

Dealing With Fanaticism Pt4

JOSHUA 3:1-4

1. *And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.*
2. *And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the host;*
3. *And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it. 4. Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.*

A GUIDE [62-1014E]

Now watch what he said (I like this) in the Scripture, he said, “*Stay close behind the Ark, for you’ve not passed this way before.*”

What was the Ark? The Word. Don’t travel your denominational routes now, stay right behind the Word, ‘cause you haven’t passed this way before. And, brother, if there ever was a time that the Christian church ought to examine itself, is right now.

GENESIS 3:4

4. *And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:*

GOD KEEPS HIS WORD PT2 [57-0307]

Eve was not satisfied in the beginning with the wonderful fellowship that she and Adam had with God, but she had to hunt some new light. And the devil seen she got it. And when you try to find something that’s **a little fantastic, a little different from the written Word**, the devil’s right present to give it to you.

GALATIANS 1:8-9

8. *But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.*
9. *As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.*

FELLOWSHIP [62-0519]

We got to cut ourself to match God’s Word. We can’t cut our — our — God’s Word to match what we think. We got to keep in the Word.

And someone come not long ago and said, “This doctrine, this thing that you believe,” said, “if the Angel of the Lord told you that, we’ll believe it.” A group of ministers.

I said, “The Angel of the Lord? If he said anything different, I wouldn’t believe him.”

DEBATE ON TONGUES [60-0807]

Now, I only receive when He tells me, then He always clears it with the Scripture. If He didn’t, I would not believe it, although as much as He’s told me along the road, still if He ever told me anything wasn’t Scriptural, it would not be right, ‘cause the Scripture is absolutely our basis. We cannot base our – our salvation upon sensations, or experiences of others, or on our own experience. It’s got to be the Word of God (See?), ‘cause that’s the – that’s the true mark.

THE THIRD SEAL [63-0320]

Scripture has to agree with Scripture. And anything is contrary to the Scripture... If that Angel of the Lord told me anything that wasn’t Scriptural, I wouldn’t believe Him.

ROMANS 3:4b

4b. ...yea, let God be true, but every man a liar...

MATTHEW 24:23-24

23. Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

24. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

SIRS WE WOULD SEE JESUS [57-0226]

If any spirit doesn’t follow the Scripture, it’s a wrong spirit. That’s right. If it goes beyond this Bible, it’s a wrong spirit. If it doesn’t get to it, it’s a wrong spirit.

See, if the devil can’t keep you from seeing a truth, he will push you overboard with it. You see? That’s his business. See? If he will go off onto some fantastic, or either he will keep you from seeing it at all. But to stay right straight on Calvary, it’ll always come right back to the Word every time. It’s the Word.

THE SPOKEN WORD IS THE ORIGINAL SEED [62-0318]

How you going to know what’s right and wrong? Give it the Word test. That’s the way to tell whether it’s right or wrong. That’s, just--just give it the Word test, see what it says about the Word.

Any spirit, see what it says about the Word. If it denies the Word, it's not of God.
See? No matter what it is, if it denies the Word, it's not of God. Look, give it the Word test, and see what happens.

THE SIGNS OF HIS COMING [62-0407]

Give them the Word test. That'll tell whether they're right or wrong or not. Stay right with that Word; see what happens. See? Just throw the Word down there and see where they're at.

THE EVENING MESSENGER [63-0116]

Many of them won't stand the Word test. They'll love their organization better than they love the Word of God, although that Word be vindicated by that man.

fanatic

"a person exhibiting excessive enthusiasm and intense uncritical devotion toward some controversial matter (as in religion or politics)" ~ merriam-webster.com

THE GREAT COMMISSION [57-0804A]

I don't want any more that--than what's in this Bible, and I don't want nothing less than what's in this Bible. I don't want some fantastics or isms. I want just exactly what God said, no more or no less. That's where my faith rests on what He said.

A GUIDE [62-1014E]

And here we are, right everything right at the door, and people still following after creed. You better stay behind the Word! The Word will lead you across, because the Word is Christ, and Christ is God, and God is the Holy Ghost.

Stay behind the Word! Oh, yes, sir! Stay with that Guide. Stay right behind It. Don't get in front of It, you stay behind It. Let It lead you, don't you lead It. You let It go.

THE RESULTS OF DECISION [55-1008]

He said, "Now, when the--when the Pillar of Fire begins to move down towards the Jordan," said, "then as the priests takes it down, let every man fall right in behind, and don't get too close to it. But don't let it get out of your sight, 'cause you've never passed this way before." I believe there's an experience for the Church, that "you've never passed this way before."

To you people tonight, maybe, if you can't have faith enough, let's move out towards Jordan tonight. Oh, my. Maybe you've never passed this way before, but let's pass this way tonight.