



Kids Column



>>> The officer looks over at the woman and asks, 'Does your husband always talk to you this way, Ma'am?' and she said, 'Only when he's been drinking.'

THE PASSAGE: "He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy" ... (Proverbs 28:13).

THE APPLICATION: There is no shortage on lying today. Lying has become common and even accepted in our corrupt and decaying society where the moral compass (in many instances) has moved away from what is upright and true. Think about it ... politics, gender, wokeness, homosexuality, the Bible, marriage and family, Jesus and His church, salvation, Christian living, false doctrine, etc. Oh, my friends if there was ever a time, let us speak what is TRUE!!!

Second Guessing the Apostle Paul

In a sermon I once preached there was a point made about Paul's dialogue with the Roman official Felix (Acts 24:24-27). I stressed that Paul taught Felix about God's law, urged him to obey it, and warned him about the consequences if he did not. In fact, Paul's warning about "judgment to come" was so forceful that "Felix trembled". I emphasized that (despite popular opinion to the contrary) Paul saw the advantage of fear motivation in his effort to prompt Felix's obedience. Other examples of such fear motivation can be found in a host of passages in both the Old and New Testaments.

A visitor to the services that day - a Christian - wrote the following response to the lesson: "Fear tactics would be great if they worked - but what is the bottom line? Did Felix obey the gospel? What about the world today - fear runs away - love draws. Yes, truth should be preached, but I believe more will be converted and stay with the positive love of God and all the blessings in Christ."

It's not hard to conclude that this lady did not like the sermon. She's not the first, nor will she be the last, to find something wanting in a particular lesson. But more careful analysis reveals that she was not just faulting this sermon - she was, in fact, criticizing the inspired apostle himself! Look again - do you see it? She clearly implies that Felix would have likely obeyed if Paul had only had enough sense to put more emphasis on "the positive love of God". The truth remains - do not forget it - "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God" (Hebrews 10:31). Think! - by Greg Gwin

Memory verse

James 1:25 But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

Gods Plan of Salvation

Hear-Romans 10:17, Believe John-8:24, Repent-Luke 13:3, Confess Romans-10:9-10, Baptism-Acts 2:38, Remain Faithful-Revelation 2:10

12/15/24

Seeking Truth

Everyone is welcome to attend.



Service Times

Sunday Morning Bible Study
10:00AM

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM

Wednesday Evening Bible Study
6:00 PM



By: Allen Shepherd

THE STORY: "A police officer pulls over a speeding car. The officer says, 'I clocked you at 80 miles per hour, sir.'

The driver says, 'Well, officer I had it on cruise control at 60; perhaps your radar gun needs calibrating.' Not looking up from her knitting the wife says, 'Now don't be silly dear, you know this car doesn't have cruise control!'

As the officer writes out the ticket, the driver looks over at his wife and growls, 'Can't you please keep quiet for once??!!'

The wife smiles and says, 'You should be thankful your radar detector went off when it did.'

As the officer smiles and makes out the second ticket for the illegal radar detector unit, the man looks at his wife again and says through clenched teeth, 'Woman, can't you keep quiet?!!!!!'

The officer frowns and says, 'And I notice that you're not wearing your seat belt, sir. That's an automatic \$75 fine.'

The driver says, 'Yeah, well, you see officer, I had it on, but took it off when you pulled me over so that I could get my license out of my back pocket.'

The wife says, 'Now, dear, you know very well that you didn't have your seat belt on. You never wear your seat belt when you're driving.'

And as the police officer is writing out the third ticket the driver turns to his wife and barks, 'Will you please be quiet!!!!!!'>>>