

"So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the **WORD** of God."

Romans 10:17

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Do You Love Jesus?

A Pastor told of the faithfulness and usefulness of a family in his church. He said, "I complimented them on being so dependable and dedicated. They looked at each other, and then the husband spoke: "When we were first married, we were loyal Christians. We came to church regularly and made our religion a vital part of our home and our lives. As soon as he was old enough, we brought him to the nursey. After he grew a little older, we found it easier just to drop him off at Sunday school and then pick him up after Sunday school was over. This went on for several years. Then one Sunday morning at breakfast, after a long silence, our son asked, "Daddy, don't you love Jesus anymore?"

"Of course, I do." He answered. "What makes you

ask that?'

"Timidly, the boy continued, "You never go to Sunday School with me. You just drop me off and then

come back home. I just decided you didn't love Jesus anymore. And it upset me, because my teacher said that, if we love Jesus, we will do what he wants us to do. I try to do what he wants me to do."

The father reached over and covered the boy's hand with his and said, "Billy, I am ashamed of myself. I thought I had a lot of things that were more important, but I don't

think I do. I will be ready to go with you to Sunday school in just a few minutes. We are going together as we used to do, and from now on I'm going every Sunday.

Billy's question is a good one for each of us to be asking ourselves: "Don't we love Jesus anymore?

Duck Micholson



The World As It Is

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Two demons have been roaming the world, poisoning souls with sins, inflicting hearts with pride, and turning everyone, they could away from God's glory.

Since Adam's fall, they've had free reign to roam about this earth.
"How goes it?" one demon asks another, both perched on rocks in the empty Arizona desert. The heat reminds them of their new home since being cast away from Heaven's gate.

"Not well," replied the other. "I try to give people a good dose of despair, the kind that never relents. Sometimes, though, they turn back towards the Lord in that despair. I'm having trouble finding the right method to get people to give up on God.'

The first devil looked perplexed. Since his expulsion from Heaven, his rage with God was complete. His only purpose, as far as he was concerned, was to tear as much of God's creation away from Him as possible in response. This new demon wasn't getting the job done.

I understand," he said very seriously. "I've been there too. But I have found that while watching human tragedy unfold is an incredible delight, it's not always the best way to ruin the vile human's soul."

"Instead, whatever you do, don't show yourself. Make them comfortable. Let them feel relatively safe. In their own thoughts,

tell them that they're wonderful. Let them think they're in control of their destiny."

"And then," he smiles sinisterly, "introduce just enough hardship and stress in their life that they think they can manage their situations on their own. Threaten their drab, comfortable existence, but not so much they turn in despair to God.'

'How do you do that?"

"Usually, give them what they want. Answer their prayers about material things, give them some extra money and lots of leisure time. And make sure that you tell them in their own thoughts that they did this and deserve it. Really get their pride going."

"Once you've instilled that pride in them, all their thoughts of greed, jealousy, and sloth will come naturally to them. They'll

worry about maintaining what they have because they feel like they deserve all their material things. They'll waste their life away.

A light bulb went off in the second demon's head. "And they will think all this comes from their own thoughts and not from us because of their pride?"

The first demon continued, "Exactly! And you know what the best thing is?"

There was a dramatic pause, and then, "I don't have to do anything. They've sealed their fate."

A battle continues every day against forces of darkness that surrounds us. Evil lurks everywhere, including in thoughts sent straight from the evil ones. Be a spiritual warrior and pray incessantly for the love and grace of Jesus Christ. Don't fall for the tricks of the evil one.

LOVE AND MARRIAGE



What was the name of Abraham's wife? Rachel Sarah Rebekah Leah Which of his wives did Jacob love the most? Zilpah Rachel Where did Moses meet his future wife? A well at Midian ____Pharaoh's palace ____In route to the promise land What was the name of Ruth's second husband? Chilion Elimelech Mahlon What was the name of Abigail's first husband? ___Uzzah ____Joash _ What does Paul say is the greatest? Hope Love All three How does Paul describe marriage in Hebrews?

Loving ____Perfect ____A gift ____Honorable









Again, we want to share with you the testimonials sent by some who have recently heard one of the many weekly and daily broadcasts. While reading these testimonials, we hope you are made aware that God, through you, has made it possible to send forth the message of His son to millions each week.

Brother Buck, I lost track of time and almost missed you today. I don't think I have missed a broadcast in months. My sister had dropped by and she listened with me. So, I think I got you a new listener today. Blessings.

Myrma C.

Brother Buck, "We listen together my Dad and me every week and like your good broadcast." Linda M.

Pastor Nicholson, "I am Leonardo Baldi. I listen with my wife and son to you each week. The great word of the Lord is undeniable. He is our guide through this life. We live in Rome, Italy and it is a fine thing to be able to receive your broadcasts and to grow all the time with the Lord Jesus the Christ.

Pastor Nicholson, "We have a family from Ireland with us for the weekend. They will be speaking at our church and I want them to hear your program. They will be here at just the right time." Tara B. Mobile Al