

## I. Review of Proverbs 28:6-8

I told you about the twelve constellations of the Zodiac. There are eighty-eight constellations in total, but twelve of them form the parentheses, so to speak, around the Earth. It is a picture of God's panoramic view of God's glory which takes place 24/7.

Then I took you back to Genesis 1 and Psalms 148 and showed you the Bible's definition of the word heaven.

Last week, we examined three verses that really had a lot of good practical principles for all of us. Every time I preach the book of Proverbs, or really anything, I am always trying to be conscious of giving you an overall doctrinal, historical, and inspirational message. But obviously, I want to really focus on the things that are going to be beneficial for us.

Doctrinally, we know now that what we looked at last week was to the nation of Israel. Inspirationally, we know that it is aimed right at us. We made some really good practical applications to it—three basically great principles for life out of those three verses last week.

1. The first, from verse 6, was that we are better off with the true riches of God and poor, as far as the world is concerned, than you will be with all the world has to offer and not have God in your life. That is a great concept and a great principle.
2. The second was in verse 7, where it said that the true riches of God will only come into our lives as we get rid of all the junk of the world that we are trying to carry around. For a Christian, when God saves you, He wants to sanctify you. Sanctify means to set you apart. He does that in a spiritual sense. Then, based on that spiritual sanctification or setting apart from the world, we need to separate ourselves physically from the world in the sense of putting everything to God the way that it needs to be. That great principle is that the true riches of God will only come into our lives as we get rid of all the junk. Of course, there will be no sanctification in our lives without separation of our lives. We have to put the world out.

*Jesus said, and we looked at this last week in Mark 10:21 with the story of the rich young ruler, Jesus told him, "Pick up My cross and follow Me." But he couldn't. When Jesus told him the bottom line—that he had to sell everything and give it to the poor and then pick up his cross and follow Him—the Bible says he went away sorrowfully. He was good with everything up to the things that were the most important things in our life. That is such a great principle. All of us are willing to give up a lot of things in our life; we are just not willing to give up that one or two things that we really need to give up. What a great principle that was. We cannot do it. We cannot pick up and bear the cross of Christ because we are carrying around the junk of the world.*

Years and years and years ago, when I was at a camp back in Ohio, I was preaching there. One of the nights, a young girl, just a sweetheart girl, she was about 18 or 19 years old, and it was a senior high camp. She was giving her testimony. It was a very, very strong, good testimony. It

was very obvious that this girl really loved the Lord. She gave an incredible testimony. I remember I was standing around afterwards, and all the young girls wanted to gravitate to somebody like that. One of the girls came up, and they were all talking to her and enjoying it. One of the girls said, “You know what, I would just give the world to have a testimony like you have tonight.” She looked at her and she said, “You know what, that’s exactly what it cost me—the world.” It is so true; there will be no sanctification without separation.

3. The third thing, in verse 8, is that as a child of God, we need to give to people, not take from them or use them for our own profit. We talked about that. From my standpoint, as your pastor, I should have one goal for you, one motive for all that I do with you, one agenda for you, and that is to make you better. That is a key word: better. To make you better than you are. Every time you come to a Thursday night Bible study, my job ought to be to give you the Word of God so that when you leave, you are better than when you came. Now, I know a lot of that depends on what you do with it, but my part of it is to make sure I am exact in everything that I do.

When you come on Sunday morning, I have one goal. When you leave here this morning, I do not necessarily want you going feeling good, but I want you going feeling better about yourself. That can mean a lot of things to a lot of different people. Through our times in the Bible together and our personal relationship, making your personal life better, making your marriage better, making your family better, all by making your relationship with God better. That only comes from the Word of God, and you should have the same goal for the people that God puts in your life. I know many of you are working with people, many of you are helping people on different levels, different stages, from discipleship to counseling them through their issues, and all those things. But at the end of the day, we need to do for them what the Word of God and the Bible does for us, and that is to try to make them better. So many of you do. You really do. It is quite incredible.

## II. Reading of Proverbs 28:9-11

This week, we are again going to look at a few more verses and learn, and hopefully apply what we can from all of this. So let me begin by reading here, Proverbs 28. We are going to get through three verses today. So let us read them.

Proverbs 28:9-11 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.<sup>10</sup> Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession.<sup>11</sup> The rich man is wise in his own conceit; but the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.

## III. The Brutality of Truth

Let me say, there will be some hard things said today. I do not mean it because I am mad about anything. I do not mean it because I have a personal agenda. But truth sometimes can be brutal. We know that is why we do not like the truth. In our Christian world, many of God’s people like to live in a bubble. They like to live in a world that does not exist. They try to get along with

everybody. You will have a conflict here with God's people, and they just cannot see which side is really biblical, which side is that they just try to live in a gray mush world of Christianity that does not really deal with any hard facts or truth, certainly not any doctrine. So I understand that.

Believe it or not, as callous as you think I am, and I am as hard-nosed as I can be sometimes, I feel for people who do not get it. I really do. But truth today is so foreign to God's people. God's people have been hoodwinked for so many years that they actually believe this gray mush, this ecumenical junk that goes on where everybody just gets along and we agree to disagree. It is just not real Bible. The problem is, as I have laid out many times in Hosea 8:12, the day and age that we live in, the Bible says that the great things of God have now become strange things to us.

So we are basically, if somebody would say, "What are you really going to do today?" We are just going to walk down the old path of Jeremiah 6:16. The Bible says that that was the good way that we are to look for in the right way. I want to tell you right now, you are going to hear some strange things today because real Bible truth, real Bible teaching is totally adverse to the 99.9% of God's people today. They just cannot get there. They are not bad people. They are really not. I am not standing up here saying they are a bunch of idiots. Now, I will use the word idiot a lot today because I like that word. But I do not think, I think many of them are good people. The problem I have with them is they do not want to grow past a point. They have come so far in their Christian life, and they are not going to go any farther. Most of them do not like conflict. Most of them do not like confrontation. Most of them would never take a stand that is any kind of meaning for anything. They are the Kumbaya Christians. You cannot survive doing anything for God being that kind of Christian. You have to be able to take your stand. Unfortunately, in the world that we live in today, most of God's people will never take a stand for anything that means anything. In their mind, they think they will. "Oh, I am a Christian. I go to church. I am taking my stand." You are not taking any kind of stand until you get your nose in the fight. But that is where we are at today.

#### IV. The Abomination of Prayer

Verse 9 says, "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination." That is a wrecking ball verse. This will completely, totally dismantle 99% of God's people, churches, and pastors today, in what they teach you on prayer. Because this verse is clearly talking about our prayer life. In the day and age that we live in, prayer is an explosive subject anyhow. It is dynamite. Yet, without a doubt, obviously the key to any real relationship we have with God will be our prayer life. Ephesians 6 tells us that. Your relationship with God will only be as strong as your prayer life. Along with that, your relationship with God will only be as strong as the Bible you have. So you know what the devil did? He attacked both. Once he took the Bible away, and we will see that in a moment, once he took the Bible away, now we have a whole bunch of God's people that have no clue, have no clue about what real biblical prayer is.

All day long in their life, in churches and pulpits this morning, I know this is rough, I am not happy to preach this. In fact, I may change this anytime now and just preach on the love of Jesus, but I am telling you, they are standing in pulpits and all week long they are praying their prayer

to God, and God, it is not getting out of the room. They do not even know it. Because Romans 8:26 tells us that in the Bible, God tells us that we have three basic infirmities as a Christian. Three. Now the word infirmity is a good word because it means a weakness. It means an unsound state. When it comes to God's people, all of us, you and me, the Bible makes it clear, and I know this is not popular today, but the Bible makes it clear that we have three infirmities throughout the Word of God.

4. The first one is found in Romans 6:19, and that is our flesh. If you have not figured out yet that you have a problem with your flesh, I am not sure what planet you live on. That is a definite infirmity.
5. The second one, in Psalms 77:10, he tells you that that great verse, the second infirmity we have is that we forget the things that God has done for us. I am telling you, if that is not a dying truth, I do not know what is. The nation of Israel did the same thing. They no more got across the Red Sea and God split it, and they walked across on dry ground, and the great miracles that God did, that they just kept forgetting what He would do for them. God's people today just forget what God has done. Now, I understand why a lot of that is, because in most cases, God is not doing anything. I get it. So we have to trump up things to make it look like God is really doing something in our world.
6. Romans 8:26 is the third one, and it clearly says, "We do not know how to pray." Please do not tell me that you are the exception to the rule and you do know how to pray. It says,

*Romans 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.*

There is the Holy Spirit of God is like is called in itself instead of a person. You should know why. I am not going to tell you why. That would probably be a good indicator. You do not know what you are talking about with prayer when you cannot even understand the words that He uses. "Itself make an intercession for the saints according to the will of God."

## V. False Concepts of Prayer

As I said, prayer today is a minefield. It is one of those hotbeds in Christianity that the spiritual Pharisees who like to pretend their great prayer warriors love to exist. I have been in this business longer than a couple of weeks, almost 50 years, and I have seen every aspect of this. They are men and women who like to pretend that they are spiritual Christians who, if you do not pray the way they think, you will pray the way they think you ought to pray, or do it the way that they say you need to do it, that you are not really spiritual. They are the experts on prayer. It is a case where you come in different flavors like ice cream.

- > Positional Prayer Warriors
- > Pray About Everything Christians
- > Time Prayer Warriors

➤ Change in Voice Prayer Warriors

## VI. The Consequences of Losing the Bible

A couple of weeks ago on a Thursday night, somebody asked a question about the seven things you lose when you lose your Bible. I walked you through that. Each one of them is a profound, powerful message in itself.

7. I showed you in Jeremiah 1:8-9 that when you lose your Bible, you have no power in preaching. That is why all these guys teach today. That is why most pastors could not preach their way out of a wet paper bag. They are powerless. They get up and they could not preach if their life depended on it. Because the whole thing is shifted. Some of you people, some of God's people like that. You know why you like that? Because you lost the power of preaching too. You will find that the Old Testament prophets, they were not teachers. They were preachers. Paul was a preacher. Peter was a preacher. Now I know there are times to teach and you should because teaching edifies. But you know, you do not have a time in your life where you need to have your hide taken off. Do you understand that? You really need to come to a time when somebody just dresses you down and puts it right between your eyeballs.
8. The second thing he says in John 14:23, you lose your love for God when you lose your Bible. Yet how people would argue with that. "Oh, I love God. I love God." No, you love what you think is God. Because the Bible says that in Christianity today, we deal with God like we do with everything else. We love things. We love shoes. We love dresses. We love cars. We love boats. We love vacations. We love everything that can never love us back. I am just telling you, American Christians get into relationship with God like they get in relationship with their husbands and wives. That is why their relationship and marriage do not last either. They fall in love with somebody through the moment of time, the passion, and they fall in love with somebody. Then as time passes on, they fall out of love with that person. That is exactly what God's people do with God. You go to a Sunday night service. You go to a Sunday morning service. You go to revival. Some guy preaches his heart out and you get emotionally stirred and you think you get saved. "Oh, no, I love God." And that night you fell in love with God. But three weeks later, a month later, when you get a better deal, you will fall out of love with Him. You see, you do not fall in love with God. You learn to love God. And there is only one way to do that through the Word of God. And you do not have the book down. I am sorry. I am sorry.
9. The third one, Joshua 1:6-9, no inheritance, millennial rewards, all gone.
10. The fourth one, John 4:24, no worship. So you go to churches that say, "We are going to have a worship service. We are going to worship God with our tithes and our offering." That is not worship. The Bible says, I keep hating to bring it up. The Bible says worship has to be between you and God. John 4, your spirit and His truth. No worship outside of that. I do not care what your rinky dinky pastor tells you. I do not care what games they play with the smoke and the lights and the rock band and the drummer and all those things up there. "We are worshiping God." You are out of the pit of hell when it comes to the Bible. But do not let me disrupt that. You enjoy it. Only going to get worse.

11. The fifth thing is 1 Thessalonians 2:13, no working of God in you. John 16, the greatest chapter in the Bible on the Holy Spirit of God. It tells you the seven things that the Holy Spirit of God does for you. And you are going to sit here this morning and tell me the Holy Spirit of God is working with you and working through you and using you. And you cannot even take me to the definitive chapter and lay out those seven forms. Are you kidding me? Reality is tough, isn't it? I found a long time ago to get the most Christians, I do not need a sledgehammer. I do not need a jackhammer. I just need a little pin. And I just go around busting the bubbles that you live in because we live in our own bubbles. We get this idea, "Boy, God is really using me," and you could not even tell me the seven things the Holy Spirit of God does in your life. And you want me to believe that?
12. The sixth thing, 2 Timothy 3:16-17, you mark this and we are going to come back to it. No furnishings.
13. The seventh one was John 15:7. That is the fact that when you lose the Word of God, you lose your prayer life. He says,

*John 15:77 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.*

Of course, that is in the light of Romans 8, God's will. It is a thing where we have come to the point where we have completely lost these things. This is why Christianity and Christians are powerless today. This is why we sit around and talk about how much we love God and how much of this and how much of that. And we go to church, all these things and all that stuff. And you may even have the right Bible, but you know what? You have never won a person to Christ in your life. Got Taylor back here, he has been saved through the first of the year. He has already got one scored up with his dad and probably going to mark up some more and only the beginning of his life. I got some of you here that when you got saved, you won your boyfriend or your girlfriend or your friends to the Lord. What is the difference? How does a person live their whole Christian life 20, 30 years, talk and say all the right things? Never bear any fruit. I am just telling you.

Our verse clearly says, "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be an abomination." This guy had the Word of God, turned his ear from it. Without a doubt, one of the major areas that we as God's people have lost completely is the aspect of prayer. That is why we are such powerless people. We already know, or you should know, that for an unsaved man, God will not hear his prayer. John 9:31 tells us that.

*John 9:3131 Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.*

The Bible is very clear without getting to all the ramifications of this. This will be a great Thursday night Bible study question if somebody wants to develop a little bit. But it is very clear that an unsaved man is in the wrong family. John 8:44. So, God does not hear his prayer or maybe He hears it, but He does not acknowledge that He does not deal with it. We are taught, I must say, we are taught that God will always hear the prayers of His people. We are taught the pulpit and pastors who every day, now you get up there and you talk about prayer and he talks

about prayer. You have prayer meetings, you have prayer conferences, and you are told that you know that God will always hear the prayers of His people. I mean, here again, that comes in different categories. I mean, you have, and you are going to find out that now we know from this verse that that is cold hard facts, that that is not just true.

Now, I know what we could all do. I know what we will do. How many exacto-cutters do we have here? Let us just cut that verse out. I mean, what do you do with that verse? I know, let us preach it. Because the verse says, “He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be an abomination.” So now we know we have been lied to.

- The Fallacy of Fasting
- Prayer Does Not Always Change Things
- Name It, Claim It Crowd
- Prayer as an Order Catalog

You can see that verse 9, just so we keep it all straight here, you can see that verse 9 is not talking about unbelievers. Because if it was talking about unbelievers, it would not make a difference whether they were listening to the Word of God or not. No, this is a man or a woman or a believer who has clearly has rejected God’s Word and he loses his ability of prayer along with the other seven things that he can lose or six things. And now the Bible says, the B-I-B-L-E, the Bible, the one you were all supposed to believe, his prayer now coming to God is an abomination. Wow. Lay that on your neo-evangelical clown pastor or your charismatic idiot or your Baptist apostate. Lay that truth on them. No, this is about God’s people. Historically, it is the nation of Israel who had the Word of God and rejected it and lost everything with God. In the New Testament, it is you and me who had the true perfect Word of God, we reject it. I told you it is going to be rough today. Truth will be brutal sometimes. Nobody likes to be waking up out of a deep sleep.

## VII. The Tabernacle as a Picture of the Christian Life

Let us see how the Bible lays all this out. Again, I keep apologizing for going back to the Bible. My internet was down all week and I could not get a sermon out of there so I had to go back to the Bible. Back in the Old Testament, in the book of Exodus in particular, there was a great illustration of our prayer life, our life, our ministry, and really our relationship with God. As I said, there is nothing like a Bible to clean up Baptist or neo-evangelical heresy. It will be a study of the tabernacle. The tabernacle, without a doubt, is probably the greatest single study that you will take in the whole Bible that will lead you to so many other studies. It is an incredible study. The tabernacle was the central part of worship for the nation of Israel in the Old Testament. Yet the Bible says the illustration for the New Testament is that it is a picture of your body and my body.

*1 Corinthians 6:19-20 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?*

*2 Corinthians 5:11 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.*

In a practical way your body as a Christian is that tabernacle. If you want to understand what your life should be, really? Do you really want to get a down-to-earth biblical format of what you really ought to be? It is going to take you probably changing some things in your life, but maybe you will not do. But what a great study.

First off, as you come down through that, you will find that it was an outer court with an inner court. Within that inner court, it had seven pieces of furniture. I told you to mark back here when we got in here back in 2 Timothy 3:16-17 that when you lose the Word of God you have no furnishings, okay? Now I am going to show you from an Old Testament picture what these furnishings are that you are to put in your life. Jesus Christ lives inside you. You are His apartment, condominium, house, temple, building, made without hands. If I would come over to your house and you would say, "Hey Bob, why don't you come over and spend the weekend? We would love to have you." And I would say, "Oh man, that is great. I would love to. Yeah, we have some good times." Yeah, so I get to your house and you say, "Hey, we got your room all ready for you." And you take me into the garage. And you are getting the room ready for me as you move the car out. And here is an empty cement wall, cement bottom with nothing in it. No chairs, no tables, no TV, no nothing. And as you say, "Just be comfortable and relax," and walk in. You turn the light out. Now it is complete darkness. How comfortable would I be in that scenario? Well, you know what? You asked Jesus Christ to come into your heart. He took up residency inside your temple. And you know what you have done? You have provided no furnishing for Him and you got Him living in a cold floor cement garage with nothing there to comfort Him. But oh, look how you are comforting yourself. How do you feel it now folks? What is it to you?

- The Brazen Altar
- The Table of Shewbread
- The Seven-Pronged Candlestick
- The Laver of Water
- The Holy of Holies
- The Altar of Incense and the Golden Laver

## VIII. Strange Fire and Corrupt Bibles

When you fail, when you lose the book, verse 9 says your prayer becomes abomination, Christian. The only way around that is called exacto cutter. In the Old Testament tabernacle picture of your body, your tabernacle, if the fire for the incense came from any other source than the brazen altar, God called it strange fire and it was an abomination to God. In Numbers 3:4 you remember Aaron's boys who God killed and He killed them because they came before the Lord

in the tabernacle and offered strange fire. What does that mean? It means instead of getting the fire for the candlestick and the incense off the brazen altar that represents they used a little flick blink. God killed them.

When we pray so stupidly, when we pray so selfishly, when we pray so piously without an understanding of His Word or without His Word, if that prayer did not originate in the attitude of your heart at the brazen altar where Christ paid the sacrifice for you and that is not the motivation behind everything in your life and everything you do and if it is just so we clear it up here you will do it by the book. It will not be, "Yeah, I do, but I just do it my..." No, no, no, it will be by the book, the furnishings. Then the strange fire in your prayer because you lost the law, you turned from it. You still have your Bible, you just do not follow it. You are like the guy over there in Luke 7, or maybe it is Mark 7 where he says,

*Luke 6:46 And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?*

Now our own prayer as a child of God. Oh what strange heresy is this? Now our own prayer life as a Christian becomes strange fire. Strange fire from a strange book and our prayer must start at what where Christ died for us for it has to have the right acceptance. Listen, the motive behind everything that we do, the motive behind every situation that you find yourself in, every person you deal with, every circumstance you are confronted with, every issue of life in your own personal life or the people or your family. If your decision and your prayer does not go back to what He did for you on the cross of Calvary and you operate in that mode you are wasting your time. Strange fire. That is what is wrong today and trust me I know how hard it is to get this. I do. I mean you are not talking to somebody who just, I understand, I am not indifferent to it. I totally get it. I have been on both sides of the fence. I totally get it and understand how hard truth is to accept sometimes when you are so lackadaisical and so mush-mouthed and such a marshmallow in your life and your Christianity. You do not want to take a stand for anything. You do not want to, there is no right and wrong in your life as a Christian. It is just, it is just all get along and trust me it will not work that way. It will not work that way.

We get it all the time. I get emails from them and phone calls from them from some of the neo-evangelical and Baptist clowns who actually run some of the biggest three-ring circuses in the country and they will take issue with me. How did I say that all the new Bibles are of satanic origin? And you know my answer to that, not this is what I handled on the phone. I do not email anybody so if you want to tell me something call me unless the email is yes or no I am not in it. But I will text them back some of your phone number I will call them. And my statement to them will be certainly this, I mean come on how stupid are you? One guy said, "Well I have, you know, I am a PhD." I said, "Well I have, you know, you need to get your money back." Come on here, walk with me here. Yes, everybody hold hands with the person next to you. No, I am serious, grab hands next to you. Come on, you wanted to hold her hand anyhow pal so now is your chance. I am giving it to you. I mean come on, the idea that Satan would counterfeit every aspect of Jesus Christ and forget to counterfeit His Bible. Really, seriously?

*2 Corinthians 11:14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.*

It says he, his devil has preachers, he has ministers, he has churches, he has music. Do you really think that the devil is going to damn the world in all these churches by using the truth of God's Word? Do you really? When you were clearly told that the devil has a seed in Genesis 3:15 and Christ has a seed and in 1 Peter 1:23 you are told that that seed is the Word of God and that is what saved you. Uncorruptible seed versus the devil's corruptible seed. I wonder where that seed is. I mean come on, are you so deaf when it comes to the Bible? Are you so inapt when it comes to the Bible? Have you run your whole life on the surface feeling good stuff about the Bible that you never stopped and considered that the greatest enemy on this planet to Christianity that has always been in the last 6,000 years of history has been the devil himself and he has counterfeited everything that God did except the Bible. And you missed a fact did not you pal that in the Bible God put three warnings in your Bible one in the front one in the middle and one in the ending Deuteronomy 4:2, Proverbs 30:5-6, and Revelation 22:18 about messing with that book so you could not miss it if you ever decided to read your Bible. It is just hard for these little boys to try to play big time toys and grasp it all. I mean come on how stupid are you?

Well now little man you got another rant to add to your rampage. Not only do you stand in the pulpit every week and denounce God's Word and proclaim it and proclaim the devil's Bible now because you reject and abandon God's law your prayer is an abomination to God, verse 9. Boy you can have some fun with that and you know what the next verse pal is just for you.

## IX. Leading the Righteous Astray

Verse 10: "Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he himself shall fall into his own pit." That would be standing in your pulpit on Sunday morning and dumping the Word of God that would be standing in your pulpit on Sunday morning preaching out of an RSV, an English Standard Version, an NIV, an ASV, a New King James Bible, the combination Bible or whatever other piece of garbage out of the pit of hell you want to hold up as God's Word. It would mean you stand in your pulpit and you would tell your people, "Now the Bible is just a translation." It would mean that you stand in your pulpit every Sunday morning and you say, "Now the original manuscripts is the only real truth of where the truth is and you got to know Greek and Hebrew to do that so I will tell you what the Bible says." You stand in your pulpit every Sunday, "Now here in the where in John 6, now in the Greek this word means this." Yeah, you stand in your pulpit every Sunday and you talk about how the King James Bible is full of archaic words. How the King James Bible is hard to read. You stand in your pulpit and tell your people, I have heard you do it, that the King James Bible is an unreliable translation. Well I got news for you, you are an unreliable preacher. I have heard him say, "Now actually the NIV today the greatest new translation is actually closer to the original than anything else certainly the King James Bible." Up your nose with a rubber hose.

The last part of verse 10 says, "He himself shall fall into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession." You know what those good things in possessions are, dear people? They are your millennial inheritances and your rewards at the judgment seat of Christ. Now you want to hear something else, one another, let us just put some more heresy out, what do you say, huh? Today is heresy two for one for sale, we will throw in an excellent. It is hard for some

people to grasp truth, the reality of truth. We have come so far from the Bible, most of our lives are so out of touch with the real spiritual relationship with God. We live in a fuzzy little world of cute little cubicles and nice little puppy dogs and kitty cats and we never really get into combat and understand the smell and the sting of battle of fighting something for the Lord. We would not take a stand against anything or anybody. So it is hard for us to get up and say and understand that in the world that we live in today and the majority of Christianity and I will say 99.9 percent of them probably let me just say this to you if in your pulpit if in your life if in your hand today if you are listening to me on this tape and I hope you are if you are using any other Bible in a King James 1611 authorized version I have already showed you the seven things you will lose everything at the millennium in the judgment seat of Christ because it is based on His truth not your good works it is based on His truth not what you thought about it it is based on His truth not the message it is based on His truth not the translation it is based on His truth He gave you the clear Word of God just the way He wanted you to have it and in that are all the blessings and praise that God has for you outside of that you got nothing and that is tough today.

Every Sunday you stand in your pulpit and continually to lead God's people astray. You lead them away from the truth and you lead them into a dark pit and the Bible clearly states in Matthew 15:14,

*Matthew 15:14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.*

You take and spend your whole life in ministry taking a stand against God's holy perfect inspired Word of God and you, the jelly-livered spineless Christian, you try to bridge the gap between both, "Oh, they are really nice people, they are real." If you do not have the book, you have the devil's book. It is just that simple. So now what you are telling me is that God is doing it all through the devil's book, okay, I got you. And you got all history of 400 years standing and crying out against that showing you for 400 years the only book that God used to bathe this world in the light of His salvation with a King James 1611 Authorized Version and you do not even care about it. You chose the devil's Bible which started out of the devil's church, see Revelation 17 and 18 and was put together by unsaved men who cared nothing about the pure Word of God. Your guys its source was Sinaiticus and Vaticanus both out of the Roman Catholic Church. The men who put it together was Westcott and Hort both Roman Catholic dead and screaming their lungs out in hell this morning. The guy that found it was Tischendorf who could care less about God's Word than anybody on the planet. It was Origen who you know what he did, took the pure Word of God and did not like it and changed it in 60,000 places that show up in your NIV or any other translation you want to take. It was Clement of Alexandria, it was Pantaenus, it was the Lockman Foundation, it was Billy Graham, it was Rick Warren, it was the Christian celebrities out there that you just love and every day they stand in their pulpit and they turn their people astray and you are okay with that. God help you. And you are used by the most corrupt system in Christianity or the world since the Sadducees, the Pharisees and the scribes. They hated any authority higher in their education. Mark 1:22, read it. And you lead God's people astray.

## X. The Rich Man's Conceit and the Poor Man's Understanding

Verse 11 says, “The rich man is wise in his own conceit.” Boy that is true. “But the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.” Oh, you bet he does, like a bird dog and a covey of quail. You kidding me? That book and this truth will cut you like a laser beam. It will gut you like a deer. It will expose you of who you really are. Its doctrines will lay you out. That is why you will never get into the Bible with anybody. That is why you will never talk about it. You just like to tiptoe around and talk about the niceties of things because if you ever gotten a book it would lay you like a filleted fish. It will mark you as a man who rejects real truth and the apostate that you really are and it will cut you up and leave you bloody. Hebrews 4:12 because it is a sword and you are headed for the same pit that you have tried to lead your people into.

*Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.*

Never forget the warning in the Bible in Proverbs 13:13,

*Proverbs 13:13 Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.*

Let me just say this to you so we are clear, “Whoso despiseth the word.” Somebody says, “Oh, that is not me, I love the Bible.” No, it is you if you do not put those furnishings in your life and you are not standing your stand in these last days. It is absolutely you. Just bust your bubble. We like to live in a world that does not exist. I find people all the time, I say, “Hey, how are you doing with the Lord?” “Well, you know, Bob, I am not really at a fellowship with God, but I am not really in fellowship with God.” Like there is a twilight zone that you can go in as a Christian. Let me tell you something to you, you are either right with God this morning, you either got your heart right before you got here today, you are either standing on the promises of God and then complete with fellowship with Him or you are out there and your life is as black as the sides of the bottomless pit. There is no in between. He that either love Me or you hate Me. He that is not with Me is against Me. You do not find this twilight zone, but we like to make one here. “I am the twilight zone of Christianity. Oh, let us just get along with everybody. Let us just sing songs. Let us just uplift Jesus. Let us not go hear that radical guy who says all those mean nasty things. Why it upsets me. I want to talk about the love of God. I want to talk about the beauty of God and all the things that God is. I do not want to have these negative thoughts in my brain. I do not want to be depressed because somebody may say that my prayer is an abomination and you know and I know nothing about that tabernacle and that strange fire.”

At the judgment seat of Christ you will not be held accountable for what you know or what you did not know. You will be held accountable for what you could have found out but you chose not to. You want to talk about the niceties of Christ. Not for me. They may say if your prayer starts at the nicety of Christ you are in trouble. I want not the nicety of Christ in my life. I want to see Him hanging on that beaten cross for me. I want to hear Him cry out to His Father, “My God,

My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" I want to know on that cross when He cried out, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." He was not just talking about Israel. I believe He had my name on His lips. A white sepulchre. "Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded."

My advice to you is to find yourself, find yourself in a hellhole like that of a church is to get out today, now, yesterday. Quit being part of a satanic work that has one goal and that is to overthrow the Word of God and lead their people astray because the longer you stay there and support it you are part of it. Why in Kansas City if you drive an automobile and you got two gangsters in the back and they kill somebody and you are just driving the car or you are there you are with them when they do it when they finally catch them they charge you with murder too as an accessory. You know what you are in those churches? You are an accessory and you are a coward. Walk up to that pastor, call him on the carpet, nail him, let him have it. Where is the steel in your backbone to take a stand for after what God did for you? Let me ask you a question, if He went out on the cross as much as you do for Him in life where would we be?

I was in a Catholic church one time and it would get me around there with a bunch of people and a goofy monk was showing us around or the father whoever he was an admiral I do not know maybe he is a second lieutenant and he was he was over there and there is this big stained glass window and I was pretty upset at this time because all the stuff was going on and there was a picture of Jesus with two men standing on each side and I asked the old boy I said, "What is that?" He said, "Well that is a picture of Jesus at the crucifixion." And he says, I said, "Oh," I said, "Well who are the two guys?" And he says, "Well the guy on the right is Cardinal Spellman and the guy on the left is Pope John the 13th." I said, "That makes sense." I said, "You know what pal, I always knew Jesus was crucified between two thieves, I just never knew their names." You are so gutless you are afraid to take a stand. It sounds, "I will not be my friend anymore." Watch Tombstone right about quarter into it someplace in there, Doc Holiday, "I just do not know what I will do if you will not be my friend." It is tough to get to the judgment seat of Christ and I am saying you were afraid to talk about and take a stand of people you thought were your friends when you had one died on that cross. It was a friend to stick it closer than a brother. Told you it is going to be rough today.

It happened in Paul's day. 2 Corinthians 2:17 says,

*2 Corinthians 2:17 For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ.*

He was going on in his day, Alexandria Egypt was the hotbed of knowledge and they were taking the manuscripts that they were given to the apostles and Origen and Pantaenus and Clement of Alexandria were destroying them and they all come out through the Roman Catholic Church to the Sinaiticus and Vaticanus as your NIV, your RSV and every new translation you think is better than God's absolute perfect Word. But as of sincerity, but as of God in the spirit of God speak we in Christ. 2 Peter 1:19, we talked about it Thursday night, God has given us a more sure word of prophecy. It is the book that you have and God's holy Word. Without it no power in your preaching, no real love for God because the love for God has to go back to what God's love

really is defined in the Bible, no inheritance, no worship, no working of God in you, no furnishings for God to work in you, no prayer life. Voila, the body of Christ in the 21st century, God's people as wishy-washy and milk toast as you ever want to see in your life. Could not take a stand for anything, always just go with the flow and I am telling you that is the, that is the dilemma of Christianity. But as I have said many, many times, God always, God has a remnant, does He not? You always got the men and the women who will take their stand no matter what other Christians look at them and you say, "Oh, they are such mean-spirited people. Oh, they just do not have the love of Christ." Lady, you do not even know what the love of Christ is and if I put an open Bible in front of you and a gun to your head and said show it to me in an hour your brains will be on the wall in 61 seconds. You do not even know, you just spew out all the garbage that you think is what the Word of God is but push comes to shove you will never get in a place with anybody with an open Bible.