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AM - BEN WRIGHT - FAITH AND REASON

PM - SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO SUE LOCKHART & FAMILY DUE TO THE DEATH OF HER MOTHER VERA FIKE. VISITATION IS MONDAY NIGHT AT KILGORE-GREEN AND THE FUNERAL WILL BE TUESDAY AT 2 PM

CONGRATULATIONS TO COURTNEY RIDDICK ON THE BIRTH OF SOPHIA MALAYA. SOPHIA WAS 7 LBS, 6 OZ AND 21 IN LONG. DANNY AND BRENDA RUSHING ARE THE PROUD GREATGRANDPARENTS.

BOPEL MEETING AT CURRY, MAR 18-21

BIRTHDAYS:

Mar 18: Allen Lockhart

23: Liz Robbins

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TIMES OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING

BIBLE CLASS 9:30

WORSHIP 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

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FAITH AND REASON

(Acts 17:11)

_____ that teach use of reason.

- A. God does not ask us to believe something for which there is no _____.
- B. For instance, notice _____ 1:18-20.
 - 1. God _____ the Gentile world for not believing the evidence that He had given them.
 - 2. Their _____ of the use of reason left them no excuse.
- C. Paul told the Thessalonians to “_____ all things” (1 Thessalonians 5:21).
 - 1. The word “prove” means “put to the _____.”
 - 2. There was no mention of believing something _____ evidence.
- D. God expects us to make a _____ defense of what we believe (1 Peter 3:15).
 - 1. Peter was writing to people who were going to face _____.
 - 2. The word “reason” carries the idea of giving a _____ account of why something is believed.
- E. The Old Testament _____ this as well (Isaiah 41:21).
 - 1. Isaiah is writing about _____ and how they can do nothing.
 - 2. He says to _____ the evidence for idols being capable of anything.
- F. The Bible clearly teaches the use of reason and the necessity of faith and that these two are not polar _____.

I. Examples of how faith and reason work together.

- A. The proper use of reasoning brings about _____.
- B. For instance, we use reason and faith in discussing _____.
 - 1. Reason dictates that there must be an adequate _____ for the existence of the universe.
 - 2. It is reasonable to believe our universe that shows evidence of design had a _____.
- C. It is reasonable to believe the Bible is the _____ word of God.
 - 1. Historical record, archeological findings, places and events all point to the _____ of the Bible.
 - 2. _____, its accuracy of historic events and predictive prophecy and other things point to this being from God.
- D. The belief that Jesus is the Son of God is _____.
 - 1. History backs this up with the _____ tomb.
 - 2. Their were _____ that confirmed Him having been resurrected.
 - 3. There is abundant _____ that is given us that Jesus was the Son of God.
 - 4. John _____ His gospel account to give proof of such (John 20:30-31).

Is One as Good as Another?

Dan Jenkins

here is an attitude in our society toward religion that they are all pretty much the same. Once this concept is embraced, the door is open for each of us to make choices which best suit our own festyles. This really makes it easy, but it may be too easy!

The concept that “one is about as good as another” just does not make sense. Is one wife just as good as another? Is one school just as good as another? Is one boss just as good as another? Is one residence just as good as another? Is one parent just as good as another? Is one doctor just as good as another? Hardly anyone uses this “one is as good as another” in making life choices.

What about religious books? Is the Koran just as good as the Bible? Is the Book of Mormon just as good as the Bible? Are books written by fallible men just as good as the Bible? Are the edicts which come from church councils just as good as the Bible?

What about life styles and the partners we choose? Are “one night stands” just as good as marriage? Are “same sex marriages” just as good as marriage? Are those “living together but not married” arrangements just as good as marriage? Is polygamy just as good as marriage?

As you think more deeply about this, you sense an element of truth that “one is as good as another,” until you consider that this all changes when there is divine intervention. One book might be as good as another book as long as you leave the Bible out of it! When the Bible becomes part of the consideration, one is not as good as another.

The “marriage” arrangement might be as good as another, until you consider the divine arrangement for marriage. As long as one leaves holy matrimony out of consideration, one way might be equal to another and this allows personal choices. Yet, when God’s arrangement is included, one is not as good as another.

The same is true of churches. Jesus established a divine church and purchased it with His blood. It teaches His morality. It worships in His divinely given ways. There are humanly designed churches and one of these is just as good as another. But when His church enters the picture, one is not as good as another. As the Bible is a divine book and marriage is of divine origin, so the church itself is divine.

Because of this, we are not at liberty to ignore His revelation about any spiritual matter! His thoughts and His ways are higher than our thoughts (Isa. 55:8-9). My thoughts and yours are equal, but His thoughts are all that matter!