

Your Bible

Friend, have you picked up your Bible lately and read it? It will benefit you greatly if you do. Have you thought about the great things your Bible can do for you if you will just read it and apply it?

Your Bible is not the word of men, full of myths and legends. Your Bible is the very word of God. It is complete, understandable, and without error.

So, what can your Bible do for you? Your Bible can be your teacher (Acts 17:2) and builder (Acts 20:32), your comfort (Romans 15:4), admonition (1 Corinthians 10:11), and learning (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Your Bible can be your defense against the Devil (Ephesians 6:17) and your pattern of living (2 Timothy 1:13). Your Bible can give you discernment (Hebrews 4:12-13) and exhortation (Hebrews 13:22).

Your Bible can bring you salvation (James 1:21), victory over the Devil (1 John 2:14), and the assurance of eternal life (1 John 5:13).

Many people today neglect, refuse, or misuse their Bible. But, if you will love God's word, respect it, read it, study it, and apply it, your Bible will bless you (Hebrews 6:5). Your Bible will take you all the way to heaven if you will let it! Let your Bible help you today. - *Chris Reeves*

Up-Coming Events

- We are studying the books of 1 and 2 Thessalonians in December. We have great Bible classes. Come check them out!
- Next Sunday's Sermons: A Strong Church (AM) and Preaching Like Paul (PM).

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

Who Are We? — A People Different from the World (Part I)

Thank you for taking the time to read the Warfield Bulletin. We would like to take this opportunity to tell you who we are as a people. Who are the Christians that make up the Warfield Blvd. church of Christ? We are four things with respect to the people of this world. We are a Christ-centered people, a peculiar people, a called-out people, and a Bible-believing people.

First, we are a **CHRIST-CENTERED PEOPLE**. Many people in the world are centered on themselves (selfish), centered on doing evil, or have no center (direction) at all. We want to be different. We want to center our lives around Jesus Christ.

We try to make all our lives both private and public, revolve around Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is our faith (John 8:24; 12:32), our worship (Ephesians 5:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:25ff; 2 Corinthians 8:8-9; 2 John 9), our life (Philippians 1:21; Col.3:4), and our hope (Jn.14:2-3; Phil.3:21).

A Christ-centered life has a different priority, purity, and purpose. What do we try to do each day? We make up our minds about our priority, Jesus or self, and we choose Jesus. We, like Paul, say “It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me” (Galatians 2:20). We preach and practice Matthew 6:19-34 and 10:37-39 which speak of putting Jesus first.

Second, we are a **PECULIAR PEO-**

PLE. Peculiar, not in the sense of being strange or weird, but peculiar in the sense of having a special belonging to God. There are people in the world who try to be peculiar and different, but in the wrong way. They want to be defiant and rebellious against the law, or they want to be violent or a trouble-maker.

We are peculiar and different, but not like that. “Peculiar” in the New Testament means “possession,” “one’s own property,” “that which is one’s own”, or, “a chosen people” (from the Greek word *periousios* in Titus 2:14 and *peripoiesin* in 1 Peter 2:9).

“Peculiar” Christians are people who have a special, personal, and genuine relationship with God. We make up our minds about who we belong to, God or Satan, and we choose God. Our spiritual “father” is God (Matthew 6:9), not the Devil (John 8:44). We preach and practice Titus 2:14 and 1 Peter 2:9 which speak of belonging to God.

Third, we are a **CALLED-OUT PEOPLE**. Some people in the world are called by men to do bad things, others are called by nature, and some are called by false gods. We are different. We are called by God through the New Testament gospel to live righteous lives.

As Christians, we are called by God — the who (John 6:44-45; Acts 2:39; 2 Timothy :9; Hebrews 3:1). We are called according to God’s purpose — the why (Romans 8:28). We are called by the gospel — the how and when (2 Thessalonians 2:14). We are called to be saints (holy in living) —the where (Romans1:7;

1 Corinthians 1:2; 2 Timothy 1:9). We are called out to be his church—the what (“church” is from the Greek word *ekklesia*, meaning called out; see Matthew 16:18).

We make up our minds about where we belong, in the church or in the world, and we choose the church. We preach and practice Ephesians 4:1 which speaks of walking daily by a holy calling.

Lastly, we are a **BIBLE-BELIEVING PEOPLE**. While many other people in the world reject the Bible or follow some man-made religious book, we read, study, and obey the Bible. We actually believe the Bible is the very word of God as the Apostle Paul said in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, and, we believe that we must live by God’s word as Jesus said in Matthew 4:4.

We make up our minds about what will be our guide in life, the Bible or man’s opinions, and we choose the Bible. We do not follow any man-made creeds, councils, conventions, or catechisms. We believe God’s word, the Bible, is our only guide in life. We preach and practice Psalm 119:105 which speaks of God’s word as a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Some people in the world don’t care about who they are, they don’t care about their identity. We do! We want to be Christians who follow Jesus, belong to God, are members of the Lord’s church, and who obey the Bible. Why not come and be the same with us? - *Chris Reeves*