
Subject: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin

Posted by [james](#) on Sun, 07 Jun 2009 14:43:26 GMT

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I was asked about an 'ole saying' the other day, and if it was something from the bible or just an old wives tale. That got me thinking about some sayings that are scripturally true, yet worded in a worldly way. Here's the one that I was asked about...

'What goes around, comes around'.....Gal.6:7 "...for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

There are many others, but I don't have time to search out their biblical locations. Anyone want to share some that they can think of?

Here's a few that came to mind...

'The proofs in the pudding'.....Mt.7:20 "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them."

'Time proves all things'.....Mt. 13:24-30 The parable of the Tares.

'Where the rubber meets the road'.....James 1:22 "But be ye doers of the Word, and not just hearers only, deceiving your own selves." James 2:17 "Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone."

'The skillet calling the pot, black'.....Mt.7:5 "Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

'Give foolish men enough rope, and they'll hang themselves'.....Proverbs 12:15 "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise."

'A smooth sea never made a skilled mariner.'.....James 1:3 "Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience."

'Red sky at night, sailors delight; red sky of a morning, sailor take warning.'.....Mt. 16:2-3 "...When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.
And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red..."

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Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 11 Jun 2009 23:09:26 GMT
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...AND some without scriptural origin.

" God helps those who help themselves " Actually, I think that one came from Benjamin Franklin.

" No good deed goes unpunished "

" Live and let live "

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin
Posted by [sparkles](#) on Fri, 12 Jun 2009 01:02:46 GMT
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Hi James,
I am enjoying these!

How about: It is better to give than receive.

Our seed faith friends like that one, but they twist it a little: "It is better to give to me so you'll

receive."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin

Posted by [william](#) on Fri, 12 Jun 2009 04:45:23 GMT

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He got nailed...

--Judges 4:21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died.

Blessings,
William

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin

Posted by [james](#) on Wed, 24 Jun 2009 14:06:28 GMT

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I was thinking about something someone wrote on here not long ago, about 'preaching to the choir'. I was just wondering where that figurative phrase came from, as well as other figures of speech. Such as 'painting oneself into a corner' or 'painting something with a broad brush'.

I got to thinking(remember, this is the coffee break room and I'm just pondering about 'stuff', OK?...to quote a second banana I once knew, "that's all I'm saying here")...about how the choir needed to be taught the Word just like the congregation. I guess somewhere along the line people assumed that if one was 'singing in the choir' they had already arrived and didn't really need to hear any 'preaching', instruction, teaching, admonishments, in the Word.

And I've read that Hobart Freeman 'painted himself into a corner' with 'his' healing message. I think whoever said that meant(in a negative way) that because Bro.Freeman was totally sold out to Jesus and trusted Him totally and because he had 'preached' for others to trust in The Lord and not in man(doctors/medicine), thus in order to save face, he couldn't very well go to the doctors for his foot infection...thereby, their conclusion was that he had painted himself into a corner(nowhere to turn). Using the wisdom of man and logical reasoning, I understand their

thinking, BUT, based on The Word of God and what The Holy Spirit had revealed unto him(and many others); he was only following his convictions of what The Word of God taught. If you're actually painting a room, you don't want to paint yourself into a corner; but in regards to spiritual matters and obeying God, that's what a true believer wants...just Jesus, nowhere to turn but unto Him.

Oh well, just thinking out loud, if no one comments I'll just 'mark it up' to media fasts.<said with a straight face, honest!>

(or would that be 'painting everyone with a broad brush')

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin

Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 29 Jun 2009 10:55:10 GMT

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"Tough Love"...

I was reading in Mark this morning, chapter 9, and the last verse had something that caught in my spirit. Jesus is talking to his disciples about the importance of removing anything from our lives that would be a stumbling block. He ends the chapter with the reference to salt and how it's of no use if it's lost it's saltiness.

Then He says to, "...Have salt in yourselves, and have peace one with another." ~ Mark 9:50

I was just thinking about what Jesus was saying and the context of the verse; having 'salt' in ourselves and having peace one with another. Well, I know we can't be at peace one with another if we don't 'love' one another, and at the same time I believe that having salt in ourselves means to be bold in declaring God's Word. But could it also mean to have courage, or 'a backbone' spiritually. 'Having salt', I think, would also be being filled with The Spirit and The Word, being prepared at all times to point people to Jesus, both by our words and our actions.(being ready at all times to share of the hope that lies within us, Jesus Christ)

Then He says to 'have peace one with another'. Earlier in the chapter(verse 33 and 34) the disciples had been going back and forth among themselves as to who should be the greatest; Jesus said unto them, "If any man desire to be first, the same shall be last of all, and servant of all." Living in peace, one with another wasn't a command to the world, (Jesus knew the world wasn't going to have peace) He was talking to Christian disciples.

I desire to grow in Christ and daily have His Word transform me into His image, for the 'salt' to be within me at all times, and live in peace one with another.

God bless...

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin

Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 16 Jul 2009 14:20:01 GMT

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How about scriptures that at a glance, seems to not make sense?

"Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness." ~ Luke 11:35

I believe that Jesus is saying that it is possible for it to appear that we are walking in the light and giving off light to others, when in fact it is actually darkness that is in us. How's that for hypocrisy exposed? He goes on to use the Pharisee's as an example of this; in verses 39 through 44 he tells of how they clean the outside of the cup and leave the inside dirty, meaning outwardly appearing righteous when inside they were filled with sin. They did the letter of the law tithes of every little thing, yet failed to have the love of God in their hearts for others.

I'm reminded of what John wrote in 1John 2:9 " He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now."

And...Matt.7:22-23 "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you..."

So we see that one can seem to be giving off light, even seeming to have the gifts flowing through them, yet be in darkness due to being concerned with outward appearances and not LOVING others, rather than allowing the REAL LIGHT, JESUS to shine through us which will be evident by our 'love', one for another. (remember what He said about if we couldn't love our brethern whom we 'could' see, how can we love God, who we can't see?)

How do we avoid this pitfall and making the same mistake? By taking Jesus' advise and "Take heed"

This applies to me, I need to learn to LOVE others without regards to their persons; I need to be diligent in HEEDING the admonitions The Lord gives me, just because I take the time to write out what The Lord shows me to share with others, unless I make application of it into my own life.....it profits me nothing, I would be as those spoken of in Matt.7:22. But by His grace and everpresent mercy, I am TAKING HEED to His Word.

Thank you Lord Jesus, for your longsuffering with me...

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 04 Aug 2009 21:12:35 GMT
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I read this recently about the history of the church, there's much truth in it.

" In the beginning, the church was a fellowship of men and women centering around The Living Christ.

Then the church moved to Greece, where it became a philosophy.

Then it moved to Rome, where it became an institution.

Next it went to Europe, where it became a culture.

And finally, it moved to America, where it became an enterprise."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin
Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 06 Aug 2009 02:03:45 GMT
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Today I heard another popular saying, widely accepted as true, that I have found to be untrue.

" Time heals all wounds "

I've found that while life goes on and people learn to make adjustments, time doesn't heal ALL wounds.

Only Jesus can heal some wounds...

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin

Posted by [james](#) on Sun, 13 Sep 2009 16:55:14 GMT
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I was reading a commentary written by an atheist today, and he made this statement concerning Jesus and Christianity;

"If 500 million people want to believe a bunch of foolishness, it's still just a bunch of foolishness."

To which someone replied;

"If only one person believes the truth, it's still the truth."

God IS ...even if no one believes; He's not made valid by numbers, nor is His existence nullified by lack thereof.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...with scriptural origin
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 13 Oct 2009 22:09:32 GMT
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I read this today, it is a good follow up to the above post...

"The Christian faith is not true because it works;
it works because it is true.

It is not true because we experience it;
we experience it- deeply and gloriously- because it is true."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 19 Nov 2009 19:28:55 GMT
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I ran across a couple of secular quotes that reflect principles and wisdom...

"What is morally wrong can never be politically right."

(I thought of abortion when I read that one...)

"Going to church no more makes you a Christian,
than standing in a garage makes you an automobile."

"It is impossible to maintain civilization with 12 year olds having babies,
with 15 year olds killing each other,
with 17 year olds dying of AIDS,
and with 18 year olds getting diplomas they can't read."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [sparkles](#) on Sun, 22 Nov 2009 16:16:14 GMT
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Another secular word is: "Money isn't everything."
Usually this is spoken by people who aren't rich and don't have much money, but when you think about eternity and all the riches there and how we will spend it with Jesus and all the saints, we see that Jesus is everything. There are so many pressures on people today to have money and so many out of work, that for many it has been hard to keep their eyes on Jesus. God has promised us in Phil 4:19 "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

3John 2 "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."

Then how about the saying "Money is the root of all evil."
That is not what the bible says.

1 Timothy 6:10-12 "For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses."

As we living in the last days and seeing things get set for the Anti-christ to come on the scene these are not times to get greedy and fearful. We are seeing our brothers and sisters going through hard times, maybe we need to start asking the Lord if he wants us to do anything to help them, such as bless them with money, or material needs, or rides, or baby sit their children so they can get away for a little bit. There are so many things that can bless someone. I have some very good friends that bless me as I go through a trial with an elderly mother that I want to bless others as I have been. Certainly pray for them. And not just our brothers and sisters, but anyone as the Lord leads.

Galatians 6:9-10 "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

And finally Matt. 25:31-46 The sheep and goats. Jesus says, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

So look and listen if the Lord wants to put on your heart someone to bless. Even just a telephone call can be just the thing to help get someone through a hard time. I know because it has happened to me.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Sun, 22 Nov 2009 17:11:58 GMT
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Sage wrote: Another secular word is: "Money isn't everything."

I seems to be if you watch the TV evangelist, it's the focus of their ministry. And obviously it is to their followers as well, because they keep 'planting seed' trying to hit the 'big harvest payday'...

Just to make a point, last night I checked in with the new 'inspirational' network that I'd discovered a couple of weeks ago. They were rerunning the exact same 'Campmeeting' fund raiser from Jerusalem that was on two weeks ago...The exact same guy, Mike Murdcok was here in America and the other guys(Morris & David Cerullo) were in Jerusalem doing the prayer on the alter coinciding with the Feast of the Tabernacle(except that was weeks ago). (I posted on it under the 'Taking Heed' thread.)

To me(and this is only my view on it)not only are they fleecing the followers by twisting scripture and playing upon their desires for financial gain(greed), but now they're deceiving them. example: 'God is telling me to tell the next X number of people that go to their phones, RIGHT NOW! with

that \$900 pledge, that He will wipe away all their debt, restore all their past financial failures with a 'special financial anointing', and save their households... Now here we are two weeks later and it just so happens that God is telling them the same thing again...No mention that 'this program was recorded eariler'... Prophets for hire,(pay me and you'll recieve thus and so)... as someone wrote on here a while back...'non-profit prophets.'

Doesn't I Tim.3:3 say that one of the requirements of a minister is that he be not greedy of filthy lucre?

And as Sage quoted in chapter 6 and verse 10;"For the love of money is the root of all evil: which some have COVETED after, they have erred from the faith..."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...

Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 24 Nov 2009 13:25:26 GMT

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Silence is golden...

Here is another secular saying with a scriptural principle.(no, I'm not refering to women keeping silent in church...) Proverbs says (17:28)"Even a fool, when holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed as a man of understanding."

But while there certainly is a place for keeping silent and guarding our words; there is also a dire need for people who will speak and not be silent, concerning warnings to the church(Body of Christ). Watchmen are needed like never before; Is.62:6 "I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day or night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence,". Where are the watchmen today? Everyone wants to be politically correct, not offend anyone; we have men standing in the pulpits across America with the opportunity and platform to speak forth warning of the judgement that is coming upon this land. Instead they sway the hearts of men with great swelling words of prosperity promises, of great days ahead, while begging for their money.(some have called them 'marshmellow' sermons)

There wouldn't be any 'mega-churches' with 10,000-30,000 members if the preachers were proclaiming the true Word of God; the attraction of 'fitting in' and getting a 'feel-good' sermonette while hearing some entertaining music that draws 'Sunday christians' wouldn't pay the bills if the truth was preached.

Some are of the opinion that it's better to not rock the boat, even if they do agree with some of the teachings of the Word, they aren't convided enough to share the truth with others, or live it themselves, in many instances. There's a place for silence, and we are to be lead of The Lord, but fear of what others think shouldn't be the reason for withholding the truth. Example: christ

mass/pagamas/xmas/christmas; whatever you call it, I've heard christians say it's not something they embrace(the tree worship, pagan origins, santa claus, teaching lies to children, ect.) and that they can take it or leave it(if you'll notice, they ALWAYS TAKE IT) You see them start justifying it by explaining how it's just a time of celebration of Jesus' birth and a few gifts for family and a nice meal. There's spiritual blindness and there's self justification of disobedience; many do just go along with what they've been taught, but to those whom have been given eyes to see and ears to hear and have turned away from the clear truth in order to appease their own self wills, don't think God winks at disobedience.

a good rule of thumb, if everybody is doing it, it's probably not of God...

Wanted: Watchmen to shout out warnings... (the silent need not apply)

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...

Posted by [sparkles](#) on Sat, 28 Nov 2009 19:38:47 GMT

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Another saying I hear people use:

"Life is short." or "Time sure does fly by." The older one gets the more those statements are a reality.

All of a sudden you look around and your parents are old, or even gone. You see some of the people you work with and you realize that to them you are old. Of course we don't need to feel old, but to a 20 year old people in their 50's and 60's seem old. Seems like the year 2000 was just on the verge with all the Y2K fears, and here we are, almost a decade past that. We have seen friends die, parents die, grand parents die, aunts and uncles die, and if the Lord were to tarry some of us would be the next generation to die.

Life is short, and the older one gets the quicker it seems time goes by, although it doesn't really go any faster than when we were young, it just seems like it.

Psalm 103:15-16 "As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more."

I Peter 1:24 "For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:"

I want to encourage everyone to appreciate all that God has given you in life. Look around and see the blessings you have, family, friends, a job(or look to the Lord to supply one.) Most important: salvation. There are people who have it much worse than we do and we need to be thankful for all the blessings we do have. I know some have a hard time with family, but we

have the promises of God to see them delivered and saved. Some are out of work, but we can trust the Lord to lead and guide us to where he wants us to go. I suppose I just want to encourage everyone to look around and see all the blessings you have had in your life, because time does fly by, and some don't bother to take the time to look around and then thank God for what they have.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 30 Nov 2009 21:44:46 GMT
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I was listening to Bro. Rusty Tardo teaching on 'Being More Than Conquerors', from Romans 8:37. And he was encouraging the Body of Christ not to give up in adversity, using the afflictions that Paul suffered as an example of never giving up.

He quoted Winston Churchill (one of the most quoted men in history), who when trying to rally the British troops in WW II, told them...

"When you're going through HELL.....Keep going!"

Paul didn't give up, he overcame every trial that came his way, Why? because he was persuaded that nothing could separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. And he believed that...

"...all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." verse 28 Rom. 8.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [GWB](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 00:32:24 GMT
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"Paul didn't give up, he overcame every trial that came his way, Why? because he was persuaded that nothing could separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. And he believed that..."

"...all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose." verse 28 Rom. 8."

I believe I broke ties with a dear family member today, due to my standing side by side with Israel. I was as kind and loving as possible in my explanation toward this "so liberal any sin is OK" person.

However, I was not surprised due to the teaching from FA.

I was mocked about Saturnalia and the pure Word. I warned them about Tribulation and how Israel would turn back when antichrist declared himself to be God in mid-tribulation. I warned them not to take the mark of the beast. Their remarks?:

"I was raised to believe in Santa Claus.....and he is coming to town soon! PREPARE!!!!!!

God have mercy on this last generation.

"Anybody who loves his mother, brother, family, more than Me is not worthy of the Kingdom of Heaven."

"Any man, having put his hand to the plow, and looks back, is not worthy of the Kingdom of Heaven."

"To whom much is given, much is required."

When we are gone in the Firstfruits rapture, in Jesus Name, he will remember everything I shared with him in love...God help me to continually set my eyes upon things eternal.

Blessings,

GWB

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 01:32:26 GMT
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If it's any comfort, know that you're not alone, everyone who's ever put their hand to the plow has suffered persecution...it's promised.

Jesus said in Matt.10:36 "And a man's foes shall be they of his own household."

I think it's safe to say that one of the biggest, and hardest to overcome, sources of pain/rejection/ridicule a Christian encounters, is those closest to us, our family.

and the worship of pagamas is probably the most entrenched form of idolatry known to man, to the point that even the heathen will join in with the christian to defend the practice. Hello...

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
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I agree James. The pagan worship only unites people in Baal sin. It can be blatant homosexuals, or the nice church goer. It really does not matter; it is all the same to Him.

Also, if you ever want a thermometer as to where people are spiritually....ask them how they feel about Israel.

Years ago, this family member said, "I hate Israel." It would have made you cringe if you would have heard the demon manifest. So, it was no surprise to me when this person was hostile to me.

I have found many foes in my household. However, they forgot one very important thing:

*****That church*****

They are all saved, baptised in the Holy Spirit, speaking in tounges, totally delivered, glorifying God, and walking in His perfect will in the end times in Jesus name. It is done. It is settled in heaven. There is revival in the land, by faith which is forever settled as well, regardless of what happens to me.

My real question is this: How far ahead does moulder pay for this space? People will be flocking for answers, when we disappear, in Jesus name.

Blessings,

GWB

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...

Posted by [sparkles](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 04:42:02 GMT

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HI GWB,

Sorry to hear about your disagreement with your family member, but hopefully you two don't break ties for long. Sure is hard sometimes when the family decides to persecute us, but at least the Lord warned us this would happen. I know alot of people think we are strange(and sometimes we are) with some of our beliefs, but it will all be worth it in the end. I try to remind myself of that when I am in the trials. There is no trial or persecution here on earth that can compare with what God has for us who endure to the end. They want to mock and make fun of our stands, well someday they may have to eat those words and they will see that what we shared and believe is the word of God. We are commanded to Love our enemies, bless them that curse us, do good to them that hate us, and pray for them which despitefully use us and persecute us. Easy? NO, but possible: Yes. Why? Cause we can do all things through Christ who strenghtens us.

I look at some of my family members and think of how much they will be thankful for when the Lord opens theirs eyes to Jesus and what they have been forgiven of and saved from.

Let them laugh and mock, because one day their eyes will be open to the truth of Jesus and then they will be sorry for the way they treated others. On our side we are to rejoice when persecuted. One reason would be because we are in good company when we look though out history that all those called will suffer persecution. II Timothy 3:12 "Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution."

I know it can be hurtful, but may God give you grace and wisdom how to share with this person.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...

Posted by [GWB](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 04:50:33 GMT

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Hey Sage,

Thanks for the encouragement! I know it will all be worth it.

Also, He never gives us more that what we can handle. Really, I don't care to be around this

person anymore. They are so very hostile concerning Israel and the Good News.

I make a point to not shove things down their throat. However, there comes a time when you have to make a clear distinction when it comes to the Word and "tolerance." I, personally, can't stand the word, "tolerance." To me, it means, "an excuse to sin and not line up with His Word."

Anymore, when I hear or see the word, "tolerance," I leave!!!

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 05:10:28 GMT
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Yep, that's part of a key 'catch-phrase'...religious tolerance. I'm OK, you're OK...those who adhere to the teachings of Jesus are branded as 'religious zealots' and divisive. That's why nothing is wrong anymore, nothing is black or white, right or wrong; and to point this out means we aren't being.....tolerant.

Well, I'm NOT...not when it comes to turning a blind eye to sin and unrighteousness.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [GWB](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 16:56:51 GMT
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"I'm OK, you're OK...those who adhere to the teachings of Jesus are branded as 'religious zealots' and divisive."

Yep, it causes division alright.

I believe to have tolerance is to compromise the Word. There will be no tolerance on that day when one line goes to heaven and one line goes to hell. There will be no tolerance when their mockery is played back and judged. I would much rather pay the price now and move on with my walk. I would rather move on, pray and believe for them, and let Him have His way in their life.

If they want to come around and have some tolerance for the real Truth, I will tell them. Until then, I am not going to condone the deception and sin they are in right now. I don't believe that is doing them a favor.

As time goes on, I have heard about death experiences from people close to me. In two cases,

they were on the verge of death and found themselves walking down a dark hall. Needless to say, they were very scared and it just got worse. In His grace and mercy, they came back to this world. In both cases, He had someone there to minister salvation and they were able to tell about their experience.

In one of these cases, this person went to FA and had claimed the salvation of their sick loved one. They woke up long enough to pray, repent, and explain what had transpired. After that, they laid back and breathed their last breath. The FA person made it just in time and the Lord would not allow them to leave this world until the promise of household salvation was fulfilled.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom." There is no fear or shame, more and more, in this world. I believe the lack of fear and shame produces mockery.

Praise His Name for the awesome boot camp we had at FA! We had a lot of great practice for these End-times. If you are not being divided from family and friends when it comes to your stand of the Word, something is wrong and you will go down their trail.

Yep, did that before and I will not do it again....believe me! It only produces destruction to your soul, and the family you are believing for. When you are chummy with this world and their sin, you will get burned in this life!

Well, I sure feel better! Thanks for listening and standing with me concerning this situation. This site is priceless.

Blessings,

GWB

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 01 Dec 2009 17:45:41 GMT
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Dat's whut we hear fur...Eyz all ears...

"If you are not being divided from family and friends when it comes to your stand of the Word, something is wrong..."

Seriously, I'd like to believe that somewhere there's a family where each are saved(manifested) and walking with The Lord...surely there is, but I don't know of any personally.

It's not that it's easy, cause it's not; and this time of the year usually causes the most heartache. But to anyone who is struggling with the choice, remember the words of Jesus...

"He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth so or daughter more than me is not worthy of me." Matt.10:37

It's a matter of settling in our hearts, that God's Word is His will, and His will for our lives. Wrestling with whether or not God means what He says; or if it's for today; or if He really will judge sin(after all, look around, EVERYBODY else is doing IT, and they go to church)...the longer we wrestle(which is another word for NOT obeying NOW) the longer it is going to take to die out to our selves and fully walk in His blessings and see His will manifested through us.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 31 Dec 2009 22:19:30 GMT
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As I walked this morning I noticed a car from Missouri, and the slogan on the tag said, 'Show Me State'. As I contemplated about it,

I was reminded how that's the way so many people professing Christ view God's Word and promises. 'Prove it to me, let me see it, then I'll believe.'

There's a saying that goes like this, 'Seeing is Believing'.

But the Bible teaches that, 'Believing is Seeing'. The only way to truly 'see', is through FAITH. (Believing)

"(For we walk by faith, not by sight:)" II Corinthians 5:7

Can anyone 'believe' that the first decade of the 21st. century has already passed? WOW!

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Sun, 18 Apr 2010 14:38:21 GMT
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james wrote on Thu, 31 December 2009 16:19As I walked this morning I noticed a car from Missouri, and the slogan on the tag said, 'Show Me State'.

I don't know what it is with me and car tags,(I guess I'm just the observant type) but today I saw one that said, "GOD IS MY COPILOT". Well, we all know that the person is trying to convey the message that they are Christian and God is in their lives...BUT, in reality, for many people this statement is more accurate that they realize. While professing a form of godliness, they keep God in the copilot seat, which everyone who knows anything at all about airplanes knows that the copilot isn't in charge. Maybe folks need to swap seats and let God be in control as the pilot.

I'd like to see a tag that says, "GOD IS MY PILOT"...

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 17 May 2010 16:18:26 GMT
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More sayings that could reflect Biblical principles...

"Don't count your chickens before they're hatched."

In I Kings 20, King Ben-hadad of Syria was threatening to war against and destroy Samaria. King Ahab of Israel sent back unto Ben-hadad this message...

Verse 11 "And the king of Israel answered and said, Tell him, Let not him that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off."

In other words, you haven't beaten us yet...or don't count your chickens before they're hatched.

btw: Ben-hadad's Syrian army was defeated, twice, by Israel; but because Ahab let Ben-hadad live after being told by the Prophets of God to destroy them all, he was judged and appointed to die for disobedience.(Verse 42)

*another account showing that God doesn't turn a blind eye to disobedience

One other lesson I see shown here, 'When you're in warfare, focus on the battle'...Ben-hadad was drinking himself drunk at noon instead of being ready to fight a war, Verse 16.

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 14 Jun 2010 16:22:36 GMT
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"Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are;

while your reputation is merely what others think you are."

~ John Wooden (wise basketball coach who just recently passed away at age 99)

I Samuel 16:7

"But The Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him:

for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but The Lord looketh on the heart."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2010 15:39:09 GMT
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Contentment, or greedy?

"A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush."

"Let your conversation be without covetousness;

and be content with such things as ye have:

for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Hebrews 13:5

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...

Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 06 Dec 2010 16:39:08 GMT
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"After everything is said and done, more is said than done."

"But be ye doers of The Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves." James 1:22

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 14 Mar 2011 18:56:35 GMT
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"To each his own"

I was told about something someone had done that was unethical and immoral, so I began to share what God's Word teaches about that particular situation. The person I was speaking to was supposed to be Christian, but I could see they wasn't really interested in what The Bible had to say about it, so I just ended what I was sharing. The reply I got back was, "To each, his own."

This attitude is reflective of the institutional religious system today..."You're OK, I'm OK."..."Live and let live"..."Don't judge"...

What happened to the standard of righteousness(nothing, it's still there, most just ignore it); better question, What happened to Christians upholding that standard? What about we're supposed to be a light in darkness? What about the gospel of Jesus Christ being lived by believers drawing people to HIM?

Judges 17:6 "In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

Proverbs 21:2 "Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: but The Lord pondereth the hearts."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [grandom](#) on Thu, 07 Jul 2011 15:27:18 GMT
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I would imagine that everyone thinks the proverb like mother like daughter is a secular original. but not so.

Ezekiel 16:44 Everyone who makes up proverbs will say of you, "Like mother, like daughter."

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 05 May 2014 21:56:37 GMT
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"You can't take it with you." Is a phrase often used concerning people hoarding up wealth for themselves. The forty ninth Psalms speaks of this and Ps. 49:17 says..."For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him."

Another saying heard today if something is about to happen that people could easily see in advance. "The handwriting is on the wall." This is from Daniel 5 where God judged Belshazzar for using the golden vessels from The Temple to drink wine from and also for not humbling his heart. (He was slain that very night and his kingdom was given to the Medes and Persians.)

Subject: Re: Secular Words of Wisdom...
Posted by [james](#) on Tue, 07 Oct 2014 18:52:31 GMT
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"You don't know the half of it..."

This was taken from a statement the queen of Sheba made concerning the wisdom and wealth of Solomon after she had visited him herself, and questioned him.

"Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard." I Kings 10:7