KEEP DRIVING THE BUS! 2 Timothy 4:5

(2 Timothy 4:5) But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, <u>fulfill</u> your ministry.

(Colossians 3:17) And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

The "B" in <u>bus</u> stands for "Biblical.

"<u>Wisdom of the world</u>!" (James 3:15).

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

(James 3:17-18) But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

(Hebrews 10:35-38) Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:

"For yet a little while, And He who is coming will come and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith; But if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him."

"Let's Stay Biblical!" "Keep driving the bus!"

The "U" in the acrostic "bus" stands for Unity.

(1 John 1:5-7) This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Mankind will <u>never</u> be able to "sufficiently" <u>atone</u> for "sins" of the past, <u>only</u> a "<u>Savior</u>" can do that!

(Ephesians 2:14-15) For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace.

We have an amazing opportunity today, to model for the world "true" unity.

<u>Unity</u>, through the <u>centrality</u> of Christ, "must" be our "endeavor."

(Ephesians 4:2-6) "...with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; 5one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Lastly the "S" stands for Spirit-filled.

(Philippians 4:13) I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Essential we stay "connected" to the "power source!"

(John 15:5-6) "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

(Zechariah 4:6-7) "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the Lord of hosts. 'Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you shall become a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone With shouts of "Grace, grace to it!"'"

"Keep driving the bus," walking in the Spirit!

(Ephesians 4:30-32) And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

CONCLUSION:

Continue, to live "biblically," in "unity," strengthened by the "Spirit of God!"

"As He died to make men holy let us live to make men free!"

Keep Driving the Bus!