

4-26-20 Message
WHEN MEN REJECT THEIR CREATOR

This is the 5th recorded message that we have shared by way of video recordings.

I believe that sooner or later our nation is going to open back up and break off this quarantine. We are starting to see people protest about the lockdown. When we do, we may try to continue these video messages for folks who do not feel comfortable going into public places. I am not sure what we are going to do. If we do that we may have to go to Youtube live and simultaneously broadcast our messages on our Conference Call Service and Youtube. I am not really sure how to proceed. I may have to confer with the men of the church to decide. Do pray about this matter with us.

Now this morning I want to talk to you about God, who is our creator.

In 1974 When I first read through the Bible, I started in the beginning. Genesis chapter 1. After I got through to chapter 3, I stopped and thought to myself, "Do I really believe this?" I had only been saved a few months, and I was wondering, do I believe what this book is saying? Either it is true or it is not. Then I started to think, why I was doubting it, and I realized I was doubting it because of 12 years of public school, and then 3 years of college and all that my teachers taught me contradicted the Bible. Then I thought about those teachers. I thought about their lives, most of them were a mess. My 7th grade science teacher had a nervous breakdown and resigned before the end of the year. The head of our music department made a sexual pass at one of my friends after class, my philosophy teacher mocked her own mother for believing in God and the head of the music department divorced his wife to live with one of the students in the music department who was 20 years younger than him.

So as I thought for a few minutes about the people that taught contrary to the Bible, I decided I was going to believe the Bible and not those who taught against it. From then on I had no problem with anything else in the Bible. If you can believe the first three chapters of the Bible you will have no problem with anything else in the Bible. If you reject the first three chapters of the Bible you might as well reject the whole Bible.

Now I say this to introduce the message I am going to preach this morning.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN MEN REJECT GOD AS THEIR CREATOR?

I. SUCH A PEOPLE ARE CALLED FOOLS BY GOD.

Psalms 53:1 {To the chief Musician upon Mahalath, Maschil, A Psalm of David.} The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good.

NOTE THE BIBLE CALLS A MAN A FOOL WHO DENIES HIM!

1. Even though the fool is intelligent, he is still a fool.

CONCERNING THOSE WHO SAY THERE IS NO GOD:

It doesn't matter if the person has a Doctorate degree.

It doesn't matter if the person is a mathematician or an Einstein.

It doesn't matter what earthly achievements the person has attained, he is still a fool.

They want to believe in their heart that they are not responsible to God who is their creator.

Psa 53:1 The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God.

Now I didn't say that the Bible says it!

The Hebrew word for fool is the word Nabal

Nabal, naw-bawl'; from 5034; stupid; wicked (espec. impious):-fool (-ish, -ish man, -ish woman), vile person.

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Nabel, naw-bale'; a prim. root; to wilt; gen. to fall away, fail, faint; fig. to be foolish or (mor.) wicked; causat. to despise, disgrace:-disgrace, dishonour, lightly esteem, fade (away, -ing), fall (down, -ling, off), do foolishly, come to nought, X surely, make vile, wither.

There was a fellow in the Bible whose name was Nabal he was a very wealthy man, he was successful in the world, he had a beautiful wife (Abigail), everything going well for him in this world. But he was a fool because he had no fear of God. He was a fool. Nabal was a man who had no respect for authority, he was crude, rude, arrogant, and he insulted King David and if it were not for his wife he would have been killed.

The meaning of the Word Nabal or fool means to be vile, dishonorable, wicked, impious. Nabal had a wicked heart he was crude wicked, impious, corrupt.

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A person who clearly sees God's creation and denies Him has a heart problem.

Because if there is a God who created you then you are morally responsible to that God. Those who in their hearts do not want to be morally responsible to a higher power or authority are fools.

This is because someone with that authority could do you harm. It doesn't matter what you believe.

I remember a story years ago when Bill Clinton was in office he was walking through the halls of congress and a fellow who was a rough neck kind of guy paid for a tour of congress. He was a hard working contractor type of guy, when he looked into the hall of congress he yelled in some derogatory statement. Bill Clinton heard it and had him arrested on the spot.

Look, you may disagree with congress, you may disagree with the president but they have power and you are foolish to buck that power. How much more foolish is it to deny the power of God!

NABAL WAS A FOOL.

David could have done him harm except his wife intervened. I believe one of the reasons God is withholding judgment against this world is because of His children intervening. Like Abigail, God's people are praying and asking God for mercy. God said He would spare Sodom and Gomorrah for 10 righteous men, how much more is it sparing this world for the sprinkling of Christians around the world. But the Bible teaches that God will someday remove His people and then He is going to bring judgment against this world.

2. THOSE WHO DENY GOD ARE FOOLS BECAUSE THEY ARE DECEIVING THEMSELVES.

There are many who do not want to be morally responsible to their creator so they deny He is and think that will get them off the hook. They are fools.

No matter how sophisticated the deceit, nonetheless it is their hearts which are deceived.

When I was a child I at times was a bit foolish: I recall my Grandfather used to tell my brother and I not to play in the alley. I never knew why he use to get so mad at us until on his death bed he asked me if a person who molested children could make it to heaven if they repented. Apparently my grandfather knew of people who would try to molest young boys and he knew there was even a danger back then. But he just told us not to play in the alley. Well my grandfather went off to work and my brother and I went to play in the alley, it was a good place to play stick ball and other games. Well that day my grandfather decided to come home from work early. So I ran into a field of grass to hide from my grandfather. The grass was tall and I closed my eyes bent down and hid behind a large blade of grass. I closed one eye and then put the other eye behind the blade of grass. Here's what I thought, if I can't see my grandfather, my grandfather can't see me. My grandfather parked his car in the garage and went into his house. He didn't come running and screaming yelling and making us come in. I thought I got away with it. So my brother and I quietly snuck back to the house. Then after a while my

grandfather called my brother and I into the kitchen where he always sat. He said where were you guys today? We said nowhere Grandpa. Then he looked at us and said were you in the alley playing? We said no Grandpa. Then he said come with me. He took my brother and I in his car and drove down to a place called Kis-Lyn home for boys. We heard horror stories about that place. He pulled right up to the gate and said, do you boys want to wind up here? We started crying no no grandpa not Kis-Lyn. Well I better not ever find you playing in the alley again.

You see how foolish was I to think that my grandfather couldn't see me just because I could not see him. So we are foolish to think God does not see us because we do not see Him.

One day the Lord is going to taxi us before his throne. He is going to say get in the car so to speak, and in that day we will have to give an account of our lives.

Now we have a lot of educated fools according to the Bible.

Those who have no fear of God are fools.

Is God the creator of the Universe as the Bible teaches? Either He is or He is not. To deny Him as the creator is deny His handywork which you can see.

Now it does not matter how intelligent the fool, anyone who denies God as the creator is nonetheless a fool.

Romans 1:22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, Not only are they fools but..

II. SUCH PEOPLE WHO DENY GOD WILL NOT ACCEPT THE BIBLE. HOW CAN THEY RECEIVE THE GREATER REVELATION WHEN THEY REJECT THE LESSOR?

Psalms 19:1 {To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.} The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.

Psalms 19:2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

Psalms 19:3 There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

Psalms 19:4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

You can walk through the great forests of this world, see the magnificent mountains and the beauty of creation and either magnify it, or magnify the one who made it. You can either sing.. HOW GREAT THOU ART or sing HOW GREAT THE TREES AND MOUNTAINS ARE, which is idolatry!

I put out a little documentary based on a tract that I wrote called The Cure. In that documentary I talked about how Pasteur bucked the science of his day and came up with solutions for some of the sickness that were plaguing people in his day. What I didn't say in the documentary was that Pasteur was a fervent believer in God, and he believed in the Biblical account of creation. Here is what Pasteur said,

"The more I study nature, the more I stand amazed at the work of the Creator. Science brings men nearer to God."

"Little science takes you away from God but more of it takes you to Him."

"Question your priorities often, make sure God always comes first."

"Posterity will one day laugh at the sublime foolishness of the modern materialistic philosophy. The more I study nature, the more I stand amazed at the work of the Creator. I pray while I am engaged at my work in the laboratory. "

Pasteur ardently opposed evolution in his day. So he was not in the mainstream of the scientific thinking of his day.

Notice what Louis Pasteur said. He said, I pray while I am engaged at my work.

This was very wise of him.

Now since his days, evolution, rather than Biblical creation, has almost been universally accepted, almost to the point that it is being regarded as synonymous with good science. People insinuate that you can't be a good scientist without embracing it. I am hearing the scientists of our day using the term "Evolutionary Biology." Now I wonder how Pasteur could have made so many breakthroughs in his day without believing in evolution? I don't want to get into the nuts and bolts of evolution, but let me just say this: just because some of the doctrines of evolution seem to make sense, especially in the area of natural selection, this does not prove the evolutionary explanation for the origin of all life. It only explains natural selection a process that often can be observed in the natural world. Just because evolution uses science to support its presuppositions does not mean its presuppositions are facts.

Look it is mathematically impossible that all the ingredients necessary for life just happened by chance. I suggest you watch the video

THE PRIVILEGED PLANET, which is based on the book with the same title by Jay Richards and Guillermo Gonzalez.

In that documentary they share all the necessary ingredients it would take to sustain life on planet earth and if just one of those ingredients were missing no life could survive on this planet..

PAUL WARNED TIMOTHY:

I Timothy 6:20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:

Again, it is mathematically impossible to have all the ingredients necessary for life on this planet without a designer. So to say otherwise would be foolish, as Psalm 53:1 says:

The creation itself is a Billboard shouting out that God is, and should lead each of us to a search to find out more about Him.

Note what Psalm 19 says,

Psalms 19:1 {To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.} The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork.

The heavens, the creation, 24 hours a day, speak to the existence of an intelligent creator.

Psalms 19:2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

Psalms 19:3 There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

Psalms 19:4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

There is no speech, no language, that could not know, could not discern, can't understand that God is.

The other day I heard an interview of a doctor that was being asked for guidance on how to deal with the Covid 19 pandemic. He introduced himself proudly as a HUMANIST. These are the people we are looking to for answers. Here is the definition of a humanist:

What is Humanism? Here is what the humanist defines their belief system:

Humanism is an outlook or system of thought attaching prime importance to human rather than divine or supernatural matters. Humanist beliefs stress the potential value and goodness of human beings, emphasize common human needs, and seek solely rational ways of solving human problems.

The definition of humanism is a belief that human needs and values are more important than religious beliefs, or the needs and desires of humans. An example of humanism is the belief that the person creates their own set of ethics.

That definition is diametrically opposed to what the Bible says. The Biblical view is that God can and does intervene in the affairs of men. The Humanist x's God out the equation. Humanism is as much a religion as Christianity. Science does not require a belief system. Science does not require faith. As soon as someone says we need to believe in: " " it is using a religious term. Men say we need to believe in Evolution, We need to believe in global warming, etc. Meaning it cannot be proved it must be believed. Humanism is a form of Idolatry. Man becomes god. That is exactly what Satan promised Eve in the garden when he said, ye shall be as Gods knowing good and evil. No proof was given, they just believed the lie.

The humanist rejects revelation.

The humanist makes statements like they believe in science and look at the Bible as a book of fiction. That's what Joe Biden insinuated when he blundered his statement and got tongue tied and said,

We choose unity over division. We choose science over fiction. We choose truth over facts."

If you will not believe the writing in the sky of God's creation which is sight, reality, and a fact, then you will not believe and receive the Bible, which requires faith. The one must come first.

This brings me to my final point. What happens when a person rejects God as their creator?

III. SUCH PEOPLE WILL COME UNDER THE JUDGMENT OF GOD.

Now this is the part that many people don't like.

We have shown that:

I. Only a fools says there is no God

II. The creation is clearly seen and understood that God is the creator.

The billboard of creation is as much revelation of God as the Bible is. Pasteur was right that true science should lead closer to God not further. When you will not hear the truth of creation, when you reject the truth, then you come under the judgment of God.

You can hide in the grass all that you want. You can close your eyes and pretend God doesn't see you because you don't see God. You can smoke the issue all you want with observing that a bunch of moths on an island all become dark because the birds eat the light colored ones. But the moth never becomes a bird and the bird never becomes a dog, and the dog never becomes a horse. You can search a thousand islands, do DNA testing, do carbon dating, and cloud up the truth with 1000 smoke

screens that blind your eyes behind those blades of grass because you want to play in the alley. But ultimately you will have to face your highest authority. THAT IS GOD.

So let us read in the Bible what happens to those who reject their Creator:

1. GOD IS ANGRY WITH THOSE WHO REJECT HIM AS CREATOR.

Romans 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

Notice God DOES get angry at men. Again the people of this world say I can't believe in such a God. Well close one eye, and hide the other behind the blade of grass all you want. He does. When He gets angry it does not go well for mankind.

2. THEY ARE GUILTY AND WITHOUT EXCUSE

Romans 1:19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them.

Romans 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

There is no excuse for their rejection of Himself.

3. THEIR FOOLISH IMAGINATIONS PRODUCE FOOLISH IDEAS.

Romans 1:21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

Romans 1:22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,

Romans 1:23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

Again you can walk in the woods and say look at this beautiful forest that God made or you can walk through the woods and marvel at the detail of the leaves, and spend time collecting them, categorizing them and magnifying the beauty of them, you can marvel at the ability of men to create and magnify men who are made in the image of God, you can marvel at the animals and creatures and fail to give God the glory for making these. When men do this they fall into judgment.

4. THE JUDGMENT OF GOD IS THAT GOD GIVES THESE PEOPLE OVER TO A REPROBATE MIND.

Romans 1:24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:

Romans 1:25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.

Romans 1:26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

Romans 1:27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

Romans 1:28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

Romans 1:29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

Romans 1:30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

Romans 1:31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

Look, is this not a description of our society today? Everything we read is taking place in our world today. Men think they are free, liberated from God and His word and His laws. Instead they are in bondage to their wicked desires. Like the addict who is going to die of an overdose some day, he enjoys the thrill of the very thing that is killing him, so the world is in bondage to things that go against nature.

When I was young and someone wanted to teach a person about sex they would say I am going to teach you about the birds and the bees. We can't say that anymore. We cannot define male, we cannot define female and we cannot define marriage, we cannot define life. So confused are we that we leave abortion clinics open during this lockdown but you can't go to the hospital to get a life saving procedure. In some states you can buy liquor and marijuana but you can buy garden seeds for your garden.

We are in confusion. Now the Bible says, God's wrath and judgment is being manifested. We are given over to things that are destroying us.

We say in about a year we will have a vaccine for this virus. But who produced a vaccine in the days of the Black Plague? It lasted about a year and then went away without a vaccine. With all our science do we know all that much more than in days gone by?

Do you think God is not active in the affairs of men? I say He is.

Conclusion:

Years ago they used to refer to God's people, saved people, they used to call them, "God Fearing People." That means these were a group of people who have a holy reverence and fear of God their creator. Now we don't use that word anymore. We

should. When I was playing in that alley and my grandfather brought me to the gates of Kis-Lyn I had a bit of fear in me. How much more should we have some fear of our heavenly father who has power over all things? Just because there is delay in his judgment does not mean He will not judge.

Ecclesiastes 8:11 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

Look, God is good, He is wise, and longsuffering.. He is letting mankind do their thing and they think they are getting away with it. Hiding behind a blade of grass.

What we need to do is have a Holy Reverence and fear of God.

Now what I am telling you, you are not going to hear on ABC, NBC, CBS, OR EVEN FOX news. Because by and large our society has been given to humanism. Even some churches are in many cases mixing humanism with Christianity to get a watered down message of the truth. You never hear of a God who judges, chastens, get angry. They tip toe around any verse that says, “..the wrath of God... etc.”

From Genesis to Revelation, you read the opposite of the humanist manifesto. Man is constantly failing, and God is in the power of delivering all those who will repent and come to Him.

In my first message in this series I gave my testimony. I shared how when I was 12 years old I wrote down a list of things I wanted to accomplish in my life and I set out to accomplish them. But suddenly an unknown factor put a stumbling block in my plans. I was faced with an invisible foe, that foe was God. God reached down and saved one of the members of our Band. Now I could have just picked up and went on, (and I did for about a year) but I could not avoid the Spirit of God. I thought to myself, is it possible that there is a God who does and can intervene in the affairs of men? Is it possible I was not right with God? Is it possible God can work that way? The more I meditated on that, the more God revealed to me it was not only possible but it was a fact. I believe if I would have rejected that knowledge I would have had to willfully gone against the knowledge of the truth that God showed me. Instead of going with the flow, I by the grace of God, surrendered my heart to Jesus. Now I'm entering the last phases of my life. I am glad I made that choice. I do not know of one humanist or atheist that will have anything to look forward to after their gone.

In 1776, at age 82, Voltaire, a great enemy of the Bible and Christianity, brought to a culmination his life's work and disdain for the Bible when he published "La Bible Enfin Expliquée" (The Bible Fully Explained). The two-volume work was Voltaire's commentary on the whole Bible. His purpose in writing was to "make the whole building of Christianity crumble.”

A year later he would die and his last words were this:

Voltaire: "I give you half of what I am worth, if you will give me six months of life."

What a contrast in this last statement of Voltaire and Paul the apostle's last words when Paul said,

II Timothy 4:6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

II Timothy 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:

II Timothy 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Voltaire, in his voluminous writings against Christianity and the Bible, predicted in 1776, "One hundred years from my day, there will not be a Bible on earth except one that is looked upon by an antiquarian curiosity-seeker." As within fifty years after his death, in an ironic twist of Providence, the very house in which he once lived and wrote was used by the Evangelical Society of Geneva as a storehouse for Bibles and Gospel tracts and the printing presses he used to print his irreverent works was used to print Bibles.

In Psalms Chapter 2 we read:

Psalms 2:1 Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

Psalms 2:2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,

Psalms 2:3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

Psalms 2:4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

Psalms 2:5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

Maybe this invisible enemy, as our president refers the Coronavirus, is disrupting your plans. But let me say to you that maybe by denying your creator you have made another invisible enemy and He may be fighting against you. If that is the case while you still have breath and life give your heart to the Lord. Call on Him, His ear is open to all who will repent and come to Him. Harden not your heart and don't turn your ears away from the truth. God said to the apostle Paul before He came to Christ, "It is hard for you to kick against the pricks...." Meaning don't you see I have been working in your life to draw you to myself. If that is the case in your life, receive Him, ask Him into your heart and life. For the Bible says,

Romans 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

and

Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Let me warn that it is foolish to reject your Creator, His revelation and your Savior Jesus Christ the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.