



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.

5-16-2016 Jesus Christ, Super

[Jesus warned] "Woe to you when all men speak well of you, For so did their fathers to the false prophets (**Luke 6:26**)."

So you knew something bad was happening when the "rock opera" titled, "Jesus Christ Superstar" hit the big screen in 1973. It dealt with the last 6 days of Jesus' earthly life, told through the eyes of Judas Iscariot, and treated Jesus as if He were anything other than "super." It emphasized His humanity without Deity, and ended without His bodily resurrection by which Deity overcame all humanity! Since that time, children have clamored for some "super hero" who overcomes anything.

[Jesus said,] "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (**John 16:33**)

[So does] "he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God" (**1 John 5:5**).

This is Johnny Polk, with "Words of Wisdom" brought to you by the Oneida church of Christ.

~ ~ ~ ~ ~

5-17-2016 Who Knew?

[Jesus asked His disciples] Saying, 'Who do the crowds say that I am?' So they answered and said, 'John the Baptist, but some say Elijah; and others say that one of the old prophets has risen again.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered and said, 'The Christ of God' (**Luke 9:18-20**).

Probably the most confusing way to find spiritual truth is to search through the mistaken answers of "the crowds," or beliefs handed down from different cultures. Spiritual truth is not established by visiting different places and asking what people believe. Spiritual truth can only come from the source of spiritual truth: the Bible. We should receive Jesus and His Apostles' word:

... Not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God (**1 Thessalonians 2:13**).

This is Johnny Polk, with "Words of Wisdom" brought to you by the Oneida church of Christ.

~~~~~

**5-18-2016**

**Faith Is Not From Opinions**

[Jesus asked His disciples,] saying, 'Who do the crowds say that I am?' So they answered and said, 'John the Baptist, but some say Elijah; and others say that one of the old prophets has risen again' (**Luke 9:18-20**).

Jesus did not say:

- (1) "Everyone is entitled to his own opinion;"
- (2) "Truth is found somewhere in the middle of these opinions;"
- (3) "It doesn't matter, everyone is just following a different prophet to Heaven;"
- (4) "Actually my disciples can believe all of this and be saved!"

Jesus asked for the God-inspired truth that showed all those opinions to be mistaken, for "Peter answered and said, 'The Christ of God'" Paul divided an assembly of Pharisees and Sadducees by preaching the truth of Jesus' resurrection, which neither side believed (**Acts 23:6-7**). Bible truth is not the combination of opinions!

**This is Johnny Polk, with "Words of Wisdom" brought to you by the Oneida church of Christ.**

~~~~~

5-19-2016

Worship By Faith

[Jesus asked His disciples,] saying, 'Who do the crowds say that I am?' So they answered and said, 'John the Baptist, but some say Elijah; and others say that one of the old prophets has risen again' (**Luke 9:18-20**).

God never has allowed the varying opinions of men to determine how to worship God! The first time anyone worshipped God, it was:

By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks" (**Hebrews 11:4**).

God had made it clear what He wanted, and Cain did not offer that. It didn't matter that Cain's "talent" was with crops, or that Cain may have been sincere. Opinions of worshipers does not establish spiritual truth!

This is Johnny Polk, with "Words of Wisdom" brought to you by the Oneida church of Christ.

~~~~~

**5-20-2016 Daily Christianity**

[Jesus] said to them all, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me' (**Luke 9:23**).

Jesus taught disciples to pray, "Give us day by day our daily bread." (**Luke 11:3**). In His final week before crucifixion, Jesus "was teaching daily in the temple" (**Luke 19:47**). To every creature, Jesus said,

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned" (**Mark 16:16**).

Scripture promised, "the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (**Acts 2:47**). Christians followed Jesus because "daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the

Christ" (Acts 5:42). Obeying Christ gives someone "daily" work--not "gangs," "drugs," or "violence!"

**This is Johnny Polk, with "Words of Wisdom" brought to you by the Oneida church of Christ.**

~~~~~