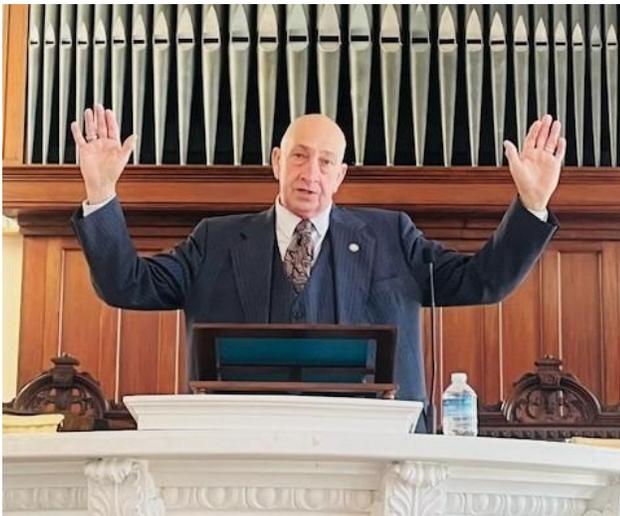


# GOLDEN STATE BIBLE BAPTIST PRISON MINISTRY “ON THE FRONT LINE”

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(Dr. Peter P. Ventura)

## **GOD USES WINDOWS**

**TEXT: Isa. 54:11-17**

The first time the word “Window” shows up in Scripture is in Gen. 6:16 – God’s instruction to Noah, “A window shalt thou make to the ark...”. Amen! Now God uses doors, too. After all, the Lord Jesus said: “... I am the door of the sheep” (Jn. 10:8). God uses doors. Paul asked for prayer from the Saints in his Epistle to the Colossians, that a “door of utterance” to speak the Mystery of Christ (Col. 4:3) would be opened. God uses doors, but, a window, well, when God opens a

window look out! If God opens a window in your life, you need to be ready to act. People knock when they come to a door, so you usually know someone, or something is coming. But, really, who knocks on a window before they open it?

God used a window to let Noah know when it was safe to leave the Ark. But, when God opened the windows of Heaven God poured a flood of water without warning, the likes of which have never been poured through a window since (Gen. 7:11). Amen! When God opens a window, you had better get ready for some action. Amen.

Over there in Acts 20:9, God opened a window so Eutychus could hear Paul preach. I told you, you better pay attention when God opens a window. Either something or someone is coming out, or going in. Amen! Eutychus came through a window, fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead! He fell asleep! But for the grace of God, Paul was able to use Paul’s apostolic gift to bring Eutychus back to life (Acts 20:9-12). It wasn’t God’s fault Eutychus fell asleep! God uses windows. You need to be prepared. You never know when a window of opportunity will open for you, Amen.

You and I need to be God conscience of our Christian walk, you never know who is looking through a “Window” at you. In Gen.

26:8, Abimelech looked out of his window and caught Isaac “sporting with Rebekah”, after Isaac had lied to Abimelech saying Rebekah was not Isaac’s wife, but Isaac’s sister. Isaiah warned: “ Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? And who knoweth us?” (Isa. 29:15). God uses windows!!!

God used a window to save two Israeli spies by lowering them from a window, and God used a window to save Rahab and her family (Josh. 2). When God opens a window, you ought to pay attention, because something or someone is coming through. God uses windows! You know what happened to Jezebel. Jezebel painted her face, looked out a window. And, you know what Jehu said: “ ...Throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he rode her under foot” (2 Kings 9:33). Amen!

You can’t find a door open, then just maybe God has a window open in your life!

Paul understood God uses windows. In Damascus a garrison was waiting to grab Paul. Paul couldn’t get out the door. Paul saw a window of opportunity: “And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and escaped...” (2 Cor. 11:33). God opened a window and it saved Paul’s life. What a sight. An Apostle in a basket! Amen.

Do you realize you could be missing a blessing by looking for a door when God is using a window? God told Israel if they would stop robbing God of tithes – if Israel would pay their tithes: “Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, If I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a

blessing, that their shall not be room enough to receive it” (Mal. 3:10).

Great and awesome things come out of the windows of Heaven. Amen! You might be looking for a door, but you better check your windows! The door may be shut tight, but the window of blessing might be open. Check the windows! Folks, something or someone might be coming through. God uses windows!!! Most people now a days usually check their windows before going to bed – why don’t you?

Oh, those windows of Heaven aren’t just for blessings. The backslidden and unsaved need to take heed, because Isaiah wrote: “And it shall come to pass, that who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake” (Isa. 24:18).

When God uses a window, something is coming in or going out. Amen! God uses windows. If you are not getting blessed, maybe you are standing by a closed door. Maybe you need to check the windows. God uses windows! God uses windows for blessings, and God uses windows for curses: “For death is come up into our windows, and is entered into our palaces...” (Jer. 9:21). Have you checked your windows today?

Daniel knew about those windows. Daniel knew how to use those windows: “...he went into his house; and his windows being opened in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three time a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime” (Dan. 6:10).

God uses windows, I wonder, have you been using your prayer window(s)?

Do you realize God's army of saints are going to use some windows, too? Joel 2:9 says: "They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief".

Never mind what's in your wallet; what's in your window? Amen!

I know Jesus Christ is the "Door". And I know as the redeemed of the Lord know, all Christians are waiting for a door to open in Heaven, for a voice to say, "Come up hither"! But folks, God uses windows. And just maybe you need to stop trying to open doors Jesus Christ has shut. You cannot open a door the Lord has shut!!! So, you better check your windows. You can't open a door God has shut – no more then the Rich Man in Hell could get a drop of water. That door is closed.

God uses windows. Let me ask you, right here in the now and nasty 2025, have you checked your spiritual windows lately? What's in your window?

**END**



**FBC music director Brother Hunter**

## **SEVEN THINGS YOU MISS WHEN YOU DON'T GO TO CHURCH**

**TEXT: Jn. 20:19-23**

- 1) Peace – vs. 19
- 2) Proof – vs. 20
- 3) People – vs. 20
- 4) Pleasure (Glad) – vs. 20
- 5) Purpose – vs. 21
- 6) Power (Holy Spirit) – vs 22
- 7) Plan – vs. 23 (2 Cor. 2:10).

**END**

## **LORDSHIP OF CHRIST**

### **2 Thessalonians 3**

"The Lord" is mentioned six times – 1, 3, 4, 5, 16, 16; and "Our Lord Jesus Christ" is mentioned three times – 6, 12, 18.

- 1) "The **Word of the Lord**" associated with prayer and blessing (1).
- 2) "The **faithfulness of the Lord**" in establishing and keeping (3).
- 3) "**Confidence in the Lord**" for the obedience of others (4).
- 4) "**Direction from the Lord**" into love and patience (5).
- 5) "**Commanding in the Lord**" for faithfulness and discretion (6)
- 6) "**Exhortation by the Lord**" for quietness and diligence (12).
- 7) "**Peace from the Lord**" in communion and consideration (16).
- 8) "The **Presence of the Lord**" for support and comfort (16).
- 9) "The **Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ**" for graciousness and power (18).

**END**



**Dr. Godinez**

## **ON ETERNAL SECURITY**

Since the last newsletter issued, I have personally received many letters and E-mails from incarcerated Brethren asking me if a Christian can lose their Salvation. That, it is commonly reported among the Brethren someone was even accusing John Calvin (1509 – 1564) (The Presbyterian) as the originator of the Doctrine of Eternal Security! It is true, John Calvin did indeed teach a doctrine of eternal security. However, Calvin did not teach the Doctrine of Eternal Security found in the Holy Scriptures! Calvin's teaching on eternal security had to do with Election. Calvin believed God chose in eternity past those who would go to Heaven and those who would go to Hell. If you were "elected" in eternity past, then you had eternal security and could not lose your salvation! The entire doctrine taught by Calvin is a lie. Why? Because God gave man free will to choose whether they wanted to accept/receive Jesus Christ as Savior, or reject the Savior!!!

However, there is a Scriptural – Bible Doctrine which indeed teaches "Eternal Security" of the Believer in Christ Jesus.

Brethren, this false doctrine that a Christian can lose their Salvation is right out of the pit of Hell. This I must address lest younger Brethren who do not know the truth: "...thy word is truth" (Jn. 17:17) fall for the deception driven by deceived men claiming to know the Word of God; they don't! Before you read on, think on these two verses and get them down into your heart: **"To the law and to the testimony. If they speak not according to this word, it is because *there is no light in them*"** (Isa. 8:20). **"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee..."** (Hosea 4:6). It is not what you know that will harm you, but what you don't know! The proof of a Christian's Eternal Security is clearly set forth in Scripture: **Gospel of John**: "But as many as received him, to them he gave power to become the sons of God, even them that believe on his name" (Jn. 1:12); "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (Jn. 3:16); "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God" (Jn. 3:18); "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him" (Jn. 3:36); "But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life" (Jn. 4:14); "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life" (Jn. 5:24); "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me: and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out" (Jn. 6:37); "And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that all of which he hath given

me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day" (Jn. 6:39); "And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up in the last day" (Jn. 6:40). "Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on me hath everlasting life" (Jn. 6:47). "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand" (Jn. 10:27-29); "And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses" (Acts 13:39); "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Ro. 5:1); "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled we shall be saved by his life" (Ro. 5:9-10); "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Ro. 6:23); "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit" (Ro. 8:1); "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed into the image of his Son...Moreover, whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified" (Ro. 8:35, 38-39); "For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance" (Ro. 11:29); "Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless [not sinless] in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord" (I Cor. 1:8-9); "Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts" (II Cor. 1:22); "Therefore

if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (II 5:17); "In whom ye also trusted...ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise. Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory" (Eph. 1:13-14); "For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that of yourselves: it is the gift of God; Not of works, lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8-9); "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption" (Eph. 4:30); "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:6); "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins" (Col. 1:13-14); "For the which I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day" (II Tim. 1:12); Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his..." (II Tim. 2:19); "**These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God**" (I Jn. 5:13).

The Apostle Paul wrote: "We are confident, *I say*, and willing to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord" (2 Cor. 5:8). Paul, after being saved for about 20 years writes Roman Chapter Seven. Paul describes his personal fight with his own flesh – after 20 yrs. of being saved and serving the Lord Jesus Christ.

You see Brethren, Paul is sinning, he did not want to, but he did. Paul says: "Now it is nor more I that do it, but **sin** that dwelleth in me. For I know that in me (that is, in my

flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not” (Ro. 7:17-18).

A Christian is a tripartite being: **spirit, soul, and body!** The moment a person gets saved, a spiritual circumcision is preformed: “In whom ye also are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in the putting off the body of the sins in the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead” (Col. 2:11-12). Just like Paul explained to you in Romans 7, sin is attributed to the Christian’s flesh. When a Christian dies, that sinful flesh goes into the ground, but the spirit and soul go to Heaven – absent from the body present with the Lord. That is why 1 Jn. 9 is written: “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”.

Listen folks, Hebrews 12 explains that we cannot sin without penalty. The penalty is “Chastening by the Lord in this world, and **NOT** loss of Salvation!!!

And here is the kicker! If someone is going to get screwed up in their Bible, it is someone who can’t rightly divide the Word of Truth = Jn. 17:17; (2 Tim. 2:15). They will get screwed up in Matthew, Hebrews, and Revelation – That’s a fact!

**END**

### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT**

Better to beg bread on Earth, than water in Hell!!!

### **IN DEFENSE OF THE KJB**

**Question:** Where should a Bible believer begin when defending the Bible with a Bible corrector?

**Answer:** It is absolutely essential to begin by asking the Bible corrector this question, “Do

you accept the Bible as your **Final Authority** in **all matters** of faith and **practice?**”

**Explanation:** Many times a Bible believer is challenged by someone who has many years of study in the area of Greek, Hebrew or textual criticism. Because their opponent has such an educational background the Bible believer is sometimes intimidated. In fact, most Bible correctors are quick to claim educational superiority if they think it will assist them in winning a debate.

Obviously, there are two answers to the question. “Do you accept the Bible as your **Final Authority** in **all matters** of faith and **practice?**” Yes, or No?

If the well-educated Bible corrector says, “Yes,” they have just stated that they put the Bible **above** their own education. That puts them on an **equal level** with any Bible believer who may lack their educational credentials. Most Bible believers know their Bible better than the average Bible corrector, thus giving them the true advantage.

If, at anytime during the debate, the Bible corrector tries to pull rank on them by referring back to their educational “qualifications” the Bible believer needs only remind them, “But you said you accepted the Bible as your **Final Authority**, even above your education.” This is devastating to both the argument and ego of heady Bible Correctors.

On the other hand, if when asked this question they respond with “No, ...the Bible believer has already won the engagement and need go no further!

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## THE SEVEN JUDGMENTS

- 1) The judgment of *sin at Calvary* (Jn. 3:14; 1 Cor. 5:21).
- 2) The *believer's daily self-judgment* (1 Cor. 11:30-32).
- 3) The *Judgment Seat of Christ* (2 Cor. 5:10; Ro. 14:10; 1 Cor. 3:12-15).
- 4) The Judgment of *Israel in the Tribulation* (Hos. 2:6-15; Ezek. 20:38).
- 5) The *Judgment on the Nations* (Mat. 25:30-42).
- 6) The *White Throne Judgment of the lost* (Rev. 20:11-15).
- 7) The judgment of *angels* at the White Throne Judgment (1 Cor. 6:3).

**END**

## THE SEVEN MYSTERIES

- 1) The *Incarnation* (1 Tim. 3:16).

- 2) The *Indwelling Christ* (Col. 1:27).
- 3) The *One Body* (Eph. 5:30-32; 3:1-5).
- 4) The *Wandering Jew* (Ro. 11:25).
- 5) *Mystery Babylon* (Rev. 17:5).
- 6) The *Devil Incarnate* (2 Thes. 2:7).
- 7) The *Rapture* (1 Cor. 15:51-55).

**END**

## THE SEVEN BAPTISMS

- 1) The baptism of *John* (water) (Mt. 3:11).
- 2) The baptism of *fire* (Mt. 3:11) cf. Rev. 20:15.
- 3) The baptism of the *Holy Spirit* (1 Cor. 12:13; Acts 1:5).
- 4) The baptism of *Peter to Israel* (water) (Acts 2:36-40).
- 5) The *Gentile believer's* baptism (water) (Mt. 28:19).
- 6) The baptism of *Moses* (water and cloud) (1 Cor. 10:1-4).
- 7) The baptism of *suffering* (Mt. 20:22-23).

**END**

## A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM DR. VENTURA

I want to personally thank each, and every one who has been praying for my health and this ministry. And then, I want to thank all of you who have been supporting this ministry.

Over the past four years, physical death and I have met face to face. Yet, you and I know, death does not get the last word! All of my faith came down to a few moments of stark reality, especially when a doctor is leaning over you and asking, "Do you want me to revive you? I need to know right now!" Such was the case two weeks ago. The death dart was blood clots on both sides of the heart. I asked, "You mean like CPR?" With my wife looking on with a blank stare, the doctor said: "Yes"! I said, "OK". Then

the doctor said, "That means I have to put tubes in you." Looking at my wife (Sister Marilyn), I replied calmly, "No, let me die, then". The doctor, unemotionally said "OK, I had to ask". Brothers, Sisters, this is where, as they say, the rubber meets the road! By the mercies of God, here am I.

God is good. God is always good! The Apostle Paul said: Absent from the body, present with the Lord (2 Cor, 5:8). The words of the Apostle Paul always hold deep roots in my heart, especially when Paul wrote: "...for I know in whom I have believed..." (2 Tim. 1:12).

The foregoing is not an attempt to brag about my faith in Christ Jesus, but is told as a personal witness of the power of God in a lowly servant's life which is hidden in Christ Jesus. Like Paul, I die daily (1 Cor. 15:21). You say, Dr. Ventura, you have great faith! No, my friend. Just like you, God has given us all who are saved "...the measure of faith." (Ro. 12:3). If you want your faith to grow and be strong, then you must "exercise" your measure of faith that God has already given you when you were saved. "For bodily exercise prophiteth little..." (1 Tim. 4:8). It is "***spiritual exercise***" which builds your faith. "So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Ro. 10:17). You can't build your faith listening to Rap, Country Western, Rock and Roll music, and I-Pad TV!!! "hearing by the word of God" – not listening to the world! "But what sayeth it? The word is nigh thee, *even* in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is the word of faith, which we preach" (Ro. 10:8). "But what sayeth it?" The "it" is the Word of God. When you read your Bible (KJB) "it" – your Bible speaks to you! Reading your Bible is a spiritual exercise! Playing card games, satanic games (i.e.

Dungeon & Dragons,) etc., does not build your faith in Jesus Christ! Some of you don't even know what the symbols of a deck of cards represent! The Queen of Hearts represents the pagan Queen of Heaven – Ishtar, or Inanna of Sumerian origin. A Jack is a rouge! The four playing card suits represent the four seasons/solstices – some say, the four phases of the moon! Perhaps I have gone too spiritually deep for some of you. You are probably looking like a deer in a set of headlights, right now! Looking like the parents I have preached to on Sunday morning when they are told some of the toys they brought for their children are of satanic origin. For instance, that half human, and half animal toy – that is bestiality!!! You can't get a half human and half animal any other way! Oh, the Holy Spirit!!! (Hosea 4:6).

Exercise your faith by reading the Word of God/Truth (Jn. 17:17). The exercise your faith by doing the Word of God/Truth. Witnessing and soulwinning is exercising your faith. The more you do it the stronger your faith becomes.

There are an awful lot of people naming the name of Jesus Christ, but they are living like the devil – if that is you, well, then you are blasphemers. A filthy blasphemer!!! That's a fact, and a fact never has to apologize for itself. You are of Christ Jesus and are showing people by your sinful behavior that Jesus is a part of that behavior? Yes, you are! Cut it out! Are you offended by what I just said? Then you must be living in sin. Christ didn't save your soul by dying on the cross so you could act out your sins upon His Earth.

Moreover, while on the subject, it is commonly reported among some incarcerated,

even men studying under this ministry that, there are men naming the name of Christ, but living contrary wise, forsaking the assembling of the Brethren in study and Church. If you are one of them, you need to repent! You need to quit playing with God!!!

On a final note: I have received a few questions as to whether the "Trinity" actually exists in Scripture. To that question my answered were addressed individually. However, here is a re-affirmation for those still in doubt: John 15:26. This verse alone speaks of all three members of the Trinity. In fact, in this verse we know that the Holy Spirit is a person because the pronoun "he" id used to describe Him! Amen.

**END**



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**FOOD FOR THOUGHT!**

Prior to Pentecost, the disciples said, "Lord, teach us to pray." You never find that question in the book of Acts and afterward. Pray was an automatic exercise for those in the early church. Nothing delighted them more than gathering for prayer. They were praying people, and not only that, God was working through their prayers"

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