

Words of Wisdom by John T Polk II For WECO FM 101.3 and The Fellowship Room

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

10-26–2015 Politicians and Truth

King Solomon knew a lot about government:

If a ruler pays attention to lies, All his servants become wicked (**Proverbs 29:12**).

What kind of government is it that is built on lies? Some are so corrupt, that they will be:

... speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron (**1 Timothy 4:2**).

Pontius Pilate heard Jesus say He came into the world to:

... "bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice" (John 18:37).

Politician Pilate had demands from: Rome that he keep the peace; Jews that he crucify Jesus; Jesus telling him the truth! Pilate said, "What is truth?" (John 18:38) If government is not according to truth, the Devil rules, for "he is a liar, and the father of it" (John 8:44).

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10-27–2015 Government Without God

Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God (**Romans 13:1**).

When government personnel think that authority is within them, and that they are the source of law, then citizens are under a tyranny. When government bans the mention of God from its properties; bars God's Book, the Bible, from its educational institutions; and bears down on believers; it has forgotten Who gave it authority!

The resurrected Jesus Christ:

... "has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him" (**1 Peter 3:22**).

Government without recognizing God's authority is God-less!

Mercy and truth preserve the king, and by lovingkindness he upholds his throne (**Proverbs 20:28**).

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10-28-2015 Have You 'Accepted Jesus' As God? #1

"Have you accepted Jesus?" Most people would say, "Yes."

Do you believe that Jesus is God?

Jesus said: "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world." (John 8:23).

God said, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!" (Luke 9:35).

Paul wrote, "No one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:3).

Because Jesus is God, there is no "salvation in any other" (Acts 4:12). Because Jesus is "the Christ, the Son of the living God," it was "on this rock I will build My church" (Matthew 16:16-18). Why have many who claim to have "accepted Jesus" dropped Christ from their church's name?

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10-29-2015 Have You 'Accepted Jesus' as Savior? #2

"Have you accepted Jesus as your Savior?" Most people would say, "Yes."

We must do what "is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior" (**1 Timothy 2:3**).

After His resurrection, Jesus, for all the world, said:

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

Paul's "Gospel" reminded Christians:

You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ (**Galatians 3:26-27**), and are added to the church (**Acts 2:38, 41, 47**).

Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body (**Ephesians 5:23**).

If you have not done what the Savior's Gospel requires, then have you, really, "accepted Jesus" as Savior?

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10-30-2015 Scared, of What?

What scares you this time of the year? Is it houses haunted by fake "ghosts and goblins?" Or is it sights and sounds that are not human and hard to identify? Or is it make-believe "zombies," "vampires," or "werewolves?"

The only time dead people walked the earth again was when Jesus Christ died on the cross, an earthquake opened graves:

... And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many (Matthew 27:52-53).

They proved Jesus was raised from the dead, not that we should fear the night. If you obey God, then:

When you lie down, you will not be afraid; yes, you will lie down and your sleep will be sweet (**Proverbs 3:24**).

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