**CHRISTCOMPANIONBIBLECHURCH**

**WeeklyBibleStudy**

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  **The Bible: The Mines of Great Treasures Part1. Study 14.**

**TEXT:** Proverb 2:1-11. Colossians 2:2-3.

**MEMORYVERSE: *2 Timothy 3:16-17 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.***

 Imagine a man, gifted a car, but the key was withheld! Does this make any sense, or cause for celebration? No! The key is the only means to unlock the treasures inside and the pleasures the car provides. God gave the world to man, but was mindful to provide the means of navigating through it. ***This provision is the Bible***.

 The following truthful facts are without controversy:

i. No man knows when, and how the world came into being, man can only rely on information provided by the maker.

ii. All religions and philosophies of the world believe in the fact that the world came into being either by a supernatural being or certain assumed process. But to prove which one is exactly correct is a big issue.

iii. Knowledge as far as man is concerned is limited to available history, mental theoretical projections and experimental researches. The eternal (past and future) remains a mystery to the natural man.

iv. Most religions are rooted in man's seeking to understand the nature around them as it is laden with so many unexplainable phenomenal, thus the believe and craving after supernatural helps.

v. God knows it will be a great confusion without showing up to throw light to the mysteries in nature!

 He decided to keep in touch with mankind right from the first day of human existence!

 Unfortunately, man got disconnected, lost sense of true history and was thrown to confusion, frustration and destitution down the ages.

 **THE BIBLE AS GOD REVELATION TO MAN. JOHN 1:1-5. DANIEL 2:28,47.**

 The Bible is more than a book; it is the inspired word of God. According to 2 Timothy 3:16(KJV) ***"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:"***

 It is given to man, regarding:

*i. Man's pilgrimage on earth, and*

*ii. Man's eventual eternal abode in heaven.*

 Man has a dual citizenship as the Bible stated in Ephesians 3:15 KJV ***""Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named"***. The Bible exposes man to the whole counsel of God for man in all thing, both physical and spiritual.

 The Bible reveals to man everything that is necessary to know, for meaningful, purposeful and successful living on earth.

 **Let us consider some of these wonderful, powerful and profitable revelations:**

**1. The Bible reveals God to man: Leviticus 19:4. Isaiah 45:22.** God is clearly revealed as distinct from religious gods or idols. Some of the attributes of God as revealed in the Bible are:

i. *The Maker/Creator of all existence: Known and unknown, physical and spiritual, in heaven and on earth is God's handy works!*

 *Genesis 2:4, Jeremiah 51:15, Act 14:15.*

 *ii. As eternal, all powerful, ever present, all known and all wise! Romans 11:33-36.*

*iii. God with special interest, love, attention, preference and plan for humans. Thus, he made man in His image and placed him on earth to rule and reign over all His creation in line with His word! Psalm 8:3-6.*

*iv. The redeemer and savior of falling mankind, the sustainer of the saints, the judge and rewarder of the whole world. Revelation 22:10-14.*

**2. The Bible gives all necessary and useful information about the physical world**: The earth, the sea and the sky above. Detailed information are provided to help mankind unravel and explore the creation fullness! Genesis 8:22. Isaiah 55:10. Note: These given biblical information form the roots of all branches of knowledge in natural and scientific studies in our word, past and present. Job 28:23-28.

**3. The Bible provides man with truthful information about mankind :**

 i. *His origin and nature. Genesis 1:26, 27.*

*ii. His mission and purpose here on earth. Isaiah. 43:7, Ecclesiastes 12:13-14.*

*iii. His spiritual and eternal destiny. John 14:1-3.*

 These revelations set distinction between mankind and ordinary animals! Without it, life would have been meaningless, aimless, and confusing. Ecclesiastes 3:21; 12:7

**4. The Bible provides man with good information about the unseen and spiritual realm:**

 Through the Bible, we know the truth about:

*i. Angels. Hebrew 1:7, ii. Heaven. Genesis 1:1, iii. Satan. Job 1:8, iv. Demons (evil spirit ). Act 19:15, Hell. Psalm 9:17. etc.*

**5. The Bible reveals the future and the end of the world: Act 3:22-26.**

*i. Bible prophecies were found to be very accurate regarding foretold past events in the world!*

*ii. Bible prophecies are true concerning the ongoing events in our time! e.g, today digital world was foretold of old when scientific forecast was not in existence. Revelation 13:16-18.*

 ***The Challenge:*** The Bible is the light of life that shines to the darkness of the world!

 Believe it to be saved, trust it to have peace, and obey it to be joyful in righteousness. Amen.

**HYMN: HOW GREAT THOU ARE**

1. Oh Lord, my God
When I, in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed
2. Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin
4. Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
5. When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration
And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art
6. Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
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