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Northside Church of Christ

"God is a Spirit; and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

John 4:24



A Bit Of Common Sense, Please! By Mike Riley

French writer, historian and philosopher, François-Marie Arouet, (pen name, Voltaire - see article) once stated, "Common sense is not so common" – and his assessment was exactly right! In a society that has grown increasingly lawsuit conscious, we are inundated with warnings on various products, mostly because many folks just lack simple common sense.

The following are some examples (more examples):

- On a hair dryer: "Do not use while sleeping."
- On an Rowenta iron: "Do not iron clothes on body."
- On a chainsaw: "Do not attempt to stop chain with your hand."
- On a cup of coffee: "Hot beverages are hot!"
- On a butcher knife: "Please keep out of children."

Common sense can be learned, either from experience (the hard way), or the teaching we receive from those we trust. But God's Word is the best source of all to develop discernment and good judgment.

Three words echo throughout the book of Proverbs: wisdom, knowledge, understanding. God has packed this book with a plethora of common sense.

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SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

No Bible Study This Week Study of

SUNDAY WORSHIP Drive-in Service

10:00 AM

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Family Bible Study 7:00 PM No Bible Study This Week



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"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

2 Timothy 2:15

NORTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST **APRIL 26, 2020**

Life Is Short **By Ron Boatwright**

This life is so short. Job says, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle" (Job 7:6). We cannot stop time or even slow it down. Job continues to say, "Man who is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He comes forth like a flower and fades away; he flees like a shadow and does not continue" (Job 14:1-2).

We must live our short life pleasing to God so we can go to Heaven when this life is over. God's word says, "Come now, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit'; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. Instead you ought to say, 'If the Lord wills, we shall live and do this or that'" (James 4:13-15). This life is so short. It is temporary.

Many people put off becoming a Christian because they are too busy with their worldly pursuits. But cars wreck, planes crash, people die everyday of strokes and heart attacks, and without warning the vapor of life quickly disappears. "And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). Everyday we live we are one day closer to death and eternity. We are not promised tomorrow. Tomorrow is only a hope.

People can hide their fear of dying and cover it up with the pursuit of "material success". "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" (Matthew 16:26). Our soul is priceless. Many people put off becoming a Christian, or those who become unfaithful delay their repentance until they can get everything just right before they obey the Lord. They seem to think they will live forever on this earth. In talking to people about their soul, many respond by saying, "I'm not ready yet". The problem is there is not much time left to get ready. They will soon run out of time. It will be too late then. We must get it right while we have time. There will be no second chances. One will not accidentally go to Heaven.

In less than one hundred years from now we will all be dead. We will either be with the many being tormented in Hell or with the few in the glory of Heaven (Matthew 7:13-14). We make the choice in this life as to which place we will be. Let's make the right choice.

- Proverbs 11:12 advises restraint: "A man of understanding holds his peace."
- Proverbs 17:27 warns: "He who has knowledge spares his words, and a man of understanding is of a calm spirit."
- Proverbs 20:13 is practical: "Do not love sleep, lest you come to poverty."

To increase our common sense, spiritually speaking, let us consult the inspired Word of God daily (Acts 17:11) – the only source of true wisdom (Proverbs 2:6).

Let us be found using a bit of common sense, please!

Prayer Requests This Week

- Pray for all those with ongoing health ailments (Serrie Smith, Connie Montgomery)
- All those affected by COVID-19
- Ken and Millie Williams

Communion Preparation

- Sign up sheet for 2020 is in foyer
- April Rowell
- May Rowell

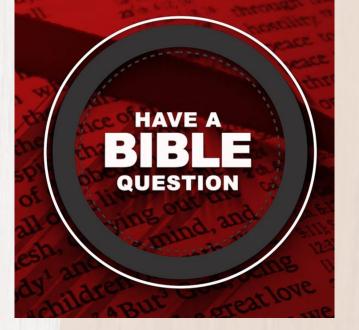
Announcements

- No Sunday Bible Study or Evening Worship or Wednesday Night Bible Study Next Week

May Birthdays & Anniversary's

- Austin Dudley 4th
- Larry/Connie Montgomery 20th
- James Johnson 19th Tristan/Auburn Rowell 23rd
- Anthony Juliano 30th
 Shay/Robbi Cooper 30th

Every Sunday Morning @ 6:00 AM on WTOK-TV



But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Matthew 6:33

Men to Serve

Sunday Morning

Announcements/Opening Prayer - Tristan Rowell

Scripture Reading - Matthew 6:24-33

Lead Singing - Chuck Rowell

Head of Lord's Table - Tristan Rowell

Scripture Reading - Matthew 27:33-46

Assist on Lord's Table - Chuck. Rowell

Closing Prayer - Chuck Rowell

Sunday Afternoon - No service

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