



**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.*

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**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**).

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**The Meaning In Life**

Before he was given wisdom, Solomon said he: Hated life because the work that was done under the sun was distressing to me, for all is vanity and grasping for the wind (**Ecclesiastes 2:17**). "Under the sun" describes a life on earth, and without God, it is meaningless.

Then I hated all my labor in which I had toiled under the sun, because I must leave it to the man who will come after me. (**Ecclesiastes 2:18-19**)

Without God in our life, we can hate life and we can hate work.

There is nothing 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**)

God blesses lives who pause to enjoy it and thank Him.

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**The Devil You Say #1**

Jesus said:

"The devil... was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it."  
(**John 8:44-45**)

The Devil has no respect for human life, for he murders. He has no truth, but only distorts or ignores the truth. He is the originator ("father") of lies, intended to deceive. All this "from the beginning." Beginning of what?

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. (**Genesis 1:1**)

**Genesis 3** is where "the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness" (**2 Corinthians 11:3**). Jesus said, the final Judgment will send the "cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels" (**Matthew 25:41**). Don't follow the Devil now, or forever!

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**The Devil You Say #2**

The Devil doesn't "make" anyone sin, but encourages an individual's decision to sin! Judas Iscariot, is a case in point.

[He] was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. (**John 12:6**)

He "was a thief" before he was a betrayer.

[He] went to the chief priests and said, "What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?" And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. So from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him. (**Matthew 26:14-16**)

Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve. (**Luke 22:2-3**)

Afterward, at the Lord's Supper,

After the piece of bread, Satan entered him. (**John 13:27**)

Satan was in control because Judas had given Him control. However, ***the Devil can be resisted.***

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**Whose Denominations Are They?**

For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints. (**1 Corinthians 14:33**)

Then, who is? Jesus had prayed over the Apostles:

"I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me." (**John 17:20-21**)

The Apostle Paul wrote to the church of Christ in Corinth:

Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. (**1 Corinthians 1:10**)

If there are splits, divisions, or denominations among believers, they are NOT OF GOD!

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