



# Hunger For Truth

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**Proverbs 7:2 – Matthew 5:6 – John 8:32 – II Timothy 3:16-17 – Hebrews 4:12**  
*“Let us Hunger For Truth”*

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## *Be Resolved To Live for the Lord*

**Message by: *Pastor Caswell Reeves* -- Text: *Philippians 4:1-9***

*As Christians, we are not only called to be resolved at the beginning of the year, but at all times during the year. Therefore, let us then resolve to...*

I. Be standing fast in the Lord (vs. 1)

II. Be of the same mind in the Lord (vs. 2)

III. Be helpful to the ministry (vs. 3)

- IV. Be rejoicing in the Lord (vs. 4)
- V. Be moderate (gentle, seemly) (vs. 5)
- VI. Stop worrying (vs. 6)
- VII. Be making requests (vs. 6-7)
- VIII. Be thinking rightly (vs. 8)
- IX. Be following a godly leader (vs. 9)

***Let us be resolved in the coming year to live for the Lord the way He wants us to and not the way we want to. Will you live for the Lord?***

## ***The Former Things Are Passed Away*** (Source: FBIS - David Cloud)

*January 1, 2014 (Fundamental Baptist Information Service, P.O. Box 610368, Port Huron, MI 48061, 866-295-4143, fbns@wayoflife.org)*

The following is excerpted from *The Tabernacle, the Priesthood, the Offerings* by I.M. (Isaac Massey) Haldeman, 1925. Haldeman was the pastor of First Baptist Church of New York City for nearly 50 years, from 1884-1933. Though Haldeman did not have advanced formal theological training, he made up for this with a high native intellect, excellent gifts, a passion for Jesus Christ, a love for God's Word, diligent study habits, and a broad appetite for learning under the Headship of Christ. In recognition of this he was awarded an honorary D.D. from William Jewell College in 1909. He was a theological warrior who did not draw back from the public reproof of modernists and other false teachers, speaking against fellow Baptists such as Harry Emerson Fosdick and against Charles Taze Russell, founder of the Jehovah Witness cult. He was a crusader against worldliness in the churches. Bible teacher James M. Gray called him "the greatest prophet of the Lord now standing in any pulpit in this country." Said to be "the most influential preacher of prophetic themes in his generation," he interpreted Bible prophecy literally and emphasized the imminent return of Christ.

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"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

Is it possible to imagine such an era on this earth?

A period when a tear will never be seen on a human cheek, when a choking sob will no longer clutch a the throat; when men and women shall no longer stand at the bedside of one they love and watch the ebbing away of life and the coming in of that thing we call the shadow of death; when because of this black sinister thing tragedy waits at that bedside and thrusts its finger into and tears and twists the heart-strings of those who watch the beloved as they go out with the tide.

Can you conceive of that moment when there shall be no more graves, no chiselled bits of stone to tell

you that underneath in the dust there lie the fragments of what was once a man of strength, a woman of beauty, a child of promise; that coming hour when the veiled guest who sits uninvited in so many homes today and whose name is--sorrow--shall no longer cross the threshold; when in the night no more shall be heard the mother crying for her son who was, and is not, and the orphans making lamentation because they have been cut loose and sent adrift upon the troubled waters of a fatherless and motherless life; but above all the coming of that hour of hours when the strange, drear word 'pain,' that word which includes everything there is of the fires of fever, the octopus tentacles or wolf-like teeth of the cancer, all there is of the surgeon's knife and the long days of languishing; when that word 'pain,' which means, not only agony of body, but deeper agony of the soul shall no longer be written, nor heard, nor remembered; that hour at last when human beings shall walk beneath skies that have no clouds, from whence shall come no more the windy storm and tempest, a word no longer shattered by earthquakes, scorched and melted by red-throated volcanoes, or drowned with tidal waves, a world burning in summer and frozen in winter, but a pleasant land where the flowers fade not and there is no thorn in the rose, a paradise regained where life flows on and on in ever unfolding degree of wonder, in knowledge and power; where peace and unbounded love abide beneath every roof tree; when all restraint of genius in man shall be released from the leash of the curse and rise to the level of Him in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, a world restored to God minus all that has hurt the vision, the conscience and the heart of God.

### *Seaworthy (By: A.C. Hoffman)*

All the water in the world,  
However hard it tried,  
Could never, never sink a ship  
Unless it got inside.  
All the evil in the world,  
The wickedness and sin,  
Can never sink your soul's fair craft,  
Unless you let it in.

### *Iniquity of the Holy Things (Source: FBIS - David Cloud)*

January 8, 2014 (David Cloud, Fundamental Baptist Information Service, P.O. Box 610368, Port Huron, MI 48061, 866-295-4143, fbns@wayoflife.org;

"And thou shalt make a plate *of* pure gold, and grave upon it, *like* the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD. And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon the mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be. And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, that Aaron may bear the iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD" (Ex 28:36-38).

Exodus 28:38 speaks of the "iniquity of the holy things." This refers to the fact that believers are impure even in the holiest things that they do, and we can be accepted only in Christ. Not for one moment or in one act can we find acceptance in ourselves. The very holiest duty we perform must be sanctified by Christ's blood. It reminds us of John's statement, "If we say

that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves" (1 Jn. 1:8). I have heard some say that they can go for weeks without sinning.

Charles Swindoll says, "You can actually live several days without sin, perhaps a week or more" (*The Grace Awakening*, 2003 edition, p. 124).

But this is nonsense. One glorious day we will be saved from the very presence of sin, but that day is yet future. In this present life, the "old man" is with us even as we serve the Lord. God requires holiness in thought and motive as well as deed, but we are not that holy. We continually fall short of the glory of God. Christ is the New Man that we are to put on; it is His image to which we are to be conformed; but in daily practice we do not yet bear His perfect holiness.

James Gray comments on this passage as follows:

"The 'holy things' are described in the context as the sacrifices and offerings of Israel. Whatever they presented to God in worship were holy in the sense that they were consecrated to and appointed by Him. And yet these things themselves had iniquity. When the worshipper brought his bleeding victim as an offering for his sins his very act of bringing it had in it additional sin which required to be atoned for. ... We are by nature children of wrath, and now, although as believers on our Lord Jesus Christ we are regenerated by His Spirit, still in our flesh there dwelleth no good thing (Rom. 7:18; 8:7). ... In every act of our worship there are imperfections and defilements, because there is present in that act the old evil nature along with the new. ...

"Bishop Beveridge said: 'I cannot pray but I sin; I cannot hear or preach a sermon but I sin; I cannot give alms or receive the sacrament but I sin; no, I cannot so much as confess my sins but my very confessions are still aggravations of them; my repentance needs to be repented of; my tears need washing; and the very washing of my tears needs still to be washed over again with the blood of my Redeemer.' ...

"The application of this truth is wide-reaching.

"In the first place, it enhances our appreciation of our Savior and the value of His merits for us. It helps us to see how deeply we need Him, and how great is the sovereign mercy and the boundless grace of God towards us in Him. The high priest in the tabernacle typifies Him, and the service he rendered for Israel, even in the iniquity of their holy things, typifies the service Christ has rendered and is rendering for us in a like case. For if there is iniquity in our holy things, thank God there is also atonement for it accomplished, and full, and of instant efficacy (1 John 2:1-2)!

"In the second place, it opens our eyes and broadens our vision as to the relative meanings of sin and holiness. In the light of this text, what Christian can question--must less deny--the application to him at all times of the words of the apostle John: 'If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us' (1 John 1:8)? Who can talk about sinless perfection in the light of this truth? ... So deeply indeed is the truth of this text imbedded, as a living principle, in the experience of true and enlightened Christians, that the more devoted they are the more it is felt. It is indeed a test of our nearness to God to have a Christian

conscience so cultivated as to appreciate our daily and hourly need, and at the same time our daily and hourly completeness only in Christ. This is the way to feast upon Him richly. If our faith, considered as an act, does itself require to have blood sprinkled upon it, then as we appreciate that fact shall our faith itself sink down more and more upon Christ for all that He is to us, and rest upon Him with the very rest of heaven.

"In the third place, it furnishes a momentous warning to the unbeliever and the unregenerate man. If there is no such thing as a Christian's self-righteousness, if there is no such life-long goodness as that of Paul, how impossible must all this be to the man who has not received Christ! If no Christian who is himself personally accepted in Christ can put forth one act which does not need forgiveness, what can he do to commend himself to God who is unwashed in redeeming blood, and on whom even now abideth His condemnation?

"The iniquity of the holy things!  
What Jesus is, and that alone,  
Is faith's delightful plea;  
Which never deals with sinful self  
Nor righteous self in me"

- (James Gray's Commentary).

## *Emotions in The Bible (By: Craig Glickman)*

There are many verses and passages in the Bible that relate to emotions and feelings of man and our Lord Himself in trials, suffering, affliction, and of course peace and joy. The following is an ongoing study of passages that have convicted, comforted, edified, encouraged or blessed me through hearing messages, devotions and studies over the years. I hope this is a blessing and help to you and I, and that the Lord may be honored and glorified in this series of studies on emotions in the Bible. Each issue, Lord willing, will have a verse or passage in the Bible covered. I am excited and privileged to do this. Praise God! I intend to break each passage down into the following: **Passage, Emotion(s), Cause, Effect, What does the passage say?, What does the passage say to you and I?, What should you and I do about it?, How do you and I stay accountable?**

*Based on 1/29/12 devotional from Call to Glory by Pastor Mark Hodges*

**Passage:** Psalm 130:5

**Emotion(s):** Patience

**Cause:** Patiently waiting on the Lord

**Effect:** Peace and hope in and thru God and His word

**What does the passage say?:** In the world we live, everyone seems to be in a hurry. These days, some seem to be impatient with everything. I was recently at a fast food restaurant and the man in front of me, who had waited about two minutes for the cashier, was getting impatient. I waited patiently behind him for two minutes and his friend came up and they both seemed uncomfortable. Finally, they stormed towards the door and the man yelled "By! We are going *somewhere else!*" He quoted a restaurant's name but I won't state it in this study. They left, and as soon as they left, I was waited on! My point is, impatience is more common now than ever before. Many are characterized by the person who prayed, "God give me patience and give it to me RIGHT NOW!" God is never in a hurry and it takes time for God to do a work in our hearts. We become impatient and want results right away (Prov.

14:12). God works outside of time and is working for eternity and eternal purposes. He takes His time to bring our souls into line with His will and purpose. His timing is right, not ours! Praying and waiting can be very difficult, but God answers prayer and fulfills promises in His time, not in ours! Someone once said, "How often has God said 'no' to my earnest prayers that He might answer my deepest longings, give me something more, something better." True patience means waiting without worrying. God is never late! He is always on time!

**What does the passage say to you and I?:** Patience is the willingness to respond to irritating circumstances with love, grace and kindness as you wait on the Lord to guide you in how to handle a situation. Thomas Jefferson said, "Nothing give one person so much advantage over another as to remain always cool and unruffled under all circumstances." Patience is a virtue because many times it is developed through difficulties and troubles. When men or women lack understanding of the order of God, it is impossible for them to accept or understand God's way (Romans 5:3-5).

**What should you and I do about it?:** God doesn't tell us to simply "grin and bear it," hoping all will work out. Patience reflects confidence in God to do His work! God is always at work in the process. There is a reward for those who wait on the Lord (Isa. 40:31).

**How do you and I stay accountable?:** Be actively serving Him in your church, work, school and at home. When you are faithful to Him in praying, studying and serving in your local church, patience will come easily when you face difficulties for you are walking by faith in Him and His word and not by sight. Dear reader, be patient and depend and trust fully in Him!

## *Only Jesus Saves! (John 14:6)*

### **Sin Defined**

- Sin is failure (Romans 6:1)
- Sin is ungodliness (Romans 1:18)
- Sin is lawlessness (1 John 3:4)
- Sin is heedlessness (Romans 5:19)
- Sin is transgression (Romans 3:23)
- Sin is lapse (Matthew 6:14)
- Sin is ignorance (Hebrews 9:7)
- Sin is loss (Romans 11:12)
- Sin is debt (Matthew 6:12)
- Sin is worthlessness (John 3:20)
- Sin is impurity (1 Timothy 1:9)
- Sin is depravity (Romans 1:29)
- Sin is weakness (Romans 6:19)
- Sin is selfishness (Romans 1:29)
- Sin is deceit (Ephesians 4:22)
- Sin is wandering (Romans 1:27)
- Sin is enmity (Romans 8:7)
- Sin is discord (Numbers 18:9)
- Sin is unbelief (Hebrews 3:12)

*Editors note:* My friend, I pray this helps you see that you are a lost, hell deserving sinner in need of the Savior Jesus Christ! The Bible says you can be saved today and have everlasting life (II Cor. 6:2, Romans 6:23, 10:9-10, 13, John 3:16)! With all of your heart, Pray to God and repent of your sin against God today and put your complete faith in Jesus Christ and His finished work at the cross of Calvary and you will be saved. If you are a believer and are struggling with these sins, you have power over sin by the indwelling Holy Spirit. Why not pray and seek His face asking Him specifically for victory over the sin(s) in your life.

## :) Children For Christ :)

### YOUR SPEECH

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 34:13 – Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.

Please look up and write down the following verses on a piece of paper and describe in a sentence or two how they relate to our speech; or how we talk to God and each other.

1. Psalm 34:13
2. Proverbs 21:23
3. James 1:26
4. Proverbs 12:18
5. Proverbs 15:1
6. Proverbs 15:28
7. Proverbs 29:11
8. Ephesians 4:29
9. Colossians 4:6
10. Proverbs 25:11

If you need help, please ask your parents. Have fun! :)

<b>“Today it isn't facing the music that hurts, it's listening to it.”</b>	<b>“Even on the right track, you will get run over if you just sit there.”</b>
<b>“Many a man who lives it up finds out he must also live it down.”</b>	<p><b>Praises</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Praise God for good health! Some don't realize what a blessing good health is until he/she suffers health issues.</li> </ul> <p><b>Prayer Requests</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Job and living situation needs for Bro. Craig and Andrew</li> <li>• Pray for Pastor Gary Freeman (Race Street Baptist Church in Catasauqua, PA) who is battling colon cancer.</li> <li>• Needs of New Hope Baptist Church of Lynn, MA</li> <li>• Needs of Chester Baptist Church of Chester, MA</li> <li>• Missionary Tim Hawes (To Papua New Guinea) (Church Planting, Bible Translation, Agricultural Development)</li> </ul>
<b>“A day of worry is more exhausting than a week of work.”</b>	
<b>“Truth changes hands only a few times to become fiction.”</b>	

**“God never puts anybody in a place too small to grow in.”**

- Brother Bill Moore of Heritage Baptist Church (Health needs)
- Those affected by the Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines
- Pray for the condition of this nation following the abomination that has occurred with the DOMA decision.
- Needs of the body of Heritage Baptist Church
- Pray for salvation and needs of those affected by the tragedy in Boston, MA on April 15th.
- Salvation of Brother Andrew Lacroix's family
- Salvation of Wendy and friend Ben, Jacob, Kaitlyn, Sybil and Bernice (Family of Craig Glickman)

### **MILK FOR THE MEAT EATERS**

**(A Daily Email Devotional By Brother Andrew Lacroix)**

Dear Hunger For Truth Readers,

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***Thank you for reading this. We praise God for all our dear brothers and sisters in Christ and we greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!***

***His Servants,***

***Craig Glickman      Andrew Lacroix***

***Prov. 3:5-6***

***1 Thes. 5:18***

