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“If you knew the value of it, you would praise God for trial more than for anything. It is the trial that is used to purify you; it is in the fiery furnace of affliction that God gets you in the place where He can use you. The person that has no trials and no difficulties is the person whom God dare not allow satan to touch, because he could not stand temptation; but Jesus will not allow any man to be tempted more than he is able to bear.” - Smith Wigglesworth

Re: Great Quotes 20 - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/7/22 8:48

"The Christian confines himself to the female sex... The Christian husband has nothing to do with any but his own wife... A Christian with grace-healed eyes is sightless in this matter; he is mentally blind against the assaults of passion." - Tertullian

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/7/22 9:14

"So, too, whoever enjoys any other than nuptial intercourse, in whatever place, and in the person of whatever woman, makes himself guilty of adultery and fornication. ... But all the other frenzies of passions are impious towards both the bodies and the sexes beyond the laws of nature, we banish not only from the threshold, but from all shelter of the Church, because they are not sins, but monstrosities." - Tertullian

Re: Great Quotes 20, on: 2017/7/22 12:10

“If man had his way, the plan of redemption would be an endless and bloody conflict. In reality, salvation was bought not by Jesus' fist, but by His nail-pierced hands; not by muscle but by love; not by vengeance but by forgiveness; not by force but by sacrifice. Jesus Christ our Lord surrendered in order that He might win; He destroyed His enemies by dying for them and conquered death by allowing death to conquer Him.” ~ A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2017/7/22 15:02

"They charge us with Bibliolatry. It is a crime of their own inventing, of which few are guilty. If there are such things as venial sins, surely an undue reverence of Holy Scripture is one of them. To me the Bible is not God, but it is God's voice and I do not hear it without awe. What an honor to have as one's calling to study, to expound and to publish this sacred Word! I cannot help feeling that the man who preaches the Word of God is standing, not upon a mere platform, but upon a throne." - Spurgeon

Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2017/7/24 22:02

â€œThe true Christian was intended by Christ to prove all things by the Word of God: all churches, all ministers, all teaching, all preaching, all doctrines, all sermons, all writings, all opinions, all practices. These are his marching orders. Prove all by the Word of God; measure all by the measure of the Bible; compare all with the standard of the Bible; weigh all in the balances of the Bible; examine all by the light of the Bible; test all in the crucible of the Bible. That which cannot abide the fire of the Bible, reject, refuse, repudiate, and cast away. This is the flag which he nailed to the mast. May it never be lowered!â€

â€ John Wycliffe

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/7/24 22:05

"I exhort you, clothed as you are with the garment of grace, to speed on your course and exhort all others to attend to their salvation. Do justice to your office with the utmost solicitude, both physical and spiritual. Be concerned about unity, the greatest blessing. Bear with all, just as the Lord does with you. Have patience with all in charity, as indeed you do. To prayer give yourself unceasingly; beg for an increase in understanding; watch without letting your spirit flag. Speak to each one singly in imitation of God's way. Bear the infirmities of all, like a master athlete. The greater the toil, the greater the reward..." - St. Ignatius of Antioch

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/7/26 19:34

â€œOnly those who take sin seriously take forgiveness seriously.â€ â€ Thomas Oden

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/7/27 11:22

"You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending." - C.S. Lewis

Re: Great Quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 12:51

â€œIt follows that a tender heart that reaches for love and understanding is often the easiest to break. Hearts that are open and trusting are usually the ones that are wounded the most. This world is filled with men and women who have rejected the love offered to them from a heart that is gentle and tender. Those strong, hard-shelled hearts that trust no one, hearts that give so little, hearts that demand love be constantly proved, hearts that are always calculating hearts that are always manipulating and self-serving, hearts that are afraid to risk are the ones that seldom get broken. They don't get wounded, because there is nothing to wound. They are too proud and self-centered to allow anyone else to make them suffer in any way. They go about breaking other hearts and trampling on the fragile souls who touch their lives, simply because they are so thick and dull at heart themselves, and they think everyone should be just as they are.â€

â€ David Wilkerson

Re: Great Quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 14:02

â€œNicky Cruz: You come near me and I'll kill you!

David Wilkerson: Yeah, you could do that. You could cut me up into a thousand pieces and lay them in the street, and every piece will still love you.â€

â€ David Wilkerson, The Cross and the Switchblade

great quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 19:09

"Remember also, the present is your only time to be saved. There is no believing, no repenting, no conversion in the grave --- no minister will speak to you there. This is the time of conversion."

~ Robert Murray McCheyne (1813-1843)

great quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 19:09

"Atheism turns out to be too simple. If the whole universe has no meaning, we should never have found out that it has no meaning..."

â€ C.S. Lewis

great quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 19:10

"If we find ourselves with a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world."

â€ C.S. Lewis

great quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 19:11

"We live in a day and age when God's Word is being increasingly rejected as the foundation for our thinking as well as the ultimate authority for our morality. Instead, everyone does what is right in his own eyes"

~ (Judges 21:25)

great quotes 20, on: 2017/7/27 19:13

"GOD love us just like how He love Jesus Christ..."

~ Zac Poonen

Re: great quotes 20 - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/7/29 11:02

"When the foolish thought of counting up any of your good works enters into your head, immediately correct your fault and rather count up your sins, your continual and innumerable offences against the All-merciful and Righteous Master, and you will find that their number is as the sand of the sea, whilst your virtues in comparison with them are as nothing." - St. John of Kronstadt

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/2 21:17

"He remembers our frame and knows that we are dust. He may sometimes chasten us, it is true, but even this He does with a smile, the proud, tender smile of a Father who is bursting with pleasure over an imperfect but promising son who is coming every day to look more and more like the One whose child he is." - A. W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/3 16:00

"A scared world needs a fearless church." - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/4 17:41

"If we stand or even sit we can fall. But when we are flat on our faces on the ground, we cannot fall!!!" - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/5 7:41

"We seek to possess truth; God seeks to make us true. The difference is vast and the kinds of men produced by each pursuit are vastly different." - Art Katz

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/5 8:03

"A true and safe leader is likely to be one who has no desire to lead, but is forced into a position of leadership by the inward pressure of the Holy Spirit and the press of the external situation." - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/5 12:50

"Blasphemy is a frightful passion, difficult to combat, for its origin lies in the arrogant mind of Satan ... we must guard the senses with great diligence, and reverence all the awe-inspiring mysteries of God. When we are inattentive it discharges through our lips curses against ourselves and strange blasphemies against God the Most High." - Philokalia IV

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/8 20:34

"What is the heart of your life? What consumes you? The glory of Jesus Christ? The Sovereignty of God's Son? I think if I could listen to you talk for twenty four hours I could pretty well say the depth of reality in your experience. What do you talk about? Do you talk about Christ? Do you talk about His Word? Do you talk about His truth? You talk about what is important to you." - Paris Reidhead

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/9 6:41

"Food is not evil, but gluttony is. Childbearing is not evil, but fornication is. Money is not evil, but avarice is. Glory is not evil, but vainglory is. Indeed, there is no evil in existing things, but only in their misuse." - St. Maximus the Confessor

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/9 6:46

"There is scarcely anything so dull and meaningless as Bible doctrine taught for its own sake. Truth divorced from life is not truth in its biblical sense, but something else and something less." - A. W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/9 21:26

"Life is 10% of what happens to me and 90% of how I react to it." - Charles Swindoll

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/9 21:29

"Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote that 'only he who believes is obedient, and only he who is obedient believes.' Neither proposition can stand alone. Christians often think we are doing the Lord's work when we are not. Jesus himself warned us about this. We cannot serve two masters. The one we choose will determine whether at our death we hear, 'Well done, good and faithful servant,' or 'I never knew you.'" - Daniel L. Weiss

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/15 6:08

"I claim the holy right to disappoint man in order to avoid disappointing God." - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/15 20:35

"Better be pruned to grow than cut up to burn." - John Trapp

Preconceived Theology, on: 2017/8/16 12:08

"The trouble with a lot of Christians is that they've already formed an opinion in their mind concerning what's right. Every group of Christians as an inherited tradition from what they have learned from their pastors and leaders in their churches and they are unwilling to change it. They read a verse and they pour it into their preconceived theology. If you want to be free, you must be willing to let God break those traditions and teach you the TRUTH..."

~ Zac Poonen

meaning of life..., on: 2017/8/16 12:09

"The meaning of life is to know God and be known by God through Jesus."

~ Steven Bancarz

Re: meaning of life... - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/17 7:36

"Knowing God without knowing our wretchedness leads to pride. Knowing our wretchedness without knowing God leads to despair. Knowing Christ gives the balance." - Blaise Pascal

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/18 19:53

"Although we may not yet be living in the actual days of the Antichrist, he might appear shortly after our generation. He might appear in fifty, a hundred or five hundred years. We don't know. The point is that his appearance can easily take place within the next thirty years; no one knows exactly when. Already, the signs have begun to increase at an accelerated rate. It makes no great difference if we fall prey to the Antichrist, or to his forerunners. If today we were to be lost to the service of his forerunners, it is the same as being lost to the Antichrist himself. We would have no salvation." - Athanasios Mitilinaios

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/18 19:59

"When mind and heart are united in prayer and the soul is wholly concentrated in a single desire for God, then the heart grows warm and the light of Christ begins to shine and fills the inward man with peace and joy. We should thank the Lord for everything and give ourselves up to His will; we should also offer Him all our thoughts and words, and strive to make everything serve only His good pleasure." - Seraphim of Sarov

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/19 7:46

"To me, it seems it should be your glory to join in the poorest and weakest churches of your denomination and wherever you go, to say, 'This little cause is not as strong as I should like it to be, but by the grace of God, I will make it more influential. At any rate, I will throw my weight to strengthen the weak things of Zion, and certainly I will not despise the day of small things.'" - Charles Spurgeon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/19 18:34

"I want no blessing that I cannot share. I seek no spirituality that I must win at the cost of forgetting that men and women are lost and without hope. If in spite of all I can do they will sin against light and bring upon themselves the displeasure of a holy God, then I must not let them go their sad way unwept. I am determined that I shall go down to the grave or up into God's heaven mourning for the lost and the perishing." - A.W. Tozer

Love the sinner, hate the sin?, on: 2017/8/20 12:39

Love the sinner, hate the sin? How about: Love the sinner, hate your own sin! I don't have time to hate your sin. There are too many of you! Hating my sin is a full-time job. How about you hate your sin, I'll hate my sin and let's just love each other!

~ Mark Lowry

After Life, on: 2017/8/20 12:46

"Reflect on the temporary aspects of this life. Start put your affections on things above. We need to not be focused on these things of this world. The one thing that matters is your soul, that's your salvation. Nothing in this life is more important than that, not family, not money, not your status, not anything, nothing is more important than where your soul is gonna go when you take your last breath..."

~ Josh Coen

Re: After Life - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/24 19:09

"It is the nature of religion to help those who are really needy; and a real Christian does not wait to be 'commanded' to do it, but only asks for the opportunity." - Albert Barnes

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/24 19:46

"Be violent against yourself and allow no pride to live in you, but be so humble and small that everyone will be able to walk over you and press you down like the dust in the streets. You prideful person, what do you have to complain about?" - Thomas A Kempis

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/25 7:02

"Some people think God does not like to be troubled with our constant coming and asking. The way to trouble God is not to come at all." - D. L. Moody

Re: - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2017/8/25 8:33

"When Jesus is with us, everything is well. Nothing seems difficult. However, when Jesus is absent, everything is hard. When Jesus does not speak to our heart, all other consolations are unavailing. However, if Jesus speaks but a single word, we are comforted enormously. Did not Mary rise at once from the place where she cried when Martha said, 'The Master has come and is asking for you'? Oh, how happy is the hour when Jesus calls us from tears to joy. How dry and hard your heart is without Jesus. You are truly foolish and empty if you desire anything other than Jesus." - Thomas a Kempis

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/29 13:35

"No doctrine, however important or good, can ever take the place of devotion to Jesus Himself." - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/8/31 20:26

"Guilelessness is a joyous state of soul far removed from all ulterior motive." - St. John Climacus

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/1 15:30

"Jesus washed their feet, not to impress them with His humility, but because He loved them." - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/5 9:17

â€œIf we really desire to be like Jesus and to walk in love and power as He did, we must humble ourselves.â€• - K.P. Yohannan

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/11 7:40

"We must begin with thanksgiving for everything. The beginning of joy is to be content with your situation. - St. Ambrose of Optina

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/11 19:12

The biggest crisis in the average church today is lack of knowing the living God. Not many know God because they donâ€™t spend time in prayer getting to know Him, and actually listening for His voice. We will never know Him or His ways until we get away from all the noise and seek Him. â€œThe most significant thing in life is to seek God and know Him.â€•
• â€œK.P. Yohannan.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/12 21:27

"Spiritual growth: Paul at age 55: Least of all apostles (1 Cor 15:9). At age 60: Least of all saints (Eph 3:8). At age 65: Chief of sinners (1 Tim 1:15)." - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/14 18:45

"I am more afraid of my own heart than of the pope and all his cardinals. I have within me the great pope, self ... " - Martin Luther

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/14 19:42

"Sing, my tongue, the Savior's glory, of His flesh the mystery sing; of the Blood, all price exceeding, shed by our immortal King, destined, for the world's redemption, from a noble womb to spring." - St. Thomas Aquinas

allegiance to Jesus Christ, on: 2017/9/15 15:17

"To endure the cross is not tragedy; it is the suffering which is the fruit of an exclusive allegiance to Jesus Christ."

~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Re: allegiance to Jesus Christ - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/16 7:47

"If a man insults me, kills my father, my mother, my brother, and then gouges out my eye, as a Christian it is my duty to forgive him. We who are pious Christians ought to love our enemies and forgive them. We ought to offer them food and drink, and entreat God for their souls. And then we should say: â€œMy God, I beseech Thee to forgive me, as I have forgiven my enemies." - St. Kosmas Aitolos

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/19 21:26

"Reflect, dearly beloved, how great a dignity this is: to have the Lord come and abide in our heart. Should some rich and powerful friend enter your home you would make haste to clean the whole house, lest there be anything to displease the eye of the one who is coming. Let you then cleanse the stains of evil doing from the house of your soul, in preparation for the coming of God." - St. Gregory the Great

Re: - posted by proudpapa, on: 2017/9/22 17:25

"Certain people are always talking about the "EARLY CHURCH," and very queer notions they seem to have of the afore said early church. Their early church was very different from anything we meet with in the Acts of the Apostles, for it was very particular in its architecture, millinery, and music. This "early church" could not worship at all unless it had a visible altar, with reredos and frontal, at which gentlemen in gorgeous attire of blue and scarlet and fine linen made postures many, and bowings not a few. The "early church," it seems, believed in baptismal regeneration, transubstantiation, priestcraft, and sacramental efficacy. Well, that may be or may not be, but there was an earlier church which had no such notions, and it is for us to get right away from all such early churches to the earlier church or the earliest church, and there, I warrant you, you shall find no priestcraft, nor nonsense of sacramental efficacy; but simplicity, and truth, and the power of the Holy Ghost." CH Spurgeon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/24 20:55

"As God is exalted to the right place in our lives a thousand problems are solved all at once." - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/25 21:51

"Truly not a single earthly pleasure can satisfy our heart. We are strangers on earth, pilgrims and travelers; our home and fatherland are there in heaven, in the heavenly Kingdom; and there do not exist on earth things which could perfectly satisfy our desires. Let a man own the whole world and all that is in the world, yet all that will not interest him for more than a minute, so to speak, and it will never satisfy his heart; for the heart of man can be fully satisfied only by the love of God, and therefore God alone can fill the heart and soul of man and quench the thirst of his desires." - St. Innocent of Alaska

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/26 19:31

"Nobody ever outgrows Scripture; the book widens and deepens with our years." - Charles H. Spurgeon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/26 19:32

"Let no harsh word proceed from your mouth, for an unmerciful judgment will be passed on the hard-hearted. But blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." - M. Basilea Schlink

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/27 8:44

"He that knows God best, loves and resembles him most." - Adam Clarke

The Sympathy of Christ..., on: 2017/9/27 12:31

"In all our infirmities and troubles of every kind--in pain and sickness, in poverty and need, in anxiety and grief--Jesus has a sympathetic heart for us. Is not this comforting? Does it not cheer us in a time of suffering, when some kind friend comes in and sits down beside us and shows most plainly that though he is unable to help us, he does sincerely feel for us? How much more cheering it is to know that Jesus in Heaven sympathizes with us in all our troubles here below! Does not this thought, this blessed truth--take the edge off the sharpest suffering, and lift us for the time above our sorrows?" ~ Francis Bourdillon

Christ knows His people..., on: 2017/9/27 12:33

"Not only does Christ know His own by their faces--but also by their voice. The mother knows her child's voice anywhere, even in the darkness, and can distinguish it among a thousand voices. Christ knows the voices of His own people, where ever He hears them speak or cry."

~ J.R. Miller

Re: Christ knows His people... - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/27 18:46

"The people of Noah's day were oblivious to all else than their own pleasurable living. And they had no inkling of the judgment that was to come upon them until it was too late." - Donald A. Hagner

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/28 7:02

"Sufferings and trials are a normal part of the Christian walk. We must learn to accept them joyfully if we are to grow through them." - K.P. Yohannan

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/29 19:08

"When you think of future calamities, you are anxious and afraid. But even now, while you are feeling afraid, a meeting is being held at God's throne. At God's command His angels are being sent forth to guard you in all your ways, yes, to lift you up in their hands and to carry you through all the terrors to come. Never forget this. (Psalm 91:11-12)." - M. Basilea Schlink

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/29 19:14

"You were created and redeemed to focus on Jesus, on Him alone. Widen your horizons; don't stay trapped in your own small and limited world. Live instead in the fullness of His world, and you will see the wonders and glory of God." - M. Basilea Schlink

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/9/29 21:11

"It is easy to love believers whom you never see like the ones living in far-off lands. But it is the brother and sister whom you meet regularly who tests whether you love God or not." - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/1 20:59

"His presence is not a gift for the holy, it is a gift to make us holy." - Eric Gilmour

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/2 8:35

"It's an incredible privilege to be broken for others. It's an incredible privilege for my will to die so that God's will can be done in my life and others may see and come to believe in the Gospel. God help this nation for the gospel that's been preached from its pulpits that's caused such weakness in the testimony of Christ." - Carter Conlon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/2 8:45

"The devil is aware that with one hour of close fellowship with God is able to pull down what he has been contriving and building for many a year." - David MacIntyre

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/2 9:02

"God makes all His men in solitude." - Eric Gilmour

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/5 21:02

"Even the most truthful doctrine separated from Jesus can become an idol." - Michael Koulianos

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/6 7:48

"If your religion does not make you holy, it will damn you. It is simply painted pageantry to go to hell in." - Charles Spurgeon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/7 14:29

I am seeking for one who will wait and watch,
for My beckoning handâ€™My eye.

Who will work in My manner the work I give,
and the work I give notâ€™pass by.

And oh the joy that is brought to Me,
when one such as this I find.

A man who will do all My will,
who is set to study his Masterâ€™s mind.

- anonymous

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/7 14:34

"Choosing inconveniences, choosing difficulties, choosing the rough road because we love Himâ€™this is the way of Christ." - K.P. Yohannan

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/9 18:20

"Can ambition, that lusts after praise and place, preach the gospel of Him who made himself of no reputation and took on Him the form of a servant? Can the proud, the vain, the egotistical preach the gospel of him who was meek and lowly? Can the bad-tempered, passionate, selfish, hard, worldly man preach the system which teems with long-suffering, self-denial, tenderness, which imperatively demands separation from enmity and crucifixion to the world? Can the hireling official, heartless, perfunctory, preach the gospel which demands the shepherd to give his life for the sheep?" - E.M. Bounds

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/11 21:41

"For every Elijah there has always been 400 popular prophets of Baal. For every Noah there is always a vast multitude who will not believe it is going to rain." - A.W Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/12 11:41

â€œCan the church really be demonstrating the new life in Christ if there is not discipline, if there is no fencing in of the Lordâ€™s table, no demand for purity of life?â€ - Michael Sattler

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/13 7:41

"Beware in your prayers, above everything else, of limiting God, not only by unbelief, but by fancying that you know what He can do." - Andrew Murray

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/13 7:42

"One act of obedience is better than one hundred sermons." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/13 21:21

â€œJesus with his doctrine, life and example is our teacher, leader and guide. Him we must hear and follow.â€ - Michael Sattler (1490-1527)

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/17 9:38

"Once more, Christ is our fortress; patience our weapon of defense; the Word of God our sword; and our victory a courageous, firm, unfeigned faith in Jesus Christ. And iron, and metal spears, and swords we leave to those who, alas, regard human blood and swine's blood about alike. He that is wise let him judge what I mean." - Menno Simons

Christiniaty is not psychology, on: 2017/10/17 14:50

"Christiniaty is not psychology. Christianity is not something you go to for things you need for yourself how to better your life. God will do those things sometimes but God will do everything for His glory and for your benefit once you're born again. Everything that happens to you whether it seems good to you or not is for your growth once you fully place your life into the hands of God for His use."

~ Chris LaSala

Re: Christiniaty is not psychology - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/18 21:48

"Dear brothers, keep in mind what Paul admonished Titus. He says: "The saving grace of God has appeared to all, and disciplines us, that we should deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live circumspect righteous and godly lives in this world; awaiting the same hope and the appearing of the glory of the great God and of our Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us, to redeem us from all unrighteousness and to purify unto himself a people of his own, that would be zealous of good works." Think on this, and exercise yourselves therein, and the Lord of peace will be with you." - The Schleitheim Confession 1527

Marriage...., on: 2017/10/20 16:09

"The institution of marriage works better when there's a spiritual connection. If you're marrying just for the sake of the woman, then you may lose interest in each other very soon. When we marry in the interest of the Holy Spirit with the intention of serving God and humanity, then it gives a much larger perspective." ~ A. R. Rahman

Re: Marriage.... - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/20 20:32

"Contemplating the cross of Jesus is not sad, because the crucified Jesus is not dead." - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/20 20:33

"If you turn away from those seeking refuge, it is a sure sign that you have not yet trusted in the finished work of Jesus."
- Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/20 20:34

"The more sure I am of your mercy and love, the more I will be devoted to you, and cheerfully stand to comply with your every command!" - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/20 20:35

"Better 100 failed attempts to bring God glory than no attempts at all." - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/21 19:14

"Unless you cut yourself off from the arm of the flesh, you will never see God work." - Paul Washer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/24 18:09

"The wound in Jesus' side is the gate of heaven, the way in past the torn veil to the Holy of Holies, the birth canal of the new birth. The church is born from the side-wound like Eve, who was born from Adam's rib. The meaning of the word 'Christian' is 'the product of Christ's side', just as 'woman' means the product of the wound in the man's side." - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/24 18:38

"Failures are often whetstones on which our loyalty to is sharpened." - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/25 12:30

“My child, do not regard the great number, nor walk in their ways. Remove thy foot far from their paths, for they go to hell (Isaiah 5:14) But where you hear of a poor, cast-off little flock (Luke 12:32), which is despised and rejected by the world, join them; for where you hear of the cross, there is Christ; from there do not depart.” Anna Jansz, 1539

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/25 12:31

“Sell your clothes, and buy Testaments; attend to the words of God: for therein you will find life.” Christoffel Fierens, 1572

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/27 10:59

"Wherever there is jealousy or competition in the Body of Christ, it is because believers have not seen the Body of Christ."
- Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/27 22:14

"Anything we do without gratitude is not of God." - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/27 22:15

"God's direction calls for a silence that pauses and listens. Otherwise, how easily do we exchange God's will for our own choices!" - Count Zinzendorf

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/28 7:12

"We distort God's grace by making it out to be some kind of tunnel out of the prison of His law. But grace is actually a teacher of holiness." - David Wilkerson

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/29 18:33

â€œDear brothers and sisters, awake, and make straight paths for your feet, that you may always be prepared for the Gospel of peace, which calls us only to peace, for beautiful are the feet of them that fear the Lord. Never separate from the church of the Lord; for it is the body of Christ, and he is the Saviour of his body.â€ - Hans Symons, 1567

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/29 19:01

â€œflee for the Lordâ€™s sake from one city or country into another, and suffer the spoiling of our goods,â€ - 1632 Dordrecht Confession of Faith

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2017/10/30 14:36

A Pharisee is hard on others and easy on himself, but a spiritual man is easy on others and hard on himself. ~~ AW Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/10/31 8:55

"How precious the Lord is. He strips us of all, that He can be our exceeding great reward." - Rudie Amon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/3 10:20

â€œBut we read â€œthat the flesh is weak;â€ and hence we soothe ourselves in some cases. Yet we read, too, that â€œthe spirit is strong;â€ for each clause occurs in one and the same sentence. Flesh is an earthly, spirit a heavenly, material. Why, then, do we, too prone to SELF-EXCUSE, put forward (in our defense) the weak part of us, but not look at the strong? Why should not the earthly yield to the heavenly? If the spirit is stronger than the flesh, because it is without of nobler origin, it is OUR OWN FAULT if we follow the weaker.â€ - Tertullian

Second Coming of Christ, on: 2017/11/4 21:45

If Christ returns the second time in this generation, we shall find His words about the days of Noah and Lot fully verified. Those days are upon us!

PRAYER, on: 2017/11/4 21:58

Prayer is the outpouring of the heart unto our loving heavenly Father!

Re: PRAYER - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/7 18:47

"Can it be that we really think that we do not owe Jesus Christ our obedience?" - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/8 21:42

"One thing that alarms me about the Church in America and England is that there is no alarm in the Church anymore." - Leonard Ravenhill

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/9 8:20

"It's our ability to endure paradox that makes us saints." - Art Katz

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/10 16:47

"You feel sorry for us in India because of our great poverty in material things. We who know the Lord in India feel sorry for you in America because of your spiritual poverty. We are praying that you also might come to church with a hunger for God and not merely a hunger to see some form of amusement." - Bakht Singh

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/14 19:02

"Compassion costs. It is easy enough to argue, criticize and condemn, but redemption is costly, and comfort draws from the deep. Brains can argue, but It takes heart to comfort." - Samuel Chadwick

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/17 6:52

"Most of those who fail to experience the joy of the Lord have refused to take up a cross!" - Walter J. Chantry

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/20 18:05

"I have no short cut to spiritual power for any of you. All I can do is say to you: Get back to your Bible, and go down before God on your face in prayer. For the greatest transactions of a man's experience are made, not in a church, but behind closed doors." - Alan Redpath

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/23 13:14

"We cannot rightfully acknowledge the gifts of God unless we acknowledge the Mediator for whose sake alone they are given to us. There can be no genuine thanksgiving for the blessings of nation, family, history and nature without the heart-felt penitence which gives the glory to Christ alone above all else." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/24 9:58

"God looks for those who will seek His approval, and not just His blessing" - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/24 18:36

"There are common things God gives to both believers and non-believers. He gives the sun, air, children, and rain even if we do not ask. However, to the believers, He wants to give the most important things." - Kim Ik Du, early Korean Christian martyr

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/24 18:39

â€œThe Western Church doesnâ€™t need your condemnation. It needs your discipleship.â€ - Eric Foley

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/25 11:54

"I was not born to be free. I was born to adore and to obey." - C. S. Lewis

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/25 15:23

â€œA little experience often upsets a lot of theory.â€ - S. Parkes Cadman

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/25 15:24

â€œThere is nothing the Church needs more at the present hour than to understand what a real prayer-meeting is.â€ - G. Campbell Morgan

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/26 11:24

"People who do not feel loved, cannot love."

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/26 11:33

"We need to build authentic relationships"

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/26 11:34

"Over lunch-time, please sit with someone who is 'the other', someone who is not from your group, from your church etc."

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/27 6:30

"I am persuaded that every action of the perfect man is a testimony to Christ Jesus, and that abstinence from every sin is a denial of self, leading him after Christ. And such an one is crucified with Christ, taking up his own cross and follows Him who for our sakes bears His own cross." - Origen

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/27 6:33

"Wealth is not a possession, it is not property, it is a loan for use." - John Chrysostom

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/27 6:39

"A small leak will sink a great ship. A small spark will kindle a great fire. A little allowed sin will ruin an immortal soul." - J. C. Ryle

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/27 13:02

That they may all be one, even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. - John 17:21

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/27 13:05

I never yet have known the Spirit of God to work where the Lord's people were divided. - D. L. Moody

In Heaven even their footprints shall not be known..., on: 2017/11/27 14:36

"Heaven is the eternal presence of everything that can make a saint happy and the eternal absence of everything that can cause sorrow. Sickness, and pain, and disease, and death, and wickedness, and poverty, and labor, and money, and care, and ignorance, and misunderstanding, and slander, and lying, and quarrels, and envies, and bad tempers, and infidelity, and superstition, and heresy, and schism, and wars, and fightings, and bloodshed, and murders, and law-suits all, all these things shall have no place in Heaven! On earth, in this present time, they may live and flourish. In Heaven even their footprints shall not be known."

Christlikeness..., on: 2017/11/27 14:41

"If we were what we profess to be, and what we should be we would be pictures of Christ! Yes, such striking likenesses of Him that the world would, when they once beheld us, exclaim, "He has been with Jesus! He has been taught of Him! He is like Him! He has caught the very idea of the holy Man of Nazareth, and he works it out in his life and everyday actions!"

- posted by proudpapa, on: 2017/11/27 19:25

It must always be remembered that the "Church Fathers" were the fathers of the Eastern and Roman churches and not of the true church.

-Anton Bosch

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/28 7:29

Wait on the Holy Spirit to teach you. If not, then you will quickly fall out of communion with God even while having devotions and studying spiritual things. This is the difference between being led by the flesh, to being led by the Spirit, between fleshly and spiritual.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/28 19:07

"Oh, Lord! I know that you were so humble as to live in a state of complete selflessness! Yet in me there still remains the self. This wretched self is seated at your throne. And often this self of wretchedness desires to receive the glory and praise you deserve. When this self is not served well by others, it makes complaints, and when others scorn and criticize it, it lets out rage. Oh, Lord! Do I dare to receive the hospitality and welcome you did not receive? Despite your goodness and holiness, you were maltreated, spat at, and slapped in the face; who am I to desire the praise and honor you did not receive?" - Ju Gi Cheol

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/28 19:07

"We find it difficult to ask God for the right things because of our excessive greed in this world. We are people who do not know what to ask for. Like little children, we only become pulled by our own standards and desires so that we not only ask for things that are truly useless but also fail to ask for things that we truly need." - Ju Gi Cheol

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/28 20:51

As a ministry, we have found that the safest thing we can do is to come into the Lord's presence and draw closer to Him, that we may know His ways and follow His lead. In the beginning of our ministry, we would ask The Lord, "What more can we do?" Now it is different. As one of the fastest-growing movements, we are continually challenged and confronted with so many things we could do. So much so that our major concern has become, "Lord, what should we not do?" - K.P. Yohannan

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/29 7:15

"It is time for us to seek again the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Man's lordship has cost us too much." - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/29 9:12

"Many want to be good, but few want to be holy." - Leonard Ravenhill

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/29 9:23

“An experience of God that cost nothing does nothing, and worth nothing” - Leonard Ravenhill

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/11/30 7:41

"To hallow the name of the Father cost Jesus His life. Can we hallow God, His honor and His reputation by our conduct and speech without paying for it through opposition, misunderstanding, or persecution? In a world at enmity with God, there will be a consequence for living to hallow God, for taking God seriously... Living in ways that seek to step around or avoid this opposition, misunderstanding, or persecution is in effect to circumvent the cross." - Art Katz

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/11/30 8:37

The one who feeds on Me will live because of Me.
John 6:57

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/1 13:13

"The fellowship with the Father was Jesus' most prized possession" - Zac Poonen

Re: - posted by drifter (), on: 2017/12/2 22:47

"Just down the street two men were arguing.

One said, "I'm right, that makes you wrong."

A witness heard them cut each other down.

He said, "I'm confused, I thought they were both Christians."

He thought it had been done by a bullet from a gun,

but the words from a tongue cut the heart of another victim

Somebody tell me where the problem lies.

Somebody tell me what's the deal.

Somebody tell me when they'll draw the line

'cause far too many people are needin' to be healed.

The time has come to lay down the gun in your tongue.

Pull the root from your pride and abide in the love of God."

From 'Another Victim' by Paul Clark

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/3 20:08

"This is a time when all our service should take hold of the coming of the Lord. It is not a normal routine, but we are working under the pressure of an approaching crisis, looking unto and hastening toward the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let the watchword, Unto The Coming Of The Lord, be as an inscription on everything that comes into daily life, regulating our friendships, affections, service, and all our thoughts of the future. Watching, working, praying, living, hastening unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thes. 4:15; 5:23)." - A.B. Simpson

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/6 9:12

"Remember, God never builds in the dark. Light is an essential for the building of the city of God, because the ultimate purpose for that city is to shine forth with the glory of God in character." - T. Austin-Sparks

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/6 9:12

"The gifts of the Holy Spirit no matter how spectacular or abundant they be can never substitute for a holy life and the sanctification of the whole being that God requires. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are temporal; they shall all pass away but the fruits of the Spirit are eternal; they shall forever remain." - R. E. Miller

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/7 6:48

"When the Roman church apostatized, God brought about the Reformation. When the Reformation declined, God raised up the Moravians and the Wesleys. When these movements began to die, God raised up fundamentalism and the "deeper life" groups. Now that these have almost without exception sold out to the world-what next?" - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/7 6:49

"We must have a new reformation. There must come a violent break with that irresponsible, amusement-mad, paganized pseudo-religion which passes today for the faith of Christ and which is being spread all over the world by unspiritual men employing unscriptural methods to achieve their ends." - A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/8 7:04

"They need to yield specifically to the Lord, forsake every doubtful aspect in their life, be willing to obey fully God's will, and believe through prayer that He will flood their spirit with His power." - Watchman Nee

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/8 15:18

"Noah dared to take God at His word and he PROVED it! He built the ark, and then he got into it himself. Never preach a sermon you cannot get into yourself, or it will not hold anyone else." - A. Douglas Brown

Re: - posted by TMK (), on: 2017/12/9 9:47

Martin Luther said, "Scripture is the manger in which the Christ lies."™ As a mother goes to a cradle to find her baby, so the Christian goes to the Bible to find Jesus. Don't inspect the cradle and forget to worship the baby.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/9 11:59

â€œThe modern Church invites the Holy Ghost to join her committees when all the business has been conducted.â€ - D. L. Moody

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/12/9 13:11

If you refuse to be hurried...nothing can keep you from that clearness of Spirit which is life and peace. In that stillness you will know what His will is. â€ Amy Carmichael.

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/12/9 13:32

D. L. Moody said, There are in the churches stores of unconsecrated wealth, unused or misused talents, multitudes at ease in Zion, witnesses who bear no testimony for their Lord, workers without the Spiritâ€™s conquering power, teachers who speak without authority, disciples who follow afar off, forms without life, Church machinery substituted for inward life and power.

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/12/9 13:33

The chief danger of the 20th Century will be religion without the Holy Spirit, Christianity without Christ, forgiveness without repentance, salvation without regeneration, politics without God and heaven without hell. â€™ William Booth

Re: - posted by ArthurRosh, on: 2017/12/9 13:34

To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him, the greatest adventure; to find Him, the greatest achievement. â€™ Augustine

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/9 17:00

â€œLife is precarious, and life is precious. Don't presume you will have it tomorrow, and don't waste it today.â€ - John Piper

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/10 19:58

"The Church must wake up and get ready to meet the Bridegroom because He is coming and the Church is not ready. Sheâ€™s asleep and She has to wake up. The Church has to start repenting, if need-be in sackcloth and ashes. Letâ€™s try it for awhile. Get some ashes from the wood stove and try that, see if you can repent, really. Churches today need cleansing by the Holy Spirit, cleansing by the Word. They need a holy, dedicated life for the Lord. And thatâ€™s the message weâ€™ve been sharing now for these many years. The Lord has turned us to Himself and narrowed our way." - Boris Sorokovsky

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/10 20:00

"Then, the hour is coming also when there is great tribulation coming upon the world. And this time not only on Russia, but the whole world will experience this great shaking, this great sifting. And Iâ€™m sharing with Americans, brethren, if you really believe the Bible, and if you ever ask the Holy Ghost in a Bible way, then Iâ€™m telling you brethren, get ready for a big shake-up and persecution. There will be a great sifting on the threshing floor. The Lord will come and start beating that wheat on the threshing floor, separating the wheat from the chaff." - Boris Sorokovsky

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/11 6:56

"It is remarkable that the only church history we have is The Acts of the Apostles. The Holy Spirit has not preserved their sermons. ... We have no books of the resolutions of the apostles; ... but the Holy Spirit only puts down the "œacts.â€ Our acts should be such as to bear recording, for recorded they will be. We must live as under the more immediate eye of God, and as in the blaze of the great all-revealing Day." - C.H. Spurgeon

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2017/12/11 11:51

"People do not drift toward Holiness. Apart from grace-driven effort, people do not gravitate toward godliness, prayer, obedience to Scripture, faith, and delight in the Lord. We drift toward compromise and call it tolerance; we drift toward disobedience and call it freedom; we drift toward superstition and call it faith. We cherish the indiscipline of lost self-control and call it relaxation; we slouch toward prayerlessness and delude ourselves into thinking we have escaped legalism; we slide toward godlessness and convince ourselves we have been liberated." --D.A. Carson