

“For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 3:11, NKJV)



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The Dangers of Woke Christianity By James Moriello

“Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you have learned, and avoid them.” (Romans 16:17)

There is a movement afoot in some of our evangelical churches to attempt to change, replace, or overshadow the old Christian gospel, which sets forth the promise of eternal life based on faith alone in Christ alone. This article is a warning of that which may detract from your focus upon God. The woke believer (in the Bible sense) says with the Psalmist, “My eyes are awake through the night watches, That I may meditate on Your word. Hear my voice according to your lovingkindness; O LORD, revive me according to your justice” (Psalm 119:148-149). It is the Word of God that awakens us in all things, not the philosophies of men. The Christian mission is none other than the preaching of the gospel and the Great Commission (Romans 10:8-17; Matthew 28:18-20). Every other purpose falls in line behind it. The new brand of woke Christianity is a social justice movement first and foremost, and is a product of the experiences of certain individuals and culture groups. Any movement based on human subjective experience is doomed to failure, insofar as it inevitably comes into conflict with God’s objective truth. It will lead to liberalism, apostasy, and departure from soul winning focus. Further, it is a movement that tends to divide people and look at them according to skin color or origin. We have enough of that already. We already have what folks call “white churches, black churches, and Spanish churches.”

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What if I Miss the Rapture? By Rick Meunier

(Photo By Tanya Hay)



∞ The rapture is the next event on the prophetic scale. When it occurs, it will cause an international crisis. It will disrupt communications and transportation, like no war has done in the last 100 years.

Briefly, “The Rapture” is a reference to the immediate departure from this earth of several million people, and will occur in a fraction of a second (1 Cor. 15:49-55). It is a reference to a Biblical event which heralds the coming of the Antichrist, to take over the United Nations, through an apostate church.

Anyone in whom the Lord Jesus Christ does not dwell (Rom. 8:1-13), will be left on the earth after the rapture (1 Thess. 4:13-17). They will go through the Great Tribulation (Matthew 24), spoken of by Jesus Christ.

Below are some instructions that you will need to follow, in the case that you continue to refuse to accept Jesus’ free gift of Salvation. If you continue to harden your heart to Christ, when this event comes unaware, you will be left behind to face it’s horrors and atrocities.

1) Don’t Panic. You were on your way to Hell anyway, and you never panicked then.

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Your Road Leads to Death By Scott Lanctot

Get on God’s Highway and Have Life!

“Your life shall hang in doubt before you; you shall fear day and night, and have no assurance of life” (Deuteronomy 28:66). For the doubter, seeker of the one true God, it comes down to belief in faith. “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1). God gave man free will to choose to believe in Him or reject Him. The Bible is life to those who believe in faith. Somebody might say, “It was written by man.” Absolutely true, “for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit” (2 Peter 1:21). Men wrote the words that God Himself wanted penned, for our learning. To know God is to know the Bible. Someone will say, “Why go to church? They are all hypocrites.” It could be true. I would submit to you, “Come, show us the way.” Compare yourself to Christ. You will fall short of His glory. Christ is the head of the church. It is not an option for the Christian who wishes to obey God not to go to church. We are to be “not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching” (Hebrews 10:25). Christians go to church to praise, worship, and give glory to our Lord, God, and Savior Christ Jesus, and get to feed on His Word. Doubter, Seeker, come, you might hear something that will convict you and cause you to say, “Yes, I’m a sinner in need of a Savior.” The whole Bible, Old and New Testament, is all about Jesus Christ. Why did Jesus come in the flesh?

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For Israel My Glory
By Cheryl Correia

The nation of Israel is an essential part of God’s plan for the ages. We shall journey through the Holy Scriptures to see the origin of the nation, the Abrahamic and Mosaic covenants, Jewish and Gentile salvation, as well as explore the Jewish genealogy of Jesus, and the Bible. Lastly, we shall discuss the future glory of Israel in the Messianic Kingdom. “I bring My righteousness near, it shall not be far off; My salvation shall not linger. And I will place salvation in Zion, For Israel My glory” (Isaiah 46:13).

We shall begin with the origin of the Jewish nation, beginning with Abraham. “Now the LORD had said to Abram: “Get out of your country, From your family And from your father’s house, To a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”” (Genesis 12:1-3). Abram heard the divine call of God and obeyed. A covenant of protection and provision was, and still is, provided by God for His people. Living a nomadic lifestyle and constantly relying on God’s faithfulness, Abram obeyed and grew in faith. “And he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness” (Genesis 15:6). God promised Abram, as the seed of righteousness, the land of Canaan with God’s guidance, direction, and protection. “Then He said to Abram: “Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years. And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.” And it came to pass, when the sun went down and it was dark, that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces. On the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: “To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates— the Kenites, the Kenezites, the Kadmonites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.”” (Genesis 15:13-21). Abram had answered the call, and walked in divine fellowship with God. “No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you” (Genesis 17:5-6). The blessing continued from Abraham’s son Isaac to Isaac’s son Jacob. “And He said, “Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed.”” (Genesis 32:28). God changed Jacob’s name to Israel and blessed him with twelve sons—Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, Joseph, Benjamin, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher (Genesis 35:23-26). There are twelve tribes of Israel, bringing clarity to God’s promise of the large number of descendants of Abraham. This everlasting covenant and the origin of God’s chosen people, Israel, continues throughout Scripture from the Abrahamic to the Mosaic Covenant.

Throughout the Scriptures, God’s chosen people continue to follow the pattern of rebellion due to sin, resulting in God’s discipline as a tool to return Israel to Himself. Ultimately, their repentance would lead to a restored relationship between God and His people.
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Firm Foundation Christian Church meets at 84 Cumberland Street, Woonsocket, RI. We meet every Sunday for Worship Service at 10 am, and also every Friday for Bible Study and Prayer at 7 pm. We are a Soul Winning, Great Commission, Christian Bible Church. In addition to an active evangelistic ministry, we host tent revivals, do street evangelism, and offer beginner to advanced level independent study classes, all free of charge. All of our preaching and Bible Study is directly from the Word of God. We invite you to stop by and visit us.

We believe in the inspired Word of God which is without error in all that it affirms. Scripture (The Bible) provides the basis for our Christian faith (2 Timothy 3:16).

We believe in the Divine Nature of the Trinity: God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit (Deuteronomy 5:6; John 1:1-3; 1 Corinthians 2:10-11).

All men and women are sinners by nature in need of a Savior. We need God’s grace and mercy (Romans 3:10-23; Isaiah 45:22).

That Savior is Jesus Christ, who paid for all our sins at the cross (Hebrews 10:12).

Those who trust in Him in faith (believe upon His work and promises) attain to eternal life (John 3:16; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4).



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The Bible does not make such distinctions. We are all “one blood” (Acts 17:26). “For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:27-28). Whoever you are, whatever your background, Christ died for you. There is one human race, a human race of sinners, in need of reconciliation with God. If folks got saved, became Christian disciples, and saw other folks the way that God sees them, loving others without thought to differences (Did Jesus not make that point in the Parable of the Good Samaritan?), divisions would disappear, not intensify and be maintained at the front and center, as woke Christianity seeks to do. Unity, I say, and not division, in the Body of Christ. Christian friend, don’t get caught up in the new fad, Do not lose sight of the gospel. And look upon each and every individual as a person of dignity and great value in the sight of God, as one who needs Jesus, just as you and I do.



What if I Miss the Rapture? (Continued from Page 1) By Rick Meunier

You were just as lost before the rapture (Eph. 2:1-5), as you are after the rapture. If you aren’t worried now, or make fun of Hell, or follow liberal theologians who say God would never send anyone to Hell, why change your theology now?

- 2) Don’t take any marks, prints, chips, or tattoos, in your forehead or right hand. Doing so, will guarantee you an eternity in the Lake of Fire (Rev. 14:9-11). A number “666” would probably be connected to your social security number and credit cards, and lifelock won’t be able to help you. By the way, if you don’t receive the mark, you won’t be able to buy, sell, or do any kind of commerce (Rev. 13:17).
- 3) Look out for anyone connected with a city of 7 hills. (Rev. 17:1-9) These individuals may come to you in the name of Christ (Matt. 7:21-22, 24:24). These individuals are deceivers and fakes (2 Thess. 2:1-10, Rev. 13:1-8, 11-15), who masquerade as politicians, or church leaders.

4) Die as a martyr. You have never been a fanatic at anything in your life, unless it had to do with sex, money, sports, or other worldly pursuits. You have called other family members fanatics because of their belief in Jesus Christ, and now could you lay down your life for him? (Mark 13:11-12).

Do you think that you could really identify and refuse all these traps? I don’t think so, if I read 2 Thessalonians 2:8-12 correctly. I think that instead of taking your chances, you need to stop trusting yourself, and start trusting Jesus Christ. The plan of salvation is laid out plainly for us in the Bible, and, is a whole lot easier to navigate the steps you will need to take to be saved, than to attempt to outsmart the Antichrist and False Prophet. Won’t you be saved today?

- 1) Understand you are a sinner / Romans 3:10, 23
- 2) Know there is a penalty for your sin / Rom. 6:23a, Ezekiel 18:4, 20
- 3) Know that Jesus Christ took the penalty for your sin / Rom. 5:8
- 4) Call out to God to save you today / Rom. 10:13

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The Fall of Satan By Steve Jackson

The fall of Satan is a major event in world history. Though it happened sometime before humans populated the earth, the consequences have been far reaching and extend beyond a punishment reserved for Satan himself. From his very first introduction in the Garden of Eden (Gen 3), Satan has sown discord between man and God. At that time, he was disguised in some way as a serpent. And while the name Satan doesn’t appear in Genesis, other Scripture passages such as Rev 12:9 let us know, the serpent was indeed Satan. “So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan,” - Rev 12:9. While Adam and Eve were living peaceably and within the confines of God’s guidelines, Satan was working to plant seeds of rebellion by twisting God’s word and deceiving Eve with a temptation to be like God. “Then the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil” (Gen 3:4-5). As the story continues, Eve disobeys God’s ordinance, and her husband Adam does the same. The long suffered result of their sin began immediately as they became ashamed of their naked selves and attempted to hide from God. But when God confronted them, they were ultimately cursed, kicked out of the garden of Eden, and they passed down the stain of their sin to the next generations in perpetuity. A stain that remains to this day and will only be taken away when Christ returns for the day of redemption. And the unfortunate reality branching forth from that wicked deception is all the evil and sickness and disease we see in the world. It wasn’t enough for Satan to rebel against God alone. He did what he could to gather forces on his side and continues to do so to this day. Sometime before the events in the Garden of Eden, Satan was kicked out of heaven. In Revelation 12, we read “And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him” (Rev 12:7-9). And we can see from Rev 12:4 that he was able to gather one third of the angels to fight with him.
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“For Israel My Glory” (Isaiah 46:13), Contunued from Page 2
By Cheryl Correia

An example of this was when Israel was in Egyptian bondage and God sent Moses. “Then you shall say to Pharaoh, ‘Thus says the LORD: “Israel is My son, My firstborn”’ (Exodus 4:22). God used Moses to free Israel. “ You shall speak all that I com-mand you. And Aaron your brother shall tell Pharaoh to send the children of Israel out of his land. And I will harden Pharaoh’s heart, and multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt” (Exodus 7:2-3). Those signs and wonders were a demon-stration of God’s power and provision for His people. “Then I will give them a heart to know Me, that I am the LORD; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God, for they shall return to Me with their whole heart” (Jeremiah 24:7). Through the obedience of Moses, God freed Israel from Egyptian bondage. ““You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to Myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine” (Exodus 19:4-5). The Mosaic Covenant was given on Mt. Sinai after Israel was freed from the Egyptians. It was a promise between God and His people and was significant because it outlined that Israel was a prized possession of God, a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation that God would protect until the end of the ages. As God’s chosen people, when Israel was under Moses, faith and obedience to God was instructed. “This is he who was in the congregation in the wilderness with the Angel who spoke to him on Mount Sinai, and with our fathers, the one who received the living oracles to give to us” (Acts 7:38). “But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine” (Isaiah 43:1).

A messianic verse from Isaiah with Jesus speaking brings clarity to Jewish salvation. “And now the LORD says, Who formed Me from the womb to be His Servant, To bring Jacob back to Him, So that Israel is gathered to Him (For I shall be glo-rious in the eyes of the LORD, And My God shall be My strength)” (Isaiah 49:5). The incarnation of Jesus Christ has brought salvation to His people. “For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”” (Romans 10:13). God refers to His Israel as a remnant in the end times. “Even so then, at this present time there is a remnant according to the election of grace” (Ro-mans 11:5). Although the Jews did not accept Christ at His first advent, at Christ’s second coming, this remnant of Israel must believe in Jesus Christ to be saved. “And they also, if they do not continue in unbelief, will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again” (Romans 11:23). “ For “whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”” (Romans 10:13).

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Psalm 138:2 (KJV): “I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy loving-kindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magni-fied thy word above all thy name.”

The Fall of Satan, Continued from Page 3, By Steve Jackson

Why Satan would give up his exalted place in heaven to fight against his Creator is unfathomable to any sane man. Though we do find the reason in Ezekiel 28- “your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor” (Eze 28:17). Due to the pride in his heart and desire for glory, he corrupted what wisdom he had been given from God. It wasn’t enough that he was “the seal of perfection” (Ezek 28:12) or “the anointed cherub” (Ezek 28:14). He wanted more. In his heart he said, “I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.” (Isa 14:13-14). And so he was cast out to await his time in Sheol where a fiery lake waits for him and his fellow angels who followed after him. One of the major points to take away from these events is the serious nature regarding the sin of pride. Satan was created, as are all things and people outside of God. As a created being, the proper response towards your Creator is to acknowledge Him with humble gratitude. Along with the example of Satan, Paul also warns us of this very thing in Romans 1:20, “because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.” When we fail to acknowledge God, we close off our connection to truth and reality, which distorts everything we see and hear through a filter of deceit. Satan saw what God had given him and boasted in himself, which ultimately corrupted his wisdom and led to the rebellion against God. It’s easy to see then if an angel can be deceived by the pride of his heart how easy it must be for humans. As Jer 17:9 says “The heart is deceitful above all things, And desperately wicked.” Furthermore, as evidenced by the trickery of Eve and his willingness to bring a third of the angels down with him, the cunning wickedness of Satan is not to be underestimated. Therefore “Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour” (1 Pet 5:8). But praise be to God and our Lord Jesus Christ, who has overcome the devil and his schemes, as promised. And He has sent us the help of the Holy Spirit to sift through the lies of this world. If we put our faith in Jesus, submit to God, and resist the devil, the evil one will flee from us (James 4:7).

“Many Books”, By James Moriello

“And further, my son, be admonished by these. Of making many books there is no end, and much study is wearisome to the flesh.” (Ecclesiastes 12:12)

I have “many books” on my bookshelves. They are all profitable for future reference, or else they would have been donated by now. Maybe you are starting school, and you have “many books” to buy and read. Or maybe you have a personal library of whatever sort. New books are always coming out, and new catalogues of books are regularly arriving in the mail, thus proving the saying of the preacher that “of making many books there is no end.” “Many books” are worth less than the paper they are printed on. Romance novellas and the new false revisionist history books are among these. Even amongst the best of books used for the noblest of purposes, the student finds that “much study is wearisome to the flesh.” Whatever books you have, be sure they are worth reading. Or if you must read a worthless text for whatever reason, like a school course requirement, assess it under the microscope of God’s Word, and promptly discard it, or file it away as matter to refute later. Despite having “many books”, I sit here in my prayer room writing to you with only one book in front of me. That book is the Holy Bible. Men have written “many books.” But God has inspired one book containing sixty-six books within the book. And that book is not wearying to me. It is challenging, profitable, and imparts wisdom, hope, and peace to my weary soul (Cf. Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 3:16). In the physical sense, I suppose it may be said that even with Scripture, in regard to the strain of the eyes or the hours spent at the expense of sleep, “much study is wearisome to the flesh.” But God’s Word is not to be read in the flesh, but in the spirit. The benefits to the spirit far outweigh any physical weakness that careful study of it may cause. If you are a Christian, your time in the Bible ought to exceed your time reading the “many books” combined. And your study time ought to be completely Bible-centered, with the one book getting more attention than, and being used to judge, any other book. Have a peaceful day, and join me in committing to put down the “many books” and picking up the good book.

“It’s too Late to Procrastinate”, By James Moriello

“Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying: ‘This people says, “The time has not come, the time that the LORD’s house should be built.”’” (Haggai 1:2)

The children of Israel had been graciously brought out of the Babylonian captivity and back into the land, even to the city of Jerusalem. Yet they were more concerned about whatever it is they wanted to do than they were about taking care of spiritual business. They catered to their material needs over and above those things which glorify the God of heaven. The Lord, who knew their hearts, words, and actions, calls them out through His prophet Haggai. They were making excuses as to why this was not the right time to rebuild the temple. If left unchecked in this state, these folks probably never would get around to doing anything spiritually profitable, either inwardly or outwardly. Let us now ask ourselves whether or not we are making excuses and procrastinating away the time that God has given us instead of redeeming it. Today, it’s time to hit the ground praying and getting about the business of building our own houses. You don’t know what to do? Solomon’s advise is this: “Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might; for there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going” (Ecclesiastes 9:10). So do something. Has Jesus saved your soul for naught, if indeed you have received Him as Savior? Have you been putting off matters of God of eternal value? It’s time to repent and move forward. It’s too late to procrastinate.

Can You Correctly Match These Bible Pairs?	An Exciting Bible Match Challenge, By Tanya Hay	Idolatry and Addiction? Or Worship of the True and Living God?	Your Road Leads to Death (Continued from Page 1)
			Get on God’s Highway and have Life!
Jonah	Eve	“Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen” (1 John 5:21).	“For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost” (Matthew 18:11).
Alpha	1st sons of Abraham	“You shall have no other gods before Me” (Exodus 20:3).	He came to the Jews first, and then also to the Gentiles.
Daniel	Number of Books in the Bible	What are some idols in the Bible?	For the doubter or seeker, I would suggest taking a read of Acts 17:11. “These were more fair-minded than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness, and searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so.” There is a cost of time and effort on your part. But the truth will set you free. The question is this, “Are you willing to go to any lengths to know the God in the Bible?” “Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many” (Hebrews 9:28). That’s how much He loves you. Jesus Christ’s challenge to us is “If you love Me, keep My commandments” (John 14:15). Either you do or you do not. In the valley of decision, choose whom you will serve, and be faithful. For the true believers in Christ Jesus, we have this promise. “For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus” (1 Timothy 2:5), who makes intercession for His children. He also gave us all the armor to withstand all the spiritual battles of life that are brought on by the deceiver himself, the god of this world (Ephesians 6:11; 2 Corinthians 4:4). Praise God! We have a living God who fights for us. This Scripture can be applied to any and all. “Do not be deceived: “Evil company corrupts good habits.”” (1 Corinthians 15:33). Walk with the Lord, not this world. Stay focused on Him. Amen.
Moses	Manna	1. Psalm 115:4-8, Silver and Gold, whether fashioned into figurines or not	
David	Rebekah	2. Romans 1:21-23, Images, house gods of human creation	
Noah	Prophets who saw a chariot of fire	3. Galatians 4:8-9, Worldly Principles, Human Knowledge, and Dead Religion	
66	New Testament	4. Galatians 5:19-21, Demonic Associations and Practices	
Joseph	Ark	But what does the Bible say? “Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry” (1 Corinthians 10:14).	
Shortest Bible Verse	Lazarus’ sisters	The distinction is made between 1 John 5:19-20 and 1 John 5:21. “ We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one. And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life. Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.”	
Emmanuel	Rachel	Whose sway do you want to live under? Who will you serve? What will you choose? Satan and immediate gratification? Or Jesus and eternal life?	
Abba	God with us	Idolatry and addiction are closely related. Neither one is of God. Both are sins people choose. They are not diseases. Let us not make excuses for sin, but call it what it is. Addiction is spending all our time and energy on the same thing, making it our top priority, when God should be our top priority. Even good things can become addictions if they take our focus away from God and a purposeful life.	
Food from heaven	Whale		
Cain	Lion’s Den		
Jacob	1st Book of the Bible		
Ruth & Esther	Last Book of the Bible		
Genesis	Joseph		
Mary	10 Commandments		
Adam	1st sons of Abraham		
40	Father		
Isaac	Omega		
Old Testament	Number of days Jesus spent in the desert		
Revelation	Number of apostles		
Mary & Martha	Coat of many colors		
Ishmael & Isaac	Abel		
Elijah & Elisha	Jesus wept		
12	Goliath		
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Bible Match Challenge, Answers
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Jonah-Whale, Alpha-Omega, Daniel-Lion's Den, Moses-10 Commandments, David-Goliath, Noah-Ark, 66-Number of Books in the Bible, Joseph-Coat of Many Colors, Shortest Bible Verse-Jesus wept, Emmanuel-God with us, Abba-Father, Food from heaven-Manna, Cain-Abel, Jacob-Rachel, Ruth & Esther-Bible Books named after women, Genesis-1st book of the Bible, Mary-Joseph, Adam-Eve, 40-Number of days Jesus spent in the desert, Isaac-Rebekah, Old Testament-New Testament, Revelation-Last book of the Bible, Mary & Martha-Lazarus' sisters, Ishmael & Isaac-1st sons of Abraham, Elijah & Elisha-Prophets who saw a chariot of fire, 12-Number of disciples

Church Bulletin Board

“Don't let worry kill you off. Let the church help.”

“At the evening service tonight, the topic will be, “What is hell?” Come early and listen to our choir practice.”

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Life Lessons From Noah's Ark

This has been circulating on various social media outlets. As far as we can tell, the original author(s) uncertain. This makes for a great Sunday School lesson for kids of all ages!

1. Don't miss the boat.
2. Remember that we are all in the same boat.
3. Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
4. Stay fit. When you're really old, someone may ask you to do something really big.
5. Don't listen to the critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.
6. Build your future on high ground.
7. For Safety's Sake, Travel in Pairs.
8. Speed Isn't Always An Advantage. The Snails were on board with the Cheetahs.
9. When You're Stressed, Float a While.
10. Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.
11. No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.



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Gentile salvation has always been a part of God’s plan. Gentile salvation can only come from faith in God’s Son, Jesus Christ. The prophet Isaiah records this messianic prophecy. “Indeed He says, ‘It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob, And to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a light to the Gentiles, That You should be My salvation to the ends of the earth.’” (Isaiah 49:6). Jesus brought salvation to the Jews and Gentiles. “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life” (John 3:16). “Even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? As He says also in Hosea: “I will call them My people, who were not My people, And her beloved, who was not beloved.” “And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, ‘You are not My people,’ There they shall be called sons of the living God.”” (Romans 9:24-26). “ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast” (Ephesians 2:8-9). No matter how hard we try, we cannot save ourselves. It is a gift of God through Jesus Christ.

Jesus was a Jew, born of the tribe of Judah. He was both divine and human. As a Jewish Man, He knew that the Samaritans were descendants of colonists whom the Assyrian Kings planted in the land after the fall of the Northern Kingdom in 721 BC. They were despised by the Jews because of their mixed Gentile blood and their different worship. The Samaritans had built a temple to rival the one in Jerusalem, from which they had long been separated politically and religiously. Jesus, speaking to a Samaritan woman, said, “You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews” (John 4:22). The genealogy of Jesus through His mother Mary provides evidence of His lineage. “Now Jesus Himself began His ministry at about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, the son of Heli, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, the son of Melchi, the son of Janna, the son of Joseph, the son of Mattathiah, the son of Amos, the son of Nahum, the son of Esli, the son of Naggai, the son of Maath, the son of Mattathiah, the son of Semei, the son of Joseph, the son of Judah, the son of Joannas, the son of Rhesa, the son of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, the son of Neri, the son of Melchi, the son of Addi, the son of Cosam, the son of Elmodam, the son of Er, the son of Jose, the son of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, the son of Simeon, the son of Judah, the son of Joseph, the son of Jonan, the son of Eliakim, the son of Melea, the son of Menan, the son of Mattathah, the son of Nathan, the son of David, the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Boaz, the son of Salmon, the son of Nahshon, the son of Amminadab, the son of Ram, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah, the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, the son of Terah, the son of Nahor, the son of Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of Shelah, the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, the son of Noah, the son of Lamech, the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch, the son of Jared, the son of Mahalalel, the son of Cainan, the son of Enosh, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God” (Luke 3:23-38). The Jewish Messiah has long been prophesied. “As for our Redeemer, the LORD of hosts is His name, The Holy One of Israel” (Isaiah 47:4).

The Bible is a Jewish book. It records Jewish history, as well as information about the greatest Jew ever, Jesus. We should be grateful for the Holy Scriptures. “What advantage then has the Jew, or what is the profit of circumcision? Much in every way! Chiefly because to them were committed the oracles of God” (Romans 3:1-2). As an essential part of God’s plan for the ages, the Bible is rich in information. With gratitude and respect towards God’s chosen people, we must appreciate the work done to preserve the Scriptures. People should thank God for His great gift of salvation through Jesus Christ, and the complete canon of Scripture.

Almighty God continues to provide for Israel. The next major event in religious history will be the Rapture. This will be when Christ returns for His church, the true believers in Jesus Christ. Following that period will be the seven year Tribulation Period ending with Armageddon. At that time, Christ will return with His church. Christ will conquer and have victory. “The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, It is made overflowing with fatness, With the blood of lambs and goats, With the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah, And a great slaughter in the land of Edom. The wild oxen shall come down with them, And the young bulls with the mighty bulls; Their land shall be soaked with blood, And their dust saturated with fatness.” For it is the day of the LORD’s vengeance, The year of recompense for the cause of Zion” (Isaiah 34:6-8). God never forgets Israel. Following this period, there will be a regathering of believing Israel, after Armageddon, and prior to the Millennial Kingdom. ““I will surely assemble all of you, O Jacob, I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together like sheep of the fold, Like a flock in the midst of their pasture; They shall make a loud noise because of so many people. The one who breaks open will come up before them; They will break out, Pass through the gate, And go out by it; Their king will pass before them, With the LORD at their head.”” (Micah 2:12-13). ““And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days. Blessed is he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. “But you, go your way till the end; for you shall rest, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days.”” (Daniel 12:11-13). According to the prophet Daniel, there shall be seventy-five days for the regathering of the believing Jews. Familiar to Israel, David will be prince, and the Land Covenant fulfilled. The Bible records the future glory of Israel in the Millennial Kingdom, when the Messiah will reign over His Kingdom.

Israel will understand the religious system of worship in the Millennial Kingdom, as it will return to a sacrificial system. This will have some familiarity for God’s chosen people. However, there is no atoning value to these sacrifices. They will be done as a memorial, which points back to the finished work of the completed atonement through the death of Christ. The prophet Ezekiel describes the Millennial temple. “And He said to me, “Son of man, this is the place of My throne and the place of the soles of My feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever. No more shall the house of Israel defile My holy name, they nor their kings, by their harlotry or with the carcasses of their kings on their high places” (Ezekiel 43:7). In the Millennial Kingdom, there will be a new service of worship, as the Lord has a special private entrance. The Levites will once again be responsible for religious observance. “But Israel shall be saved by the LORD With an everlasting salvation; You shall not be ashamed or disgraced Forever and ever” (Isaiah 45:17).

God never leaves or forsakes His people. From Genesis to Revelation, we see that the nation of Israel is an essential element of God’s plan for the ages. God’s covenant with Abraham and Moses blessed the nation of Israel. The scriptures and the prophets teach that Jewish and Gentile salvation can only be secured through belief in Jesus Christ, who will reign on His throne in Zion during the Messianic Kingdom. “I bring My righteousness near, it shall not be far off; My salvation shall not linger. And I will place salvation in Zion, For Israel My glory” (Isaiah 46:13).