

# Hunger For Truth

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**“Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.**

**Proverbs 7:2**

**Matthew 5:6**

**John 8:32**

**II Timothy 3:16-17**

**Hebrews 4:2**

## **Special Interest Articles:**

- Emotions in the Bible – Pt. 4
- “Good Bye Old World” by Pastor David Smith
- OT Bible Book Memory in the “Children for Christ” column

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## Greetings

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Welcome to the latest issue of Hunger For Truth. It is now Fall, truly one of the most beautiful seasons of the year. I love the fall and it is my favorite time of year to be outdoors in the beauty of God’s majestic creation.

In This Issue: you’ll find another great study by Pastor David Smith.

You will also find part 4 of passages that relate to emotions entitled “Emotions in the Bible”.

See the “Special Interest Articles” section for just some of what you will see this month in the newsletter.

Also, please note that back issues of the newsletter are available to view, print or save at [www.studytoanswer.net](http://www.studytoanswer.net).

The goal of this ministry and newsletter is to edify and encourage believers using the truth of God’s precious Holy Word.

Thank you all for taking the time to read this and for your prayers for me. I greatly appreciate your comments and I praise God for each and every one of you.

## **Meditate on The Word (Psalm 1:2; Psalm 119:148)**

### **Good Bye Old World (By: Pastor David Smith) – 1 John 2**

*The following is based on a recent Wed. evening Bible study at Community Baptist Church of Quakertown, PA by Pastor David Smith.*

According to the Word of God, it is impossible to love God and love the world and the things of the world at the same time. Yet, so many of us carry on a secret love affair with worldliness. We can try hard to get someone to stop loving and living for this world but the fact is, until we experience the joy of a deep love for God, worldliness will be a problem in our life. Jesus did not pray for God to take us out of this world but that He would take the world out of us. We live in this world but we must not let the world live in us.

### **FOUR KEYS TO OVERCOMING WORLDLINESS IN YOUR LIFE:**

#### **1. COMPREHEND THE ENEMY OF THE WORLD. – 2:15**

- Because of its Leader (Satan – leader of the world’s system)

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## Good Bye Old World *Continued*

- Because of its **Lusts** (Gal. 1:4, 1 John 5:19, II Pet. 2:7)

*“There is nothing the Christian life suffers more from than the subtle and indescribable worldliness that comes from the cares or the possessions of this life.” (Andrew Murray)*

- Because of its **Lies** (“You need this” – i.e. TV ads)

*“It is better to have the whole world for our enemy and God as our friend, than to have the whole world for our friends and God as our enemy.”*



Matthew 5:6

*“Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.”*

John 8:32

*“And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”*

**“ If God is  
your  
co-pilot...you  
need to switch  
seats.”**

-Unknown

### 2. COMPREHEND THE **EMPTINESS** OF THE WORLD – 2:16

- It may take great **Loss** to change our minds.

*“worldlings make gold their God, saints make God their gold.” (Matthew Henry)*

- It may take a fresh **Look** to change our vision. (Long for Christ! Desire Christ 1<sup>st</sup> and most!)

*“To many of us wander in the wilderness, longing for garlic, instead of grace, melons instead of manna.” (Havner)*

- It will take a greater **Love** to change our heart. (1 John 2:28)

*“Conformity to the world can be overcome by nothing but conformity to Jesus Christ.”*

### 3. COMPREHEND THE **END** of the world – 2:17

*“If you are wise, let the world pass, lest you pass away with the world.”*

- Headed for the **Waste Heap** (Wood, hay and stubble) (the world preeminent and NOT Christ.)

- Headed for the **Burn Pile** (1 Pet. 3:10) (Temporary material things)

- Headed away from God’s **Will**

### 4. COMPREHEND THE **ETERNITY** OF THE WORLD TO **COME**. – 2:17

- I’ll be forever **Rich** (Matt. 6) (1 Tim. 6)

*“God can’t put his treasures into hands that are already full.”*

- I’ll be forever **Rewarded** (Give up the world) (Luke 18)

- I’ll be forever **Received** (In the right place, because of a right choice with a righteous God.)

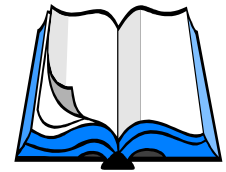
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*Fanny Crosby – “Take the World but Give Me Jesus”*

*Take the world but give me Jesus – all its joys are but a name. But  
His love abideth ever, thro eternal years the same.*



## Emotions in the Bible (Part 4) (By: Craig G.)

There are many verses and passages in the Bible that relate to emotions and feelings of man and our Lord Himself in trials, suffering, affliction, and of course peace and joy. The following is an ongoing study of passages that have convicted, comforted, edified, encouraged or blessed me through hearing messages, devotions and studies over the years. I hope this is a blessing and help to you and I, and that the Lord may be honored and glorified in this series of studies on emotions in the Bible. Each issue, Lord willing, will have a verse or passage in the Bible covered. I am excited and privileged to do this. Praise God! I intend to break each passage down into the following: **Passage, Emotion(s), Cause, Effect, What does the passage say?, What does the passage say to you and I?, What should you and I do about it?, How do you and I stay accountable?**



### II Timothy 3:16-17

*“All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.”*

### Hebrews 4:12

*“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”*

**Passage:** Psalm 128:1-2– *“Blessed is every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in His ways. For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee.”*

**Emotion(s):** Fear (feareth)-Reverential Awe of God, Happiness

**Cause:** Fearing the Lord, Walking in His ways

**Effect:** Blessing for every one that feareth the LORD, Enjoyment of the labour of our hands, happiness and wellness

**What does the passage say?** This passage says a lot! It says that EVERY ONE that feareth (*has a reverential awe and respect of who and what God is and what He can and will do*) the Lord and walks in His ways and not the ways of the world is blessed (happy)! It says we will eat the labour of thine hands. I believe we will be given wisdom and knowledge by the Lord to be a good steward of our time, talent and treasure. It says we will be happy and it will be well. We will have peace that passes all understanding whether we are in the valley of trials or on the mountaintop. Those whose heart and mind are stayed upon Him will have peace.

**What does the passage say to you and I?** Ask yourself daily and often; am I walking in His ways? Am I fearing the Lord? Am I a faithful steward of my time, my talent and my finances? Is my happiness and joy real? Is it of the Lord or just worldly temporary joy? Is it well with your soul? Believer, prayerfully seek the Lord and consider these questions and how they relate to your daily walk with the Lord.

**What should you and I do about it?** Fear Him and strive to walk in His ways by meditating in His word daily, praying, praising, witnessing and being faithful to your local church. Strive to be a faithful steward giving God all your time, talent and treasure for it is all His to begin with. Realize that true joy, happiness and peace can only be in and of Christ.

**How do you and I stay accountable?** Stay looking in the word and looking up to God in prayer. Seek out counsel from a pastor, family member or friend when you struggle with this passage.



## Quotes of The Month

(Source Unknown)

*“The vigor of our spiritual life will be in exact proportion to the place held by the Bible in our life and thoughts. I solemnly state this from experience of fifty-four years. The first three years after conversion I neglected the Word of God. Since I began to search it diligently the blessing has been wonderful. I have read the Bible through one hundred times, and always with increasing delight. Each time it seems like a new book to me. Great has been the blessing from consecutive, diligent, daily study. I look upon it as a lost day when I have not had a good time over the Word of God. -- George Miller*

*“One night alone in prayer might make us new men, changed from poverty of soul to spiritual wealth, from trembling to triumphing. – Charles Spurgeon*

*“Have we ever been this serious about crying out to the Lord?” – Luke 6:12*

## ☺ Children For Christ ☺ - “Old Testament Bible Book Memory”

**Memory Verse:** *Psalm 119:105 - “Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”*

FILL IN THE MISSING LETTER(S) OF THESE OLD TESTAMENT BIBLE BOOKS:

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| DEUTER_____   | ISA_____      |
| JOSH_____     | JERE_____     |
| JUDG_____     | LAMEN_____NS  |
| RU_____       | EZEK_____     |
| 1 SAM_____    | DAN_____      |
| 2 _____UEL    | HOSE_____     |
| 1 KIN_____    | JO_____       |
| 2 _____GS     | AM_____       |
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| NEHE_____     | NAH_____      |
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## Stop and Think:

“Paul was in a dark place. He was a prisoner of Nero in degrading circumstances and awaited death at any moment. Many thoughts filled his mind. Yet, above these were two others: the will of God and the promise of life. Whatever was happening to him he was convinced was in the will of God; it could not be otherwise. While Nero might be the means of his death yet he had the promise of life in Christ Jesus. Man’s worst efforts opened up God’s promises. Somewhere in this darkest hour was God’s will and somewhere in the confusion was God’s promise of life. May we also try to remember these wonderful truths in our dark times.”

-R. Hill, in *2011 Choice Gleanings*

---2 Timothy 1:1---



## Song of the Month – “I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus”

This is a rare hymn that the Lord led me to. I opened up the hymn book right to it as I was looking for a song to use for this issue! It is done by Frances R. Havergal and Ethelbert W. Bullinger. The words made me think of how often or little I trust in Jesus for everything and to be careful for nothing. Are you and I fully trusting ONLY Jesus?

*I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus – trusting only Thee; Trusting Thee for full salvation, great and free.*

*I am trusting Thee to guide me – Thou alone shalt lead, every day and hour supplying all my need.*

*I am trusting Thee for power – Thine can never fail; Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me must prevail.*

*I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus – Never let me fall; I am trusting Thee forever, and for all.*

Wow! What powerful words! Believer, read this song over and over again and seek His dear face and put ALL your trust only and fully in Jesus Christ alone!



If you have a praise, prayer request, study, devotional or article you would like posted in Hunger For Truth, please e-mail it to me at [svtdtday@yahoo.com](mailto:svtdtday@yahoo.com)



## Praises

- I praise God for enabling me to receive a FT job transfer to Walpole, MA with my current job.
- I praise God and want to say thank you to each and every one of you who take the time to read this every month and to those who have sent emails or have spoken to me about how the Lord has blessed you. Please keep them coming. They are a great blessing.
- Praise God for solid Local NT churches all across the land.
- Praise God for Victory in Jesus! Hallelujah, What a Savior!
- Praise God for health, safety, friends, family, and fellowship.
- I praise God for the privilege & blessing of preparing and sending this newsletter to people all across the land.
- Praise God that all we are and have belongs to Him. We should not want it any other way.

## Prayer Requests

- Children and teens across the globe with serious health ailments.
- Expectant mothers all across the globe to know the Lord and raise the children for the Lord
- Clara Vasel (Age 5) (Brain surgery on 8/30 and for a full and speedy recovery)
- Gods grace, strength, wisdom and victory regarding an unspoken request for the HFT editor.
- Those in need of employment and ones seeking other jobs.
- Pray for unspoken needs for a friend of the HFT editor
- Pray that God would help the H.F.T. editor find the one wife that God has for him.
- Our nation and its leaders and for revival in this land
- Salvation of my sister Wendy & friend Ben • Local New Testament churches with building needs
- Salvation of my nephew Jacob and Aunts' Sybil and Bernice
- Salvation of our family, friends and co-workers
- Souls devastated by the earthquake & tsunami in Japan. Pray for souls to be saved.
- Wisdom regarding HFT, HFT ministries and for FT service as the Lord leads
- Parents across this land to raise their children for the Lord
- Health and needs of Pastors, Missionaries, and Evangelists and their families
- Tract distribution and outreach to lost souls all over the world who were witnessed to last month for salvation

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## In The Next Issue

Emotions in the Bible study continues along with a Bible study plus a study in the “Children For Christ” column.

Thank you for reading this. I praise God for all my dear brothers and sisters in Christ and I greatly appreciate your prayers. May each and every one of you be richly blessed as we serve our precious Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

His Servant,

Craig G. – Prov. 3:5-6

