

IMPORTANCE OF SPEAKING THE TRUTH - PART 1

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Bogus Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez Statement Meme On Facebook, politically-charged high-voltage memes to mock politicians, Ocasio-Cortez Targeted By Conservatives, Alexandria's Own Credentials, Importance Of Speaking The Truth Without Libel Slander Or Character Assassination, My Long Time Online, Do Not Take Anything Online At Face Value, Evil Corrupt World, Internet -- Including Social Networks -- Is A Never-Ending Rumor Mill Of Lies Deceptions Exaggerations Distortions And Embellishments, Truthfulness And Accuracy Are Paramount To Me, Personal Flexibility In My Understanding Of God's Word, Foolishness Of Being Overly Dogmatic And Deeply Entrenched In Our Doctrinal Views, A Centuries-Old Error Of Organized Religion, God's Words Are Pure And True, God Never Lies And Fulfills His Word, Honestly Speak The Truth To Each Other, Do Not Lie Slander Deceive Or Bear False Witness, Our Wicked Unregenerate Human Heart, Condemned By Our Lying Deceptive Words, Be Very Slow To Speak And Carefully Guard Your Words

Recently, I engaged in a rather short exchange with one of my Facebook friends who had posted what is apparently a popular meme which has been circulating on Facebook -- and elsewhere I assume -- which claims that U.S. Representative from New York, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, supposedly made the following statement:

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"Republicans are trying to rig elections by only allowing U.S. citizens to vote."

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Now, for any level-headed individual with the least amount of common sense, it should be rather obvious how totally idiotic the previous statement is. But that is precisely the point of these politically-charged, high-voltage memes, and they are indeed plenty. In other words, the goal of such preposterous

memes is simply to intentionally make Ocasio-Cortez look like an utter fool, and a completely ignorant, uneducated idiot. I would dare say that the aforementioned meme has most likely achieved its objective, regardless of the actual accuracy and veracity of the meme itself. And therein lies the problem, as I will explain to you momentarily.

Of course, as some of my readers will know, the Conservatives have been having a heyday with Ms. Ocasio-Cortez, ever since she went from being a little-known bartender in Union Square in the New York City borough of Manhattan, to representing New York's 14th congressional district in 2019. In fact, as you may know, this is NOT the first meme where Ocasio-Cortez has been portrayed as not having it all together insofar as her personal mental faculties are concerned. There have been other memes which have been just as sharp, harsh and cutting.

While I am certainly not defending the woman -- I don't even like what Alexandria represents and supports in some cases -- nevertheless, it should still be pointed out that despite her public gaffes -- let's be honest; most politicians commit the same error on occasion -- she is NOT the complete imbecile as she has been portrayed by the Far Right. Furthermore, neither was Ocasio-Cortez completely lacking insofar as experience in governmental matters is concerned, before her 2019 electoral victory in New York City. Just a small amount of research will reveal, among other info, the following things concerning her:

- She came in second in the microbiology category of the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in 2007 with a research project on the effect of antioxidants on the lifespan of the nematode *Caenorhabditis elegans*.
- She was an intern for U.S. senator Ted Kennedy, in his section on foreign affairs and immigration issues during her college years.
- She graduated cum laude from Boston University in 2011 with a bachelor's degree in international relations and economics.
- She worked as an organizer for Bernie Sanders's presidential campaign during the 2016 primary.
- She is the youngest woman ever elected to Congress.

So as you can, Ocasio-Cortez is not a complete dimwit as a

lot of her detractors like to insist in their plethora of mean-spirited Facebook memes. Of course, there are certain other aspects concerning Ms. Ocasio-Cortez which a lot of Conservative-minded people -- myself included -- find both objectionable and unacceptable, beginning with her strong support of Socialist policies. But that is a discussion for another time.

In the name of transparency, let me say that Ocasio-Cortez has a higher level of secular education than I do. Back in the very early 1970s, I graduated from high school with a B average, and I never attended any college or university, much less any religious seminary. I am totally self-taught insofar as my personal religious beliefs are concerned. I study and research things a lot, and I have acquired a fair share of knowledge in a variety of subjects and fields, but I still dwarf most of today's mental giants. I am NOT in their league by any means.

As I said, I do not share the aforementioned points regarding Ocasio-Cortez because I in some way feel motivated to defend woman. To the contrary, I simply believe that it is important to speak the truth regarding a person, whether we like them or not. There's no need for any of us to resort to slander, libel and character assassination just so we can make a particular point. Having said that, let us continue to the more important issue at hand here.

My friends, aside from the fact that I am currently nearing seventy-three years of age, and the fact that I view myself as being a sober-minded, mature Christian who possesses a certain level of spiritual discernment, I have also been a participant on the social networks for over fifteen years now. Furthermore, I've been online since the days of BBSing thirty-six years ago. As such, if there is one thing I have learned over the years, it is that it is not wise to take anything online at face value. Why not? Because as many of my readers will already know, this present, evil, corrupt world is full of lies and deception no matter where you look. Who can deny it but an utter fool?

That most certainly includes on the social networks, perhaps even more so. After all, the Internet -- and particularly the social networks -- is a constant, never-ending rumor mill of lies, deceptions, exaggerations, distortions, embellishments and everything in between. As I mention in a number of other Bill's Bible Basics articles such as "Speak the Pure Language

of Truth", speaking the truth in everything I say and write is extremely important to me. Truthfulness and accuracy are both paramount to me.

As I explain in articles such as "My Evolving Theology", that is why you'll find both a "Publish" and "Update" date on all of my Bill's Bible Basics articles. In other words, if I have written and published something, and then later learn that I was off the mark a little in what I have stated, or if some new information becomes available which enhances or clarifies what I have written previously, I will not hesitate to update that article so that it is as accurate as possible. The truth is more important to me than my personal pride, or the vain desire to always want to be right. That is just not my *modus operandi*.

The bottom line is that none of us can really afford to be so dogmatic, and so firmly entrenched in our personal views and doctrinal understanding, that we absolutely refuse to change our position, even when we've clearly been proven to be wrong or off the mark to some degree. Sadly, as some of my readers will already know, that is precisely what organized religion does, and has done for literally centuries. Right or wrong, they are so frozen in their position, that they will stand by and defend their pet doctrines, despite any evidence that may contradict their long-held positions. This is also a subject which I discuss in articles such as "Tradition or Truth? Old Wine or New Wine?", and also in "Are You Just a Baby Huey?".

While truth and accuracy are important to me, I am convinced that they are equally and extremely important to God as well. There are so many Bible verses which emphasize this point, as you can see by the following sample verses. We are constantly informed how God's words are PURE and TRUE and that God NEVER LIES. He stands by His word, and He fulfills it every single time without fail. He is in fact the Spirit of Truth. At the same time, my friends, we are also instructed and admonished to do the same with each other as well. We are to plainly and honestly speak the truth to each other, as we see here:

"The words of the LORD are PURE WORDS: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times."
Psalm 12:6, KJV

"I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and FOR THY TRUTH: for thou hast magnified thy word ABOVE ALL THY NAME."

Psalms 138:2, KJV

"GOD IS NOT A MAN, THAT HE SHOULD LIE; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?"

Numbers 23:19, KJV

"God forbid: yea, LET GOD BE TRUE, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged."

Romans 3:4, KJV

"In hope of eternal life, which God, THAT CANNOT LIE, promised before the world began;"

Titus 1:2, KJV

"Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son."

1 John 2:22, KJV

"He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son."

1 John 5:10, KJV

"If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us."

1 John 1:10, KJV

"But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH."

John 4:23-24, KJV

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, THE TRUTH, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me . . . And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the SPIRIT OF TRUTH; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

John 14:6, 16-17, KJV

"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye

continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; AND YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE."

John 8:31-32, KJV

"But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the SPIRIT OF TRUTH, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:"

John 15:26, KJV

"Howbeit when he, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come."

John 16:13, KJV

"We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the SPIRIT OF TRUTH, and the spirit of error."

1 John 4:6, KJV

"This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because THE SPIRIT IS TRUTH."

1 John 5:6, KJV

"For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are DONE IN TRUTH."

Psalms 33:4, KJV

"For then will I turn to the people A PURE LANGUAGE, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent."

Zephaniah 3:9, KJV

"Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I SPEAK THE TRUTH IN CHRIST, AND LIE NOT;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity."

1 Timothy 2:7, KJV

"Wherefore PUTTING AWAY LYING, SPEAK EVERY MAN TRUTH WITH HIS NEIGHBOUR: for we are members one of another."

Ephesians 4:25, KJV

"Finally, brethren, WHATSOEVER THINGS ARE TRUE, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if

there be any praise, think on these things."

Philippians 4:8, KJV

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH."

2 Timothy 2:15, KJV

"A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight."

Proverbs 11:1, KJV

In contrast to the previous group of Bible verses, consider what God's Word has to say regarding those people who lie, slander their neighbors, bear false witness, intentionally deceive others, and worse. What a sharp contrast indeed! The Lord is clearly NOT pleased with such wicked and deceptive people:

"The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, SPEAKING LIES. Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: they are like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ear;"

Psalms 58:3-4, KJV

"Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, HIM WILL I CUT OFF: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer."

Psalms 101:5, KJV

"Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee."

Proverbs 4:24, KJV

"A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth. He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth with his fingers; Frowardness is in his heart, he deviseth mischief continually; he soweth discord. Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy."

Proverbs 6:12-15, KJV

"These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, A LYING TONGUE, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A FALSE WITNESS THAT SPEAKETH LIES, and he that

soweth discord among brethren."

Proverbs 6:16-19, KJV

"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and THE FROWARD MOUTH, DO I HATE."

Proverbs 8:13, KJV

"He that hideth hatred WITH LYING LIPS, and HE THAT UTTERETH A SLANDER, is a fool."

Proverbs 10:18, KJV

"They that are of A FROWARD HEART are ABOMINATION TO THE LORD: but such as are upright in their way are his delight."

Proverbs 11:20, KJV

"He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath A PERVERSE TONGUE falleth into mischief."

Proverbs 17:20, KJV

"Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully. Thou lovest evil more than good; and lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah. Thou lovest all devouring words, O thou DECEITFUL TONGUE."

Psalms 52:2-4, KJV

"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour."

Exodus 20:16, KJV

"Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour."

Deuteronomy 5:29, KJV

"A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour is a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow."

Proverbs 25:18, KJV

He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

Matthew 19:18-19, KJV

"Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother."

Mark 10:19, KJV

"Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother."

Luke 18:20, KJV

"Owe no man any thing, but to love one another; for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

Romans 13:8-9, KJV

So from whence come all of these lies and deceptions? Again, the Bible is very clear when it informs us that they are the vile fruit of our own wicked, unregenerate hearts. Consider the following group of verses which reveal the wickedness which was found in the hearts of the rebellious Israelites during the Old Testament period. I have also included a verse from the Book of Genesis for some added emphasis:

"And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."

Genesis 6:5, KJV

"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?"

Jeremiah 17:9, KJV

"But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward."

Jeremiah 7:24, KJV

"Take ye heed every one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders. And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit iniquity."

Jeremiah 9:4-5, KJV

"And ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that

they may not hearken unto me:"

Jeremiah 16:12, KJV

"And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart."

Jeremiah 18:12, KJV

However, what we all need to understand is that if we choose to act in this deceptive fashion, if we purposely lie to and slander our neighbors, the Bible makes it rather clear that in the end, we will meet a very awful and fiery fate, as is revealed in the following group of Bible verses:

"But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned."

Matthew 12:36-37, KJV

"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."

Revelation 21:8, KJV

It's precisely for this reason that the Scriptures repeatedly admonish us to speak very slowly, and to guard our tongues, both before God, and before our fellow man as well. Consider the following group of verses as well which emphasize this particular point:

"Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus?"

Romans 9:20, KJV

"Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few."

Ecclesiastes 5:2, KJV

"Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer."

Psalms 19:14, KJV

"In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise."

Proverbs 10:19, KJV

"A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards."

Proverbs 29:11, KJV

"He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him."

Proverbs 18:13, KJV

"Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath . . . If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this mans religion is vain."

James 1:19, 26, KJV

"If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."

James 1:26, KJV

"He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls."

Proverbs 25:28, KJV

"Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell. For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind: But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."

James 3:5-8, KJV

"For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:"

1 Peter 3:10, KJV

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Truth Is Important To God And Important To Me, We Fail God When We Aren't Striving To Know Teach And Preach The Truth, Christians Are Failing On The Social Networks, No Evidence To Support Statement Allegedly Made By Ocasio-Cortez, Every AI Chatbot Refuted The Bogus Statement, What Ocasio-Cortez Actually Said, Snopes.com's Analysis Of The Facebook Meme, My Investigate Before You Propagate Image, Facebook Friend Refused To Acknowledge His Error And Defended His Position, Supporting Promoting And Propagating A False Internet Rumor, Our Primary Christian Responsibility/Obligation Is To Share And Preach The Truth Of God's Word, We Are No Better If We Resort To Same Tactics As The Children Of The World, Major Negative Repercussions When Any Christian Is Caught Lying, Correct The Error, Closing Remarks, Suggested Reading List

Continuing our discussion from part one, so, my friends, as you can no doubt see, the Bible has A LOT to say concerning this particular subject. Furthermore, because it does, it indirectly reveals how very important this topic is to God as well. Therefore, it's equally important to me personally in everything that do and say for the Lord. In my opinion, if we are not constantly striving to know the truth, and to teach and preach the truth, then we have failed the Lord. Sadly, I see a lot of this kind of failure on many of the social networks, and it is being committed, not just by worldly people, but by Christians as well. The example I provided at the very beginning of this article is proof of this tragic situation.

Concerning the stupid statement which was allegedly made by Ocasio-Cortez, upon conducting online research, I found no evidence whatsoever that she ever made that kind of a public

statement. In fact, I also asked four of the most popular AI chatbots the very same question, which was the following:

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"Is it true that U.S. Representative from New York, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, once stated "Republicans are trying to rig elections by only allowing U.S. citizens to vote."?"

----- End Quote -----

In every single case, the chatbots -- Claude, Grok, ChatGPT and Gemini -- responded with the same basic negative answer. In other words, they all refuted the meme, and the alleged statement is completely invented, as well as totally false. The ONLY thing they did find remotely close to the alleged statement is that in 2023, Ocasio-Cortez spoke about a Washington, D.C. law allowing non-citizens to vote in LOCAL ELECTIONS, and she criticized Republican efforts to block said law. However -- and this is important -- she did NOT use the aforementioned quote. Neither did Ms. Ocasio-Cortez claim that citizenship requirements themselves are "rigging" elections. Furthermore, like many other liberal Democrats, Ocasio-Cortez is strongly opposed to the SAVE Act as well. Thus, based on a glaring lack of any supporting evidence whatsoever, we can only conclude that the statement -- and thus the Facebook meme -- is totally bogus.

As a final test, I also visited the Snopes.com website. I do not know how many of my readers trust Snopes.com -- they've been accused of being biased -- but here is what they had to say regarding this issue:

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"Google searches for Ocasio-Cortez's name and portions of the purported quote did not reveal any credible news reports, videos or news releases documenting Ocasio-Cortez saying those words. If she had truly made that statement, reputable news outlets likely would have covered it.

When asked by email whether Ocasio-Cortez said the quote or anything similar, Karla Santillan, Ocasio-Cortez's press secretary, said, "She did not say that."

In February 2023, Ocasio-Cortez argued on the House floor

against a Republican-led effort to prevent the D.C. Council from passing a law allowing noncitizens to vote in local elections in the nation's capital. While the House of Representatives passed a bill designed to block the law, the Senate did not. As a result, Washington, D.C., became one of a handful of municipalities around the country to allow noncitizens to vote in local elections.

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So again, friends, there's no evidence whatsoever to support that bogus meme which is floating around on Facebook, and on other social networks. It is a complete fabrication. As such, for any Christian to willingly share the meme is to propagate false information. Following is a graphic I made a number of years ago. It is a part of my "Addiction: Internet Rumors and Conspiracy Theories" image series:

[investigate before you propagate image goes here.]

Sadly -- and not surprisingly -- the Facebook friend who had posted the bogus meme apparently did not accept what I had to say to him. In fact, rather than simply admit that he was in error by posting it, he offered a rather weak response and said that while Ocasio-Cortez may not have said it directly, nevertheless, in his view, her votes and actions proved that the meme is true. Mind you that this is coming from a fellow Christian who is supposed to uphold the truth, and not be given to Internet rumors and conspiracy theories. Just as I said earlier, he was more interested in defending his own misguided position, than in humbly admitting the truth by saying something such as "Yeah, it was wrong of me to post it before conducting an investigation. I should just remove the meme so that I don't lead other people astray."

Going by his last response, I then informed him that based on the total lack of evidence to support, verify or substantiate the alleged statement, what he was actually doing amounted to supporting, promoting and propagating a false Internet rumor. I also informed him -- as I shared earlier in this article -- that I have long believed -- and strongly believe -- that our primary Christian responsibility and obligation to God is to share and preach the truth of His holy Word. That is why the Lord has called us into His Kingdom in the first place. That is what we are here to do. That is to say, to be ambassadors of God's Kingdom, and ambassadors of truth. HIS truth.

However, if we start knowingly passing along false information just like the children of the world love to do for the sake of acquiring more likes, comments, shares and followers, and if we do even worse by resorting to sensationalistic posts just to draw attention to ourselves, then we're no better than they are. Furthermore, if something we have shared turns out to be false, it can be very damaging to the Cause of Christ, as well as to our particular ministry. It can harm our reputation as a reliable source of true information, and it can also hurt our Christian witness and testimony. After all, if we are caught sharing something that is not true, or at least which is a significant distortion or embellishment of the actual truth, then think how much more difficult it can become when we try to share the Good News of the Gospel of the Kingdom with a person. Think about this, my friends. They could easily say something such as the following:

"Well, you were obviously wrong about that. You lied about it and you really misled me regarding that issue, when I trusted in you. So why should I believe you now when you are telling me about your faith and Jesus Christ? You no longer have any credibility in my eyes."

So, my dear friends, that is why this is such an extremely important issue to me personally. It is simply self-defeating when we knowingly post things which are not accurate and true, and even worse when due to our pride, we refuse to correct our error, preferring instead to foolishly try to defend what is obviously an indefensible position to begin with. We are only hurting ourselves, as well as hurting the Cause of Christ, and hampering leading new people into God's Kingdom. I hope you truly realize the seriousness of this situation. So those are my personal thoughts for your consideration.

With these thoughts, I will bring this article to a close. It is my hope that you have found it informative, enlightening, and I pray that it has been a blessing in your life as well. If you have an account with Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr or with any other social network, I would really appreciate if you'd take the time to click or tap on the corresponding link that is found on this page. Thanks so much, and may God bless you abundantly!

For additional information and further study, you may want to refer to the list of reading resources below which were either mentioned in this article, or which contain topics which are related to this article. All of these articles are

likewise located on the Bill's Bible Basics web server. To read these articles, simply click or tap on any link you see below.

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