



**Words of Wisdom Radio Transcripts by [John T Polk II](#)**

*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

**5/29/2023**

**Are We Listening?**

Jesus explanation of the parable of the seed in **Mark 4:2-20** shows four responses to God’s Word:

- 1) **“Satan comes immediately and takes away the word.”** Satan is working in children preoccupied with electronics, adults planning the rest of the day, and those “hung over” from Saturday night;
- 2) **“have no root in themselves, and so endure only for a time.”** These with “fading faith” are often branded “hypocrites,” but they are only weak;
- 3) **“the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.”** These have no room for faith in their present busy lives to prepare for the next life!
- 4) **“those who hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit.”** All of these attended church and heard a sermon, but “the faithful few” left to live it!

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**The Lazy Man**

He who is slothful in his work Is a brother to him who is a great destroyer. (**Proverbs 18:9**)

The slothful man can destroy a society.

The hand of the diligent will rule, But the lazy man will be put to forced labor. (**Proverbs 12:24**)

It’s the lazy person who gives away his freedom, but will be forced to work anyway! “The working man” is not a cliché, it is a necessity! Without working, a man has no heritage to share and enjoy! Solomon said,

So I perceived that nothing is better than that a man should rejoice in his own works, for that is his heritage. For who can bring him to see what will happen after him? (**Ecclesiastes 3:22**)

One of the facts of life still is: “All things are full of labor; Man cannot express it.” (**Ecclesiastes 1:8**)

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**Causes Of Depression**

Jesus warned:

"But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly." (**Luke 21:34**)

According to this verse, Jesus mentioned three things that cause "clinical depression," or a "weighing down" of ourselves:

- (1) "**carousing**" is the lightheadedness or dizziness caused by alcohol or other drugs;
- (2) "**drunkenness**" is the softening up of one's moral judgment caused by alcohol or other drugs;
- (3) "**cares of this life**" is the anxiety, or constant worry, about "this life." Notice that all three keep us from using our good moral, or spiritual, judgment in making decisions. Don't let anyone convince you that life is happier by using any of these things. They only depress what "could have been!"

Jesus came that "they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly" (**John 10:10**).

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**Heed God's Written Word**

People who think they can completely disregard God's Word may be suddenly confronted with God's Word! Belshazzar, the king of Babylon, called for the sacred vessels used by Israelites in God's temple under the Law of Moses, for his drinking feast.

The fingers of a man's hand appeared and wrote opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace" and pronounced God's condemnation on Belshazzar. (**Daniel 5:1-6**)

That very night Belshazzar king of the Chaldeans, was slain (**Daniel 5:30**). Seeing "the handwriting on the wall" has been a way to express immediate doom ever since. Though not actual "handwriting on the wall," it doesn't take a Solomon to see signs of impending destruction.

For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them. (**1 Thessalonians 5:3**)

Heed God's Written Word!

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**Jesus & Division**

The damage of divisiveness was clearly stated by Jesus:

“If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself, and is divided, he cannot stand, but has an end.” (**Mark 3:24-26**)

It substantially weakens anything when it is divided against itself. No “kingdom” (or nation!), “house” (or family!), or even “Satan,” can be against itself and survive. If a nation becomes divided by an invasion of illegal immigrants, political in-fighting, and “profiteers” and, at the same time, family units are torn apart by divorce and remarriage, homosexuality, “liberation” from marriage; then it “cannot stand.”

Returning to being “one nation, under God, indivisible” can occur only by preaching, and obeying, the Bible. Jesus was right, and American history proves it!

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