

For Our Information

Ruben Keisler has a busy month scheduled. He is to meet with a doctor this week about his dizziness. He also has a pre-op appointment this week and is to have surgery on his hand July 9th.

Ricky Ragsdale is still doing physical therapy and Phyllis Jackson is travelling to Little Rock regularly to help Theresa.

Remember one another as we pray
to the Father each day

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We want opportunities to speak with others about our work in the Lord's Kingdom.

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history where actual members of the church of Christ compelled by force anyone to become a Christian.

There is a good reason for this isn't there? **2Cor 10:3-4**, *"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)." (KJV)* It is not the way of Christ for Christians to take up arms against those who will not believe. In fact it is those of the world, the non-believers who are the ones who will do the violent opposition. **Rom 8:35**, *"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?"* Jesus said, in **Matt 26:52**, *"Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword."* We can only conclude then that Catholicism is really to blame for any ills of the world.

Seeking His Righteousness

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Convert Or Conquer?

Marc Smith

Conversion "Catholic Style" Was Not What The Lord Had In Mind!

The student of history will often read and hear terms relating to "the Christianizing of the World." Such terms will often be used in conjunction with either broad or specific treatments of the spread of belief in Christ into Palestine, the Roman Empire, then into perhaps Northern Africa, the Middle East, Europe, the New World and even in studies describing the spread of "Christianity" throughout the farthest reaches of the World.

We cannot help but notice that in



And he was reasoning in the synagogue every Sabbath and trying to persuade Jews and Greeks.

Acts 18:4



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today's revisionist history telling, the spread of "Christianity" is blamed with many world woes and seldom receives any praise. Those who have done missionary work in far off places are blamed with destroying native religions and upsetting them to the point that when European nations were finally kicked out of those 3rd World countries by their indigenous peoples, it is the missionaries that are said to be the root of their current problems and not primarily the greed of the governments of men. You can see it told over and over on "The Learning Channel" or "The Discovery Channel" or documentaries on PBS. It is often the reason given that the natives of these places only wear clothes because they were made to feel so overwhelmingly guilty by the "uptight, puritanical Christian Missionaries" of centuries past.

Those of European descent who are most closely associated with such evils are reminded of such horrible things as the conquest of South American Indian cultures like the Mayans, Aztecs, Incans and others. The brutality shown by Spanish soldiers and clergy was a real event and the bloodshed in the name of Christ a great travesty. Thousands upon thousands of Indians, we are told, were butchered when they would not convert to "Christianity." Every school child can tell you this.

The hatred that Islamic cultures and nations feel toward Westerners today is rooted in the Crusades of the Middle Ages. During that time, over a span of a couple of centuries, wave after wave of zealous European "Christians" seeking to relieve Jerusalem from the hands of Arabic and Islamic inhabitants

Store In My Heart

2Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

God's Word includes all things that we need to accomplish work. Thus there is no need for the writings of men. There is no good work that needs man's wisdom for its completion. This verse alone is sufficient to refute the teachings of many religious organizations.

This Word will profit in our learning and teaching others. It brings righteousness so that we can do everything God has appointed for us to do. It will lift us above the wickedness of the world, bringing us closer to God.

assaulted the Middle East and the bloodshed was again, horrendous.

In Winston Churchill's "History of Great Britain" he mentions how Saxon "Christians" battled the Pagan Vikings and at the end of battles where the Vikings were defeated that the Saxons would force the Vikings to "convert" and would baptize them; causing Churchill to comment that there was one well known Viking who converted over 40 times! In "The Last Apocalypse" the author says that Otto the Great, a fierce ex-pagan Viking king forced all his followers to become "Christians." From the German comes this little poem: "And wilt thou not a Christian be, I'll smash thy skull, just wait & see!"

Marx, Lenin, and Mao Tze Tung were relentless in their blame of "Christianity" for global bloodshed and the economic plight of the poor and downtrodden "masses." Marx's famous quip that "religion is the opiate of the people," no doubt, brought derision and much worse upon many believers in Christ.

Having reminded ourselves of these historic perspectives it is important that we take the initiative in correcting this perception whenever we can to those who espouse it. The thing I would like to make clear here, is that historians rarely if ever clarify the difference between those who truly believe in the doctrine of Christ, that is, those who look only to the New Testament for what they believe, and the operations of the Catholic Church in Rome. Catholicism IS NOT the New Testament doctrine of Christ! There is a big difference in the words "Christian" and "Catholic." I know of no time in all of