



**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.*

**10-25-2021 Jesus Is No Zombie**

But the angel answered and said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay' (**Matthew 28:5-6**).

An "angel of the Lord" opened Jesus' tomb on the first day of the week. When the women came to His tomb, it was opened, and the angel had to say, "Do not be afraid." Death is so final, people are afraid to think a body has escaped its tomb. There is a difference in make-believe "Zombies," and a resurrected body. Jesus was no "Zombie," for "He is risen," that is, His is body lived again. The thought of make-believe "Zombies" creates fear, the actual fact of Jesus' resurrection creates faith! "Do not be afraid."

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**10-26-2021 Jesus Is No Ghost**

After Jesus fed a multitude of 5000 men, not counting women and children, with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish, He sent His disciples on the sea of Galilee ahead of Him. But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid' (**Matthew 14:24-27**)

They were afraid when they thought they were dealing with a "ghost," or out-of-body being, but were mistaken. Faith in Jesus Christ overcomes fear.

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**10-27-2021**

**The Holy Spirit Or the Written Word?**

Why do people listen to what God says first but not last? Jesus promised the Apostles the Holy Spirit when He said:

“The Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you” (**John 14:26**).

When this happened on Pentecost (**Acts 2:1-4, 14-22**):

And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen (**Mark 16:20**).

Those miracles cease when the word “was confirmed to us” (**Hebrews 2:3**). Scripture says:

If anyone thinks himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things which I write to you are the commandments of the Lord (**1 Corinthians 14:37**).

The written Word is God’s Message today.

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**10-28-2021**

**Use the Right Instrument**

Why do people listen to what God says at first, but not last?

Serve the LORD with gladness; Come before His presence with singing (**Psalms 100:2**).

We may approach God through the voice music of “singing.” But David added to this:

Then David and all Israel played music before God with all their might, with singing, on harps, on stringed instruments, on tambourines, on cymbals, and with trumpets (**1 Chronicles 13:8**).

God said “Woe” to those:

“Who sing idly to the sound of stringed instruments, And invent for yourselves musical instruments like David” (**Amos 6:5**).

Today, Christians should be:

Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord (**Ephesians 5:19**).

The churches of Christ don’t use David’s instruments, but our God-given hearts for singing.

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**10-29-2021      Truth First, Fable Later**

The fable about Diogenes came hundreds of years after this true challenge of God through His inspired prophet, Jeremiah:

Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem; See now and know; And seek in her open places If you can find a man, If there is anyone who executes judgment, Who seeks the truth, And I will pardon her. Though they say, 'As the LORD lives,' Surely they swear falsely (**Jeremiah 5:1-2**).

God was calling for His capital city, Jerusalem, to be morally examined microscopically. If they swore their allegiance to God Who knew their hearts, He said, "they swear falsely!" Despite God's efforts to humble them into repentance,

They have refused to receive correction. They have made their faces harder than rock; They have refused to return (**Jeremiah 5:3**).

Some lessons still need to be learned.

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