



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.

11-23-2015 Worldly Living

Christians “should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart” (**Ephesians 4:17-18**).

People who are “alienated from the life of God” are: clueless as to what life is really about; can't see beyond their own lusts; are ignorant and not worldly-wise; and blind to what is good and decent.

Jesus came to “seek and to save that which was lost” (**Luke 19:10**).

Jesus' message to the lost is: "He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned” (**Mark 16:16**).

Jesus died for you, live for Him, and then Thank God.

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**11-24-2015**

**Life Without God**

For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God (**1 Thessalonians 4:3-5**).

God placed clean, honorable sexual relations within marriage, for:

Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge (**Hebrews 13:4**), for

The body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body (**1 Corinthians 6:13**).

Those whose lives are devoted only to "sexual immorality" and "passion of lust," "do not know God." Jesus will condemn those who "do not know God," and "do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ" (**2 Thessalonians 1:8**).

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11-25-2015 Thanksgiving Without God?

It's impossible to have a "Thanksgiving" unless there is someone to thank! The Apostle Paul wrote:

I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day (**2 Timothy 1:3**).

- (1) God is the only source of blessings to thank, so: "Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, And whose hope is the LORD" (**Jeremiah 17:7**).
- (2) Having a "pure conscience," then: "Blessed is that man who makes the LORD his trust, And does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies" (**Psalms 40:4**).
- (3) Being constantly remembered in prayers, so that: "Blessings are on the head of the righteous, But violence covers the mouth of the wicked" (**Proverbs 10:6**).

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**11-26-2015 Thanksgiving is a Mouthful**

But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks (**Ephesians 5:3-4**).

Surely we can see that filthy, smutty, dirty language that spews from a person’s heart cannot be canceled out by an hour or a day of “thanksgiving.” Jesus made this very clear when He said:

“Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks” (**Matthew 12:34**).

“Thanksgiving” should not be confined to a day, but to a way of life, and a change of heart. David said:

I will wash my hands in innocence...That I may proclaim with the voice of thanksgiving (**Psalms 26:6-7**).

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11-27-2015 Black Friday

“Black Friday” is the current term for those who are greedy for gain, both merchants and customers. It has become the “feeding frenzy” for shoppers, some of whom camp out to get the “early bird” specials, though the old adage says “the early bird” only gets worms! Solomon said,

He who is greedy for gain troubles his own house, But he who hates bribes will live (**Proverbs 15:27**).

It is troubling to the families of both customers and clerks to not be able to enjoy family time to thank God for the blessings they already have. Solomon also said:

There is nothing is better for a man than that he should eat and drink, and that his soul should enjoy good in his labor. This also, I saw, was from the hand of God (**Ecclesiastes 2:24**).

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