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A WORD FROM GOD

In the fourth century B.C. Plato, discoursing on some of the insoluble mysteries of the universe exclaimed, "Oh, that there might come forth a word from God to make all things clear." Long before Plato's time God had spoken: "God who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets." ~*Hebrews 1:1*. Moreover, about four centuries after Plato hoped for a word from God, "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." ~*John 1:14*.

GETTING RID OF HELL

Voltaire was more honest than some modern "Christian" preachers. When he received a letter from a man who said he had "succeeded in getting rid of the idea of hell," Voltaire replied, "Congratulations – I wish I could." Voltaire died a most miserable death. The nurse who attended him in his last illness said she would never take another case with an infidel, it was so awful.

LESSON IN HUMILITY

A young man received a medal from an organization which used very extravagant language in extolling his accomplishments. Jubilantly he repeated the words for his mother. Then, he asked: "How many great men are there in the world today?" His mother pondered for a while and then said, "One less than you think!" Humility is not a prominent virtue, even among God's people.

NEVER QUIT

Winston Churchill was asked to give the Commencement Address at a certain college. When he was introduced, he stood up and said, "Never quit!" and then sat down. It was probably the shortest Commencement Address on record. It certainly was one that contained a much needed exhortation. How sad it is to see many professing Christians quit, just like Demas, etc.

FEAR GOD – NOT MAN

One day John Knox approached the court of Mary, Queen of Scots, and was warned that it might be better to postpone his visit as she was in one of her angriest moods. However, Know continued steadfastly on his way to have his meeting with her, replying: "Why should I be afraid of a queen when I have just spent four hours with God?" The Bible says, "The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe." ~*Proverbs 29:25*.