Holy Spirit) ran dangerously low and were not able to meet their Bridegroom at His Sudden Appearance (the Rapture)! You now the end of the story, the 5 that were wise and ready (Lamps full of Oil) went in to meet Jesus, and the 5 foolish that were not ready were locked out and missed the Rapture of the Church! Then the 5 foolish virgins (false church) frantically knocked on the door saying, “Lord Lord, open up for us! And He (JESUS) will answer, “I DO NOT KNOW YOU!”
Wow, I don't think there's anything as frightening as this!*

***We Must Maintain our Vessels (spirits) Full of Oil Till the Very End
But he who stands firm to the end will be saved.*** (Matt. 24:13) NIV

*Wisdom and Discernment can Only come by God's WORD and SPIRIT.
The understanding of who God is (His Love, His Power, His Mercy, etc...) can Only be Revealed by His WORD and SPIRIT! **Notice I did not say...***

- * by following some particular church or denominational rules:***
- * by following a famous man (pastor, teacher, prophet, evangelist, or apostle):***
- * Only by following Christ through His WORD and SPIRIT can we get to Heaven our Father's eternal home:***

But the hour cometh, and now is, **when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit** (Holy Spirit) **and in truth** (Word): **for the Father seeketh such to worship him.** (John 4:23)

The Bible Reveals that Most of Humanity is Presently in Hell

*Most of historical humanity is in Hell right now as we speak, and most of the Churches and certainly the world (unsaved man) has no idea! The Holy scriptures tell us that the Real Church is very small, God calls it a Remnant!
(2 Kings 19:4,30,31; Ezra 9:8; Is. 1:9, 10:20-22, 37:31-32, 37:31-32, 46:3)
and many more. New Testament; (Rom. 9:27, 11:5)*

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because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.**

(2 Thess. 2:10)

*Love without Truth is Hypocrisy; and Truth without Love is Brutality!
Biblical Truth does not excuse Sin, on the other hand, Love suffers much and bears all things.*

We need wisdom and discernment from God so we don't entertain goats instead of feeding the sheep!

Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, or they will trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you to pieces.

(Matt. 7:6) NASB

Three things will last forever faith, hope, and love and the greatest of these is love. (1 Cor. 13:13) NLT. *What is Love?*

Yes, God is LOVE

Yes; God is a God of Love but He is also a God of Justice! Some confused people in Church think of Him as an old man with a great white beard who can't see the sin in the world or has no power to stop it! That could not be further from the Truth. God sees everything, as a matter of fact, He saw it before He created the earth! That's how powerful and all knowing He is. And God will judge every sin you and I have committed against Him. Our eternal problem will be; will He judge your sin in Jesus Christ, or will He judge it on you because you did not make Jesus your Lord and Savior! That will be the eternal question and judgment when you stand before Him!

And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. **God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.** (1 John 4:16)

Beloved, **let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.** (1 John 4:7,8)

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. (1 John 5:3)

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

(Gal. 6:7,8)