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Our Season In Time

A Newsletter of Generation Word

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Special Points of Interest

- Weekly Schedule:
 - Sunday, 11 AM Valley HS - Monday, 7 PM, WDM
 - Community Center - Tuesday, 7 PM, WDM
 - Country Club Dental
- ✓ Israel Trip in June 2014
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"Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth." - Jesus, John 17:17

"The sanctifying of men by the Word of God is a timeless principle in the Kingdom of God."

 – Galyn Wiemers in
 "The Word: Apparatus for Salvation, Renewal and Maturity."



"Reps and Sets" 2x a Day Devotional

Reps and Sets is a daily devotion for each morning and each evening for every day of the year. The devotions are biblical teaching that progresses chronologically through the entire Bible and are based on text verses taken from every book of the Bible.

In addition to the two devotional teachings each day (or, 732 per year), there are fifteen pieces of information that are updated twice every day. These include quotes, interesting information, archaeological/apologetic proof

authenticating Scripture, proverbs, Hebrew/Greek word studies, confessions for life application, photos from Israel with descriptions, diagrams, and prayer topics for your life, church, the nation and the world.



http://www.repsandsets.org/91m.html

There are 3 different Bible reading programs to select from that incorporate a variety of the Scriptural text that will take you chronologically through the entire Bible in a year. These are linked directly to online text and include.

- The Narrative Plan read one chapter each day in the morning to read 366 chapters that will take you through the entire storyline of the Bible in chronological order.
 - **The General Text** read two chapters a day (one morning, one evening) to read 732 chapters of the Bible that will take you through the entire narrative and important/insightful chapters from Leviticus, Psalms, the prophets and every NT chapter.
- The Complete Text read 3-4 chapters every day (1-2 morning, 2 evening) to read the entire text of scripture chronologically in one year.

After one year, besides having learned from the 732 devotional teachings, a student will have read 732 quotes, 732 archeological/apologetic facts, 732 interesting thoughts, 366 Hebrew word studies, 366 Greek word studies, 732 points of applications for their daily life, and 2,928 topics for prayer. They will have viewed 732 insightful photos of the land of Israel and 732 maps/charts with explanations. Many are linked to additional sources.

You Can Visit Israel in June 2014

We will spend 14 days in Israel between Tues., June 10 and Sun., June 23, 2014. Our time will include several days and nights in the Old City and also travel throughout the land of Israel from the Negev in the south to the city of Dan in the north to the Dead Sea in the east and the Mediterranean Sea in the West. The class will be taught by Dr. Carl Rasmussen, author of Zondervan's Bible Atlas, professor from Bethel, and host of the site <u>www.holylandphotos.org</u>.



Marilyn looks over the Kidron Valley at the Eastern Wall of Jerusalem from a first century tomb on the Mount of Olives.

There is room for 48 students, but we will need verbal commitments from 30 people by July 1, 2013 to

move forward with this class with confidence. The initial estimate for the class is \$2,520 per person plus estimated airfare \$1,500. This is an estimated total cost per person of \$4,000 which includes hotels, meals, bus transportation. The application fee of \$215 per person will be due by November 1. More details are available. This is more than a religious tour. This is an educational onsite class!



A nice, simple mobile website to access our weekly videos on your cellphone or iPod is:

www.galynonline.com

In Jeremiah 38:1 two royal servants of Zedekiah are mentioned: **1-Gedaliah son of Pashhur 2-Jehucal son of Shelemiah**

Two clay seals (bullae) glazed in Jerusalem's fire of 586 were found (2005 and 2008) in the royal palace in Jerusalem with these two names and their father's name written in ancient Hebrew exactly like the biblical text.



The shortest prayer in the Bible is, "Lord, save us!" (Mt.8:25) And, it was answered!

Generation Word Church

Generation Word Church began meeting at 11 AM each Sunday in West Des Moines. We are currently studying through the book of Acts but stopping to chronologically teach through each of Paul's letters as they were written in the book of Acts.

Until October we are meeting at Valley High School in WDM in the cafeteria. Enter on west side of building off 39th Street. (Valley High School, 3650 Woodland Ave.) There is child care for ages 0-5. The service consists of one hour of Bible teaching.



The Generation Word Church website is found at <u>www.generationwordchurch.com</u>. Video and audio of each class is online at www.generationword.com.

The Cross Before the Crown!

There is clear scriptural distinction between today which is the time before the manifestation of the kingdom of God, and that day in the future when the kingdom of God will be revealed. (2 Tm.4:1,8; 1Tm6:14) Indeed the Kingdom of God has always existed, (Dan.4:3, 34;7:14,27) and we become members of that kingdom at the time we place faith in Jesus Christ and are born again. (Col.1:13)



We spiritually become members of that kingdom and are called citizens (Phil.3:20-21), but we remain in time, here on earth, surrounded by the kingdoms of this world, serving as ambassadors to the people of the worldly kingdoms. (2 Co.5:20; 4:5; 2:14) The kingdom of God is not here yet, nor can it be until the King comes. Jesus said himself:

"My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place." (John 18:36)

Paul lived as though the kingdom would be manifested later (Rm.8:18f; 2 Co. 4:17; also, 1 Pt.4:13; 5:1) and rebuked those who confused today's kingdoms with the Kingdom that will come. (1 Co.4:8; 1 Tm. 6:5; also, Rev.3:17) The reason this becomes an issue is that our view of the Kingdom will:

- 1. determine our attitude toward our role as a servant today (John13:12-17; Matt.20:25-28)
- 2. influence the significance we place on material possessions today(1 Tm.6:5, 9, 11)
- 3. determine how we assess circumstances (Phi.3:7-12;4:11-12) (good and bad) today

To have a wrong view of the kingdom could derail our purpose and God's calling on our life (2Tm4:10; 1Tm1:19) because, simply put, we will resist the truth and purse a lie (2 Tm3:8). We could turn from God's will to follow a fantasy.

Today we are servants of an unseen kingdom. (Rm6:22; Titus2:13) Paul, James, Peter, Jude and John called themselves servants in time, (Rm.1:1;Jm.1:1; 2 Pt.1:1, Jude 1;Rv.1:1) but recognize themselves as kings when the Kingdom comes. (1 Co. 4:8; 15:49; 1 Pt.2:9,11; 1 Jn.3:2; Rv.2:26) To live as a king today and reject the position of servanthood is to subject



yourself to Jesus' warning that when the Kingdom comes "there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last." (Lk. 13:29-3) We may not be willing to sacrifice today what it takes to become the type of king God has planned for us in eternity. (Mk.10:29-31)

Jesus was tempted by Satan to take the kingdom before he took the cross. (Mt.4:8-9) In the same way, the people wanted Jesus to take the kingdom of the Jews from Rome on Palm Sunday, but instead "he humbled himself and became obedient to death." (Ph.2:8) Even his disciples' first major concern after the resurrection was not obedience but "restoring the kingdom." (Acts 1:6)



Reflective Thoughts Concerning Cultural Direction

"As I worked with the lawn mower I thought about a couple of men born in the 1880's and the 1890's (Grandpa Wiemers and Mr. Higley) who, in the 1970's, taught me how to mow, how to use a mower, how to disconnect a spark plug while cleaning or changing the blade, and their world view (one was a God-fearing believer and one was a self-proclaimed atheist)...I also thought about myself when I am 80 or 90 years old (2040-2050).I cannot imagine that I will still be allowed in this country to be freely teaching the Bible literally verse by verse without being consider a criminal...If I am allowed to legally teach the Bible until the year 2050 in the USA I will be surprised!!....and, understand, as a Bible teacher I refuse to address all the political, philosophical, cultural and denominational issues. This is not because I am afraid to, but because what we need in our churches and in our culture is to know and understand the Truth of the Word of God, not misunderstood, empty talking points! When they arrest me sometime after the year 2030 I want it to be for teaching the Bible verse by verse and not for some stupid political issue, or for preaching against some corrupt cultural lifestyle or ungodly-yet-legal practice!" – Galyn, a Facebook note

"I am concerned, even distressed, that the emotional, mystical, personal-preferencedculturally-driven form of Christianity being handed down to the next generation in our Evangelical churches of the Western world will NOT be able to withstand the duel confrontation it will continue to face with both the radical Pagan and Spiritual communities. Will they be able to understand, analyze, confront and convert their oppressors with Truth and Love? Or, will we have trained them to compromise, conform and collapse into a dissolved state of fragmented terminology and feelings suspended in the cosmos of relativism and pragmatism?" – Galyn, a Facebook post

Too Ignorant to Repent; Too Evil to Identify

"Their deeds do not permit them to return to their God.A spirit of prostitution is in their heart; they do not acknowledge the Lord." - Hosea 5:4

God is forgiving and is always ready to receive a repentant sinner, but the human nature is not always willing nor is it always able to confess sin and return to God. Indeed, it is possible for an individual or a society to become so corrupt that they cannot even identify sin. A people who have replaced God's Word with a false philosophy cannot correctly distinguish wicked deeds from a truly righteous attitude that produces the works of God. Israel was too far gone in Hosea's day to return to God. As the Assyrian crisis intensified and national disintegration began (four of northern Israel's final six kings where assassinated and the last king was taken as a prisoner to Assyria by Shalmaneser) the people's deeds did not permit them to take corrective action and return to God. Destruction was inevitable. What had begun in their hearts (wills, emotion, intellect, attitude, desires, etc.) as spiritual prostitution searching for something other than God's Truth, Reality and Word had led them into ignorance of God which produced the fruits of wickedness. This 750-721 BC culture could not find their way out of this great darkness into which they had submerged themselves.

Be careful of a society that does not "acknowledge the Lord" because the "spirit of prostitution" will lead to philosophies and lifestyles that are contrary to Truth and Reality and the application of these false philosophies will produce "deeds" that will remove that society into a darkness where logic and reason are unattainable. From this hopeless position there is no way for a society to accurately evaluate their position and return to a God who is always willing to receive a repentant sinner who is able to identify and confess sin.

"There is no doubt that it is around the family and the home that all the greatest virtues, the most dominating virtues of human society, are created, strengthened and maintained." - Winston Churchill

> "No teaching is a form of teaching." – Galyn Wiemers

Dinesh D'Souza makes these statements and supports them in his bestselling book, "What's So Great About Christianity."

1. Christianity is the main foundation of Western civilization, the root of our most cherished values.

2. The latest discoveries of modern science support the Christian claim that there is a divine being who created the universe.

3. Darwin's theory of evolution, far from undermining the evidence for supernatural design, actually strengthens it.

4. There is nothing in science that makes miracles impossible.

5. It is reasonable to have faith.

6. Atheism, not religion, is responsible for the mass murders of history.

7. Atheism is motivated not by reason but by a kind of cowardly moral escapism.

Comments from Around the World

"I am very interested in your book, *Jerusalem the History and Archeology and Apologetics.* I was wondering if I could get a copy of it. I'm trying to learn new aspects of the wonderful city in which I live, and I understand that your book is a valuable and in-depth tool." – <u>Jerusalem, Israel</u>

"I enjoy your teaching. I am now studying Jeremiah...Thank you very much. I love your teachings and all the maps, charts, etc." - Louisville, KY

"Thank you for what appears to be a wealth of material on your website. I was searching for a Pentecost map and found one on your website. Not finding any "use policies" I want to ask if it is permissible to use your maps for our teaching purposes. I am hoping, first of all, to use your Pentecost map in a Sunday bulletin." - <u>North Mankato, Minnesota</u>

"I have downloaded your book *Framework for Christian Faith* and found to be an excellent text for basic theological training of pastors. I have a Christian Ministry in Kenya, Africa, and would like to use and distribute these resources for free within our church network. Thank you for sharing these resources with the rest of the world for free. – Kenya, Africa

"We write on behalf of the Liberian Ministers Association to again express our profound thanks and appreciation to you for the books donated to our association... we plan to ship them to Liberia to be used by pastors who are in desperate need of them. We are currently going through the process of planning and fundraising to build a library in Kakata City, Liberia, where these books and books we trust the Lord will provide, will be placed for pastors to use. There are hundreds of pastors in Kakata and its surroundings, who lack Bible college training." – Liberian Ministers Association

"I want to thank you for making your teaching available online. I have some ladies that have been meeting at my house for prayer for quite some time. A few weeks ago, however, they decided to start going through the *Framework Classes* together. We have our computer hooked up to our TV monitor so we can sit in the living room and watch them. I have been studying with them since January and have been blessed and grown so much." – Fort Wayne, Indiana

"I am certainly indebted to you for the lovely book *Jerusalem*. It is so well done, and so informative...so much of its content has been wonderfully helpful to me."

"We are going to Israel in June, and your book looks as though it would be great to read and take with us!" - Westminster, Colorado

"My mother introduced me to her copy of your book and I didn't want to put it down. Please send me a book: *Hope for America's Last Generation*. We need teaching from the Word of God like this - I will be sure to pass it along to my children also. Thank you so much! And Praise the Lord! I will be visiting your website a lot." – <u>Warsaw, Indiana</u>

"I have the book *Framework for Christian Faith* in my hands at last. It arrived at my home two weeks ago, the book is in good condition, I'm really excited and happy and blessed, thank you so much brethren, God bless you forever." – <u>Colombia, South Am</u>

"...great, great website! I recently returned from Egypt, Jordan and Israel and am now pulling together my notes of the trip. Your book has been immensely helpful in helping me to orient myself historically and as to physical location in Jerusalem." – Idaho

"I spent two weeks living in the Old City, near the Jaffa Gate. My time there was so enlightening, but I do wish that I had discovered your web site before I went, there is so much more that I would have understood of what I did see."

"I want to say a HUGE thank you for compiling your website *Jerusalem 101*. I've spent several days studying it and I've found both your photographs and commentary excellent. It's by far the best resource I know (including books, websites, etc)...I've also poked around at Generation Word and listened to some of your sermons—fantastic!" – <u>Langley, BC, Canada</u>



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