

“That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.” [Colossians 2:2-3](#) KJV



We all have questions that need answers, but questions we avoid because dealing with them is painful. Like, “What’s after death?” “Is there a hell?” “Will I be punished?” “Is there a heaven?” and more importantly, “Does God know me?” Men avoid these, because to search for definitive answers requires coming face to face with their own mortality, sin, and judgment. Much like a child that covers his ears and yells to keep from hearing Truth; men think ignorance bliss, but nothing is further from the Truth! All men die and none know the time of their death! Even those who try to end their life to stop the pain of living often fail. There is a new TV reality show based on those who seemingly cheated death, but the Truth is, *“It is appointed unto man once to die and after this the judgment.”* What judgment? you ask? God’s judgment! *“And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the Book of Life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and Death and Hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And Death and Hell were cast into the Lake of Fire. This is the Second Death. And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the Lake of Fire.”* Many think to discredit Truth by discrediting those who proclaim and obey it, but their pride is the pit of their own digging which will be their undoing when mortality closes over their arrogance! *“A fool’s mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul. “ They will writhe in eternal torment remembering and regretting every evil word and deed, because knowing they knew the Truth and rejected it’s treasure for a few carnal trinkets! “Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.”* Hell’s torment was not meant for man, but those that reject God’s love and His law will hear in the end, *“Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels!”* They will be judged by their own acts which they deemed excusable by some twisted logic of self-worth. Truth clearly states, *“There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God. They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one. Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips: Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness: Their feet are swift to shed blood: Destruction and misery are in their ways: And the way of peace have they not known: There is no fear of God before their eyes.”* They have absolutely no wisdom for *“the fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. Professing themselves to be wise they become fools. He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered. The fool hath said in his heart, “There is no God.”* When you deny the Truth your soul knows, you are a fool!

The foolish man denies the whole,
Of righteous Truth that saves the soul,
They’ll find themselves before Christ’s Throne,
With Hell their last and final home! ~CGP

Mary, Martha's sister, knew the best seat in the house. She, who washed Christ's feet never hesitated to break open her own treasures for His benefit. Jesus Christ is with whom and "*in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.*" It will matter little at death's door what accolades men have bestowed upon you! What will God say when you stand before Him and the records are opened? What argument do you think will gain you heaven when Jesus has already done for you what you do not deserve nor could ever do yourself? Will you continue to mock and deny Him then? Will you offer your "*filthy rags*" of good works as sufficient payment? Peter declared to astonished onlookers concerning the lame man who walked;

"Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by Him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the Stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." – "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost. – For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Acts 4:10-12 – Titus 3:5 – Ephesians 2:8-9 KJV

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