

HEED GOD'S WARNINGS

EZEK. 3:17; COL. 1:26-28

ABOUT SATAN

1 PET. 5:8,9; 2 COR. 11:3
2 COR. 4:3,4

ABOUT DECEPTION

ROM. 16:17,18; 1 COR. 15:33; HEB. 3:13
GAL. 6:7,8; 1 COR. 6:9,10; 2 THESS. 2:3
JS. 1:22,26



ABOUT COVETOUSNESS

LK. 12:15; 1 TIM. 6:6-12
EPH. 5:5; COL. 3:5

ABOUT FALSE PROPHETS

MT. 7:15-20; 2 COR. 11:13-15
2 PET. 2:1-3; 1 JO. 4:1; ACTS 20:29-31

ABOUT APOSTASY

1 COR. 10:12; HEB. 3:12
HEB. 4:11

ABOUT FALSE TEACHING

MT. 15:8,9; EPH. 5:6
COL. 2:8; 2 PET. 3:17

ABOUT SELF

ROM. 12:3; LK. 17:3
1 TIM. 4:16

Steve Hudgins, Via <http://executableoutlines.com/charts>

Welcome to our services and thank you for visiting. If you have any questions about our beliefs or practices, please don't hesitate to ask.

God has not only commanded us to worship Him, but has also told us how, in His word. **The elements of our services, as prescribed by God's word, are as follows:**

- **SINGING:** Ephesians 5:18,19; Colossians 3:16
- **PREACHING/TEACHING:** Acts 2:42; Eph. 4:11,12
- **PRAYING:** Acts 2:42; Acts 12:5
- **LORD'S SUPPER:** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; Acts 20:7
- **GIVING:** 1 Corinthians 16:1,2; 2 Corinthians 9:6,7



COME WORSHIP WITH US!

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY...9:00
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP.....10:00
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP.....6:00
WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES....7:00

EVERYONE WELCOME!

- www.defendthegospel.com
- Weekly Article: Rutherford Reader
- 3rd Sunday Singing Practice: 5 pm
- 4th Sunday Singing Night: 6 pm
- Radio program on wgns. 15 minute sermon every Sunday morning from 10:45 - 11:00.
- Children's Class: Every 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5:30 pm
- 5th Sunday Prayer Service, 6 pm
- Men's Business Meeting. 1st Sunday evenings following services.



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"They...searched the scriptures daily..." -Acts 17:11

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ABRAHAM

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Abraham had the high honor of being called "*The friend of God*" (James 2:23). He was a man just as we are. He sometimes sinned as we do. But what a blessing to have God call him his friend. We too can be a friend of God if we do His will. Jesus said, "*You are My friends if you do whatever I command you*" (John 15:14). Abraham was...

DIRECTED. God specifically called Abraham to leave his own land, his own family, and to go sojourn in a strange land (Genesis 12:1). This is a significant calling. It was no small thing in those days. They didn't have easy travel and nice hotels along the way. Did Abraham tell God he needed a few weeks to say goodbyes and get things in order? Did he make lame excuses as to why he shouldn't (or couldn't) go? No! He followed God's directions even when they were very demanding. "*So Abram departed as the Lord had spoken to him*" (Genesis 12:4). The Lord has given us some difficult directions as well. And they are often very demanding, requiring significant sacrifices on our part. If we want to be God's friend, we must follow them exactly as He has revealed them to us without complaint or

modification (Colossians 3:17; 2 Jn 9). **DILIGENT.** Abraham was diligent in doing God's will. He would often have to go from one place to another at the Lord's command. He was once asked to sacrifice his son, his only son whom he loved. He set out to do it! But he was called God's friend! How is our diligence? Are we diligent in studying God's word (Acts 17:11)? Are we diligent in sharing the Gospel (Acts 8:4)? Are diligent in visiting and assisting those in need (James 1:27)? Are we diligent when it comes to the assemblies of the saints (Hebrews 10:25)? Are we diligent in our prayers (1 Thessalonians 5:17)? Be must serve the Lord diligently

DEVOTED. It seems everywhere Abraham went he was building an altar and worshipping the Lord (Genesis 12:7; 13:4, 18). It was difficult; it was hard work, but Abraham was devoted to worshipping God. Even while traveling! How devoted are we to the Lord? When we plan to travel do we make sure there's a faithful church we can worship with along the way? Are we devoted enough to strive for a perfect attendance record where we are members? If we would be God's friend, we must be devoted to Him! 🔍

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A GREAT THINKER

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Many have made their mark as great thinkers. Epicurus, Zeno, Confucius, these were considered great thinkers. But listen, I believe that every true child of God is or should be a great thinker.

The apostle Paul by inspiration of the Holy Spirit told us exactly how to be a great thinker. *“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things”* (Philippians 4:8-KJV). Notice he wrote, “Think on these things.”

It’s one thing to be considered and honored as a great thinker in philosophy, medicine, science, or mathematics. But while these fields of

interest have significant impacts on our lives while on this earth, the things Paul told us to think on significantly impact our eternal life in heaven. It’s much better to have God regard us as great thinkers than men.

Consider the things in Paul’s list. “True.” Rather than getting absorbed in a society obsessed with falsehoods, let’s think and speak the truth. Let’s be “Honest.” “Just.” We must be fair and just people. “Pure.” We’re surrounded by temptations to defile ourselves. We must have pure, clean minds. “Lovely.” We worry ourselves into a fit thinking about violence, disease, and tragedies. Concentrate on things of good report, not gossip and slander.

Virtuous and praiseworthy things should occupy our thoughts. God’s word meets all the things on the list. Meditate on it! Be a great thinker! 🔍

SERMON NOTES

Search the scriptures daily to see if these things are so.

STUDY DAILY!
Acts 17:11

God’s Recipe For Fruit

Introduction:

I. _____

II. _____

III. _____

"Pray Without Ceasing"

1 THESSALONIANS 5:17

THIS WEEK’S MESSAGE FOR OUTSIDE SIGN
(Thanks to anyone who can stay after services tonight and help change the sign.)

BOTH SIDES:

LOVE ONE ANOTHER
JOHN 13:34



DUTY LIST...

SUNDAY MORNING

- Announcements.....Michael Pickford
- Bible Reading by.....Sam Miller
Reading: 2 Peter 1:5-11
- Song Leader.....Robert Johnson
- Opening Prayer.....Kenny Todd
- Lord’s Table:
Lead.....Lynn Buttrey
Serve.....Chris Meade
Serve.....Frank Anderson
- Closing Prayer.....Ben Reagh

SUNDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Ben Reagh
- Lord’s Table.....Lynn Buttrey

WEDNESDAY EVENING

- Song Leader.....Michael Pickford
- Invitation.....Ben Reagh

*Home Bible Studies
Available Upon Request!*

GOD’S PLAN OF SALVATION

There is only one true saving plan of Salvation outlined in Scripture. No substitutes will do. Have you really been saved? Get out your Bible and study the plan below.

- Hear The Gospel: Romans 10:17
- Believe: Mark 16:16; John 8:24
- Repent of Sin: Acts 2:38; Acts 17:30
- Confess Faith: Romans 10:9, 10
- Be Baptized: Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
- Remain Faithful: Rev. 2:10

Obey Today!