

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%.

***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!***

For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth. (Rom. 10:2-4)

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge (understanding): 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. (Hosea 4:6)

Why is the Modern Church so Deceived in their Worship of GOD?

*Worship is the Most important sacrifice you can offer God! Nothing can come close to it! God created us to love Him, to obey Him, to please Him, to honor Him, to live like His Son Jesus in holiness. Our lives are a total living sacrifice to Him 24/7 not just on Sunday mornings. **God says what He means and means what He says!** Worship is all of the above, this is how we honor Him and give Him Glory!*

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (Rom. 12:1,2)

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

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. (John 4:24)

We need to understand that, satan, evil angels, and demons have had nearly 6000 years to examine human beings, they know how to use the world's system and the flesh to destroy us (Hosea 4:6)! But, getting back to the question of the modern Church. 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)

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

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

***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)

Satan will Savagely Attack God's Church in the End Times with;

False Prophets and False Teachers: (2 Pet. 2:1)

Savage Wolves in Sheep's Clothing: (Matt. 7:15)

Wickedness in High Places (calling good evil and evil good): (Eph. 6:12)

(Is. 5:20-24)

Lies, Deception, Apostasy: (2 Thess. 2:3) (Col. 2:8) (2 Pet. 2:13)

Everyone Who is Really Born Again Hungers for Truth and Righteousness

Don't be deceived by false christians! We will all stand before God and give an account for the way we lived and the Souls that we brought to Christ.

*Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life:** no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (John 14:6)*

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 Power 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

The Revelation of God (Jesus) can Only come through the WORD and SPIRIT!

*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)*

And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; 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?*

If I speak with the tongues of mankind and of angels, but do not have love, I have become a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and know all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. And if I give away all my possessions to charity, and if I surrender my body so that I may glory, but do not have love, it does me no good. Love is patient, love is kind, it is not jealous; love does not brag, it is not arrogant. It does not act disgracefully, it does not seek its own benefit; it is not provoked, does not keep an account of a wrong suffered, it does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; it keeps every confidence, it believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. **Love never fails:** (1 Cor. 13:1-8)

NASB

*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!

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)

***We Are Saved by God's Grace, But We Still have to Work Out Our Salvation**
This is called **Sanctification**! (Justification, Sanctification, and Glorification)
Grace means unmerited favor; that's God's part, but you receive God's Grace through your Faith, that's your part! **No Faith - No Grace!***

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: (Eph. 2:8)

Work Out Your Salvation with Fear and Trembling. (Phil. 2:12)

My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: (John 10:27)

He that hath my commandments, **and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me;**
and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him,
and will manifest myself to him. (John 14:21)

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. 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. (Matt. 7:21-23)

This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. (Matt. 15:8,9)

For many are called, but few are chosen. (Matt. 22:14)

What Does the Real Church Look Like?

God's True Church is very small, very humble, and full of His Mercy and Love! 9

They possess a pure heart for God! As a Missionary Bible Teacher I would dare say, most Churches are social carnal Churches, while only a few are Biblically and spiritually minded.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?
He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. (Psalm. 24:3-5)

The True Church's heart is pure unto God! That means they love God over every other thing (idols) that is on earth. God must take first place in your life, yes; over your family (father, mother, children), job, entertainment, etc..., that doesn't mean to hate them, it means your first responsibility is toward God and not the sin nature that is in the world!

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

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. **"Blessed are the gentle,** for they shall inherit the earth. **"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,** for they shall be satisfied. **"Blessed are the merciful,** for they shall receive mercy. **"Blessed are the pure in heart,** for they shall see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. **"Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness,** for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **"Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me. "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.** (Matt. 5:3-12) NASB

*God loves Humility and hates pride, He will not bless a prideful person.
Pride will lead you to vanity, and vanity will lead you to destruction.
Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.*

(Prov. 16:18)

When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.

(Prov. 11:2)

*"Again I say to you, that if two of you agree on earth about anything that they may ask, it shall be done for them by My Father who is in heaven. **"For where two or three have gathered together in My name, I am there in their midst."***

(Matt. 18:19,20) NASB

People today think that the bigger the Church is the more spiritual it is.

That thinking is wrong and unscriptural! As a missionary Bible teacher I've been in all different types of Churches (big, small, rich, poor, wise, unwise, etc...) and my favorite Churches are those who are small and filled with friendly humble people! What a joy it is to fellowship with them in Jesus!

As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: **But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation**; Because it is written, **Be ye holy; for I am holy**.
(1 Pet. 1:14-16)

Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. (Matt. 7:13-20)

Don't be fooled by gifted powerful men who even use the Word of God but are wolves in sheep's clothing. You will know them by their fruit. A good tree will never produce bad fruit, and a bad tree will never produce good fruit.

The Remnant New Testament Church (Age of Grace)

We must understand the New Testament Church is totally different from the Old Testament Church, and they cannot mix or your doctrine will be wrong! The Old Testament Church was All Jewish and few Gentiles, while the New Testament Church is All Gentile and few Jews! Never the less, God continues to say it's a Remnant (very small). God's Grace welcomes all who have Faith to Believe! Jew or Gentile Only those that Believe!

For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. For the body is not one member, but many. (1 Cor. 12:13,14)

What Should it Look Like Spiritually?

Now **the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.**

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass (mirror) the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. (2 Cor. 3:17,18)

A True Christian will change daily into the image of Jesus. If that is not happening it's a sure sign that something is wrong in your spiritual life! One should notice the difference between last year and this year! This change comes by reading the Word of God and praying daily!

For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power. What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and in the spirit of meekness?
(1 Cor. 4:20,21)

And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. (1 Cor. 2:4-8)

A True Christian has the power of God within them. This power from above is overcoming power to break all of satan's strongholds in your life! Power to stop smoking, power to stop drinking and drugs, power to stop lusting over money, women, and fame, power to live a holy life and please God. And, the Anointing of the Holy Spirit that accompanies his ministry! Power to tell the TRUTH!

He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath. Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. (Matt. 13:11-13)

A real Christian understands what God is telling them through the scriptures. A Christian is never blind to the things of God and doesn't make lame excuses like; "well, I just didn't know." If you know Jesus personally, then you'll know what He is telling you!