"The World By Wisdom Knew Not God"

By Jim Little

"For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." (I Cor. 1:21) The Apostle Paul very clearly is setting forth in this Scripture that you cannot know God by worldly wisdom, that is, your intellectural or educational ability. I'm glad you cannot know God by the wisdom of this world. If you could know Him by your wisdom, you would always be bloated with pride; by my education, by my scientific knowledge, I found the Lord. And you be the proudest peacock or peahen that ever walked on the earth.

Salvation does not come by any human merits at all, no! Salvation comes as a gift from God. Christ is always REVEALED to the heart of a sinner. The only way you can know Christ as your Lord and your Saviour is that He be revealed to your heart. The Lord was talking to a group of His disciples one day and asked them this pointed question:

"...Whon do men say that I the Son of man am? And they (the disciples) said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, BUT WHOM SAY YE THAT I AM? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjena: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven." (Matt. 16:13-17) There you have it, the only way you can know Christ is for the Father to reveal Him to your heart. And if the Father never reveals Christ to your heart, you'll die and bust coming to Christ God's way or you are going to Hell.

It has been said to me many times; everybody has their own beliefs. That's why you are not saved. You are going to give up your beliefs and ever saved, if you are ever to be saved. Most of you read these messages from week to week have already been added to the number that will spend eternity in

are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the



legiance to Satan. That is

why you are a sinner by

nature, you are a fallen

child of Satan. Under the conflicting power of the

Holy Spirit you learn that

very well. Holy Spirit Con-

viction is God teaching the

sinner all about himself in

order that he may see his

sinful and depraved na-

ture, that there is no hope

in man, or man's self help

so-called, that you, as the

sinner, may see your need

of a Substitute. And that

Substitute is the Lord Jesus

Christ. Christ and Christ

alone is my salvation. Is He

yours? If He is, why can't I

find fellowship with you in

Christ? Why is it you run

away and refuse to talk to

Listen to the apostle

again; "But the natural

man receiveth not the

things of the Spirit of God:

for they are foolishness

unto him: neither can he

know them, BECAUSE THEY ARE SPIRITUAL-

LY DISCERNED." (I Cor.

2:14) The Holy Spirit is the

Author of the Word of God,

me about Christ?

could be any plainer.?

The world, religious as well as secular, thinks that it can solve any problem through education. You have had almost six thousand years to improve the world, and solve your problems through education. And only a blind fool would not agree that the world is in far worse shape today than years ago. We live in a world of violence and bloodshed. More churches are being built, more people are attaining degrees than ever before. Master degrees are as common as high school diplomas. But no matter how enlightened man thinks he is, he is sinking deeper and deeper in problems and does not know the way out. The only way out is Christ! But you will not have Him. Your cry is; "we'll not have this Man to rule over us!"

It is by the foolishness of preaching that sinners are saved. Preaching the Gospel is not foolishness, but you regard it as foolishness. What you call crazy Hell wide open. You are and foolishness would save you, but you are smarter than God you think. And as long as you go on in that realm you will never be saved. Before any sinner is saved, he has to be brought under Holy Spirit Conviction (Jn. 16:7-11) where you opinions before you are are stripped, or as we have said "unlearned." You have got to forget everything you ever learned and learn from Christ.

I realize it is taught all over the world today that den of Eden, man "devolut-

saved. The key to understanding the Word of God is the NEW BIRTH. The natural man, not being bornagain has no capacity to understand the Word of God. That is why a preacher said that the Antichrist was going to protect the saints during the Tribulation Period. Oh, the blindness of the religious world!

The natural man cannot understand the things of the Spirit of God because the natural man is simply a house of flesh, and that is all you will ever be unless the Holy Spirit gives you the New Birth. If He doesn't give you the New Birth, then your final abode will be Hell and the Lake of Fire. I am very much aware that these simple messages from week to week are giving many religionists here unshirted Hell. They ought to, you are hiding under a religious covering and the messages are exposing your hide. I praise the Lord for it. You'll come clean and come clear with God or go to Hell!

Christ is my wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. I can glory only in Christ. Whom are you glorying in? All believers speak the same language, blood redemption in Christ. Listen again; Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. (I Cor. 2:12-13). What I have set forth in these messages is what the Holy Spirit has taught me, you rise up in rebellion and disagreement because you are not taught of the Holy

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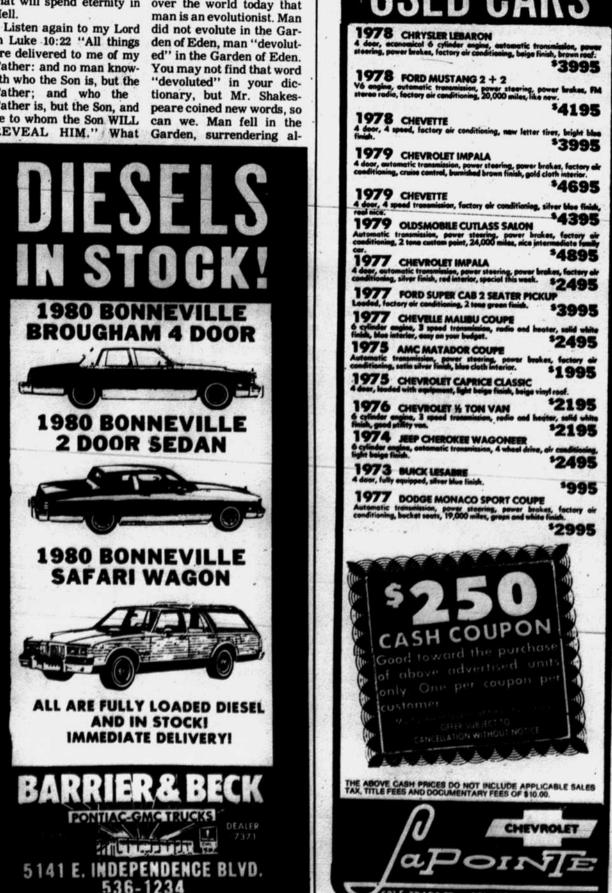
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