



## “Back to the Bible” part 2 Sun March 19, 2023

### Memory Verse: Psalm 23

#### I. *II Timothy 4:1-4*

##### A. Preach the Inspired Scripture...Preach the Bible!

1. Doctrine – Instruction
2. ***The Itching Ear Syndrome*** – *The time we are living in right now.*
  - *Many messages/sermons today are not based on the scripture at all.*
  - *Opinions, stories, and experiences is not what we need; it is not what the world needs. We need the Word!*

##### B. What is the Word?

1. ***John 1:1*** *“In the beginning was the Word...”*
2. ***John 6:35*** – Jesus said, *“I am the bread of life...”*
  - The disciples came to Jesus privately when Jesus spoke of eating His flesh and drinking His blood; they said to Jesus, *“This is a hard saying...”*
  - Jesus explained further by saying in vs. 63, *“It is the spirit that makes alive, but the flesh profits nothing; the works that I speak unto you are spirit and life.”*
  - See the Bible in a new light today...It is Jesus, It is Power, It Is Life! (The sower sows the Word....this is why Satan comes immediately...He is trying to Keep Jesus out of your Life!)

#### II. Keeping the Bible Close (Our Culture Needs It)

##### A. *More History – Psalm 33:12* *“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.”*

##### 1. *The Coins*

- *The first appearance of “In God We Trust” came in 1864 after a public plea to recognize God as the source of His blessing upon our nation. Treasury Secretary Salmon Chase and Mint Director James Pollock were so moved by one of the letters from a minister, that they responded in writing saying, “No nation can be strong, except in the strength of God, or safe in His defense. The trust of our people in God should be declared on our national coins.” Legislation approved it and it has been on our coins since.*
- *On July 30, 1956, two years after pushing to have the phrase “under God” inserted into the pledge of allegiance, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signs a law officially declaring “In God We Trust” to be the nation’s official motto. The law also mandated that the phrase be printed on all American paper currency.*

##### 2. Matthew Maury, Father of Oceanography (mid 1800’s)

- He was a naval officer who loved reading His Bible

- In 1855, He wrote the first book on the physical geography of the sea and its Meteorology. He developed charts showing the ocean currents and how they travel in different directions. Do you know how He discovered this?
- He found in the Bible **Psalm 8:3-9** “Paths of the Sea...” (Currents) (Finding Nemo)- His discovery changed all trade by sea by taking the guess-work out of it. He literally mapped the winds and the currents of the sea by finding it first in the Bible!
- Another scripture He gave credit for His discovery was **Ecclesiastes 1:6** “Circuits” ...the system of atmospherical circulation and the water cycle.
- He also discovered **Job 28:25** to describe atmospheric pressure...”the weight for the winds.”
- This was Matthew Maury’s quote regarding His discovery: *As a student of physical geography, I regard earth, sea, air, and water as parts of a machine, pieces of mechanism, not made with hands....And when, after patient research, I am led to the discovery of one of these [mechanisms], I feel, with the astronomer of old [Johannes Kepler], “as though I had thought one of God’s thoughts,” and tremble. Thus, as we progress with our science, we are permitted now and then to point out here and there in the physical machinery of the earth a design of the Great Architect when He planned it all.*
- This was Matthew Maury’s response to his naysayers: *“I have been blamed by men of science, both in this country and in England, for quoting the Bible in confirmation of the doctrines of physical geography. The Bible, they say, was not written for scientific purposes, and is therefore no authority in matters of science. I beg pardon! The Bible IS authority for everything it touches!”*

#### B. Satan and his God-less Society

1. **Romans 1:21-28** - How does Satan remove God? Remove His knowledge (Bible)
2. Our Generation is responsible to teach it to the next!
3. Bible Memory – **Psalm 91:1-8**