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Good morning and welcome to my thoughts for today. It's Friday, May 6th. The time is 6:56 am and the temperature is 56° with a little wind making it feel cooler. Today is my one and only granddaughter's birthday (I have six grandsons). Happy Birthday EM!

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WHAT I'M THINKING

Is God Your Hub?

How much time do you spend with God? Time with God is more than the allocating of specific minutes and hours of your day to God activity. Being Christian is the devoting of your entire life to God on a 24/7 365 basis, not the allocation of your time to what you think is "Christian" activity. Throw out the idea that you have 168 hours in a week and if you devote ten percent of those hours to God stuff you are doing great. Sorry, but God does not demand a portion of your time, but the whole of your time. You know, 24/7 365.

Is that possible? Sure is.

After Jesus ascended into heaven after he rose from the dead, he sent the Holy Spirit to earth so that anyone who receives Him is able to be Christian (Acts 2:2-4, 33; Titus 3:5-6). Instead of worshipping/living for God through the outward works of the law, as in the Old Testament, we are now able to worship/live for God through our spirit and in truth in the spirit of holiness 24/7 365 (John 4:23-24; Psalm 29:2). That means we can stop the temptation to sin originating in our minds and emotions before it ever becomes a word or action of sin (James 1:13-15). This is what Jesus meant in Matthew 5:17 when he said he came to fulfill the law, not to destroy it. He explained that the law told you not to do the action of sin, like adultery or murder (Matthew 5:21, 27). The fulfillment of the law, through God's Spirit, made it possible for you to stop the emotion of anger or the thought of lust before they become a word or action of sin (Matthew 5:22, 28). It's true, God did not do away with the Ten Commandments. He fulfilled His written law by writing them on our hearts. This allows us to deal with the temptation that causes the sin.

Because God's Spirit is in you, the question is not how much time do you devote to God, but are your thoughts and emotions one with God? (John 17:21-23) When you are one with God, your thoughts, emotions, and behavior are devoted to God in all that you do, wherever you are, and in whatever the

situation, that is what God requires 24/7 365. He is not concerned with whether you've given Him five, ten, or more percent of your time. He wants your all. Your undivided all.

Present age Christianity has downgraded being a Christian to a weekly meeting or two, reading the Bible as a devotional, believing denominational doctrines, and having dinners and bowling and movie nights and calling them Christian fellowship. How foolish we've become with our activity focused, works focused Christianity. God is not concerned with an *add on* relationship as if He were just another spoke on the wheel of life. He wants to be your hub, your center from which all of life revolves. Ask yourself: Does my life revolve around my relationship with God, or does my relationship with God revolve around my life?

“No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon [money, possessions, life itself] (Matthew 6:24)

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Lest We Forget

I've been a Christian for over 46 years now. During this time, and even as a child, the teachings about a coming world government and a coming global cashless economy was taught. It was when I began to teach these things and talk about the steppingstones in the news leading in this direction that I realized the majority thought the Bible was talking about events far into the future, like, not this lifetime. Now let's fast forward to the twenty-first century and the year 2020.

The 2020 pandemic came. It hit hard. People began to consider, and the news headlines began to declare, the need for international control/governance and the elimination of cash. What was once seen as far into the distant future was now seen as close as the socks on our feet. We realized that the United Nation's *Agenda 2030* was given the green light to power up full speed ahead. Both, world governance and a cashless economy are part of this agenda, and both are today's headline news.

Here's something to keep in mind concerning *Agenda 2030*. There are 196 nations on our planet. 193 of these are members of the United Nations. Each of these member nations—all 193 of them—unanimously adopted *Agenda 2030* committing their nation to fulfilling its goals. Whether you want to admit to it or not, that's a clear declaration of the nation's sovereignty being subservient to world governance. Essentially all world leaders have agreed to move their nations toward world governance, a global cashless economy, and the total transformation of cultural and societal standards away from God and Christian standards. This is what President Biden's slogan, *Build Back Better* and the *Green New Deal* are all about.

Now here's something you really need to repent from (change your way of thinking about). Way way too many of you still think that being involved in politics and enacting some form of legislation is going to make a difference in the direction the world is headed. If you are one of them, you haven't paid much attention to the political, cultural, and Christian landscape over the past several decades. Regardless of the political party, the president in office, or who controls the House or Senate, since 1776 America's destiny has not changed. We continue to move forward unhindered to lead the world to establish world governance, a global cashless economy, and a godless culture. And let us not forget that it was a United States President, Woodrow Wilson, who spearheaded the creation of the United Nations, and it is the United Nations that is leading the charge toward world governance, a cashless economy, and a godless culture. Lest we forget, our allegiance is not to any form of earthly government, but to an eternal government which we are currently preparing ourselves for.

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Midterm Elections

Midterm elections are upon us. Many in the Christian community still think they can make a difference with politics. Shame on Jerry Falwell for creating that thing called the *Moral Majority* and moving Christians away from trust in God to trust in politics.

Since Falwell's push for political activism in the late 1970's we've had more Christians going to the polls than ever before, and with little result. Our present age needs repentance more than a political party. Pray for our leaders, but more so put your effort into helping others understand their need for repentance. Repentance changes the heart. The heart changes the behavior. The behavior permeates the family, the community, the nation.

Since the late 1960's we've had more social agencies, more legislation, more of everything to take care of our national ills than at any other time in our history, yet instead of a decrease we've only seen an increase in whatever it is that keeps our society sick: more violence, more abortions, more crime, more mental disorders, more moral depravity, more war, more, more, more. I don't know if you noticed, but what makes our nation sick is called sin. Sin cannot be legislated or voted away. There's only one solution for sin... it's called repentance. Without repentance our nation's ills will only increase, no matter which political party is giving the leadership.

I don't know why we keep looking at politics as our answer when politics has consistently shown it only chokes out our Christian standards and unleashes more of what we try to control.

Yep, shame on Jerry Falwell. Shame on present age Christians. Shame, shame, shame that we are always looking for what is in the world to overcome our ills instead of looking toward God and compelling others to repent, turn from their sins, have faith toward God. We may not be able to change the world, but we can impact the lives of others in our circle of influence.

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Natural, Natural Health

I've always been into "natural," natural health since my teenage and high school years way over 54 years ago. Fresh ginger, peppermint, ginseng, honey, lemon, parsley, pepper, fruits and nuts, water, and a host of other fresh, unpackaged, unprocessed herbs and foods were my delight. Nowadays, focus on natural, natural health is almost unattainable. Our food, even the best organic stuff, is so lacking in nutrition that to receive the same vitamins and enzymes our grandparents and great grandparents received from their food you must supplement with good quality vitamins and supplements. You won't find them at your local Walmart or favorite pharmacy. The best thing to do is to find yourself a good naturopath doctor with access to professional grade supplements. Sure, they're going to cost a little more, but your body will thank you in the long run with less fatigue, more endurance, overall better health, and quicker recovery when you are sick. Also, a good naturopath can help you discover what vitamins and supplements your body needs so you don't put out your hard-earned money on supplements and vitamins you don't need. The lest you should be doing is using an air purifier, a water purifier, and keeping away from highly processed foods and sugars and eat in moderation.

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Where Did the Living Go?

When I see how much entertainment, the internet, virtual reality, games, etc. has taken over our lives and moved us from experiencing reality makes me wonder if anyone experiences life anymore.

I listen to the elementary, middle school, high school, and college students. I listen to the young adults, older adults, and a growing population of seniors and how they talk about their "great achievements" in the world of make believe. Their excitement and passion is contagious, making you think they actually won great battles, shot several deer, and defeated great armies. The reality is, nothing was accomplished, nothing but the lack of living life. Reality was not lived. True passion is quickly disappearing.

As Christians we are to live in interaction with real people; you know, eyeball to eyeball, flesh to flesh kind of interaction. All this online/email/internet kind of stuff many call ministry is nothing more than hogwash. Nothing more than justification for thinking you are doing God's work when nothing is really accomplished for God. We like creating images to give the appearance of being Christian and in ministry to avoid the actual work of being Christian and doing the work of God.

We were warned over two thousand years ago that Christianity would be demoted to pleasure and an image (2 Timothy 3:4-5). It appears we have arrived.

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, LOVERS OF PLEASURE MORE THAN LOVERS OF GOD; HAVING A FORM OF GODLINESS, BUT DENYING THE POWER THEREOF: from such turn away. (2 Timothy 3:1-5)

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Words Always Have Meaning

I thought the following from the blog, kjs-heresywatch.blogspot.com/, was worth sharing.

#931: If you were surprised that the word "government" means 'control the mind' in Latin then perhaps it will interest you that in Greek mythology the god (goddess) of illusion (planning, scheming even prophecy) was Medea. She was the daughter of King Aeetes of Colchis and wife of Jason (of the Argonauts fame) as well as being known as an enchantress (someone who creates illusions to deceive people). Medea, of course, is very similar to the word media and we all know how untruthful and deceptive they are these days. This ties in very well with the words of the Book of Revelation wherein we read in chapter 9 verse 21 that people "did not repent of their murders or their sorceries (drugs; Greek: pharmakeia) or their sexual immorality or their thefts."

Is it not interesting that the deceiving mass media and the sorceries of the big pharmaceutical industry (Big Pharma) are at the head of the current CONvid-19 plandemic? Think about it.

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War On Truth 2

In our 03.29.2022 issue I looked at three forces responsible for the dismantling of truth: humanism, relativism, and pragmatism. In this issue I will look at the five men whose ideas released these forces in American culture. These men were Charles Darwin, Karl Marx, Julius Wellhauser, Sigmund Freud, and John Dewey.

It was Charles Darwin (1809-1882) who gave to us the rationale for replacing the Christian foundation of how mankind and the universe came into existence with his theory of evolution. He introduced science as God and made God essentially irrelevant.

Along with Darwin, Karl Marx (1818-1883) and his *Communist Manifesto* infiltrated our colleges, our social structure, and politics to give to us a materialistic framework for viewing and operating in society without the need for religion. Along with Darwin, Marx advanced the idea that religion served no real practical purpose in the lives of people, other than as an “opium of the people”.

Also taking our thoughts captive and moving us from dependence upon God were the ideas of Sigmund Freud (1856-1939) who gave to us a scientific, materialistic way of understanding ourselves, our soul, our spirits, and why we do and behave as we do. He gave us the rationale to release ourselves from the restraints of Christianity to embracing our human nature and who we are in our natural sin state. The need for repentance, self-control, and dependence on an invisible God was replaced with embracing who we are and reliance on our self. God was viewed more as a crutch as we more and more saw ourselves as gods.

It was John Dewey (1859-1952) and his writings which advanced progressive education to emphasize experience above formal training to focus on a person’s talents and what he/she was naturally inclined toward. Dewey’s methods became the norm for schools on all levels and integrated the materialistic, non-Christian ideas of Darwin, Marx, and Freud.

During this period, the Christian mind was directly attacked with the teachings of Julius Wellhauser (1844-1918) who advanced the ideas of *Higher Criticism*. On the surface his teachings seemed harmless enough as it gave a method of Bible interpretation to discover what was originally meant from the writer’s culture and time period. The problem with this approach is that it gave a secular perspective for viewing the Bible and denied the supernatural inspiration of the Bible. This all lead to many contradictory interpretations of the Bible, mistrust in the Bible as infallible and without error, and gave students of the Bible permission to develop their own interpretations. This further lead to the great diversity in doctrine and what it meant to be a Christian, essentially removing Christianity’s impact and power within culture. It demoted Christianity to doctrine and teachings removing its inspiration and power.

As you can see from the date of birth and death of these men the Devil was busy inspiring these men to bring his demonic influence into the world’s mainstream at the same time in the 1900’s, which he was successful at. It was these ideas that permeated and transformed the established political, cultural, sociological, and religious fabric of our nation. It was these ideas that transformed our youth in the 1950’s to produce the youth rebellion of the 1960’s which challenged all the traditional norms prior to that time. Socialism rose to new heights, self-restraints was replaced with excess and taking experiences to their limits, cynicism replaced trust, and permissiveness, your beliefs are valid because they are your beliefs, and the maxim “do what you will” became the new norms. Thanks to Darwin, Marx, Freud, Dewey, and Wellhauser American society was hijacked. Absolute truth was destroyed. Christianity’s impact collapsed and the world entered a new phase of moral anarchy which continues its increase in our twenty-first century.

Shambles

No matter how you view the world, the world is in shambles. The only way out of the mess we're in is when Jesus returns to replace all governments with his government where he reigns as its king. In the meantime, there's nothing we can do to stop the world's free fall. We can find hope as we're in this free fall through Jesus and the promises of a future kingdom without all the troubles of this present age.

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Its purpose is to park various thoughts pertaining to the Bible and current events. It's publishing frequency will be whenever I have a few thoughts to share. Will that be tomorrow? Next week? Next year? It will be some time, just don't know when. The good news is, this one is hot off the virtual press.

*"Watch therefore, for you do not know
what hour your Lord is coming"
Matthew 24:42*

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