

No Bible No Power

Know the Bible, Know the Power

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Scripture: Matthew 22:23-33

23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,

24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:

26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh.

27 And last of all the woman died also.

28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

31 But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying,

32 I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

33 And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his doctrine.

Summary: This lesson is written with the idea of motivating a person to become a Bible reader.

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Catch phrase: Grab the Word

Intro Here once again we have the infamous Sadducees, who are the well-respected governing body of religion, men of much education and what is supposed to be wisdom.

Well here they challenge Jesus who is God himself in a body of flesh, trying to trick Jesus into saying something that is going to dishonor his whole ministry.

In their motives to try to bring Jesus down they are so caught up in making him look bad that they failed to do their homework.

Jesus promptly lets them know that “Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.”

Otherwise saying you are making a mistakes because you don’t know the Bible, and because you don’t know the bible you have no clue to the power of God.

This is true today with us we always want to challenge what is right or fair, we want to challenge our pastors, people in the church, and some of us just like the Sadducees and the Pharisees we often have the nerve to challenge God on what is right and what is not.

We cannot say what is right and what is not without diving into the scriptures and meditating on them and letting God speak to us through them.

Loving God is a great start but it is not enough, the Sadducees and the Pharisees problem was not loving God they really took pride in their love of God, but through their ignorance of God’s word they found themselves enemies of the Almighty God himself in the form of Jesus.

Yes start out by loving God and Loving Jesus but read the holy text book.

First movement: Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures (NLT) –

29 Jesus replied, "Your problem is that you don't know the Scriptures,

Our problem most of us is we mess up not knowing the Word of God

1. Short tempered-Proverbs 3:5

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

2. Rob God- We could be robbing God and not know it and be cursed and cannot prosper and not know why - Malachi 3:8

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me.

But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

3. We can't love God when we don't love our brethren- - 1 JOHN 4:20

If a man says, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

4. We can't make good decisions concerning ourselves or others because

A. Jealous- We feel bad over someone else's blessings when she should appreciate what we have

B. Proud- We take credit for things we shouldn't therefore getting on God's bad side

C. Revengeful- want to get back at someone out of anger

D. Impatient- Can't wait on God

E. Worry- Letting our self-fret over nothing

5. Lack wisdom- Proverb 1:7

7. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.

It says that knowledge begins with deep seeded respect for God, We don't have a good grasp on eternal wisdom or heavenly understanding to handle situations rightly, we have a popular slogan going on now;

"W.W.J.D" ourselves: "What Would Jesus Do" but we have to study the word to know what Jesus would.

6. We are easily led astray. -In to false doctrine

7. We miss out on blessings because we don't know the proper procedures of God's program

1. We cheat ourselves- financial blessings,

Spiritual blessings-

Physical blessings- Not all of us but some of us are suffering right now because of our ignorance of the scriptures some of us are going to suffer in the future for our ignorance today

Mental security- Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. Isaiah 26:3

2. We cheat our families- By not sharing and living by the word, we have family members who are not going to enjoy the fruits and pleasures of heaven because they have not seen us display biblical love, biblical knowledge and biblical principles

3. We cheat our friends- Of Good advice, enough scripture knowledge for them to completely believe, how many us had friends who had doubts , but were curious, but we didn't have enough biblical knowledge to help bring them to Jesus

4. We can't get a prayer through- There are certain things that hinder our prayers (like how we treat our spouses 1 Peter 3:7)

7. Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

So if we don't know the scriptures, when we pray for our family members and friends, we run the chance of ineffective prayers.

Don't you know that friends and family when they see you go to church, you are supposed to be the expert on God, the expert on the bible how do you think people view you when you are asked questions about the bible and don't have an answer, or if you give an answer and they find out later you didn't know what you were talking about.

5. Cheat God- We don't just cheat God of money there are many ways to cheat God.

We don't know the scriptures we could cheat him of praise, reasonable service, being in his will, and being in a proper relationship

8. We can't spiritually grow- Suffer from the same mistakes in 2020 that we made in years pasted.

Second Movement: If we don't know the scriptures

Jesus was saying that they didn't study the word,

They didn't become familiar with the word,

Their knowledge of God's word was insufficient.

The Bible is precious. God took time to give us a written understanding of his perfect will.

The bible is God's testimony, proof of his existence, he took time to put together a super intelligent plan of how the whole bible would add together, and skillfully maneuvered people's lives, to follow a certain plan so we could learn about it.

He destroyed millions of disobedient people in the bible so we could have an example of what God wants.

Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

The bible says meditate on the word day and night Charles Stanley says grab yourself about three scriptures and recall them all day.

A few I suggest are (Romans 8:31), (Romans 8:28), (Psalms 37:1), (Psalms 34:1), (Isaiah 26:3) meditate on what they really mean.

Third Movement: Power of God

Thirdly here is a deep statement because you don't know the full value, because you have not meditated over the scriptures enough, you have no idea the power of God.

God's power is too awesome to mention.

How can we possibly know the power of God, his effectiveness, his strength without knowing the word?

How can we know what God is all about?

We won't know that he will make your enemies your footstool

We won't know he is the source of our strength if we don't read

We won't know that he is a healer

How he has single handedly destroyed whole cities

We won't know of the power he has given us

Our faith cannot increase

God is unbeatable (Romans 8:31)

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

All things are possible Luke 1:37

For with God nothing shall be impossible.

Celebration: Grab the word

When the kid's won't act right grab the word, (Grab the word)

When your spouse don't understand (Grab the word)

When money is low (Grab the word)

When you want to punch somebody in the mouth (Grab the word)

When there is trouble on the job (Grab the word)

People at church (Grab the word)

World seem to hard (Grab the word)

When you don't know what to do (Grab the word)

When a love one dies (Grab the word)

When you can't find your way (Grab the word)

When you lust too much (Grab the word)

When you suffer from racism (Grab the word)

Shy (Grab the word)

Esteem is low (Grab the word)

When you are happy (Grab the word)

When in Sunday school (Grab the word)

In bible study (Grab the word)

When you are sad (Grab the word)

When you are lost (Grab the word)

When you are sick (Grab the word)

On a rainy day (Grab the word)

On a sunny day (Grab the word)

On a date (Grab the word)

During commercials (Grab the word)

After a big exam (Grab the word)

When you fall in love (Grab the word)

World's says (Grab the word)

If at first you don't succeed try, try again

The bible says in- Romans 8:28

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

World's says

I think I can

The bible says in-Phillipians 4:13

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

World's says Stick and stones will break my bones but words will never hurt me

The bible says Romans 8:31

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?