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“Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers hath set”

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Landmark:

(1) *an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognised from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location and know where they are.*

(2) *an object (as a stone or tree) that marks a boundary of land.*

Landmarks and boundaries are important. Landmarks brings a sense of order, and to remove them causes chaos and confusion. When the children of Israel were to inherit their possession, God gave a specific piece of land to each tribe. Within these tribes, each family had their own possession with their own boundaries. God then further gave them this stern warning, which was not just for their time but for time to come: *“Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour’s landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.”* (Deuteronomy 19:14)

Landmarks could not be removed without incurring the severe displeasure of God: *“Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour’s landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.”* (Deuteronomy 27:17)

God has also established spiritual landmarks: *“For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.”* (Psalm 119: 89)

The word “settled” means “to bring to rest; to establish or secure permanently.” In our ever-changing world, nothing is established or secured permanently. But God’s Word is forever settled or established and secured permanently in Heaven. God’s Word is settled forever and God will not be changing it. God’s Word is settled forever and man cannot change it.

To add to God’s words or to take away from it is to move the established landmark. The Scriptures are one type of landmark which should never be allowed to be moved, yet it is one area where Satan has been working

overtime to achieve victory over God's children. From Eve in the garden of Eden, to Jesus' temptation in the wilderness, to this present day, Satan has sought to misquote God's Word. It is by the Word of God that we are established in our faith and grounded in our doctrine. Is it any wonder that Satan wishes to attack this important landmark?

Satan has done this by attacking the Scriptures through man's intellect. He has given us so called improved versions of the Word of God, when we have only needed to improve our knowledge of the one we have already. These new versions distort the meaning of God's words and some of them miss out complete verses. Consider these important verses in the King James Version which are missing from the New International Version:

(1) St. Matthew 17:21: *"Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting."*

(2) St. Matthew 18:11: *"For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost."*

(3) St. Mark 11:26: *"But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses."*

(4) St. Luke 17:36: *"Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left."*

And this is just a sample, there are many more. Since the early 17th century, we have had the Word of God in our own language. Revival has broken out in such a way as to help fulfil the command of Christ, in going forth into the whole world to preach the Gospel.

The King James Version of God's Holy Word has been the greatest tool for revival since Pentecost. Men like D. L. Moody preached to his congregation from the King James Version, with the revival fires that followed.

C. H. Spurgeon preached to those great London crowds from the King James Version, and an entire continent was affected by this preacher. Charles Finney, the great Evangelist preached from the King James

Version of the Bible. In fact, every great revival has started and ended with the King James Version of Scripture. It has a heritage like no other book. It has a place like no other writings.

No wonder Satan hates the King James Version of the Bible with a passion. From the beginning of time, Satan, through his influence has used men to move the landmarks that God has established. This has been done very subtly. If someone moved a boundary by 10 metres (32 feet), it would be very easy to spot. But if it was moved by an inch at a time - e.g. one inch every year, over many years, not many people would notice. One inch every year would take 384 years to reach 32 feet but it would be so subtle that chances are no one would notice it. That's just what Satan has been doing over the many years. He has been moving the landmarks little by little. He is very patient; just one inch at a time.

Another landmark that God set in place from the creation relates to the definition of the family: *"So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them."*

(Genesis 1:27)

Jesus reiterated this whilst He was here on earth: *"But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female."* (St. Mark 10:6)

God did not leave His people in any doubts. He made it known what was acceptable and unacceptable behaviour: *"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."* (Leviticus 20:13)

As a child, Brother Joshua was asked in Sunday School what he understood by the word "abomination" and his response - which I'll never forget was, *"plumb disgusting."* To show what God thinks of this behaviour, we only have to read about what God did to the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, where this sin of sodomy or

homosexuality was prevalent. After God sent angels to bring out Lot and his family, the men of Sodom wanted to sexually molest these men - who unknown to them were angels: *4"But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: 5And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them."* (Genesis 19:4-5)

Even after Lot promised to send out his daughters, these men were not interested in the women - contrary to the natural law of nature: *24"Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; 25And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground."* (Genesis 19:24-25)

Today, we live in a time that has surpassed Sodom in this abomination. Jesus, speaking of the last days said it would be like the days of Sodom. These are the last days before the return of our Lord, and following His return will be the reign of the antichrist. The scene is being set for him, so we shouldn't be surprised by this current aggressive LGBT agenda that is being pushed on us. The Scriptures intimate that the antichrist will himself be a homosexual: *"Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all."* (Daniel 11:37)

Paul had written to the Church in Rome about these end times: *24"Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27And 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. 28And 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; 29Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: 32Who 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." (Romans 1:24-32)

Because this landmark has been moved, the secular and religious worlds are in confusion. Some men and women no longer know who they are. The ultimate insult to God (who said it was good when He created men and women) is men and women claiming today that they are in the wrong body. God had previously set the landmark in place and made a clear distinction between the sexes when He said: *"The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the LORD thy God."* (Deuteronomy 22:5)

Now that the landmarks/boundaries have been removed, we have men dressing and identifying as women and women dressing and identifying as men. It's been taught by our academic institutions that there are not just two genders but hundreds, confusing our children and youth. I have even heard of four-year-olds being reprimanded by their teacher for mis-gendering another child. Children are being encouraged to identify as transgender, given puberty blockers and hormone treatment, with some even going

under the knife to physically alter their identity. These are the results of moving the established landmarks and boundaries.

In the beginning, God set the landmark and defined the form of worship that was acceptable to Him. God chose the Levites and sanctified them to offer sacrifices to Him on behalf of all the people. God gave specific instructions to Moses, who in turn instructed Aaron the High Priest: *"So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses."* (Leviticus 8:36)

When Israel was obedient to God's commands, God would manifest His presence among them, to show His favour. *23"And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and blessed the people: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the people. 24And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces."* (Leviticus 9:23-24)

God was pleased with their obedience. God still delights in obedience and frowns on disobedience: *1"And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not. 2And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. 3Then Moses said unto Aaron, This is it that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held his peace. 4And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Come near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp. 5So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said."* (Leviticus 10:1-5)

God told Aaron not to mourn for his sons or leave the tabernacle to attend their funerals.

These two young men thought they knew better than God and the establishment around them. They would have observed their father on many occasions and have even participated in these ordinances themselves. Perhaps they grew tired of the same old routine and wanted to spice things up a little. Maybe they wanted to introduce something new and more exciting, thinking they were doing good. These young men are like some Christians today - who get tired of the same routine and want to bring in all kinds of changes, to bring our worship more in line with the times in which we live. **But if I were you I would not tamper with what God has ordained and put in place or move any of His ancient landmarks!**

When the nation of Israel was beginning to stray away from Him, God's encouragement to them was: *"Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein."* (Jeremiah 6:16)

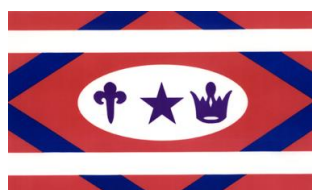
Sometimes landmarks get overgrown and are hard to see, but if we have lost our direction, the advice is to stand still and ask for directions. We should not let Israel's response be our response. Those who refused to walk in the old paths went into captivity in Babylon (confusion) and the majority died there.

The doctrine that God has given us, including the 29 prominent teachings and Advice to Members are all landmarks: *"Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee."* (1 Timothy 4:16)

Church members and friends, let us not remove the ancient landmarks which our fathers have set.

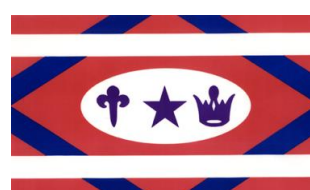
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From the Overseer's Desk

We thank God for a wonderful National Ministers' Convention, where we were reminded about the iniquity that surrounds us. The National auxiliary co-ordinators did a grand job in outlining their programmes for the year ahead. We pray that God will bless every auxiliary, as they work together to win souls for Christ and His Church.

17th November 2023 saw the start of the long anticipated second term of Bible Training Institute. Brother Stuart Brown is to be commended for the extensive planning that went into putting this together. The feedback and interaction of the participants during the sessions and on the chat groups has been overwhelming. May that thirst for the knowledge of God continue and grow among us. Jesus encouraged us to:

“Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.”

(St. John 5:39)

The Apostle Paul further encouraged young Timothy:

“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)

In closing, I trust that you all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas with your families and I wish you all a blessed 2024.

Upcoming Events:

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| BTI 2 nd Term | | Friday's - 12 th January 2024 to 23 rd February 2024 |
| National Family Camp 2024 | - | Monday 12 th to Thurs. 15 th February 2024 |
| National WMB Prayer and Fasting | - | Saturday 16 th March 2024 |
| National WMB Revival | - | Sunday 17 th March 2024 and Tuesday 19 th to Wednesday 20 March 2024 |
| National Youth Convention | - | Saturday 30 th March 2024 |



ABM BOOST

Claudine Brown –
National Assembly Band Movement Co-ordinator

The new general Assembly Band Movement theme for the assembly year 2023-2024 is:
‘Perfectly joined together’

(1 Corinthians 1:10)

As a young child at school, it was so much fun working with PVA glue - especially if glitter was involved. It was messy work, but that just added to the experience. I quite liked picking the white, sticky residue from my hands after we'd finished our creations.

As an older child, Pritt Stick, or any no-name-brand derivatives were a game changer. Glue contained in one neat stick with a lid? Come on! Get in my pencil case 😊 I was also a lover of Blu-Tack which was perfect for my posters as a teenager - that

is, before I got into using nails to hold up picture frames.

Looking back into my late-teens, I have a distinct memory of getting superglue on my finger - it really was a *super glue*. I could hardly get the thing off my skin! But for serious jobs and things that needed bonding, this glue could not be beaten. Fast forwarding to now - there are all sorts of bonding agents on the market; we have a few at home - from spray glue to “No More Nails” adhesives. I wouldn't dare give either of those to my young children for their craft projects - nor would PVA glue have much use in Brother Stu's tool-box. The bonding agent we choose is dependent on the job.

What has all this got to do with the theme for our ABM? 1 Peter 2:5 describes us as “lively stones” building up a spiritual house. Stones piled upon one another without a bonding agent are vulnerable to collapse. This is what makes the game ‘Jenga’ so intense! Without the bond between the individual components, the building is compromised. When building a literal house, Pritt Stick is not on the shopping list - now we need the good stuff; cement, mortar, masonry adhesive...

What is the good stuff that is needed to bond us together as brethren? Colossians 3:14 answers this: “**And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.**” True love...**true**, love, is what will connect us harmoniously. It is an invisible bond that will positively impact not only our work and effectiveness as a Church, but our wellbeing and mental health. If we had mutual agape love ‘nailed’, what would that look like? ABM leaders, perhaps we could explore this within our services.

In the world in which we live, where social interaction is eroding by the day - achieving the proper connection of our members with the bond of perfectness is going to take more than just putting on additional events, or creating more opportunities for fellowship (though that is still good!) There will need to be a general consensus, full commitment and willingness to build these bonds. Not just between one and two, or this group and that group, but a heart-felt desire to see a solid, unified, close-knit Church. PVA glue just won't cut it. **This desire can only come from the Lord**, and will be helped by obedience to the commands within the Word of God. For example - “**With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love**” (Ephesians 4:2), “**Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.**” (Colossians 3:13), “**Let love be without dissimulation...** [concealment of one's thoughts, feelings, or character; pretence]”. (Romans 12:9a), “**... doing nothing by partiality**” (1 Timothy 5:1b). What other commands are there in the Word of God that will guide us here? See if you can find them and ask the Lord for help to obey them.

As one Body, our work is stifled if we are not fitly joined together. Let the world drift away into the caves of stale love that has waxed cold. May the Body of Christ let the fire of love burn within, and bond us perfectly: “**And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.**” (St. Mark 12:30-31)

I look forward to seeing you all as I visit the churches. Please pray for the ABM department. God bless you.

Sunday School Department



The Church of God

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOST

Jennifer Thompson - National Sunday School Co-ordinator

The continuing general Sunday School theme for the assembly year 2023-2024 is:

'Paths of Light'

(Psalm 119:105)

Happy New Year and greetings to all of our Sunday School scholars.

Our continuing theme for this Assembly year 2023-2024 is **"Paths of Light"** (Psalm 119:105)

The true reflection of Christmas is light. The interior and exterior of homes and buildings display lights at Christmastime. Nothing else reflects who Jesus is but the light:

"...I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."

(St. John 8:12)

The lyrics of a beautiful song declare:

"The Light of the world is Jesus
Come to the Light
'Tis shining for thee
Sweetly the Light has dawned upon me
Once I was blind, but now I can see
The Light of the world is Jesus."

Giving of gifts is another hallmark of Christmas. God gave His Son, Jesus Christ as a Gift to the world:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (St. John 3:16)

Amen.





WMB BOOST

Beverley Anderson - National Women's Missionary Band Co-ordinator

The new general Women's Missionary Band theme for the assembly year 2023-2024 is:

'Unstoppable'

(St. Mark 16:15)



Let us be unstoppable in our witnessing to the world. Part of the Great Commission Jesus gave to us, His disciples, was also to teach. Let us share how sin entered into the world with those we come into contact with. Let us be unstoppable in our witnessing.

Sin

¹² ***"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:"*** (Romans 5:12)

(Supporting Scriptures - Genesis 3:6, 1 Corinthians 15:21, Genesis 2:17).

"...by one man sin entered into the world...". The fall of one man is found in Genesis 3:1-24. When Adam sinned, his seed became corrupt. Therefore, we are sinners because we are born in sin: ⁵ ***"Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me."*** (Psalm 51:5)

Mankind does not have to teach their children to be bad or to sin. This comes naturally. We have to teach them to be good. We do not have to teach children to lie, but have to teach them to tell the truth. This supports the Scriptures that we are all born in sin.

¹⁸ ***"Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; ..."*** (Romans 5:18). According to the Word of God, all men are judged sinners; all are condemned already.

²³ ***"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"*** (Romans 3:23). Sin entered the world through our first parents in the garden of Eden, and this made all sinners.

When Jesus Christ (the 2nd Adam) came to earth, He gave us a choice. Through His death at Calvary, mankind could be free from the sin we were born with or remain in it. Therefore, man sins by choice. The dominion sin has over us is according to how we delight in it; or the refusal to allow God's love to take us out of this condemnation.

We must teach those we come into contact with these things and let them know: ¹⁶ ***"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."*** (St. John 3:16)

God bless you, as we have recently celebrated the beautiful season of Christmas, that displays God's love.

THE CHURCH OF GOD, (ENGLAND)

NATIONAL MINISTERS' CONVENTION 2023

Theme: 'For the mystery of iniquity doth already work' (2 Thessalonians 2:7)

Members and friends of The Church of God (England) met at Long Lane Church, Halesowen on 4th November 2023 for the annual Ministers' Convention. The National auxiliary co-ordinators boosted the general auxiliary themes and outlined their plans for this Convention year - 23-24.

National Overseer's Address - 'For the mystery of iniquity doth already work' (2 Thessalonians 2:7)

Bishop Bennett delivered the theme message, explaining that a mystery is something difficult to understand or impossible to explain. "Iniquity" is immorality and lawlessness of mankind. The Church in Thessalonica was being deceived by false preachers, who proclaimed the rapture had already occurred. The Apostle Paul wrote letters to reassure the Church of the teaching they had already received about the rapture. From 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4 he mentioned that "the day of the Lord" is not a one-day event. It covers a time following the rapture until the great white throne judgment. This time will include the millennial reign of Christ. It will be a terrible time, when God will pour out His wrath upon a sinful world. Paul said that there would first be a falling away of saints before Christ would appear. "Falling away" means a departure from the faith. Many have fallen away from Christ since AD 325.

The encouragement was for the brethren not to be shaken or moved by anything. The sin of lawlessness already abounds - St. Matthew 24:12. God, through Moses asked the people to choose between life or death, blessing or curse. We may ask - why would man choose lawlessness and reject righteousness? 2 Thessalonians 2:11-12 shows us God will send a strong delusion so that they should believe a lie. For 'the wicked shall do wickedly but the wise shall understand'. God told Daniel to seal the words '...till the time of the end.' Daniel 12:8-10

Message by Sister Karen Richards - 'And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold' (St. Matthew 24:12)

Sister Karen expounded upon various accounts from the Bible to express how iniquity was abounding. She looked at Adam and Eve in Genesis 3:1, Noah and the Flood - Genesis 6, Lot in the city of Sodom - Genesis 19:4-12 and finally the Levite and his Concubine - Judges 19-20. In each of these accounts, exceeding wickedness ruled in men's hearts. 'Every imagination of the thoughts of man's heart was evil continually' and 'every man did that which was right in his own eyes'. These accounts of malevolence were recorded centuries ago, but moral decline is increasing each year. Today, institutions such as the royal families, world leaders and professional bodies no longer uphold just and moral standards. We read of royals selling tell-all stories about the institution that once was private. Prime Ministers and Presidents are being investigated for crimes, whilst neglecting the people they should be representing. Scandalous and sinful lifestyles are being exposed more frequently. Statistics indicate that Christianity is on the decline. The Scripture states '...the love of many shall wax cold' in St. Matthew 24:12, but not every man's heart will become cold. Just like Noah who found grace in God's eyes, we too can find grace and stay close to God, in these times.

Sister Beverley Wilson
National Reporter

Youth is the time to serve the Lord

(Satan)

Youth isn't the time to serve the Lord when there's so much fun to be had
Particularly now I've convinced the world that everything good is bad
I'm relishing my earthly throne, see I'm the prince of this world
I'm particularly proud that children can choose if they're a boy or girl
For bonus points they can be both rejecting boring old binary
Education and the Law steers clear of God's refinery
Serve only me and I promise, worldly wisdom I will feed ya
My influencers teach you loads, just jump on social media,
Spend hours on there while you're at it - keep your finger scrolling
Indulge, don't pray or read the Word, then try a little trolling...
See I'm bending the trees while they're still young, creating a generation
Of strong-willed individuals who need give no explanation
Of the choices they are free to make with minds your God created
When youth reject God's righteousness, I must say I'm elated.
At school I'll help you blend right in, and everyone will like you
When you sing my songs, promote me, trust me, everyone **will** like you
At college, you'll be loved by all when you start drinking booze
After all that is **your** body and you have the right to choose
Exactly what you want to do with it, and when, and where - with whom
If you give your life to me then all your time I will consume
At uni I'll open both your eyes to truths you've never known
And then you'll finally be woke and your mind fuse will be blown
The relationships I have for you are nothing short of Superior
At work, the social life I'll give to you...never will you be inferior
But even if you must be ☺Christian and do holy mumbo jumbo
Mix worldliness and truth, now come on that's the perfect combo
What benefits can ever come from giving God your life
There's so much stuff you cannot do, like finding a husband or wife
(for starters)
Or living how you wanna live, you really are the boss
And following that Jesus? You'll only suffer loss
When you are depressed, I have a whole menu of choices
From alcohol to prescription drugs which silence mental voices
When I'm the ruler of your life, your pleasure is my bidding
Give that up for an invisible God, come on you must be kidding
They say He's overcome the grave, just because He's risen
Serving God from 12-35 will make your life a prison, I mean
Together we'll beat unemployment and I will make you rich quick,
Girls I'll beautify you top to toe, I'll make you insta slim-thick

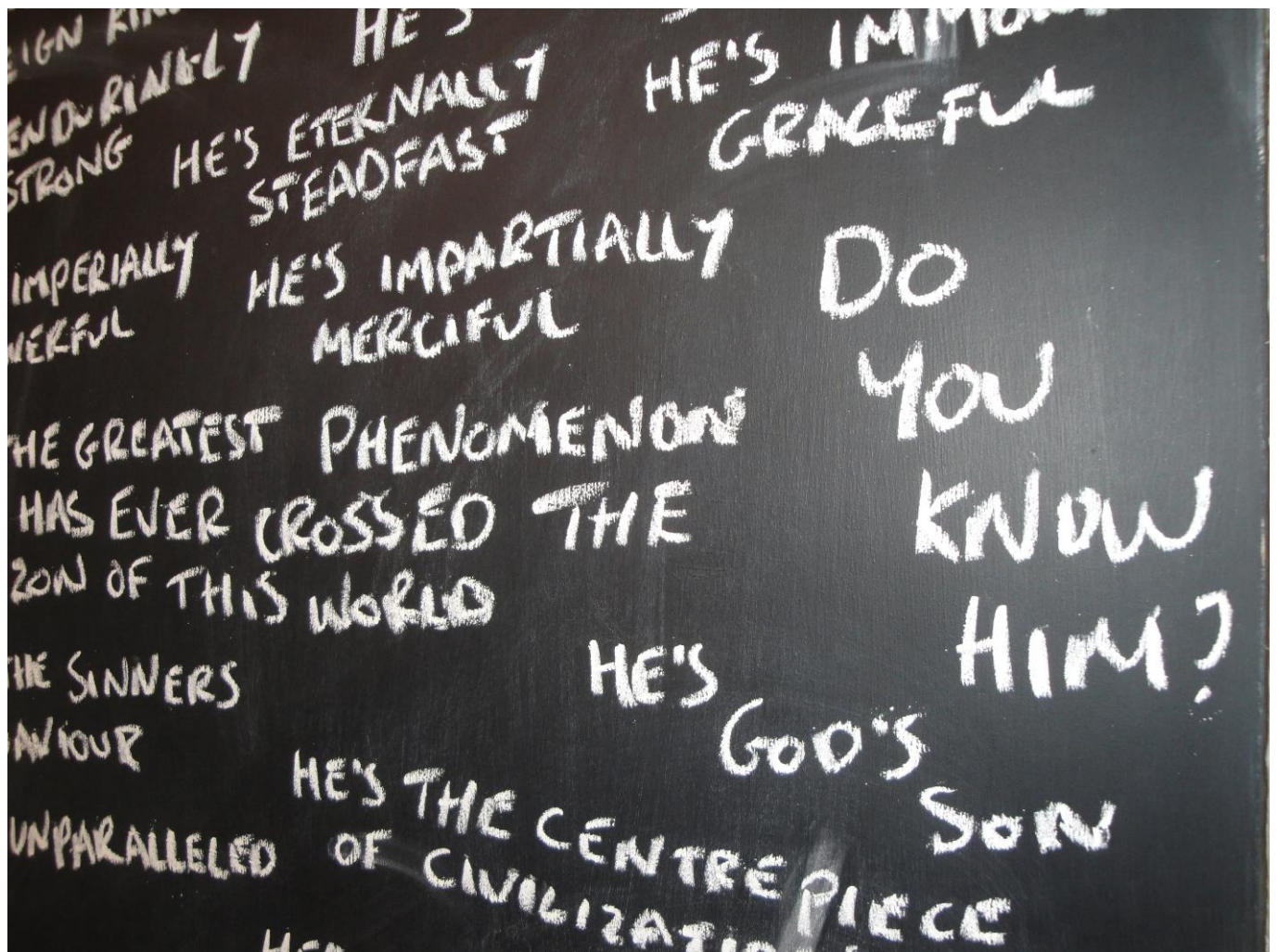
Now with all that I have told you how on Earth can it be said
That youth's the time to serve the Lord - just get that right out of your head.

(Jesus)

I'll begin at Ecclesiastes Chapter 11 and verse 9
All you need to expose the devil is right in this Word of mine
Rejoice oh young man in thy youth and let your heart be cheery
Walk in the ways of thine heart, then into judgment I will bring thee
See the devil is the father of lies, no truth is found within him
All his promises will come to naught and death will result from sinning
Never does he share the consequence of heeding to his call
When pride and vanity's through with you, you will surely fall
If serving him's the thing to do, then it's certainly surprising
That his servants scrounge in vain for joy, suicidal rates are rising
He's caused disorder on the earth, which one day I will burn
Saints in Heaven ask me 'how long?', nature groans for My return
Only Father knows the day and time I'll put in My appearance
And the devil knows his time is short for making interference
Whilst it's true God made your mind, it wasn't so that you would use it
To worship self, and waste your youth and basically abuse it
If you gamble with your soul, I guarantee that you will lose it
The salary for sin is death - so why then would you choose it?
The devil presents what you can't do, so let Me tell you what you can
Live victoriously here on earth, just like the Son of man
When in the centre of My will, you'll have all that you need
To flourish, prosper, overcome - through challenges I'll lead
I'll give you wisdom, knowledge guidance through your every situation
I will sanctify you wholly, beautify you with salvation
The devil boasts of methods to support your mental health
But in Christ you won't need solutions that live upon a shelf
I heal spiritually and physically - emotionally too
I give joy that sits within which can't be taken out from you
Being young in days like this, just like in Noah's generation
You need Me to keep you steadfast, let Me do the navigation
Let Me be your Strength, your Shield, your Refuge, I'll be the whole nine
Cast your burdens now upon Me, I'll take your yoke, you take Mine
I came that you might have life, and have life abundantly
But he came to kill, steal and destroy, and not just those who follow Me!
I know the desires of your heart, if in Me you do delight
I will give you them, and so much more, just don't put out your light
If instead you choose this world and all its pleasures to pursue
Chasing fool's gold, wasting all the time that I have given you
There's no guarantee you'll make it back, I'm even at the doors
Make your choice to follow Me, and now escape the dragon's claws.
Speak to those who waited long before My love they sweetly tasted,
They'll tell you of regret for all the time that they had wasted
The world will chew you up then spit you out like sour vomit
Parents - please train children right, when old they will not depart from it.

The devil will trick you with promise of wealth but watch out for the little leaven
 All I ask is for one tenth, then I'll pour blessings down from heaven
 Popularity is fickle, social status has no weight
 These pursuits are to distract you and to keep you from the strait
 Use your youth and strength to work for Me, rewards will last forever
 Tell other youth your testimony, share the gospel ever
 Swim against the current, resist the devil, he will flee
 And then one day soon in judgment, he will finally face Me.
 I will end his little reign by casting him down into hell
 But if him you serve, I'll have no choice but to send you there as well
 Don't get caught up in this world or in its false agenda
 Instead stand tall, stand up, stand firm, stand out, to Me surrender
 For I know the plans I have for you, hear Me, I am the Lord
 I say with all authority, youth's the time to serve the Lord!

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Joshua 4:6-7

Habakkuk 2:2





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