

The Christian Center
Pastor Paul's Newsletter 9-14-25
Spiritual Education

For years I've thought of this scenario: what if there were only children that were alive on planet Earth, and all the adults had passed away? Well mankind's lifestyle would be dramatically changed! Mankind has been growing in natural knowledge for centuries, and a lot of that knowledge could not have been maintained in the children if the adults had died. Even though the children had watched the adults living their lives with the knowledge they had, the majority of those children would not be able to understand what the adults knew. So the earth would go into chaos.

Now let's bring this analogy over into spiritual knowledge. Most of the human race right now are spiritual illiterates. Even the Christians that have been saved for decades do not comprehend God's understanding. They go to church and sing songs, yet they live their lives like natural human beings that are not born again.

The Book, called the Bible, is God's understanding written down so that man can grow up spiritually. It's time for the church to become spiritually educated, so that we can do the works of God on this earth. It seems like this natural

world pulls on people to only want to understand natural things. The five senses that God gave man to connect with this natural world has locked us out of understanding spiritual things. Well, praise the Lord that those days are over, because there are thousands and millions of born-again Christians that are hungry and thirsty for the ways of the spiritual realm. They're being spiritually educated so that we can do God's will and help deliver humanity from the power of the devil. We're going to look at some Scripture verses that bear this out. I would like to have all of you study these verses till they speak to you very loudly.

1 Corinthians 2:4-16 NCV My teaching and preaching were not with words of human wisdom that persuade people but with proof of the power that the Spirit gives. [5] This was so that your faith would be in God's power and not in human wisdom. [6] However, I speak a wisdom to those who are mature. But this wisdom is not from this world or from the rulers of this world, who are losing their power. [7] I speak God's secret wisdom, which He has kept hidden. Before the world began, God planned this wisdom for our glory. [8] None of the rulers of this world understood it. If they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. [9] But as it is written in the Scriptures: "No one has ever seen this, and no one has ever heard about it. No one has ever imagined what God has

prepared for those who love Him." Isaiah 64:4 [10] But God has shown us these things through the Spirit. The Spirit searches out all things, even the deep secrets of God. [11] Who knows the thoughts that another person has? Only a person's spirit that lives within him knows his thoughts. It is the same with God. No one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. [12] Now we did not receive the spirit of the world, but we received the Spirit that is from God so that we can know all that God has given us. [13] And we speak about these things, not with words taught us by human wisdom but with words taught us by the Spirit. And so we explain spiritual truths to spiritual people. [14] A person who does not have the Spirit does not accept the truths that come from the Spirit of God. That person thinks they are foolish and cannot understand them, because they can only be judged to be true by the Spirit. [15] The spiritual person is able to judge all things, but no one can judge him. The Scripture says: [16] "Who has known the mind of the Lord? Who has been able to teach Him?" (Isaiah 40:13) But we have the mind of Christ.

In these verses we see that there is natural understanding, which is man's wisdom, and there is spiritual understanding. All born-again Christians with the Holy Ghost in them can be spiritually educated and grow up and do the works of God just like Jesus did.

John 14:10-14 NCV Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words I say to you don't come from Me, but the Father lives in Me and does His own work. [11] Believe Me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me. Or believe because of the miracles I have done. [12] I tell you the truth, whoever believes in Me will do the same things that I do. Those who believe will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. [13] And if you ask for anything in My name, I will do it for you so that the Father's glory will be shown through the Son. [14] If you ask Me for anything in My name, I will do it.

We will be talking more about this on Sunday. See you at The Christian Center, or on line.

Love you,
Pastor Paul

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Galatians 6

Tuesday Ephesians 1

Wednesday Ephesians 2

Thursday Ephesians 3

Friday Ephesians 4

Saturday Ephesians 5

Sunday Ephesians 6

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** If you need prayer, call our Prayer Line 580-704-0505

** The Christian Center app-

-<https://subsplash.com/thechristiancenter/app>

** You can text to give through the TCC app.

** Make it a point to make full use of the TCC app containing

- The Confession Booklet (text and audio)
- Over 800 audio/video sermons from Pastor Paul and other speakers
- Search topics to study
- Over 4 years of Newsletters
- Live stream Sunday and Wednesday night services, Early Morning Prayer, and Noonday
- Connect to KJRF 91.1fm

** If you know anyone in the McAlester or Woodward areas of Oklahoma, invite them to tune in to our radio stations: 91.9fm McAlester and 95.9fm Woodward

** Women's Fellowship: 9am Saturday September 20 at Golden Corral

** WOW Conference October 24-25; Friday 6pm & Saturday 9am. Ushers have sign-up sheets

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Daily

*Early Morning Prayer: Sanctuary M-F 6:15-7:15am

*Women's Dance Aerobics: Taking a break throughout September. Will resume in October

*Noonday Bible Study: M-F 12:15 in Sanctuary or 91.1fm or live stream on TCC app

Weekly

** Sunday Services: 9:45am classes; 10:45am Main Service

** Monday Night Care Group: Under balcony 7pm

** Wednesday Night Prayer: 6pm in NW Classroom

** Wednesday Night: Adult & Youth Services 7pm

** MobilePrayer: Fri 2-3:30pm Hobby Lobby parking lot

** Friday Night Prayer: 7pm under balcony

Monthly

*** Men's Fellowship: 1st Sat. 9am at Golden Corral

*** Crosses at the Corner: 1st Sat. 11am-1pm corner of Sheridan/Cache Rd.

*** Women's Fellowship: 3rd Sat. 9am Golden Corral

*** Relationship Class: 4th Sat. 10am-12 Fellowship Hall