Standing and Walking in the Truth

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In one of our talks we looked at the theme of **Strengthening Your Christian Life by Walking in the Light**. When someone is saved, it is a natural desire for that Christian to want to grow in Christ and live in the newness of the life that He gave you. This means obeying His word and walking in His ways.

- Our subject today is '**Standing and Walking in the Truth**'. The verbs **'Standing'** and **'Walking'** really sum up the Christian life of both standing firm on God's Word and living for Him in our daily life.

In Ephesians 6:13 we read *Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to **stand**.*

And again, in 1Corinthians 2:5 we read *That your faith should not **stand** in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God*.

- **In Romans 6:4 we read that** *we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should **walk** in newness of life*.

And in **1 John 1:7** we read *if we **walk** in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin*.

The **outcome** of standing firmly on God's Word and walking in the light, is that we have precious fellowship with the Lord and with other Christians who are on the same journey of faith.

The efficacy of the blood of Christ constantly cleanses us, that is, Christ's saving work keeps us saved until our very last day on earth.

- Another important truth that we previously considered is the importance of developing a **Christian** '**mindset**' where everything we see around us is understood through the powerful lens of **Holy Scripture.** Understanding things from God's perspective is always the best outlook.

The fact is that God's Word and not man's opinion provides the correct context for understanding our universe and our place in it.

Based upon the foundation of God's Word, we know with absolute certainty that God's creation in the beginning was 'very good'. There was no sin, no pain, no disease, no suffering and death did not exist, that is, until man decided that he could run this world better than God. The outcome of this sinful **mindset** can be seen in the long, sad history of the human race.

Now a **Biblical mindset** stands in contrast to a secular '**mindset**' where everything is interpreted through the lens of human philosophy, called 'evolution' with its millions of years of pain, suffering, disease, death and extinction.

These two mindsets (Biblical and Secular) are diametrically opposed to each other. This is because one has its origin from God, the source of all truth, the other has its origin from the heart of sinful man and who wants to erase God from his thinking.

- **How wonderfully different it is for the Christian who has been called into fellowship with God.**

In **Romans 12:2** we read that we are *"not to conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of our mind"*. For the Christian, God's word and the Holy Spirit transforms our way of thinking which in turn transforms our language and our behaviour, in fact, it changes just about everything.

However, the world wants to conform us and mould us to its way of thinking by developing in us a secular, evolutionary mindset.

- The Christian **cannot** and **must not** conform to this way of thinking.

In Colossians 2:8 we read *Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ*.

How important it is to realise that our faith is not based upon human philosophy but upon the sure foundation of God's Word.

Ephesians 2:20 says that we are *built upon the **foundation** of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone.*

- A Christian who happily builds their life upon this foundation will be firmly established in the faith as they walk with the Lord. This brings permanent and lasting consequences such as true peace, true joy, true purpose and true meaning.

There is nothing about the Christian life that is artificial or man-made. We should be really glad about this because our faith rests entirely upon the Lord, His redemptive work and His unchanging word.

- In the Lord there are **no** failed promises, **no** false hopes, **no** vague wishful thinking, **no** dreadful disappointments, **no** dead ends in our Christian path and **no** empty lives because He fills us with His goodness and mercy.

For the Christian, life is never empty. It is filled with the blessings of God. These are immovable, unchangeable realities that cannot be found in the world.

Let us consider the importance of a firm foundation?

In the UK over the last 150 years there has been no shortage of politicians, evolutionists, leaders and educational 'experts' who have sought to erase the Biblical foundation of our country, and they have sought to lay another foundation based upon secularism and evolutionary philosophy.

- They did this by changing the focus and priorities of our country with a view to diminishing its Christian heritage and culture. Next, they reinforced this downward moral and spiritual change by implementing laws that encourage and even endorse lowering standards of behaviour. Afterall, it is far easier to achieve a low standard than a high one.

By adulterating school curriculums and the heritage of Christian education, the foundation of our country's Christian's legacy began to crumble, and a new foundation was laid for future generations of children, who, became heavily influenced by godless, evolutionary philosophy.

- And it is they who would eventually become our country's evolutionised leaders, which hastened our departure from God's Word and His standards.

One of the **final acts of rebellion** was when the established 'church' of our country gladly fell into line with the godless legislation being passed by parliament, and began to teach those very things which are condemned in God's Holy Word.

Now when this happens, the complete demise of a nation is virtually certain.

- **Today, after 150 years of godless, evolutionary philosophy, indoctrinated into the minds of this country's children, we can see the outcome, and it is truly catastrophic!**

We now have a country where many are addicted to drugs, alcohol, pornography, gambling, crime and other vices.

We have a country that produces young people with broken, empty lives who are trying to find real meaning and purpose with an **evolutionary mindset!** An impossibility.

- They are trying to find meaning in their life through a way of thinking that offers no meaning or purpose, just existence that is void of any real hope.

Here is a question. **How can the philosophy of sinful man, who does not know with any certainty what is going to happen tomorrow, be a guiding light into the future?**

The Word of God reveals who is ultimately behind this global deception. It is Satan, and he uses well-tried, proven methods to bring more sin into the human race along with the evil and corruption that follows it.

In **2 Corinthians 2:11** the apostle Paul says *Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: **for we are not ignorant of his devices***.

We are exhorted to be aware of Satan's strategies, his methods, his tactics. **Are You?**

- How can we **stand** firmly in the faith and **walk** with the Lord if we compromise His word by inserting evolutionary opinion in the book of Genesis and undermine its authority?

What do we mean by the term *biblical authority*?

Biblical authority refers to God's Word being the foundation and absolute authority for our thinking in every area. This means we take what we hear from culture, family, friends, the media, and even Christian leaders, and we compare it to the Bible. If we don't do this, we are susceptible to dangerous false doctrines and are blown about by every wind of teaching (2 Corinthians 10:5; Ephesians 4:14).

The real danger today is that Christian's can undermine Biblical authority?

It does not matter if you are a so-called layman or a professional theologian, we undermine biblical authority whenever we twist God's written Word to accommodate man's theories, pull verses out of context, or ignore Scripture to support something which is **not** true. **Every time we do that we set ourselves up as authorities over God's Word rather than the other way around**. God has given us

his authoritative Word that, with his Spirit and the power of the gospel, gives us everything we need for all matters, including faith, history, life, science and godliness (2 Peter 1:3).

What is the result of straying from biblical authority?

When culture or the church strays from biblical authority, everyone does what's right in his or her own eyes (Judges 21:25). Moral relativism runs rampant, the gospel is watered down, and sin abounds.

- In conclusion, our Christian dialogue with the unsaved **makes no sense** if we use the same evolutionary philosophy the unsaved world gladly accepts and believes in!

The man-made gospel of this sinful world is that man is evolving and is getting better and better and he does not need any involvement from God.

- When evolutionised Christians try to share the Gospel with a sinner, the unsaved know instinctively that they have made God's word to fit around man's word. Put another way, man's word dictates the terms of engagement. Consequently, they have no impact in the sinner's life because there is nothing to change or to be saved from.

Just adding God to the evolutionary story completely undermines the message of the Gospel of Salvation.

No one is saved with a 50% Gospel message and a 50% evolutionary message. It has to be 100% Gospel and 100% God's Word and His word never teaches evolutionary concepts.

Consequently, sinners aren't saved with a compromised gospel and these Christians who preach it become easy targets for the god of this world.

We must understand that Satan and his fallen angels are our main enemy, not the unsaved.

- Sinners are just pawns in Satan's tactics; therefore, we are to **stand firm**, **walk with the Lord** and **share the real gospel of the risen Saviour** so they too can be delivered out of the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of Christ.

Let us look at what happens when Christians add secular thinking to God's Word.

First of all, in today's society, evolutionary philosophy is promoted as the **only** answer to the origin of all life on earth. As we have seen, this viewpoint dominates our country's thinking and this in turn permeates our country's politics, its sciences, entertainment, media and the mindset of many Christians and the unsaved.

- This mindset has dreadful consequences. For example, secular thinking on its own will produce certain conclusions which we **will accept as true about ourselves**.

If we are taught that we evolved from an unknown ape like ancestor, this will shape our understanding of how we see our place in this vast universe and what value and importance we attach to the human race.

There is a huge difference between being made in God's image or being made into a slightly more evolved ape-like human!

Ultimately, the question is ***'is there a Creator and do we have any meaning and purpose at all in this vast universe? Or are we just highly evolved pond scum with no value, no purpose and no meaning?***'

'Are we divinely created or are we the outcome of countless evolutionary steps with us as the accidental outcome?'

One of these conclusions emphasises mankind's great value because we are uniquely made in God's image. The other conclusion states that we have no purpose, meaning or value and the universe **could not care less if we went extinct**.

Can we trust God's Word?

In Psalm 119:160 we read *Thy word is true **from** the **beginning**: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.*

Now if God's word is true **from** the beginning, it must be true **about** the beginning. That includes the creation account over a literal 7 day period.

- Therefore, as Christians, we must rest completely **upon** God's Word, because it is *'**from**'* God. Holy Scripture must be elevated above the theories of mankind, not torn to shreds in order to make it fit man's ever changing opinions about where we came from. We did not emerge from single cellular organisms or come from outer space as secular scientists speculate.

In reality, we humans are the pinnacle of God's earthy creation as detailed in the literal Genesis account.

God expects His children not only to **believe** His word but to be ready to give reasons and answers for **why** we believe His Word.

- Remember, it is God's Word through the Holy Spirit that shines through the darkness of sin and evolution into the heart of the sinner, giving the light of the Gospel of Christ.

In 1 Peter 3:15 we read, *"But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear."*

But how can we do this with success if we compromise God's word with evolutionary philosophy?

- How can the Holy Scriptures have power to convict the sinner of sin and judgement if we seriously hinder the work of the Holy Spirit by weakening God's Word through man's theories?

In Colossians 2:6-9 we read *As ye have therefore **received** Christ Jesus the Lord, so **walk** in him: **Rooted** and **built up** in him, and **stablished** in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. Beware lest any man spoil you through **philosophy and vain deceit**, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwells all the fulness of the Godhead bodily*.

Evolutionary theory says that man does not need saving but is constantly evolving into higher forms of life. Man will save himself they say.

Evidence around us reveals the opposite is the case. Sin, godlessness, perversions, crime, wickedness, evil doings, scamming, lying, deception, thieving, brutality, drug addiction, pornography addiction and gambling addiction permeates societies around the world. Does this evidence point to a world getting better? Or does it point to a world getting sicker and more sinful?

For Christians who try to adapt God's Word to evolutionary philosophy, here are a few questions:

- Can evolution convict the sinner of sin, rebellion and of judgement to come?
- Can evolution save the sinner from sin, judgement and hell?
- Can evolution make a person right with God?
- Can evolution cleanse from sin and give the sinner a clean heart?

If God used evolution to create and develop all life forms and sin and death are part of the creation process, what does man need to be saved from? This is because sin, pain, disease and death are already part of God's creation work. Does mankind need saving from that?

The reality is that the message of evolution and message of the Gospel are exact opposites, you cannot believe one without destroying the other.

Conclusion - let us be thankful.

The Christian must be thankful for God's Word which is inspired from Genesis to Revelation. It reveals the true message of His grand plan for His creation, and how we fit into it. **For the sinner it is about Redemption from sin not evolution from sin**. There are no excuses because we are expected to believe what God says.

- Interestingly, God does not ask us to believe man's philosophies like evolution, which insists our ancestors started as pond scum, and that life, which is so wonderfully and intricately designed, arose spontaneously by unknown natural processes, all by itself and self-assembled into its amazing complexity using no intelligence or planning whatsoever, having no purposes or end goal, just mindless indifference.

This is Satan's deceptive message that he wants the unsaved and Christians to believe it.

Neither does the Bible ask us to believe silly things like a long-ago explosion that, all by itself, produced galaxies, planets, and people. I'm thankful that God's message to us is perfectly "believable," and our faith a "reasonable faith."

Someone once said, 'what is more ridiculous to believe, that God out of nothing created everything or everything out of nothing created itself'.

- In conclusion, when we consider evolutionary beliefs concerning the origin of our universe and all life, we have to accept that there are huge, gaping holes in the story.

More accurately, evolution is an unsubstantiated hypothesis which is full of unknowns.

For example:

No one knows:

- the origin of all space and matter that existed in the beginning.
- the cause of the great expansion (so-called big bang) at the beginning.
- how intergalactic material self-assembled into the complex galaxies that can be seen today.
- how planets were formed around stars.
- how our planet had precise conditions for life to exist.
- how life started from non-life.
- how complex, intelligent, purposeful information in the form of DNA could arise using no intelligence or purpose.

- how so-called, simple life developed into more complex life leading to the emergence of the human race.

These are just a few of the hundreds of '**great unknowns**' about evolution, and, when confronted by these problems, evolutionary scientist engage in wishful speculation, but in reality, they have no real evidence or answers that explain the existence of the universe, and everything in it, by naturalistic means.

However, what is curious, in the light of this failure to understand the mysteries of the universe, evolutionary scientists are absolutely sure about one thing. They are sure that God could not have done it! Now, does that sound intelligent to you? The vastness and complexity of the universe is a mystery to them, but they are convinced there is no Creator behind it.

Dear Christian, do not compromise Holy Scripture. Work hard to develop a Christian Worldview. Put on those Biblical glasses so you can **STAND** firmly on God's Word and **WALK** with the Lord in the light of that word and live that lovely Christian life that God has prepared just for you.

Thank you.

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