Expositional Preaching from the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible
Next Book: *Judges – verse by verse*

Scripture(s) for Today: 2 Kings 18; 2 Timothy 1:7 – the devil wants your mind; be careful.

Today's Message:

"Ministry of Fear"

INTRODUCTION

Last week, we continued our short series on the *madness* of our world. Paul warned us of *oppositions* to the truth of God that were being called "**SCIENCE**" when it was ***not*** science! We learned how our world has intentionally developed a long-term strategy to corrupt humans by removing all trace of God and His words of life. Today, we will finish with the aim of the world's mad science – your _____! Some of you have been manipulated by fear to do things you should never have done in your life. Fear has been used by salesmen to sell you _____ from sweepers and cars to insane schemes on late night TV! The devil has a ministry of _____. His ultimate plan is to use fear to lead the world into a one-world government. We are about to find out what happens when a society is subjected to too _____ fear!

LEARNING TOGETHER

A. The Text 2 Kings 18; 2 Timothy 1:7

#1. The *Truth* – there is _____ called "SCIENCE" that is ***not*** true science.

- ***Review from the last two weeks of MAD SCIENCE…***
  - ✓ Paul was called _____ by the world for preaching God's truth. ***Acts 26:24-25***
  - ✓ Paul told Timothy to *avoid oppositions of* _____ *falsely so called*. ***1Tim 6:20***
    - *1st* mention is in ***Old Testament*** – **Dan 1:4** – God's people *understood* true science
    - *2nd* mention is in ***New Testament*** – **1Tim 6:20** – a *fake science* opposes God's truth
  - ✓ ***Human Origins:*** *the world's "science"* blasphemes God as Creator; defies Bible.
  - ✓ ***Human Biology:*** *the world's "science"* rejects Christ; denies His special creation.

W1828: "***science***"
The comprehension or understanding of truth or facts by the mind

#2. The Strategy – the aim of the devil's mad science is to _____ your mind.

- ***The Bible teaches us that fear is used by the devil to keep people in bondage.***
  - ✓ The devil used fear to ***manipulate God's people*** to stop trusting Him. ***2Ki 18-19***
  - ✓ The *FEAR of* _____ brings a ***lifetime of bondage*** to the devil. ***Heb 2:14-15***
- ***The Bible teaches us that we can be vexed by the daily assault of the world's evil.***
  - ✓ Lot was *VEXED with the* ***filthy conversation*** *of the wicked…* ***2 Pet 2:7-8***
  - ✓ Our *spiritual armor* was designed to protect ***against the devil's wiles***. ***Eph 6:11***

- ***When combined, the daily assault of mad science and vexation brings weakness.***
  - ✓ Your brain was designed by God to be able to reason and understand science.
  - ✓ After years of assault from a world of anti-science, your mind gets weakened.
  - ✓ If you do not fight for a sound, rationale, logical, godly mind, you will fall like Lot.
  - ✓ Subtly, your sound mind will be replaced by an unstable and double mind. ***Jas 1:8***
  - ✓ You will be prone to follow Satan's devices and the world against God. ***2Cor 2:11***

- ***Something to consider: Is it possible for "medicine" to become a _____ by fear?***
  - **1)** Science is not consensus; we discover it by reading God's word and testing ideas.
  - **2)** If *politics* is placed over *medicine*, human health will not become the central goal.
  - **3)** *"Peer review"* is intended to be an honest replication of experiments, not a favor.
  - **4)** If you mix social pressure with "*medicine*" and "*science,*" will the result be good?
  - **5)** If TV and social media are pre-censored, will you get pre-censored conclusions?

NOTE The battle for your mind will bring mental exhaustion; your flesh will want to give up! The problem is not that people are not smart, it is that they do not have the strength to face "*unauthorized*" truth. People are afraid to speak against an "*authority*" in their world. The fear of appearing stupid can be terrorizing. If the powers can be wrong, repeatedly, and adamantly, what else is wrong? And if everything can be questioned, then what do we do?

#3. The Test – are you sure our current "*pandemic*" is really about _____?

- ***If the world was concerned about health right now, what about these statistics?***

  * So far this year **YTD 8/26/21** from "*worldometer.com*"

27,872,474 deaths caused by **abortion**
5,367,661 deaths caused by **cancer**
4,967,767 deaths of **children < age 5**
3,267,183 deaths by **smoking** *(10M cig/day)*
1,634,622 deaths caused by **alcohol**
1,098,681 deaths caused by **HIV/AIDS**
882,242 deaths caused by **road traffic fatalities**
286,349 USA deaths diagnosed <u>*with*</u> **COVID**

- ***Tough Questions about the experimental vaccines from a Duke PhD in Toxicology***
  - ✓ *Does it work? Does it reduce symptoms? Do people still get virus? Do they still transmit virus to others? How long does it provide protection? Still need mask?*

- ***John Hopkins University – May 2021 Study***
  - ✓ *Natural immunity from having COVID is **4X** better than the vaccine (50%+ USA)*

- ***Studies in Israel and United Kingdom – August 2021***
  - ✓ ***Israel:*** *<50% of people are "protected" from virus; 80%+ of population vaccinated*
  - ✓ ***Israel:*** *Natural Immunity* **13X** more effective than vaccine at stopping Delta!
  - ✓ ***United Kingdom***: If double vaccinated and in hospital, **4X** higher risk of death??

NOTE If our world's PANIC is <u>*not*</u> about health? What is it about? Remember Satan??

B. The Lessons (How can you apply this message to your life?)

1. *Do not be hasty to follow the world's _____ tactics; pray and prove all things.*

❖ **Question**: *Are you allowing fear to undermine your trust in the word of God?* ***2 Tim 1:7***