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The **Holy Bible** has a wide angle lens when it speaks warnings. Some biblical angles **warn** about the danger of false teachings and teachers. Others alert us to trials, of end times and events, about our behavior, and about loss of salvation when we are disobedient.

Several New Testament **Warnings** are aimed at those who are apart of the church but who don't truly know Christ and are not actually saved. "*It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit, who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age, if they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because to their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace*" (Hebrews 6:4-6 NIV). [C Hebrews 10:26 All Versions].

There is another angle in the Bible, thought. This angle teaches us about the **rewards** we receive from loving God and living holy lives.

October issue of JAMES DAVIS DOOR POST Newsletter will help us to understand God's "**WARNINGS** as well as His **REWARDS!**"

WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE!"

Financial Support is Urgently Needed!

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"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf." (Hebrews 6:19-20 NIV).

"THE MOTTO: "FAITH IT, 'TIL WE MAKE IT!"

For the LORD loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones. Wrongdoers will be completely destroyed; the offspring of the wicked will perish. Psalm 37:28 THE DOOR POST James Davis EML Newsletter = Fourth Year Jr. Mother Iris A. B. Barnett, BA, MS = Curator

"WARNINGS:" As believers we must make sure that we understand biblical warnings as well as biblical rewards, in light of eternal security. THANKFULLY we have commentary and scriptures to enlighten our understanding of both. The **Bible'** passages also clearly **warn** about Christian behavior. These passages teach (by implication] the **perseverance** of the saints; that is, those whom are truly born again will not deny the gospel or forsake Christ. "Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain" (1 Corinthians 15:1-2 NIV). The **warning** here being, **name only** Christians will be swayed from the gospel through the attacks of the unbelieving world [C 1 Timothy 1:19-20]. Paul may also be warning that true salvation vs. a mere intellectual emotional reaction is **worthless**, to save a soul. The warning here is, professing Christians may be like the **stony** ground or the **thorny** ground in Jesus' parable [C Matthew 13:1-23]. Jesus gave warning: [C Matthew 7:21-23] NTL]: "Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. On judgment day many will say to me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name. But I will reply, 'I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God's laws." Other scriptures warn against various sins. These warnings relate to God's sanctification [C Galatians 5:1]. Revelation contains warnings regarding the sins of theological compromise, immorality, apathy and pride.

BELIEVERS: are called to live **holy** and professors of faith are called to **repent** and **trust** in Christ for salvation. The need for believers to avoid <u>sin</u> and the need for false converts to <u>stop</u> pretending necessitate understanding the many **warnings** of Scripture.

REWARDS! We can **know** we are saved [C 1 John 5:13 AMP]. Jesus is the **author** and **finisher** of our faith [C Hebrews 12:2]. God will **finish** the work He **began** in us, [C Philippians 1:6 AMP].

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Deacon Aaron Waffer - Librarian Library Hours: By Appointment Only. NEW Article Deadline: 3rd Sundays.



"WARNINGS VS. REWARDS!"

Pastor Eugene Collins, III

WITH so MANY voices: and opinions bombarding our thoughts today, we all can be swayed off track without even realizing the direction we are headed to.

- WARNINGS: we don't takes seriously enough: We must be very careful how we live [C Ephesians 5:15, Romans 12:2].
- Let go of **Empty** words. [C Matthew 12:36; Ephesians 4:29; Ephesians 5:4; Colossians 4:6]. Like David, we can **commit** our words to God (Psalm 9:14].
- **RESIST** Being **People** Pleasers: Today with Social Media, it's so easy to get caught up in gaining "likes" and others "shares." We dwell too much on being accepted rather than speaking God's truth (C John 15:19).

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Our Deepest Condolences to all who loss loved ones during the months of September and October.



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WARNINGS VS REWARDS!

TEST THE SPIRITS! So how do we test the spirits? Often our own feelings and understanding can lead us astray as Proverb 16:25 describes. Some ways appear **right**, but lead to **death**. Instead we must let Scriptures like Proverbs 3:5-6 urge us to "trust in the Lord." By turning to God's Word to see what is written concerning a new idea or trend, along with praying and asking God to reveal the truth to us, we can test the spirits.

PUT ASIDE REVENGE: As believers, how do we handle being lied about, wronged, mistreated, or cheated out of things such as promotions, positions, or belongings that should have rightfully been ours? Do we follow current social protocol, such as going online to expose the injustice and spread the word of what the offender did to us? Or

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do we submit the wrong to God and trust Him to make things right?

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SCRIPTURE WARNS: say, 'I'll pay you back for this wrong!' Wait for the Lord, and He will avenge you" (Proverbs 20:22). Jesus is the ultimate example of trusting God as described in (C 1 Peter 2:23). In suffering, we can look to Christ and follow His steps as our example in walking through it (C 1 Peter 2:21).

KEEP VOWS TO GOD! Some believers think that since we live under grace, we're not obligated to keep our vows to God because we're already forgiven, He'll understand, and it doesn't really matter to Him. Deuteronomy 23:21 warns, if we make a vow to the Lord, pay it, God certainly will demand it to be paid.

BIRTHDAYS



Feature Article

THINK IMAGE:

PRAISE AND WORSHIP C.O.G.I.C "HOUR OF POWER"

PRAYER REVIVAL

October 4-8, 2021 = 7PM

Stand Firm In God's REWARDS OF Freedom Vs. Disobeying His WARN-"Do not INGS! Today, folks are currently enslaved in some way and there are believers who've been set free. Freedom never comes without cost. Thousands sacrificed their lives to guarantee freedom. More are willing to do the same in order to maintain this valuable reward. Because there are forces bent on stealing freedom, the necessity of having people who focus on its **preservation** is ever present. The "process of enjoying" this reward of freedom means there must be those who always quard against the enemy who would take it away.

> This principle holds true in the spiritual realm. Every believer's freedom from sin must always be defended as Paul wrote, "stand firm" (C Galatians 5:1). It's only when we understand God's warnings, discover His truths, and appropriate them that the liberty made available at the cross becomes a reality in our lives.

> PONDER THIS IMAGE! It was so we could have the reward of freedom that Christ lived and died to set us free. Isn't it **time** we took Him up on His offered reward?