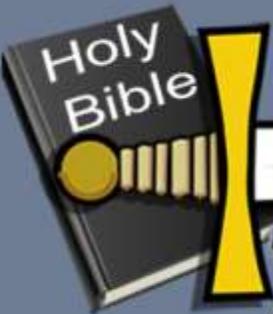




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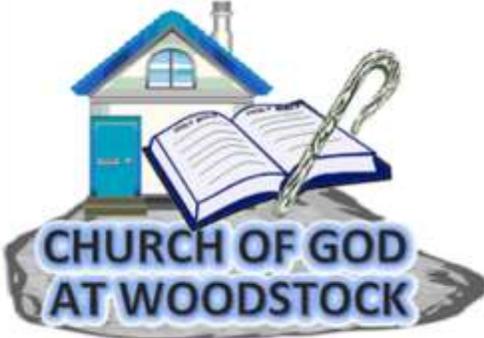
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**CHURCH OF GOD
AT WOODSTOCK**

Little Foxes

Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines *have* tender grapes.

Song of Solomon 2:15



Little Foxes

Proverbs 6:10-11 *Yet a little* sleep, a **little** slumber, a **little** folding of the hands to sleep: So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

Galatians 5:9 A **little** leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

Dead Little Foxes

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Little Foxes

DISTRUST
INFIDELITY



Little Foxes

INFIDELITY/DISTRUST

1 Corinthians 6:7-8 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. **Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather *suffer yourselves to be defrauded?*** Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that *your* brethren.

T R U S T

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Ephesians 5:28-33 So ought men to **love** their wives as **their own** bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but **nourisheth and cherisheth** it, even as the Lord the church: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be **joined** unto his wife, and **they two shall be one flesh**. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. **Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence *her* husband.**

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James 5:13a Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. ...

James 5:16 Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Philippians 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, **think on these things.**

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1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (continued on next slide)

- ❑ **Charity suffereth long** (is patient), and is kind (Love never gives up);
- ❑ **charity envieth not** (Love doesn't want what it doesn't have. Does not covet.);
- ❑ **charity vaunteth not itself** (Love is not boastful), is not puffed up (Love is not conceited or arrogant),
- ❑ **Doth not behave itself unseemly** (Love doesn't act inappropriately),
- ❑ **seeketh not her own** (Love is not selfish- does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking),
- ❑ **is not easily provoked** (Love pays no attention to a suffered wrong or, perceived or real, attacking words),

- ❑ **thinketh no evil** [Love puts the best possible construction on the motives and the conduct of others. It means that love is not malicious, censorious, disposed to find fault, or to impute improper motives to others.];
- ❑ **Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth** (Love does not take delight when they are guilty of crime, or when, in any manner, they fall into sin. It does not find pleasure in hearing others accused of sin, and in having it proved that they have committed it. It does not find a malicious pleasure in the report that they have done wrong; or in following up that report, and finding it established);
- ❑ **Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.** (Love bears up under anything and everything that comes, is ever ready to believe the best of every person, its hopes are fadeless under all circumstances, and it endures everything -without weakening).

Little Foxes

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**WHAT ABOUT YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH
GOD THE FATHER AND JESUS CHRIST?**

T R U S T

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Psalm 78:22 Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:

Psalm 78:32 For all this they sinned still, and believed not for his wondrous works.

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- ❑ **(Moses said) Deuteronomy 9:23-24** Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadeshbarnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then ye **rebelled against** the commandment of the LORD your God, and **ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice**. Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you.
- ❑ **Psalm 106:24** Yea, they despised the pleasant land, they believed not his word:
- ❑ **Psalm 78:42** They remembered not his hand, *nor* the day when he delivered them from the enemy.

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- ❑ **Numbers 14:11** And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?
- ❑ **2 Kings 17:14** Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God.
- ❑ **Zephaniah 3:2** She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God.
- ❑ **Hebrews 3:18-19** And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

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☐ **Hebrews 3:12** Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an **evil heart of unbelief**, in departing from the living God.

☐ **1 John 5:10** He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: **he that believeth not God** hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

☐ **Hebrews 11:6** But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

TRUST

2 Samuel 22:3 The God of my rock; **in him will I trust:** *he is* my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.

Proverbs 3:5 **Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.**

Psalm 40:4-5 Blessed *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies. Many, O LORD my God, *are* thy wonderful works *which* thou hast done, and thy thoughts *which are* to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: *if* I would declare and speak *of them*, they are more than can be numbered.

- ❑ **Psalm 36:7** How excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
- ❑ **Psalm 26:1-3** *A Psalm* of David. Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: **I have trusted also in the LORD; therefore I shall not slide.** Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart. **For thy lovingkindness is before mine eyes:** and I have walked in thy truth.
- ❑ **Psalm 56:11** In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.
- ❑ **Psalm 73:28** But *it is* good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.
- ❑ **Psalm 34:8** O taste and see that **the LORD is good:** blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

T R U S T

TRUST

- ❑ **Hebrews 10:21-25** And *having* an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a **true heart in full assurance of faith**, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.
- ❑ **Revelation 2:10** Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: **be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.**

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A group of five young foxes, likely red foxes, are sitting on a rocky surface. They have light brown fur and dark eyes. The background is a blurred natural setting.

Little Foxes

Sinful Speech

Little, no, or bad Communication

Little Foxes Sinful Speech

- ❑ A lying tongue—Proverbs 6:17; 12:19; 21:6; 26:28
- ❑ A tongue of flattery—Proverbs 6:24; 28:23
- ❑ The tongue of the just—Proverbs 10:20
- ❑ A froward (disobedient; opposing) tongue—Proverbs 10:31
- ❑ The tongue of the wise—Proverbs 12:18; 15:2
- ❑ A wholesome tongue—Proverbs 15:4
- ❑ A naughty tongue—Proverbs 17:4
- ❑ A perverse tongue—Proverbs 17:20
- ❑ The tongue is powerful—Proverbs 18:21
- ❑ A kept tongue—Proverbs 21:23
- ❑ A soft tongue—Proverbs 25:15
- ❑ A backbiting (mean; spiteful) tongue—Proverbs 25:23
- ❑ A kind tongue—Proverbs 31:26
- ❑ There is deceptive speech—Proverbs 7:21
- ❑ There is excellent speech—Proverbs 17:7
- ❑ Words of understanding—Proverbs 1:2
- ❑ Words of the wise—Proverbs 1:2; 22:17
- ❑ Flattering words—Proverbs 2:16
- ❑ Words that snare—Proverbs 6:2
- ❑ Righteous words—Proverbs 8:8
- ❑ Grievous words—Proverbs 15:1
- ❑ Pure and pleasant words—Proverbs 15:26; 16:24
- ❑ Words of a talebearer—Proverbs 18:8; 26:22
- ❑ Words of knowledge—Proverbs 19:27; 23:12
- ❑ Words of truth—Proverbs 22:21
- ❑ Hasty words—Proverbs 29:20

Little Foxes Sinful Speech

☐ Psalm 141:3 **Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth;
keep the door of my lips.**

- ✓ Critical Speech—Negative comments about people that do not need to be said usually hurled with malicious intent. (You hurt my feelings so I'm going to hurt yours.)
- ✓ Cursing & Swearing (or similar Slang Words)
- ✓ Reviling—Angry and abusive language patterns.
- ✓ Hasty Speech—Speaking and giving a judgment before all of the details of a matter is known.
- ✓ Boasting/Vain/Proud Speech—Concerned with the state of life one may enjoy and that others think of you highly.
- ✓ Flattery—Insincere praise or accolades given to someone for ulterior means.
- ✓ Gossip/Slander— idle talk or rumor about the personal or private affairs of others, damaging another's reputation
- ✓ Murmuring/Complaining
- ✓ Scoffing or being Scornful

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- ❑ **Ephesians 4:29 KJV** **Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.**
- ❑ **Ephesians 4:29 NLT** **Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.**
- ❑ **Ephesians 4:29 MSG** **Watch the way you talk. Let nothing foul or dirty come out of your mouth. Say only what helps, each word a gift.**

Little Foxes Sinful Speech

❑ **Matthew 12:36-37** But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

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SINFUL
SPEECH



A group of five young foxes, likely red foxes, are sitting on a rocky ledge. They have light brown fur and dark eyes. The foxes are looking in various directions, some towards the camera. The background is a blurred natural setting with rocks and some dry grass.

Little Foxes

Selfishness

Little Foxes



You may ignore your sins,
but God sees them

☐ May be the most common “*little fox*.”

☐ Saul had this “*little fox*”: **1 Sam. 20:30-33**

☐ Selfishness is the root of all sin: **1 Cor. 13:2**

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and false gods



Selfishness



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James 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, **God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.**

Selfishness

Philippians 2:1-5 If there is therefore any exhortation in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any tender mercies and compassions, make full my joy, that ye be of the same mind, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind; **doing nothing through faction or through vainglory (self-conceit, grandstanding, drawing attention to self)** , but in lowliness of mind each counting other better than himself; not looking each of you to his own things, but each of you also to the things of others. Have this mind in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

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Little Foxes That Spoil The Vine

Hebrews 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

John 15:4-6 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.

Little Foxes That Spoil The Vine

Hebrews 10:25-31 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. *It is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Romans 8:12-14 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Colossians 3:5-6 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

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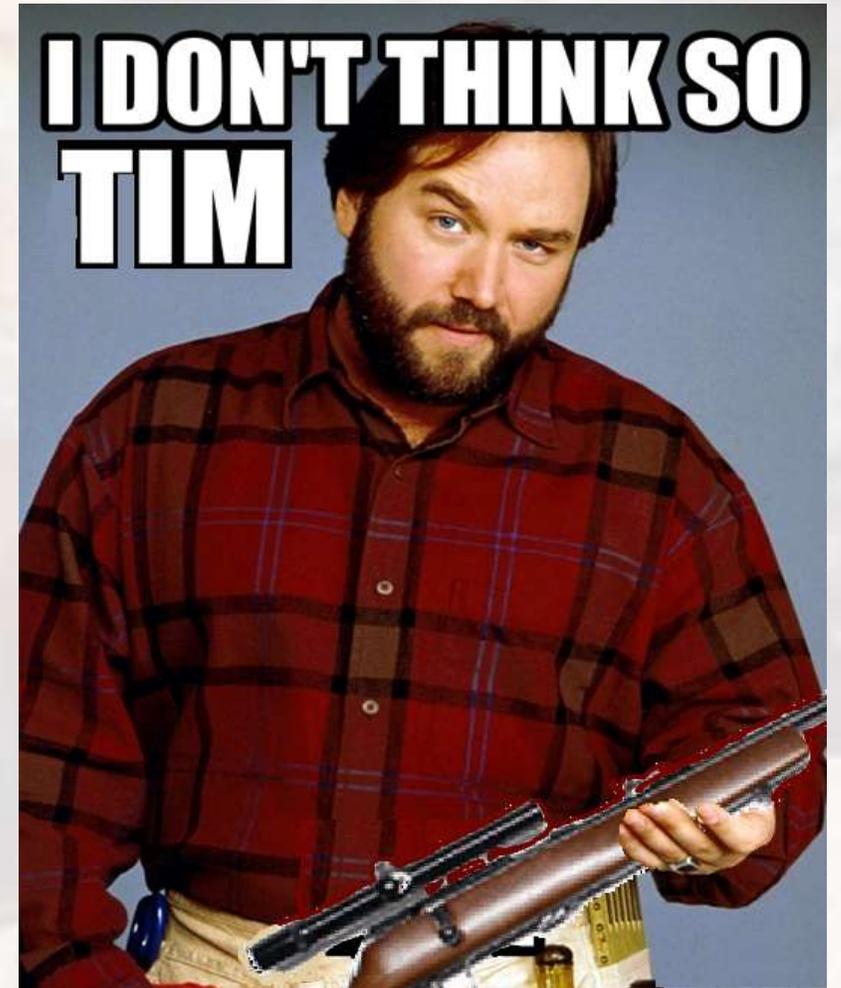
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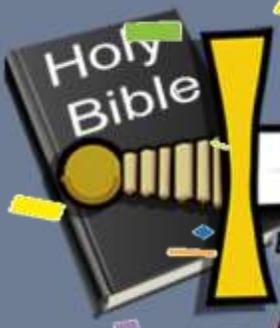
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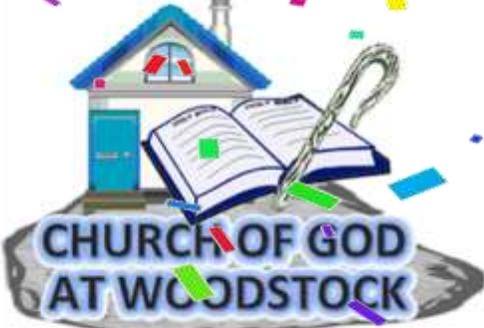
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