

# 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.

#### 9/27/2021 A God Led Leader

When God had his own physical nation and people, Israel, He knew that they would demand a king. God commanded:

When he sits on the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write for himself a copy of this law in a book, from the one before the priests, the Levites. And it shall be with him, and he shall read it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God and be careful to observe all the words of this law and these statutes, that his heart may not be lifted above his brethren, that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left (**Deuteronomy 17:18-20**).

Wouldn't it be wonderful to live in a nation whose leader reads God's Word, and obeys it? Not "Fantasy" land but "Faith" land!

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#### **9/28/2021** Peter's Gospel

### Peter wrote:

'All flesh is as grass, And all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, And its flower falls away, But the word of the LORD endures forever.' Now this is the word which by the gospel was preached to you" (1 Peter 1:24-25).

"The word" Peter preached was/is "the gospel." He preached:

- 1) Jesus' resurrection: God "has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" (1 Peter 1:3);
- 2) Obedience by "obeying the truth through the Spirit" (1 Peter 1:22);
- 3) Baptism which "saves" (1 Peter 3:21);
- **4)** Persecution in which Christians "rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings" (1 Peter 4:13);

**5)** We can "resist [the Devil] steadfast in the faith" **(1 Peter 5:8-9)**. Is this your religion?

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## 9/29/2021 Truth First, Fable Later

The fable about Diogenes came hundreds of years after this true challenge of God through His inspired prophet, Jeremiah:

Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem; See now and know; And seek in her open places If you can find a man, If there is anyone who executes judgment, Who seeks the truth, And I will pardon her. Though they say, 'As the LORD lives,' Surely they swear falsely (Jeremiah 5:1-2).

God was calling for His capital city, Jerusalem, to be morally examined microscopically. If they swore their allegiance to God Who knew their hearts, He said, "they swear falsely!" Despite God's efforts to humble them into repentance,

They have refused to receive correction. They have made their faces harder than rock; They have refused to return (**Jeremiah 5:3**).

Some lessons still need to be learned.

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## 9/30/2021 Jesus and the Last Days

He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God (1 Peter 1:20-21).

[God] has in these last days spoken to us by His Son (**Hebrews 1:2**).

"These last times" and "these last days" all refer to the same time period -- when Jesus lived on earth.

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons (Galatians 4:4-5).

It was the "last days" for Jews to be God's chosen people, not "the last days" for the world, itself!

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#### **10/1/2021** 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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