God strengthens the believer through resident Bible doctrine and suffering for blessing so that His own shared happiness may be tested, developed, and completed in the believer's soul in adversity as well as in prosperity.

God shares His happiness with the believer for the believer's own benefit; therefore, happiness is the problem-solving device directed toward self.3

- Everything we need to navigate the exigencies of the devil's world are provided for 4. us in the Word of God. The Word of God has existed since eternity past. Its presence in time is made available to believers who have the good sense to acquire its guidance through Bible study.
- 5. This passage that summarizes the importance and impact of the problem-solving device of "happiness's" and the soul's stream of consciousness called "wisdom."
 - 1 Corinthians 2:7 But we communicate the wisdom [σοφία (sophía)] of God in a mystery [μυστήριον (mustérion): divine revelation], which God ordained before the world began in eternity past resulting in our glory;
 - v. 8 this wisdom none of the rulers of first-century Palestine understood, for if they had known they would not have crucified the Lord of glory;
 - v. 9 but just as it is written in Isaiah 64:4, "Things which the eye has not seen, nor ear heard [empirical sources of evidence are incapable of revealing divine viewpoint], and neither have they entered into the stream of consciousness of mankind, all that God has prepared for those who love Him."
 - But God revealed them to us through the teaching ministry of the Holy Spirit; for the Holy Spirit explores all things, yes, the deep things of God yet future. (EXT)
- 6. Wisdom is the summum bonum of the spiritual advance and is the ultimate base of operations to resolve the four major battles in the soul which are managed by being able to think from an inventory of advanced doctrines.
- 7. The four major battles are sin, stress, false doctrine, and wrong solutions. Everybody has sin trends that develop during times when behavior patterns are facilitated. A believer can be ignorant of sin or passive to the problem of sin. Doctrine exposes sin's trends into the clear light of day.

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³ R. B. Thieme, Jr., Christian Suffering, 3d ed. (R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 2002), 149–150.

- 8. Poor decisions limit future options that usually result in stress. Adversity describes pressure from outside the soul whereas stress occurs inside the soul.
- 9. Adversity is what the circumstances of life do to you. Stress is what you do to yourself. Adversity is inevitable while stress is optional.
- The inability to handle stress occurs from a weak inventory of doctrinal ideas. 10. This weakness is the result of human viewpoint, false doctrines, and cosmic concepts that form the ματαιότης (mataiótēs) vacuum that sucks satanic propaganda into the stream of consciousness:

Ephesians 4:17 This I communicate and make an emphatic command together with the Lord, that you no longer continue ¹walking [περιπατέω (peripatéō): facilitated wheeltracks of wickedness] as Goyim, in the ²vacuum [ματαιότης (mataiótēs): sucking cosmic concepts into the soul] of their $\frac{3}{\text{mind}}$ [voûς (noús)],

having become ⁴darkened in their thinking [σκοτόω ($skotό\bar{o}$): scar tissue of the soul: no objectivity]. caused to become ⁵estranged [causal perfect passive participle of ἀπαλλοτριόω (apallotrió \bar{o})⁴ I from the life of God because of the ignorance which keeps on being in them, because of the $\frac{6}{\text{hardness}}$ [πώρωσις (pōrōsis): callousness] of their $\frac{7}{\text{heart}}$ [καρδία (kardía): blackout of the soul];

- while being caused to become ⁸past feeling [causal v. 19 perfect active participle of ἀπαλγέω (apalgé \bar{o}): insensible to shame], having given themselves over to ⁹unrestrained lasciviousness [ἀσέλγεια (asélgeia): the insatiable desire for sexual excesses | for the practice of every kind of 10 lewdness [ἀκαθαρσία (akatharsía)] with ¹¹insatiable covetousness</sup> [πλεονεξία (pleonexía)]. (EXT)
- 11. These two passages from 1 Corinthians 2:7–10 and Ephesians 4:17–19 expose the dichotomy that presently exists between advancing believers versus unbelievers and believers who function in cosmic systems 1 and 2.
- They provide a dramatic contrast between biblically oriented believers and the 12. cosmic environment in which the Dark Side functions. The latter passage above presents a stark analysis of the inversion of thought which has been indoctrinated into the souls of a growing number of our citizens.

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Apallotrióō has three meanings: estranged, alienated, and excluded. They are all applicable here depending on which stage of blackout of the soul the believer is involved.

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- 13. The tip of the spear of this indoctrination has been the Federal schools which have supplied media with proponents of the New Normal described by the Ephesians passage above.
- This New Normal is in the process of transforming the society away from the First 14. Corinthians passage over to the one in Ephesians:
- 15. Here is a summary of this conversion of thought:
 - 1. The last word in the Ephesians 4:17–19 is the noun, *pleonexía*, and is defined as having covetousness or greediness, a lust for more and more debauchery but without total fulfillment.
 - 2. This mind-set causes a person's soul to engage in a frantic search for happiness during which his lust patterns are never satiated.
 - 3. The things desired include sex, drugs, money, fame, recognition, or authority, but in Paul's context is the insatiable lust for sex with the end result of reverse-process reversionism:

The total influence of evil and the substitution of Satan's plan for God's plan. Satan's cosmic system is so powerful and devious that the reversionistic believer becomes divorced from reality.

In reverse-process reversionism all true values are pushed aside and priorities are inverted. The reversionist spurns that which he should love and loves that which he should spurn.

Personal love for God and occupation with Christ is replaced by love of self and preoccupation with the lust pattern of his sin nature. The reversionist pursues false lovers instead of his spouse.⁵

- This soul environment causes the believer to reject all systems of 4. biblical authority. Negative to the teaching of the Word of God, he rejects the teaching authority of his pastor, and opts for the allurements of the cosmic systems.
- 5. Reverse-process reversionism is summarized by Paul with his negative rebuttal of its characteristics in the expanded translation of the **Ephesians 4:17–19** passage above.
- Paul sums it up in verse 20: "But you did not learn Christ in this 6. way."

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⁵ R. B. Thieme, Jr., Reversionism, 2d ed. (Houston: R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 2000), 37–38.

- 16. Pastors, who are loyal students of the Word of God, exegete its contents from the original languages, organize its text in association with systematic theology, and communicate the results, fulfill the objective for resultant spiritual growth among assembled, Spirit-filled believers. This system can never be rightly accused of being the source of reversionism in the soul of any believer.
- 17. Quite the opposite is true for those who with positive volition possess biblical wisdom that results in an honorable manner of life.

James 3:13 Who among you is biblically wise with advanced understanding of doctrine? Demonstrate [IM #25] [πραΰτης (praűtēs) ⁶] characterized by wisdom [σοφία (sophía)]! (EXT)

James 3:14 But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth. (NASB)

- James 3:13 presents a positive analysis of a believer who has advanced to the 1. summum bonum of the Christian way of life.
- Wisdom speaks of the content of the believer's stream of consciousness when he 2. has attained spiritual maturity.
- James indicates in verse 13 that such a level of spiritual growth is demonstrated by 3. a person who has an "honorable manner of life of a gentleness characterized by wisdom."
- The word "gentleness" is the Greek noun, πραΰτης (praŭtēs). It is a good 4. translation; however, the word's impact is revealed by these excerpts that positively contrasts this character trait to the negative ones in verse 14:

An inwrought grace of the soul, and the expressions of it are primarily toward God (James 3:13). condition of mind and heart which demonstrates gentleness, not in weakness, but in power. It is a balance born in strength of character.⁷

The quality of not being overly impressed by a sense self-importance, gentleness, humility, courtesy, considerateness, meekness (James 3:13).8

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[&]quot;The diacritical mark dīaéresis (") is placed over a vowel to indicate that the vowel is pronounced in a separate syllable" (Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary (2014), s.v. "dīaéresis."

⁷ Spiros Zodhiates, "πραΰτης," The Complete Word Study Dictionary: New Testament, 1210.

⁸ Walter Bauer, "πραΰτης," in A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and other Early Christian Literature, 3d ed., rev. and ed. Frederick William Danker (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 2000), 861.

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> Gentleness is a mark of the true righteous who are inspired by divine wisdom (James 3:13). demonstrated in the whole walk of the righteous and stands in pleasing contrast to bitter zeal and contentiousness, 3:14.9

Before we get into the exegesis of verse 14, we need to indicate that the translation 5. provided by the King James Bible is pretty much off plumb:

> **James 3:14** But if you have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. (KJV)

- This verse in correctly introduced by the adversative conjunction, $\delta \dot{\epsilon}$ ($d\dot{\epsilon}$), which is 6. used instead of the expected conjunction, ἀλλά (allá), and translated, "but."
- James wants to immediately establish a stark contrast between what he has stated 7. before in verse 13.
- 8. The particle, *allá*, is used to mark opposition or an antithesis to what went before. The particle, dé, is "strictly adversative, frequently denoting transition and serving to introduce something else that is quite the contrary; 10 a "marker of heightened emphasis."11
- 9. James's use of $\delta \epsilon$ goes beyond the opposition or antithesis of $\dot{\alpha}\lambda\lambda\dot{\alpha}$; instead, he heightens his opposition by stressing the stark adversity that exists between verse 13 and verse 14.
- Verse 13 presents the character traits of a believer who has acquired wisdom by 10. which he maintains an honorable manner of life. James 3:14 returns the reader to the way things really are.
- He immediately identifies those who are his present subjects with the present 11. active indicative of verb, $\xi \chi \omega$ (échō), and is correctly translated, "you have."
- In this context, the better translation is, "to have and to hold" since this attitude has 12. facilitated behavior patterns that follow paths of least resistance in the soul's status of reversionism.
- The behavior patterns are stated next beginning with the phrase, "bitter jealousy." 13. The adjective "bitter" is, $\pi \iota \kappa \rho \delta \varsigma$ (pikrós), but is intensified to include such emotions as harshness and cruelty.

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⁹ Friedrich Hauck and Siegfried Schulz, "πραΰτης," in *Theological Dictionary of the New Testament*, eds. Gerhard Kittel and Gerhard Friedrich (Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1968), 6:650.

¹⁰ Zodhiates, "δέ," 399.

¹¹ Bauer, "δέ," 213.

DOCTRINE OF WISDOM

Α. Wisdom is knowing and doing the will of God.

Failure to understand this doctrine means never entering the superabundance of happiness:

> Psalm 100:1 Shout the shout of great happiness to the Lord, all the land [client nation].

- v. 2 Serve the Lord with a superabundance of happiness; come into His presence with singing.
- v. 3 Know that the Lord He is God; it is He who delivered us [Jesus Christ controls history], and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture [the sophisticated spiritual life].
- v. 4 Enter into His gates [of the church] with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him, salute His person.
- v. 5 For the Lord is absolute good; His unfailing love is everlasting and His faithfulness to generations.

We serve the Lord with a superabundance of happiness from wisdom circulating in our stream of consciousness.

The antithesis to this wisdom is arrogance.

All wisdom is the fulfillment of serving the Lord with a superabundance of happiness.

This superabundance of happiness has to be tested in two ways:

- 1. When we advance to spiritual maturity and have fantastic blessings, and then think that we have earned or deserved them we ignore the grace of God.
- 2. We are tested as a client nation to God through historical disaster and dying.
- 3. This superabundance of happiness is not dependent upon the things of this life, but is a far greater happiness.

- 4. It increases in deliverance from historical disaster, in dying, in interim body, and in resurrection.
- 5. What is it that causes a nation to fail, starting with believers and spreading to everyone until the nation fails? Arrogance!
- 6. It is impossible for the believer with his sin nature to execute God's plan for his life apart from the use of the recovery procedure of rebound.
- 7. God has provided through His grace policy the means of executing His plan in the Church Age.
- 8. Therefore, anything that contradicts the unique spiritual life cannot exist in God's plan. Anything that contradicts the unique spiritual life hinders the believer from using the grace of God to glorify God through the execution of His plan.
- 9. Wisdom is defined as knowledge of what is true or right combined with good judgment. The good judgment is the mentorship of God the Holy Spirit (John 14:26).
- 10. Wisdom is used in the Scripture for the fulfillment of the unique spiritual life of all human history, and this fulfillment occurs in the Church Age in which the unique spiritual life: (1) Facilitated doctrine circulating in the stream of consciousness, (2) the ten problem solving devices deployed on the FLOT line of the soul, and (3) the simultaneous, double-columned advance to the high ground of glorifying God to the maximum.
- B. Good judgment is related to the believer's scale of values, in which Bible doctrine is circulated in the seven compartments of the stream of consciousness.
- D. Under the mentorship of God the Holy Spirit, Bible doctrine has number one priority in the life of the Church Age believer as a member of the royal family of God.
- E. The foundation for wisdom is God the Holy Spirit.

John 14:26 "But Our mentor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and cause you to remember all that I have said to you."

- F. Wisdom is the sum total of the teaching of Bible doctrine under the mentorship of God the Holy Spirit and the positive response to that doctrine, resulting in perception, metabolization, application of Bible doctrine.
- G. Wisdom understands both the will and the plan of God for your life.

- 1. You have to know both. You have to know what the will of God is and what the overall plan of God is. The two go together.
- 2. Wisdom begins when you understand that God has a plan for your life and begin to see it from the Scripture, and then to understand the spiritual life and use it. From this comes wisdom.

H. Satanic Attacks Destroy Wisdom.

- 1. Because of the importance of wisdom in the soul of the believer as a result of the advance of the spiritual life, wisdom is under a major attack on the part of Satan and explains many historical events.
- 2. Satan attacks the ultimate in the spiritual life—the seventh compartment in the stream of consciousness, the wisdom department.
- 3. The attack on wisdom is threefold.
 - a. The attack on the seven compartments of the stream of consciousness. Satan must destroy the whole system of thinking of the spiritual life in the seven compartments of the stream of consciousness. Rejection of Bible doctrine destroys the frame of reference, memory center, vocabulary storage, categorical storage, conscience, momentum department, and finally the wisdom compartment.
 - b. The attack on the problem-solving devices. If we get into a certain category of sins, it wipes out the problem solves in our soul. When we do not rebound and recover the filling of the Spirit, this is a major attack on wisdom in the soul.
 - We are grieving and quenching the Holy Spirit and have no faith-rest drill, grace orientation, doctrinal orientation, personal sense of destiny, personal love for God, impersonal love for mankind, sharing the happiness of God, or occupation with Christ.
 - c. The attack on the four functions of the unique spiritual life:

- (1) The attack on the momentum of *epígnōsis* doctrine.
- (2) The attack on the motivation of reciprocal love for God.
- (3) The attack on the protection of grace.
- (4) The attack on the power of the filling of the Holy Spirit.

Summary: Rejection of doctrine means no *epignosis* doctrine, which means no momentum from doctrine. Rejection of doctrine means reciprocal love for God, therefore, no motivation from reciprocity. Rejection of doctrine means rejection of the concept of grace protection of the spiritual life. Rejection of doctrine means rejection of the power of the filling of the Holy Spirit.

- 4. The attack on wisdom results in the malfunction of:
 - The seven compartments of our stream of consciousness. a.
 - b. The ten problem solving devices on the FLOT line of the soul.
 - The four functions of the advance of the unique spiritual c. life: (1) At salvation the imputation of 39 irrevocable absolutes, (2) the filling of the Holy Spirit, (3) an interim body at physical death, and (4) the resurrection body a t the Rapture of the Church.
- 5. The proper function of these categories of wisdom results in:
 - A personal sense of destiny. There is no wisdom without a. a personal sense of destiny.
 - b. Occupation with Christ.
 - Sharing the happiness of God. c.
 - d. Glorification of God to the maximum.
- The victory of wisdom is: 6.
 - a. The stream of consciousness.
 - b. The problem-solving devices.
 - c. The advance to the high ground of spiritual maturity.
- 7. It has been Satan's objective to attack the unique spiritual life and destroy wisdom in the stream of conscious and the problem-solving devices, those things which lead to the advance to the high ground of spiritual maturity.

- 8. Many of the events in history are designed to fulfill Satan's objective. Once wisdom is gone from the soul, we have no protection against the satanic attacks. When too many believers have lost their wisdom, we are destroyed as a client nation and as a people.
- 9. Arrogance has a series of sins to which we are vulnerable, is a major contradiction to God's protocol plan, and is the primary reason for the believer to execute the spiritual life.
- 10. Arrogance is the basic mental attitude of sin.
 - Arrogance is the father of evil and the sins we commit a. are the children of evil.
 - The documentation of the satanic attack on wisdom b. through arrogance includes:

Proverbs 11:2 When arrogance comes, then comes dishonor."

Proverbs 13:10 Through arrogance comes strife, but wisdom is with those who receive instruction.

Proverbs 16:18 Arrogance precedes destruction, and before a fall there is a lifestyle of arrogance."

Proverbs 23:29 A person's arrogance will bring him low, but a lifestyle of humility will attain honor."

Romans 12:3 For I say through the grace which has been given to me to everyone who is among you, stop thinking of self in terms of arrogance beyond what you ought to think, but think in terms of sanity for the purpose of being rational without illusion as God has assigned to each one of us a standard of thinking from doctrine."

James 3:14 But if you have bitter envy [ζηλος (zélos)] and selfish pursuit of one's personal selfinterests in your kardía's stream of consciousness, do not arrogantly boast and lie against the truth.

- This category of wisdom is not that which v. 15 finds its origin in heaven, but is common to cosmos diabolicus, human viewpoint, human good, and evil, and doctrines of demons.
- v. 15 For where envy and scheming and intrigue exists, in that place there is instability and opposition to established authority and every evil deed or action.