

INSTRUCTING THOSE THAT OPPOSE THEMSELVES

PART 4



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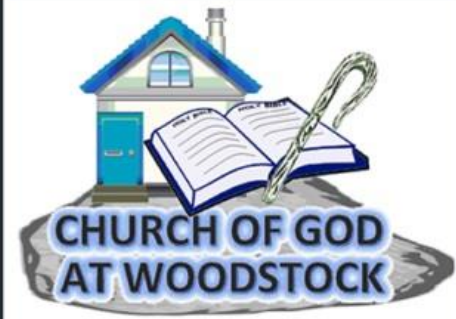


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2 Timothy 2:24–26

And the **servant of the Lord** must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness **INSTRUCTING THOSE THAT OPPOSE THEMSELVES**; if God peradventure will **give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth**; And that they may **recover themselves out of the snare of the devil**, who are taken captive by him at his will.

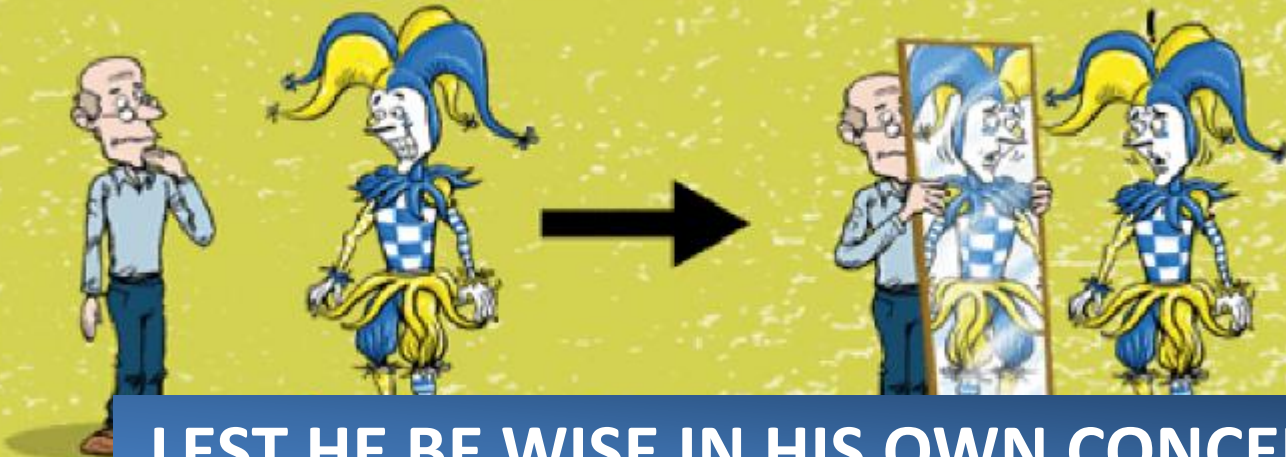


DO NOT ANSWER A FOOL ACCORDING TO HIS FOLLY (Prov. 26:4)



LEST THOU BE LIKE UNTO HIM...

ANSWER A FOOL ACCORDING TO HIS FOLLY (Prov. 26:5)



LEST HE BE WISE IN HIS OWN CONCEIT...

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Review Parts 1, 2 and 3

Part 1: (July 2017)

- Does God Exist?
- Is God Good/Why is there evil in the world?

Part 2: (September 2017)

- Do Christians and Muslims worship the same God?
- Why are Christians so hateful?

Part 3: (May 2018)

- Sin? So what!
- Abortion



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Part 4: (December 2018)

- The Bible
- Homosexuality



The Bible

How to talk to the unbeliever about the Bible



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Hebrews 4:12

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John 17:17

Sanctify them through thy truth: **thy word is truth**.



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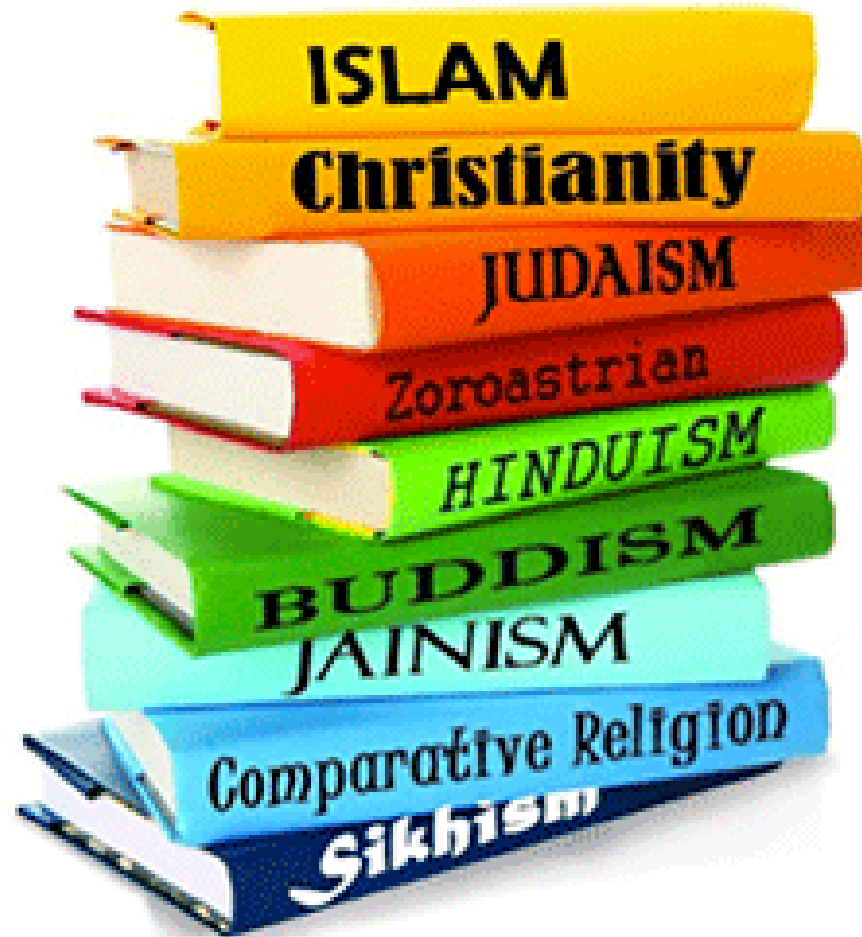
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And that from a child thou hast known the **holy scriptures**, which are able to **make thee wise unto salvation** through **faith which is in Christ Jesus**. **All scripture** is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the **man of God** may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.



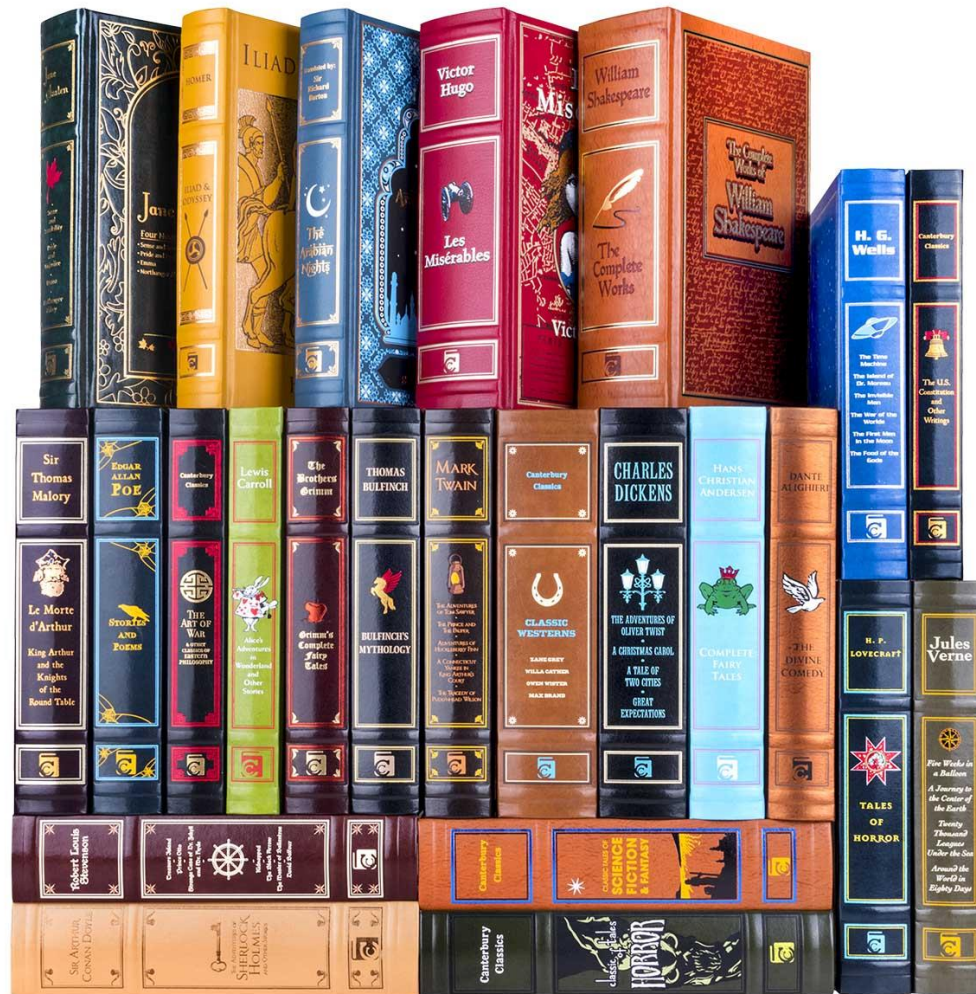
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There Is Unity to the Bible

The entire Bible was written by about 40 individuals over 1,500 years, yet it is very consistent in its message.

The Bible Is Supported by Archaeology

Archeology for every event in The Bible has not yet been found, but none has been found that disproves any of Scripture.



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Fulfilled Prophecy

Fulfilled prophecy distinguishes the Bible from any other religious book.

It does not cast the authors in a very good light

From the fall of mankind to the sins of the Patriarchs, Israel, the Apostles and the early church

Consistency of Manuscripts

Thousands of manuscripts have been discovered dating back over two thousand years with almost no variation



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Hebrews 11:3

Through **faith we understand** that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.



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2 Corinthians 5:7

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Galatians 2:20

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live **by the faith of the Son of God**, who loved me, and **gave himself for me.**

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1 Corinthians 1:18–31 [18-20]

For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish **foolishness**; but unto us which are saved it is the **power of God**. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not **God made foolish the wisdom of this world?**



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1 Corinthians 1:18–31 [21-24]

For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the **foolishness of preaching** to save them that believe. For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a **stumblingblock**, and unto the Greeks **foolishness**; But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ **the power of God, and the wisdom of God.**



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1 Corinthians 1:18–31 [25-27]

Because the **foolishness** of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: But God hath chosen the **foolish things** of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;



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1 Corinthians 1:18–31 [28-31]

And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence.

But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us **wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption**: That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.



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1 Corinthians 2:12–14

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; **that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God**. Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual. But the natural man **receiveth not** the things of the Spirit of God: for they **are foolishness** unto him: **neither can he know them**, because they are spiritually discerned.



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- But, most importantly I believe...



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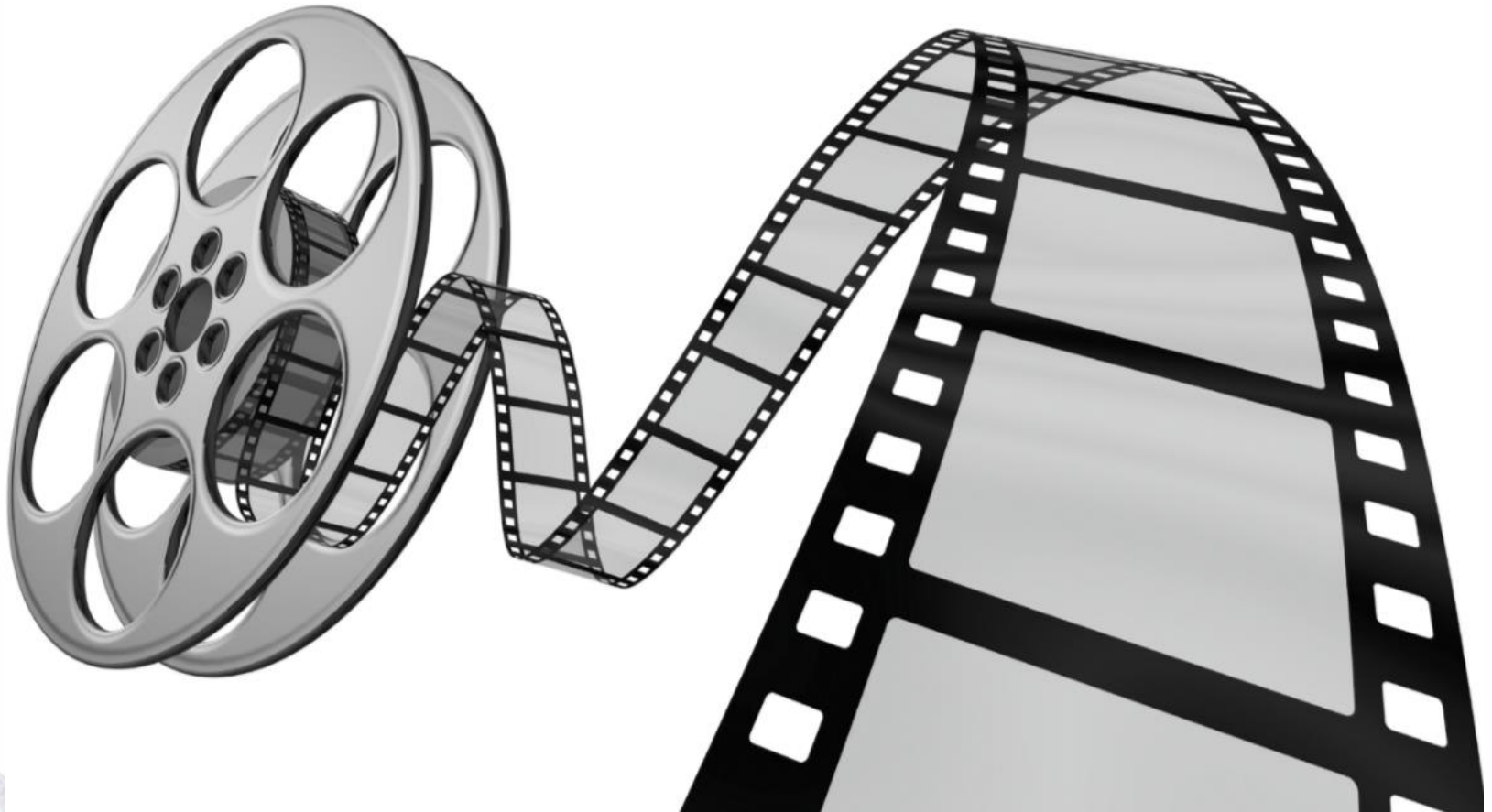
...That God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die for my sins so that I, by His sacrifice, can avoid the condemnation I deserved and live with Him forever in paradise.

Yep, that's me 😊



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-Religion is the opposite of science

Believing in the Supernatural eliminates the possibility of being 'scientific'



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And here is a BIG one...

-Science is proven fact

Science doesn't require faith - many hold this idea not really thinking it to the end, the faithful end...



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Everyday life is filled with faithful actions, reasonable, evidence-based faith.

For example:

Flipping a light switch is an act of faith – we do it in full (faithful) expectation that the light will turn on (or off as the case may be)

In this case, our faith is the basis on which we take the action, the substance of our actions, in hope [earnest expectation], that the light will work.



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James 1:5

If any of you **lack wisdom**, let him **ask of God**, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and **it shall be given him**.



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James 3:13–17

Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is **first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.**



Homosexuality

Speaking On The Topic Of Homosexuality



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Leviticus 18:22

Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: **it is abomination.**

Leviticus 20:13

If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed **an abomination**: they shall surely be **put to death**; their blood shall be upon them.



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Romans 1:26–27

For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is **against nature**: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which **is unseemly**, and receiving in themselves that **recompence of their error** which was meet.



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1 Corinthians 6:9–10

Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither **fornicators**, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor **effeminate**, nor **abusers of themselves with mankind**, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.



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1 Timothy 1:8–10

But we know that the law is good, if a man use it lawfully; Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that **defile themselves with mankind**, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

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Matthew 5:20

For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall **exceed** the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:27–28

Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever **looketh on a woman to lust** after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.



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Matthew 15:19–20

For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, **fornications**, thefts, false witness, blasphemies: These are the things which **defile a man**: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.



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Matthew 19:5–6

And said, For this cause shall a **man** leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they **twain shall be one flesh**? Wherefore they are no more twain, **but one flesh**. What therefore **God hath joined together**, let not man put asunder.



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Deuteronomy 23:17 There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a **sodomite** of the sons of Israel.

1 Kings 14:24 And there were also **sodomites** in the land: and they did according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.

1 Kings 15:12 And he took away the **sodomites** out of the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made.

1 Kings 22:46 And the remnant of the **sodomites**, which remained in the days of his father Asa, he took out of the land.

2 Kings 23:7 And he brake down the houses of the **sodomites**, that were by the house of the LORD, where the women wove hangings for the grove.

Job 36:14 They die in youth, and their life is among the **unclean**.



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Judges 19:20...24 And the old man said, Peace be with thee; howsoever let all thy wants lie upon me; ... behold, the men of the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about, and beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, **Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him.** And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, **do not so wickedly**; seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly. Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing.

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Genesis 2:24

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his **wife**: and they shall be one flesh.

Genesis 3:6

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her **husband** with her; and he did eat.

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**But realize that name-calling and stereotyping
those of us who stand for what we believe
is exactly what you don't want done to you.
We have a right to speak what we believe, same
as you have a right to speak what you believe.**



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BEWARE!



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Colossians 2:6–10

As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. **Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit**, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, **and not after Christ**. For in him dwelleth all **the fulness of the Godhead** bodily. And **ye are complete in him**, which is the head of all principality and power:



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- **‘Love’ is always good**

How could God not be pleased with two people who love each other?



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Romans 1:28–32

And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, **God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient**; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

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1 Peter 3:14–15

But and if ye **suffer for righteousness' sake,**
happy are ye: and **be not afraid** of their terror,
neither be troubled; But sanctify the Lord God
in your hearts: and **be ready always** to give an
answer to every man that asketh you a reason of
the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:



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Mark 8:38

Whosoever therefore shall **be ashamed of me and of my words** in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also **shall the Son of man be ashamed**, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.



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Luke 9:26

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Luke 12:9

But he that **denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.**



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