What Good is a Preacher Without His Bible?



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"What goo dis a preacher without his Bible anyway?"

Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit.





And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not."

Mark 9:18



He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me."



Bring them to Jesus

Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.





So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood.





Lifelong struggle

And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."

Mark 9:22



The devil works in extremes



Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes."





Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"





WHY?

There are things of science we do not understand, yet we do not not abandon science.

Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God





"Throughout eternity we will always be searching, always learning, and still we will never find all the treasures of His wisdom, His goodness, and His power. E.G.W. – Steps to Christ Study Guide, P. 77



Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.





Enter the Bible, in awe of God.

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.





DOUBT

If we are not trying to be in tune with God in both words we say and the things we do, then no matter how smart we are we will likely misunderstand the Scriptures. E.G.W. – Steps to Christ Study Guide, P. 78



When someone is in that condition it is not safe to trust what they have to say about the Bible. Those who look in the Scriptures to find things that they think are wrong, E.G.W. – Steps to Christ Study Guide, P. 78



are not being guided by the Holy Spirit. Since they don't see clearly, they will see many reasons for doubt and unbelief in things that are really plain and simple. E.G.W. – Steps to Christ Study Guide, P. 78



But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden *His* face from you, So that He will not hear.







If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know concerning the doctrine, whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority.



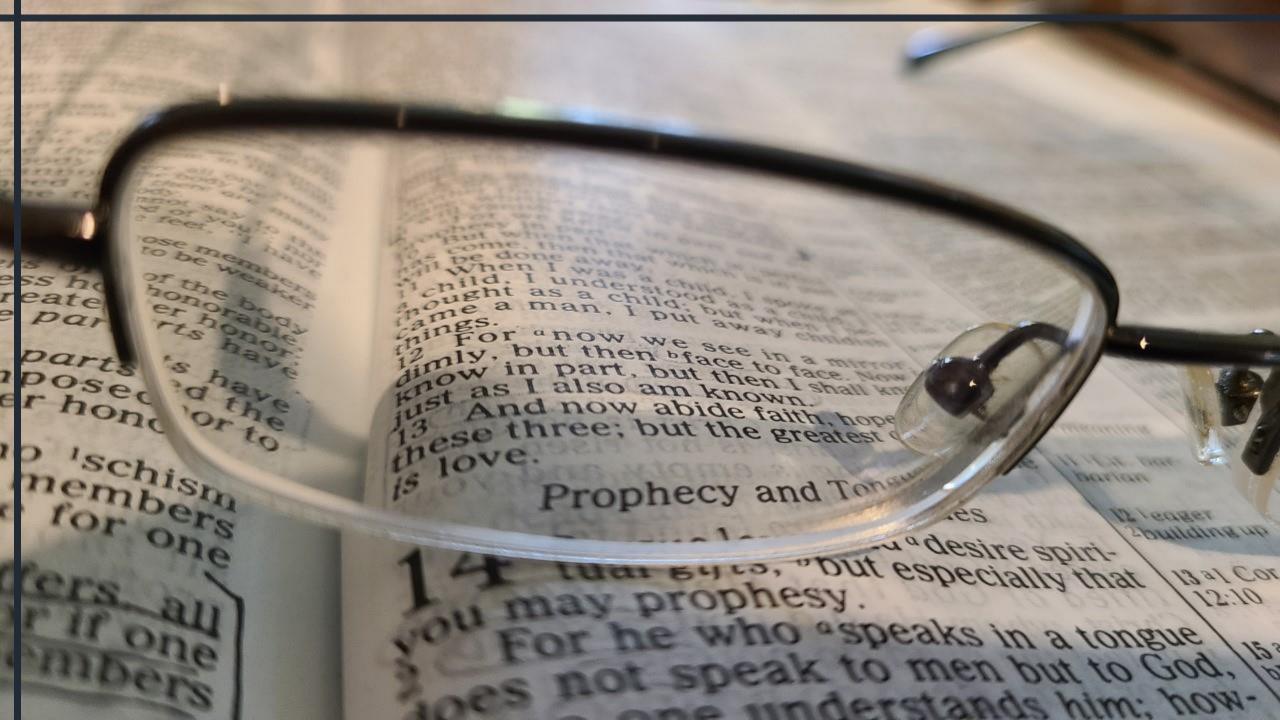




But the path of the just is like the shining sun, That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.

Proverbs 4:18





For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.







Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"







But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.







Closing Hymn - #286 Wonderful Words of Life



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