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Denominationalism Contradicts the Bible - Part 1

Denominationalism Teaches	→	The Bible Teaches
There are many bodies or churches	→	One Body/Church (1 Corinthians 12:20)
Churches founded by men	→	Church Founded by Christ (Matthew 16:18)
Human heads of the church	→	Christ is the Head (Ephesians 1:22-23)
Human Creeds	→	Bible is the only guide (2 Timothy 3:6-17)
Wear human names	→	Glorify God as a Christian (1 Peter 4:16)
Follows men	→	Condemns following men (1 Cor. 1:10-13)
Multiplicity of churches	→	One Church (Romans 16:16)
Membership not essential	→	Saved are added to the church (Acts 2:47)
Preaches many gospels	→	Only one gospel (Galatians 1:8-9)

But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine. "Titus 2:1"



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Times of Services:
Sunday
 Bible Study:.... 10:00am
 AM Worship:..11:00am
 PM Worship:...6:00pm
 2nd Sunday:.....1:30pm

Wednesday
 Bible Study:.....7:00pm

Radio Program
 Sunday:.....7:30am
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 Welcome
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THE END IS NEARER THAN WE MAY THINK
 by Kevin Cauley

Ok, folks, clear your calendars because a very important event is coming up for which you are going to want to be prepared. I'm not talking about Easter, Labor Day, the 4th of July, Thanksgiving or even Christmas. No, it's nobody's birthday either. However, I think you are going to want to be ready for this one because an event like this only occurs once every thousand years or so. Oh, you want to know what's going to happen that day? Scientists estimate that on that day, a meteor about 1/3 of a mile in diameter will come close enough to earth so that you can see it passing by overhead in the sky. It will not, however, collide with the earth (they think), but pass the earth about 22,500 miles away (still a near miss). So, mark your calendars for Friday, April 13th, 2029, because that's the big day!

"Wait a minute!" you say, "That's twenty-four years in the future. Why should I get all worked up over that now?" Good question. Some may even be thinking, "I don't even know that I will be alive on that day." Indeed, some of us will not. Some of us may die of natural causes and others of us may die due to disease or

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accidents of one kind or another. It kind of puts things into perspective, doesn't it? All of a sudden, the possibility of a meteor hitting the earth in 2029 doesn't seem nearly as urgent when we consider that we may not even be around to see it pass. Indeed, we just do not know when our last day on earth will be.

Believe it or not, this has been man's condition for many years. James wrote regarding this very topic almost 2000 years ago. James 4:13-15 states, "Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that." James makes it clear that tomorrow is not promised because our lives are fleeting. The appropriate attitude that we ought to have toward the future is "If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that." Notice that little phrase that we normally skip over when we look at this passage; "we shall live." James wasn't so much concerned about saying, "If the Lord wills, we shall do one thing or another," as much as he was concerned about saying, "If the Lord wills, we shall live." Indeed, the activities of our life are dependent upon our life itself. Will we live to see tomorrow? We just don't know for sure.

Another passage that comes to mind is Psalm 90, wherein the psalmist compares man, in his frailties, to the stamina and power of God. "A thousand years" says the psalmist "are but as yesterday" to God and He looks upon them as we look upon the grass of the earth, which flourishes in the morning but is cut down in the evening. In comparison to the thousands of years which God experiences as yesterday, our years are threescore and ten, or maybe fourscore. By the end, all of our years are merely as "a tale that is told" and then, "we fly away." What is the lesson that the psalmist draws from all of this? "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" (Psalm 90:12). Our days are indeed numbered.

Should we get excited about the year 2029, or even about the impending day of our death? We should certainly should prepare for death, but let's not worry about things that are out of our control. Jesus said, in Matthew 6:34, "Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." It's sufficient for us to worry about today's affairs and not be preoccupied with things that will occur beyond our control in the future. Today is the day of salvation (2 Corinthians 6:2). We should get right with God today if we haven't. In the meantime, I'm not marking my calendar for April 13th, 2029.

A FAITHFUL FRIEND

by G.K. Wallace

It is good to have a friend. We all need someone in whom we can utterly trust. We need someone who loves us in spite of all our weakness. We need someone who will comfort and encourage us in time of trouble and sorrow when the world leaves us alone to fight our battles. "A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity" (Proverbs 17:17). "Ointment and perfume rejoiceth the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel" (Proverbs 27:9). R.L. Stevenson said, "So long as we love we serve, so long as we are loved by others I would almost say we are indispensable; and no man is useless when he has a friend." Jesus Christ said, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15: 13).

Gossip can wreck friendship. "He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very (chief) friends" (Proverbs 17:9). A true friend will help you up when you have fallen down. He will defend you when others speak evil of you. He will believe you are innocent until you are proven guilty. A good friend is a great blessing. To be a friend one must give of himself and appreciate all that is loving and noble in others. "A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter" (Proverbs 11:13).

Do not turn against a true friend, and don't be a treacherous friend. "Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me" (Psalms 41:9). "Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful" (Proverbs 27:6).

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS!

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:15-16).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 5 – Gospel Meeting with Jeff Cannon; Preach-N-Eat & 1:30 Worship
- May 12 – Men's Business Meeting & Ladies' Class
- May 26 – Song Service
- June 2 – Men's Business Meeting & Ladies' Class
- Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell