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For [WECO FM 101.3](#) and [The Fellowship Room](#)

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

6-26-2017 The Influence of Jesus Christ

And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen (**John 21:25**).

Jesus' *impact* was too great for historians to deny it; His *effect* was too great for theologians to change it; His *motive* was too great for sinners to ignore it; His *church* is too great for apostates to smear it; His *miracles* were too great for false prophets to imitate them. The written Word of God contains more power than the world can hold, and the worldly can admit, for it teaches us that:

Denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age (**Titus 2:12**).

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6-27-2017 Jesus And the Last Days

He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God (**1 Peter 1:20-21**).

[God] has in these last days spoken to us by His Son (**Hebrews 1:2**).

"These last times" and "these last days" all refer to the same time period -- when Jesus lived on earth.

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons (**Galatians 4:4-5**).

It was the "last days" for Jews to be God's chosen people, not "the last days" for the world, itself!

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6-28-2017 God's Work Is Unchanged

Consider the work of God; For who can make straight what He has made crooked? (**Ecclesiastes 7:13**).

In the Creation,

[God] divided the light from the darkness. God called the light Day and the darkness He called Night (**Genesis 1:4-5**);

[He caused] the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear, ... [making] Earth [and] Seas (**Genesis 1:9-10**);

[He] let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself (**Genesis 1:11**);

[He made] great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, ... and every winged bird according to its kind (**Genesis 1:20-21**).

"Evolution" has no explanation for these distinctions, and no "scientist" has discovered any contradictory fact! God's Creation Work still stands as written! Humans have not, and cannot, change it

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6-29-2017 Bible Talent Is Money

Jesus taught about a man going on a journey who distributed talents to his servants,

"To one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability" (**Matthew 25:15**).

But he rebuked the one-talent man by saying:

"You ought to have deposited my money with the bankers" (**Matthew 25:27**).

Sad, isn't it, that people have crowded God out of their worship by calling their abilities "talents?" Their "worship" has become a concert displaying their "pride" in their abilities, and not being humble before God! In the Bible, a "talent" is a measure of money, not an exercise of abilities! Jesus said,

"True worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him" (**John 4:23**).

God's worship should be what He demands, not what we think we deserve!

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6-30-2017 The Natural Man

Paul wrote:

No one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual (**1 Corinthians 2:11-13**).

Only a person miraculously inspired by the Holy Spirit could make the claim:

We have the mind of Christ (**1 Corinthians 2:16**).

The Apostles of Christ who wrote this New Testament were thus endowed. Everyone else who is uninspired would be "the natural man [*who*] does not receive the things of the Spirit of God" (**1 Corinthians 2:14**). "Natural men" must read and study the inspired New Testament for the Holy Spirit's help.

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