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MEDITATE ON THE WORD (*Psalm 1:2; Psalm 119:148*)

This month in Meditate on the Word, I promised you an article entitled “Others May—You Cannot”. I found it very interesting and informative. Most of it is based on scripture, even though it does not use scripture to back up what it says, which I am a firm believer in. After you read this, I am interested in hearing your feedback regarding this. If you would like to send a comment or question, please feel free to e-mail me. The following is the exact article, which was posted in the April 06’ issue of “The Berean Call”:

Others May—You Cannot (*By: G.D. Watson*)

If God has called you to be really like Jesus, He will draw you into a life of crucifixion and humility, and put upon you such demands of obedience, that you will not be able to measure yourself by other Christians; and in many ways, He will seem to let other good people do things which He will never let you do.

Other Christians and ministers, who seem very religious and useful, can push themselves, pull wires and work schemes to carry out their Christian goals, but these things you simply cannot do. Others may boast of their work or their writings or their success, but the Holy Spirit will not allow you to do any such thing, and if you ever try it, He will lead you into some deep mortification that will make you despise yourself and all your good works.

Others may be allowed to succeed in making money, but most likely God will keep you poor, because He wants you to have something far better than gold, namely, a helpless dependence on Him and the joy of seeing him supply your needs day by day out of an unseen Treasury.

The Lord may let others be honored and keep you hidden and unappreciated because He wants to produce some choice, fragrant fruit for His coming glory, which can only be produced in the shade. He may let others do a work for Him and get the credit for it, but He will make you work on and on without others knowing how much you are doing; and then, to make your work still more precious, He may let others get the credit for the work which you have done, and thus make your reward ten times greater when Jesus comes.

The Holy Spirit will rebuke you for little words or deeds or even feelings, or for wasting your time, which other Christians never seem to be concerned about, but you must make up your mind that God is an infinite Sovereign and He has a right to do whatever He pleases with His own. He may not explain to you a thousand things which puzzle your reason in the way He deals with you, but if you will just submit yourself to Him in all things, He will wrap you up in a

jealous love and bestow upon you many blessing which come only to those who are very near to His heart.

Settle it then, that He is to have the privilege of tying your tongue, or chaining your hand, or closing your eyes in ways that He does not seem to use with others. Now, when you are so possessed with the living God that your secret heart becomes pleased and delighted with this peculiar, personal, private, jealous guardianship and management of the Holy Spirit over your life, then you will have entered the very vestibule of heaven itself.

---G.D. Watson (1845-1924)

SONG OF THE MONTH

Heavenly Sunlight – This is a beautiful old hymn of the faith that has a great melody and most of all a great message! It reminds me of Psalm 23. The only way a believer can experience joy and blessing is when we are looking up with our eyes upon the Living Word Jesus as He shines on us with heavenly “Son light”, and looking into and letting the light of the written Word shine in our hearts and lives. I encourage you to sing this song with your family and let the heavenly sunlight flood your soul with glory divine as you rejoice in Him and sing His praises.

“Let us praise our precious Savior in song all the day long.”

NEWS

I do not have much news this month. I praise God for each and every one of you who take the time to read this monthly newsletter and for those who have passed it along to others.

We are indeed in the last days and the Lord’s return is imminent! Amen! There are so many souls who NEED to be saved! This month, I would like to challenge and encourage both young and old to take time each week to take a stack of gospel tracts from your local church and get them out to the lost however the Lord leads and make sure you do not have any left by the end of the month. Maybe, you will need more, praise God! I will be doing the same myself and praying for you all as you do this for the honor and glory of the Lord.

UPDATES

I have no updates to report this month.

PRAISES

- A BLESSED TRIP TO BOSTON, MA (The Lord blessed my friend and I with safety and a great time of site-seeing as well as blessed fellowship with Pastor Steve Hathaway of Heritage Baptist Church of Norwood, MA, and we were able to get out many tracts as well. If you are ever in the Boston area, I highly recommend visiting Heritage Baptist Church.)
- S.T.M. WEB SITE STILL INTACT (As of now, I have heard nothing from Yahoo about the GeoCities closing, and that is good. I appreciate your help and prayers regarding this situation. Praise God! He is in control!)
- PEOPLE SPREADING THE WORD (I praise God and thank those who are telling others about the tracts and materials on the web site and about the newsletter.)

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Salvation of my sister Wendy & her husband Mark
- Salvation of my nephew Jacob
- Wisdom regarding Saved Today Ministries and the e-newsletter
- Wisdom regarding FT Christian service for the Lord someday as the Lord leads
- God's blessing upon and growth of Bible believing, Bible preaching, Biblicist Baptist local churches all across the world and for more to be planted.

IN NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE:

In Mediate on the Word, there will be an outline from a sermon entitled "Why Does God Allow Sin?" This amazed me as the Lord laid this on my heart a few years back. I highly recommend getting the message on CD. (*Click on the SERMONS link on the site for more info*)

Thank you so much for reading this. I praise God for all my dear brothers and sisters in Christ and I 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 Servant,
Craig G.
Prov. 3:5-6

P.S. If you have any ideas on any improvements to the newsletter, I'd like to hear from you. Please e-mail me and let me know. If you know somebody who would like to be added to the newsletter, please have them e-mail me and I will get it out to them as soon as possible. Also, just in case you do NOT wish to continue receiving this monthly newsletter, please e-mail me with "please remove" in the subject line.