

# Words of Wisdom Radio Transcripts by John T Polk II

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

## 5/30/2022

## **Roots of Prejudice**

Those who are sinning rebuke in the presence of all, that the rest also may fear. I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels that you observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing with partiality (1 Timothy 5:20-21).

"Prejudice" means "judging beforehand," and "partiality" means "leaning towards." Paul told Timothy to not make up his mind about sinners before hearing what they did. But identifying sins was clear from the Word of God (1 Timothy 1:5-11). "Hate" comes in all skin colors. White people who hate black people, black people who hate white people, Jews hate Germans, Muslims who hate Catholics, are all "prejudiced" and treat others with "partiality." All need Jesus,

[Who] might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity (**Ephesians 2:16**).

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#### 5/31/2022

#### **Hatred Without a Cause**

[David said,] They have also surrounded me with words of hatred, And fought against me without a cause (**Psalm 109:3**).

"Without a cause" means "uncalled for, not needed." This very verse described Jesus (**John 15:25**), whose message was,

"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12).

But some then, as some today, spread the "Roots" of hate. Solomon said,

Whoever hides hatred has lying lips, And whoever spreads slander is a fool (**Proverbs 10:18**).

No one is following Christ who cannot pray to God,

Forgive us our sins, For we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us (**Luke 11:4**).

Root out racism, of every color, by bringing all hearts to Jesus

... In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins (Colossians 1:14).

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**Faith Without Works** 

The Bible makes it clear that,

Faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead (James 2:17).

Nowhere in the entire Bible has God blessed a person's faith without the obedient works which God specified! James 2 makes that very point: verses 14-18 say that without works of benevolence to a "brother or sister" in need is "dead" faith; verses 19-20 show that "demons" believe truth about God, but without obedient works, their faith is "dead;" verses 21-24 show that even Abraham's faith was "justified by works," "and not by faith only;" verse 25 shows "Rahab the harlot" was "justified by works;" verse 26 says "faith without works is dead" like a "body without the spirit."

Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38).

Have you faith or faith only?

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Who Has Failed?

Jesus Christ said,

"And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." This He said, signifying by what death He would die. (**John 12:32-33**)

He, "by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone" (**Hebrews 2:9**). His cross provides the way of salvation, but does not automatically save each individual. The message of the cross may be:

- 1) **Perverted**. But there are "ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ" (**Jude 4**).
- 2) **Ridiculed**. Paul wrote: "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God" (1 Corinthians 1:18).

Jesus said: "He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16).

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## 6/3/2022

# **The Summer Drought**

Early into Summer, we're already hearing what to do for the drought conditions we're having. No one can do without water: not plants, nor animals, nor people. God prophesied to the corrupted Northern Kingdom of Israel through Amos:

'Behold, the days are coming,' says the Lord GOD, 'That I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine of bread, Nor a thirst for water, But of hearing the words of the LORD' (Amos 8:11).

Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink." (John 7:37)

After His resurrection, Jesus said:

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned" (Mark 16:16).

Many people have been kept from the water Jesus commands, and are in a drought.

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