

Acts 20:27

For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.

Have you ever posted something on Social Media, then have someone come along and respond with something that has nothing to do with what you posted. Or have you ever posted scripture or something spiritual and have them post their opinion, even though it's wrong?

I know it has happened to me many times, and the truth is, I could care less of people's opinion if they can't back it up with scripture. Why, because our opinion (including mine) compared to God's word means nothing. My opinion on the state of the world and what's happening doesn't mean a thing, because everyone has an opinion, and you may disagree and have your own opinion, but then that's your opinion, not mine. lol

One example right now in regards to Covid is that some people are all for full vaccination and wearing masks and some are opposed to both, then there are those who say get vaccinated but then you don't need a maskblah, blah, blah. Simply everyone has an opinion.

Now that your head is spinning after reading that, let me tell you something that's not my opinion, and that is that God's word is truth.

✠ **Psalm 119:160** *The entirety of Your word is truth, And every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever.*

The Bible is not the opinion of those who wrote it, and in fact, if you read your bible, you find out that all the authors of the different books in the Bible agree and come to the same conclusion, and that is that God is God and there is no other God and the only way to salvation is through God's Son, Jesus Christ, and none of them contradicts the other, because it's all truth.

"How about a spiritual example that has truth, but also people's opinion?" Good question.

So, the rapture of the church, every Christian believes that Jesus will, not might, but WILL come back for His bride the church. We all agree on that. But the opinions come when you ask, when is Jesus coming back, before, during or after the tribulation, which are called Pre-Tribulation, Mid-Tribulation and Post-Tribulation opinions. But the true answer, not someone's opinion, is in the bible, and if you read it all in context, it's very clear when we will be raptured, Pre-Tribulation!!!

It's not my opinion, it's in God's word, and if you want to know the truth, read and study God's word without having a pre conceived idea of what you think it should be. Because when you do that, you can easily take God's word out of context, to make it say what you want it to say, but not what it is really saying. So go with an open mind, an open bible and an open heart, starting off with prayer, asking the Lord to show you the truth in His word, and He will.

But, usually when someone asks that question, “*Well, what’s your opinion?*” sometimes they ask that because they are either looking for someone that will agree with their opinion, or they actually want to start an argument, because they already know what you think, and they want to prove you wrong, usually in front of others to make them look good. Or, they ask you, because they know you will quote the bible, and that’s what they are really wanting to know in the first place.

So what do you do in those cases? One of two things, either quote Gods word, in it’s context and let them know that your opinion doesn’t matter, but God’s word is truth and you are giving them the truth from God’s word. Or the other option is to simply say nothing. The bible says in **Proverbs 17:28** that: “*Even a fool is counted wise when he holds his peace; When he shuts his lips, he is considered perceptive.*”

Paul also says that: “*Remember, dear brothers and sisters, that few of you were wise in the world’s eyes or powerful or wealthy when God called you. Instead, God chose things the world considers foolish in order to shame those who think they are wise. And he chose things that are powerless to shame those who are powerful. God chose things despised by the world, things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important. As a result, no one can ever boast in the presence of God.*” **1 Corinthians 1:26-29 (NLT2)**

So reading this, it’s clear that the wise are not always wise with their opinions, because it’s their opinion. But the truth comes out when you put someone’s opinion, even that of the wise, against the word of God, because when you do then “*God chose things the world considers foolish in order to shame those who think they are wise.*”

God even confounds me, because for years, I was teaching God’s word without even having a High School diploma, I had only made it to my first year of being a Senior in High School, and I was going to have to go for an additional year just to graduate, so I dropped out. But then about 10 years ago (over 35 years later), I got a GED, and you know what? Even when I did, it did not make me any smarter. Now before I start getting emails, I am 100% for everyone getting an education, be it High School or a degree in Collage. Because that’s what the world requires.

But I did not need that to teach God’s word, because it’s His Holy Spirit who brings back to my remembrance scripture (not my opinion) to teach. So it’s not opinion, but God’s word that I am quoting to backup God’s word! And wouldn’t you rather be reading devotionals full of God’s word and not my, or anyone else’s opinion?

† **Romans 12:16** *Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.*

† **Galatians 1:11-12** *But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ.*