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**STRENGTHEN THE THINGS WHICH REMAIN.**

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The title is from Revelation 3:2. Many things need strengthening, but I want to speak of the Bible, the Word of God. That's the foundation! We can't strengthen the Bible itself; it has God's power behind it. But we can strengthen our conviction concerning it. We can strengthen our proclamation of it. It seems the voice of true Bible believers is growing weaker and weaker. One reason is the adoption of modern versions. We need to strengthen our commitment to the pure, unadulterated, inspired, *preserved* Word of God, the KJV. We're not ashamed of it, in spite of what the scholars say. Let me give a few reasons for our stand on the KJV; God's Holy Word.

**I. THERE MUST BE FINAL AUTHORITY SOMEWHERE!** You cannot find it in modern versions for they are all different. We have proved in these pages and in our book on the subject, that all modern versions contain error. My friend, we must have "THUS SAITH THE LORD!" Not thus saith Westcott and Hort; not thus saith the scholars, not even Christian ones. Only the KJV is without error and can be traced to the original manuscripts. Modern versions are like Napoleon's sword; the handle was full of gold and precious jewels but the blade was essentially made of tin, worthless in battle. We have been born again of "**...incorruptible seed...**"

**II. IT IS A MATTER OF FAITH.** I'm not talking about "blind" faith. Faith is not blind; it has it's eyes open! One of the supposed benefits of modern versions is that everyone will be able to understand God's Word. What nonsense! The unbelieving cannot understand God's Word (I Corinthians 2:14). Scholars, have destroyed much truth trying to reduce God's Word to the level of human reason. Do you believe in inspiration? - That God has given us His infallible, inerrant Word? That's a matter of faith (see Heb. 11:6). I believe it! That inspired, infallible, inerrant Word tells me that God will preserve His Word for ever! See Psalm 12:6,7; Isaiah 40:8; Luke 21:33; John 10:35; etc. I believe that! I don't have all the answers, but I believe God. *Inspiration without preservation is meaningless.*

**III. MODERN VERSIONS REEK OF MODERNISM.** It was modernists who produced the first modern version in England (The Revised Version, orchestrated by Westcott and Hort) and America (the American Standard Version, essentially the same as the RV). Most Fundamentalists rejected them! But with passing generations (as is usually the case) Bible believers have weakened and "scholarship" has taken over in many Fundamental circles (like BJU, etc.). Humanism is very pervasive. Few are willing to "**contend for the faith.**" They want to be with the majority, even though the majority is wrong. I want to be with God; the true majority!

**IV. MY PERSONAL TESTIMONY.** I was saved at the age of twenty five. I knew nothing of the Word of God. I grew up in a liberal church, never hearing the Gospel. I never went to Church after age fifteen. I became very worldly and sinful. Nobody witnessed to me, but through certain circumstances (I was not looking for God) I began reading the Bible...the KJV. Despite all the *archaic words and other supposed difficulties*, I was gloriously saved by the "**incorruptible seed of the Word of God...**" I believed it was the Word of God then, and I believe it even more today! I have my infallible authority - the KJV! What about you? -1994 Challenge

## CORNERSTONE NEWS

### MISSIONS CONFERENCE

**OCTOBER 8 - 12, 2008**

- \* SEVERAL MISSIONARIES
- \* FLAGS OF MANY NATIONS
- \* DISPLAYS - SPECIAL MUSIC

WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY...7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY...3:30- 4:30 (Buffet Supper) - 6:00

SUNDAY...9:30 - 10:45 - 5:30 - 6:30

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### GOD & COUNTRY RALLY

**SATURDAY, OCT. 25 - 2:00**

#### GREAT PREACHING

PRAYER: CHURCH  
& NATION

FELLOWSHIP AND  
REFRESHMENTS



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#### IMPORTANT BOOK!

Recent 48 page book entitled "RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH" (or, How To Understand the Bible). Even among Bible believers today there is much confusion. The Scriptural title indicates there is a right way and a wrong way. One Pastor ordered 75 for his people. Only \$2.00 each plus \$1.00 post. 10-19 at 25% off and 20+ at 33% off. Plus 15% post. (20% outside U.S.). U.S. \$. Could serve as basis for a worthwhile Bible Study.

#### REVELATION BOOK!

This booklet gives you some guidelines which are necessary to understand the *Book of Revelation*. We have had a number of good comments from preachers. Price-\$2.00 plus \$1 postage. (U.S. \$) Quantities above.

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## YOUTH CORNER

**THE LAST DAYS OF POMPEII.** Historian Amadeo Maiuri reconstructed the fateful day when the city was engulfed in lava and ash. He said many, mostly the wealthy, refused to abandon their homes and possessions. It cost them their lives. The steady tide of rock and ash rose against their doors and windows burying them as they huddled in their cellars and courtyards. Poisonous gases crept in as well. The molten ash covered their homes. They could have fled; they had been warned but hoped against hope that the lava would stop before reaching them. But they were wrong. If you are not saved take heed before it is too late! "Too Late," two of the saddest words relative to salvation. The Bible says, "**Flee from the wrath that is to come.**" Yes, though many choose not to believe it, there is a day of judgment coming! While there is still time, turn to Jesus and ask Him to save you from your sin and its just penalty. "**Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved.**" ~Acts 16:31. Do it now!

#### THE A - B - C'S OF LIQUOR.

- A --- Arms more villains,
- B --- Breaks more laws,
- C --- Corrupts more morals,
- D --- Destroys more homes,
- E --- Engulfs more fortunes,
- F --- Fills more jails,
- G --- Grows more gray hairs,
- H --- Harrows more hearts,
- I --- Incites more crimes,
- J --- Jeopardizes more lives,
- K --- Kindles more strife,
- L --- Lacerates more feelings,
- M --- Mains more bodies,
- N --- Nails down more coffins,
- O --- Opens ore graves,
- P --- Pains more mothers,
- Q --- Quenches more songs,
- R --- Raises more sobs,
- S --- Sells more virtue,
- T --- Tells more lies,
- U --- Undermines more youth,
- V --- Veils more widows,
- W --- Wrecks more men,
- X --- X-cites more passion,
- Y --- Yields more disgrace, and
- Z --- Zeroes more hopes

than any other enemy of mankind. -Copied

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not wise.  
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Proverbs  
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## NEWS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

**SOMETHING WE'VE KNOWN ALL ALONG.** Just 6 percent of national journalists describe themselves as conservative, compared with 36 percent of the overall population according to a survey by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press. Only 2 percent of the journalists questioned said they were very conservative while 53 percent described themselves as moderate, (*Moderate is a code word for liberal as opposed to ultra-liberal*) and 24 percent as liberal; 8 percent said they were very liberal. Also, 66 percent of the journalists in the survey admitted that their political views impact their reporting. Clif Kincaid, editor of *Accuracy in Media*, said that he believes the number of conservatives is less than 6 percent. When one considers that only 19 percent of the public see themselves as liberal it is obvious that the liberal viewpoint is grossly over represented. -*Baptist Press via Sword of the Lord*. Ed. Italics mine. Of course, the goal of the liberals is to change society to their way of thinking. And along with other factors, they are succeeding. If you think that news you get (radio, TV, newspaper, news magazines, etc.) is the unadulterated truth, you are very gullible.

**COMMUNIST PARTY USA HIGH ON OBAMA.** An anti-communist activist (D. J. McGuire, president of the e-China lobby) is not surprised that the Communist Party USA has written a glowing editorial about Barack Obama. The editorial, titled "Eye on the Prize," was published in the group's official newspaper. According to the editorial, "A broad multiclass, multiracial movement is converging around Obama's Hope, change and unity campaign because they see in it the thrilling opportunity to end 30 years of ultra-right wing rule..." The editorial ended by saying, "One thing is clear. None of the people's struggles -- from peace to universal healthcare, to an economy that puts Main Street before Wall Street -- will advance if McCain wins in November. Let's keep our eyes on the prize." -*OneNewsNow* (8/15/08)

**COURT BANS PRAYER IN JESUS' NAME.** The Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that the city council of Fredericksburg, VA had the proper authority to require "nonsectarian" prayer and exclude council member Hashmel Turner because he prays in Jesus' name. The decision was written by former U.S. Supreme Court member Sandra Day O'Connor. -*Christian Newswire*. Ed. If upheld under appeal, this could have far-reaching effects.

**HOMOSEXUAL RIGHTS NULLIFY RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.** California's highest court was unanimous in its decision on Monday that Christian doctors may not refuse to perform artificial insemination for homosexual patients. Attorney Brad Dacus, president of the (PJI), reacts to the ruling. "This is a clear violation of the fundamental rights of individuals to live and practice their faith," he states bluntly. "Forcing doctors to have to choose between being a doctor and being a Christian in the State of California is an outrageous violation of the fundamental rights of every American to be able to practice their faith and not to have to leave their occupation because of it." In the case in question, the Christian doctors refused to perform artificial insemination on a lesbian patient, but did refer her to another doctor who would perform the elective treatment. Dacus says that proves this suit was not about guaranteeing "healthcare" for homosexuals, but instead about punishing Christians for obeying God's Word. "This is not about denying people services," the attorney argues. "This is, instead, about the 'thought police' attempting to censor Christian beliefs and Christian perspectives that don't agree with homosexuality. We're talking...about individuals being able to force doctors or other professionals to violate their faith in order to keep their job." And that, he adds, is a clear violation of the rights of individuals to be able to practice their expertise and, at the same time, not to have to deny their faith. -*OneNewsNow*. 8/20/08.

**U.S. URGES DIVISION OF JERUSALEM:** Sec. of State Condoleezza Rice, completing a visit to the region today, has been pressing Israel to sign a document by the end of the year that would divide Jerusalem by offering the Palestinians a state in Israel's capital city... according to top diplomatic sources involved in the talks. The Israeli team, led by Prime Minister Ehud Olmert, has been negotiating the division of Jerusalem - despite claims to the contrary - The sources said the Palestinian team has been pushing to conclude a deal by January on all core issues, including Jerusalem, and has been petitioning the U.S. to pressure Israel into signing an agreement on paper that offers the Palestinians eastern Jerusalem. Rice, the sources said, has asked Israeli leaders to bend to what the U.S. refers to as a "compromise position." -*WorldNetDaily*. Ed. We have long said that the U.S. puts great pressure on Israel to give up more land and especially parts of Jerusalem.

## WHERE TO FIND HAPPINESS

**Happiness is not in money:** Jay Gould, the American millionaire had an enormous fortune. When dying, he said, "I suppose I am the most miserable man on earth." **It's not in pleasure:** Lord Byron lived a life of pleasure and ease. He wrote: "The worm, the canker and the grief are mine alone." **Happiness is not in military glory:** Alexander the Great conquered the known world. Then, he wept because "there were no more worlds to conquer." **It is not in political power:** "William Tweed became the brilliant boss of Tammany Hall and ruled New York City with a strong arm. He said, "My life has been a failure in everything." **It is not in atheism:** "Voltaire was one of the most notable type. He wrote: "I wish I had never been born." **Happiness is not in position and fame.** "Lord Beaconsfield enjoyed more than his share of both. He wrote: "Youth is a mistake; manhood is a struggle; old age is a regret." Of course, happiness in this world depends upon circumstances. Even so, often those who have the best this world has to offer are miserable. God promises something better than this world's happiness. God will give His lasting joy to those who put their trust in Him and in His Son Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "**These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy may be full.**" ~John 15:11. When you come to the end of yourself and trust Christ as your Savior, there is "**Joy unspeakable and full of glory.**" When by faith, you put yourself in the Lord's hands, you will not be controlled by circumstances but by God himself! Then, "**The joy of the Lord will be your strength.**" ~Nehemiah 8:10.

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## WHY READ THE BIBLE?

This Book contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, the doom of sinners and the happiness of believers. Its doctrines are holy, its precepts are binding, its histories are true and its decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. It contains light to direct you, food to support you and comfort to cheer you. It is the traveler's map, the pilgrim's staff, the pilot's compass, the soldier's sword and the Christian's charter. Here Paradise is restored, heaven opened, and the gates of hell disclosed. Christ is its grand subject, our good its design, and the glory of God its end. It should fill the memory, rule the heart and guide the feet. Read it slowly, frequently and prayerfully. It is a mine of wealth, a paradise of glory, and a river of pleasure. It is given you in life and will be opened in the judgment and be remembered forever. It involves the highest responsibility, will reward the greatest labor, and will condemn all who trifle with its sacred contents. - Copied. While I know the idea is ridiculed by some, even some believers, I believe that the Bible has all the answers we need to get into Heaven and to get through this life properly. One of the problems with Bible believers is they don't read their Bibles regularly and seriously. It is a sad commentary on the low spiritual state of God's people. If God's people would go to the Lord in prayer and to Word for direction and wisdom, they wouldn't need a psychiatrist, etc. "**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**" ~Psalm 119:105. Christian, how much do you read the Bible and pray every day?