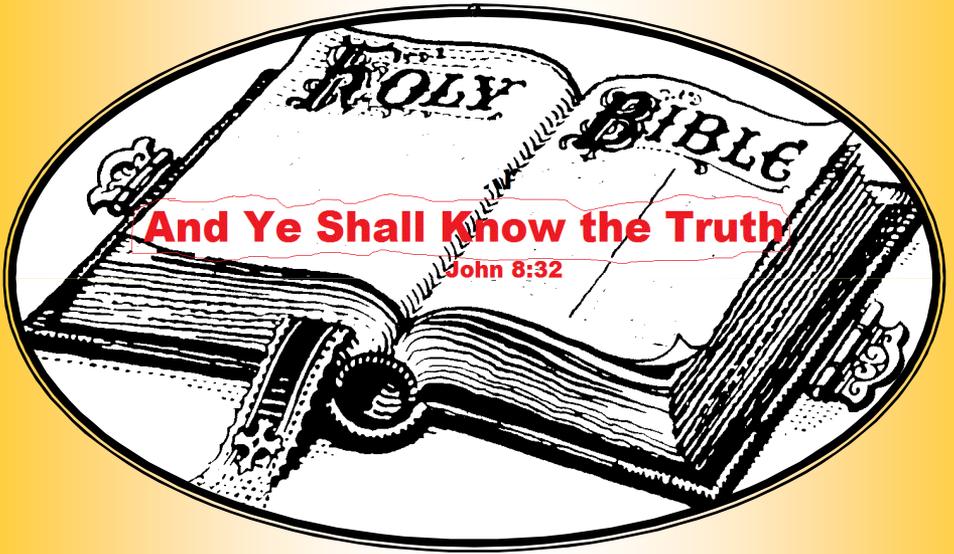


TRUTH



Versus

Errors

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Introduction

Many false teachings exist in the world today. For many, the truth has become a strange phenomenon. The truth is available but there is lack of interest in knowing it. Many prefer to follow fables and the vain traditions of men rather than the plain word of God. Human speculation and scepticism are preferred and accepted over ‘thus saith the LORD’. No one is excused for not knowing God’s truth or for choosing ignorance. The word of God is “nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it” Deut.30:14. The sincere seeker of truth will find it. And only the willing and obedient will gain the spiritual benefits of eternal salvation. What about you dear reader?

It is only the truth of the word of God that can keep us from being deceived and cause us to escape for our life. This booklet gives a snapshot of some of the errors taught in fallen Christianity and the world. More importantly, it gives truth from the Bible to meet these errors ‘head on’.

The scriptures are quoted for you to read with a prayerful and humble heart to be enlightened by the Holy Spirit for your understanding and salvation.

There are actual quotes from persons and organisations as concrete evidence of their erroneous teachings. References are also given for further investigation and verification.

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The truth is written after each error that you may know , understand, receive and use it to refute the error.

May you be blessed through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Number One

ERROR: We live under the dispensation of grace which means we do not have to keep the Law.

“Since law and grace are opposed to each other at every point, it is impossible for them to co-exist...the scriptures of the New Testament...directly teach that the law is done away...” **Lewis Sperry Chafer, Grace pp 215,216.**

“Several times Paul says directly that Christians are “not under the law.”...It would seem as though that ought to settle it that Christians are not to be governed by that law for surely if we are not under a law we are under no obligation to obey it...” **Mark Charles, ‘Yes, Mr Rogers, you are right! Christians are “delivered” from the law’, The News newspaper, January 25, 2008 pp 18**

TRUTH: The Law was proclaimed by the Eternal Self existent One-YHWH. YHWH is the same yesterday, today and forever. His grace which gives salvation brings us into obedience to His law. It saves us from breaking God’s Commandments (1John 3:4) or from sinning.

What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? Romans 6:1, 2

Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law. Romans 3:31

Number Two

ERROR: The Sabbath was for the Jews only. Sabbath- Keeping is not for Christians.

“Why do we not need to keep the Sabbath as believers? Basically for the same reasons we do not keep the law of Moses --we are under the new covenant- the law of Christ. It says the law came through Moses and grace and truth through Jesus Christ. John is showing the difference between the two covenants.” **Let us Reason Ministries, <http://www.letusreason.org/Biblep93.htm>**

TRUTH: The Sabbath was made for all humanity- Everyone. All who become children of God by grace through faith would keep His Sabbath in obedience to Him.

And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Mark 2:27

There remaineth therefore a rest (Gr. Sabbatismos) to the people of God. Hebrews 4:9

Number Three

ERROR: The First day/Sunday is the Lord's Day. The Roman Catholic church has authority to determine which day is the Lord's Day.

“The Lord's Day- as Sunday was called from Apostolic times and has always been accorded special attention in the history of the church because of its close connection with the very core of the Christian mystery.” **Dies Domini- on keeping the Lord's Day holy by Pope John Paul 11** <http://www.catholicnewsagency.com/document>

“Sunday is our Mark of authority...the Church is above the Bible and this transference of Sabbath observance is proof of that fact.” **The Catholic Records, London, Ontario Canada, Sept.1,1923**

TRUTH: The Seventh Day/Saturday is the LORD-YHWH's Day. Jesus Christ, who is God, is the only One with authority to make His Sabbath and to command His creation to “remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy”

If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words... Isa 58:

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Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the Sabbath. Mark 2:28

Number Four

ERROR: Some persons know the exact date when Jesus is returning to this earth to rapture His people.

“God in His mercy has given a marvellous proof that the year 2011 is the year of the Rapture which coincides with Judgement Day and the end of the world.” **Harold Camping, Family Radio, Oakland USA**

TRUTH: No one knows the day nor the hour when Christ will return and we are not to be time setters in regards to His coming. Also, His coming will not be a secret. All will know.

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come...And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. Matthew 24:42, 11

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels heaven, but my Father only. Matthew 24:36

Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shining even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Matthew 24:26,27

Number Five

ERROR: It doesn't matter which day we keep as the Sabbath.

TRUTH: God commands that we keep the Seventh Day holy and He kept it, providing us with the Example we must follow.

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Exodus 20: 8-11

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. Luke 4:16

Number Six

ERROR: Jesus Christ is not the Almighty God. He is a god.

“Interestingly, not once in Scripture do we find the Father addressing the Son as ‘my God’ . John 1:1, RS:...the text is not saying that the Word (Jesus) was the same as the God *with whom* he was but, rather, that the Word was godlike, divine, a god.” **Reasoning from the scriptures**, Watch Tower and Bible tract society, pp.212

TRUTH: Jesus is God. This fact is substantiated throughout the scriptures including by Jesus Christ Himself. He is called the Mighty God, The Almighty, the Saviour, God, LORD, the I AM.

“But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.” Hebrews 1:8

“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.” Revelation 1: 8

Number Seven

ERROR: The soul is immortal. When we die, the soul lives on.

“For some things are known even by nature: the immortality of the soul is held by many...I may use, therefore, the opinion of Plato, when he declares: ‘Every soul is immortal’. Tertullian, A.D. 155-220 quoted in **The Ante-Nicene Fathers, Vol.111**, <http://www.britishIsrael.ca/immortalsoul.htm>

TRUTH: The body + breath of man= living soul. When we die, we cannot communicate with family members and friends. Our thoughts perish until the resurrection. Only the righteous shall be given immortality by God when they are resurrected to live eternally.

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. Genesis 2:7

For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten.

Also their love and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun. Eccl.9:5,6

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first...For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. I Thessalonians 4:16...1 Cor.15:53, 54

Number Eight

ERROR: All believers will continue to sin. They cannot be sin-free right now in this present earth in sinful human flesh. However, even if they commit sin now and then, they are still children of God- Christians.

“It is important to note that in all passages in 1John demanding sinlessness, the Greek verbs describing people who sin are in the present tense, thereby denoting people who live in a state of continual or habitual sinning...Those in this second group are defined by John as being sinless, even though they still commit sin for which they need to be forgiven.” **George R. Knight, I Used to be Perfect, pp.74,75**

“We are going to sin, we’re going to slip up. It’s a guarantee, but fight against it. Go to God. Every time run to the cross. That’s it. Struggle. Strive with Christ. He knows we’re not going to be perfect. None of the apostles were perfect. They were men just like us, fighting against sin.”
Stephen Pippin, Once saved always saved.

TRUTH: When a person repents and believes the Gospel, God justifies him by His living word (seed). The justified person is now able to live in obedience to God’s Law moment by moment by God’s grace. We cannot be Christians and still sinning at the same time. Only as long as we keep the word of God in our heart, we maintain the Christian experience, not while we are sinning.

And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel. Mark 1:15

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect. Matthew 5:48

For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world. Titus 2:11,12

He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother. 1John 3:8-10

Number Nine

ERROR: Physical Jews are God’s people on the basis of their race-being physical descendants of Abraham. They remain the people of God unconditionally. Consequently, we must not criticise/rebuke them. We must support them unconditionally and beware of ‘anti-Semitism’.

“We don’t honor Israel and the Jewish people for applause or approval; we do it because we have a Biblical mandate to bless God’s people...God smiles on the friends of the descendants of Abraham, and they enjoy heavenly favour. In contrast, God will answer every act of anti-Semitism with harsh and final judgement...why should America support Israel? Because the blessing of God depends upon it...” John Hagee, Final Dawn Over Jerusalem

TRUTH: We are not God’s people on the basis of our race. We become the children of God by conversion. We receive the promise of the Spirit through the faith of Jesus Christ at Justification. We are called the children of Abraham as we possess the same faith that Abraham had—The faith of Jesus Christ. We continue to be God’s children as long as we continue in the faith and obedience to Him.

Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham...That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentile through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith...For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise. Galatians 3:7-9,14, 26-29

For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. Galatians 6:15

For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly, and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter, whose praise is not of men, but of God. Romans 2:28,29

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do the commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth...But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee and overtake thee. Deuteronomy 28: 1, 15

Number Ten

ERROR: We must not criticise a person's religion. We must respect and have tolerance towards the religious views of others.

TRUTH: Jesus Christ criticised the religion of the scribes and Pharisees and He gives His followers the mandate to call others out of false religions. With the Love of Jesus in our hearts, we have to show the dangers and horribleness of false doctrinal positions or views. The Only Way is Jesus Christ. We can only get Salvation through Jesus Christ.

But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in. Woe unto you, ye blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!

Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. Matthew 23: 13, 16, 23

And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. Revelation 18:1,2

Number Eleven

ERROR: It is disrespectful and un-Christ like for a Christian to criticise and rebuke those in authority such as kings, presidents and prime ministers.

TRUTH: The watchful and loving Christian would warn and rebuke governments too for any wicked and oppressive behaviour towards the

citizens of a country. God has set us rulers to do good to the people not to be tyrannical and unjust.

And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel? And he (Elijah)) answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim. 1Kings 18:17,18

For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife. For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to have her. Matthew 14: 3, 4

And the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor... Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in his sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife... 11Samuel 12: 1-15

Number Twelve

ERROR: Faith is believing and trusting in Jesus. It is complete trust and confidence or reliance.

“...if your belief is so strong that it affects your actions and attitudes, it has become faith. If you have complete confidence in something or someone, you have faith. Faith is synonymous with the word, trust.”
Daniel Lowe, Christian, evangelical <https://www.quora.com/What-are-the-differences-between-faith-belief-hope-and-trust>

TRUTH: One must believe the Faith of Jesus in order to be saved but the Faith is not our believing. Faith is the revealed truths (word) of God. The Holy Spirit reveals the word of God or the faith to our heart.

Therefore, faith is of Divine origin. It does not originate in the mind of man. It is not a human act or ability. Believing is a person's mental ability to accept something as true. Everyone has the ability to trust or believe but not everyone has faith. The difference between faith and believing can be seen in Paul's writing. He shows the existence of both 'faith' and 'believe' indicating how they are different but how they relate to each other. (Examine Galatians 2: 16 and other texts below).

For what if some did not believe? Shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? God forbid... Romans 3:3,4

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. Galatians 2:16

And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith. 11Thessalonians 3:2

Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference. Romans 3:22

Conclusion

It is only by the reception of the truths of Jesus Christ shown to you from His scriptures that you would have power in your heart to escape the sundry of errors that are so popular in fallen Christianity and in the world. May God give you the love and sincerity that you may be able to choose Bible truth above all false doctrines to make you sin-free in experience.

Time is late and the end of this earth's history is swiftly approaching. Destruction is coming and you need to urgently believe the revealed word of God for your salvation from sin and from the imminent destruction. God has made it clear in His scriptures that all unconverted, commandment breakers who reject the mercies of God will perish "...because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved"(11Thessalonians 2:10). Your choice today determines your fate. Choose Christ and live.

May the grace and peace of God through Jesus Christ be multiplied to you. Amen.

THE END



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