Women of the Bible



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Seek God's Wisdom

Harry Todd

Congratulations to you graduates, The victory has been won, School work has been completed But your education is not done.

You will never cease your learning, Each day, knowledge you will gain,

But without God's wisdom Your knowledge will be in vain. Where then is wisdom found?

Job asked that years ago,

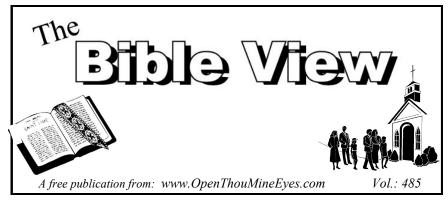
He answered, "The fear of the Lord" And still today, it is so.

Diploma, education, knowledge, All three you may gain But without wisdom from God, Your service for Him is in vain.



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Some Good Advice

Bill Brinkworth

In Paul's concluding remarks to the Galatians (Chapter 6), he left them with some good advice. This godly wisdom is good for all, even today, to keep in mind and practice. His counsel included:

If someone has a weakness, and if you really are a spiritual person, help him with his problem. That advice is contrary to what so many do, when one is

having difficulties (vs. 1). Too many talk about the dilemma of those that are hurting, ridicule them, blame them for their failures, and "kick them" when they're down, instead of helping them up.

Take others' hardships to your own heart. Bear the burdens of others (vs. 2) as if they were your very own. There will be a time you will have difficulties, and you will wish others would enter the throne room of God on your

behalf.

No matter how successful you think you are, do not fool yourself into thinking you are better than you really are (vs. 3).

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Wisdom from God's Word

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Paul learned the things he knew and taught, because God revealed them to him (Eph. 3:3). The people, in general, did not have the means to learn God's commandments, unless it came directly from a God appointed delivery-man. Paul was that man at the time.

As Paul learned God's will and way, he shared it with people through his writings. His preserved writings are what gave people the knowledge God wanted them to have (vs. 4). Even to this day, the writings that God's anointed were told to record by God, not just Paul, are still a media God has chosen to educate and inform people about the teachings of God.

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💥 Hardships and trials are difficult and exhausting, but when you get through the trial you will feel better about vourself (vss. 4-5). Too many try to keep others from learning that valuable lesson in life by making it easier for them, and not allowing them to go through the valley that will teach them important life lessons. Those people never experience the joy of getting the victory over the difficulty. Many times, facing a problem by yourself can cause a person to get closer and more reliant on God, which may be why God allowed one to go through the valley.

Never forget or be fooled; one always reaps what he sows! If one plants a crop of sin, he will reap the harvest of some really rotten "fruit" (vss. 7-8)!

Do not quit doing right! You may feel that there is no reward in doing so, or that no one may ever give you the credit for doing right; but God promises, in time, you will reap the blessings of a good "crop" (vs.9)!

Be a blessing to others, especially other Christians (vs. 10)!

Those seven bits of advice will make one's life more rewarding, and would limit a lot

of unnecessary bad consequences that many face. Paul's wisdom, if followed, would result in fewer selfish people, and more othersoriented, content, fulfilled Christians.

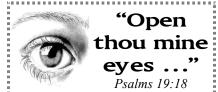
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An unsaved person can read and reread the words of God and still not understand their meaning, or the mind of God, until that person is born into the family of God through salvation. Once he is saved, he has a new mind (I Cor. 2:6) that can know and comprehend God's Word. After salvation, God's truths will no longer be a "mystery" (vs. 4) to him, and God's message will be clear to him.

Since I have been saved, I have seen again and again that truth be proven true. I have seen the truth that the song "Amazing Grace" teaches: "I once was blind but now I see ...". Before I was saved. God's Word was "just an old book that men from a long time ago wrote". Now I see it as a book with every word of God preserved, so I can read it and live by His words. I have seen educated, religious "scholars" nervously attempt to explain passages of Scripture;

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." I Corinthians 15:58



and it was clearly observed by me and them, that they did not really understand what they were reading. People with Ph. D.'s have attempted to explain the creation of earth and man, and have never come up with an explanation that all in the science community can concur with or is not changed by others in their community within several years. Ridiculers of the things of God have attempted to make the history and the advice from the Bible to be false, only to have their accusations disproved and unbelieved by anyone, themselves.

However, I have seen the same Scriptures explained by saved six and seven year olds, quickly and easily. The important factor in understanding God's Word is that one must be a child of God. Its understanding is far above what man's natural intellect can understand. It takes a child of God's indwelling Holy Spirit of God to put light on the Word of God

Getting Advice

King James Bible

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful." Psalms 1:1

"I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye." Ps. 32:8

"The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect." Ps. 33:10

"The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations." Ps. 33:11

"Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety." Proverbs 11:14

"Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established." Pr. 15:22

"There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand." Pr. 19:21

Guidance

Herbert Hoover

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of concentrated wisdom. Whether it be of law, business, morals, or that vision which leads the imagination in the creation of constructive enterprises ... he who seeks for guidance ... may look inside its covers and find illumination.

"Always seek advice from one that you look up to spiritually!"