



Words of Wisdom by [John T Polk II](#)
For *WECO FM 101.3* and [The Fellowship Room](#)

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

8-10-2015 The Sodomites' Example

In Sodom, Lot had visitors, and:

The men of the city, the men of Sodom, both old and young, all the people from every quarter, surrounded the house. And they called to Lot and said to him, 'Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may know them carnally' (**Genesis 19:4-5**).

God later turned:

... The cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly (**2 Peter 2:6**).

Homosexuals in the streets, demanding their "rights" brought Sodom to ashes. With the White House bathed in rainbow colors after the U. S. Supreme Court's recognition of homosexual "rights," the ungodly haven't learned from the "example" of what God thinks!

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8-11-2015 The Israelites' Example

God delivered the Israelites from Egyptian slavery, leading them through Moses.

By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry land
(**Hebrews 11:29**).

The Apostle Paul said they:

All were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea
(**1 Corinthians 10:2**).

But they refused to enter the Promised Land, and rebelled against God. Concerning those "twenty years old and above" (**Numbers 14:29**), God swore:

... That they would not enter His rest... who did not obey... So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief" (**Hebrews 3:18-19**).

- (1) No one was saved without being baptized;
- (2) Baptized believers could become unbelievers;
- (3) Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience (**Hebrews 4:11**).

No "once-saved-always saved" here!

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### **8-12-2015 Do You Really Mean It?**

Do you really mean it?

For men indeed swear by the greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all dispute (**Hebrews 6:16**).

Swearing, or taking an oath, is bringing in a higher being to make one's promise sound surer. Christians, however, are told:

But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath. But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No,' lest you fall into judgment (**James 5:12**).

If a person has no intention of keeping his or her word, no "stack of Bibles a mile high" will make their oath mean anything! Whether it involves companies or individuals, athletes or workers, governments or citizens, husbands or wives, many do not keep their word! Society's integrity needs Christ!

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8-13-2015 Jesus Was Home Schooled

Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (**Luke 2:22**).

So began the education of the greatest, purest man who ever lived.

And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him. His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover (**Luke 2:40-41**).

By age 12, Jesus knew enough to sit:

... In the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions, [*astonishing them at*] His understanding and answers (**Luke 2:46-47**).

During the next 18 years, Jesus "was subject to" Joseph and Mary (**Luke 2:51**). He was "home schooled" with God and His Word uppermost in His life. That worked for Him!

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**8-14-2015 Truly Neglected Orphans**

Christians can now pray David’s prayer:

[*The wicked*] have also surrounded me with words of hatred, And fought against me without a cause. In return for my love they are my accusers, But I give myself to prayer. Thus they have rewarded me evil for good, And hatred for my love (**Psalm 109:3-5**).

Judgment upon the wicked may thus be:

Let his children be fatherless, And his wife a widow. Let his children continually be vagabonds, and beg; Let them seek their bread also from their desolate places (**Psalm 109:9-10**).

While fathers fiddle with their iPhones and iPads, with email, LinkedIn, YouTube or Fantasy Sports, their children are “fatherless.” While mothers use Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Tumblr, or Pinterest, their children are “vagabonds, and beg” for love and attention. Children of the wicked need parenting!

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