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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

Do You Have The Correct Answer?

Perfect is the word written in the bible. The perfect blue print for the life of men and women on this planet is in the bible. We go to church or to bible study to listen, study and apply God's daily instruction for our life. God's word is truth and the truth will make you free! For the bible says in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, (16) All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; (17) so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

There are people who want to debate God's teachings. I'm not talking about Jehovah Witnesses, Mormons, Buddah believers and etc., I'm talking about our own fellow Christian brothers and sisters of the faith. They want to debate with God and stir up confusion! My brothers and sisters, if God said it and you don't agree with it, "Do You Have The Correct Answer"? When we debate God's word, self gratification is in the air! When we debate God's word, we demonstrate no trust in Him! When we debate God's word, it means we simply don't believe!!

Jesus went through somewhat the same scenario in Luke 20:1-8 with the chief priest and the scribes with the elders. In verse (1)On one of the days while He was teaching the people in the temple and preaching the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes with the elders confronted Him, (2) and they spoke, saying to Him, "Tell us by what authority You are doing these things, or who is the one who gave You this authority?" (3) Jesus answered and said to them, "I will also ask you a question, and you tell Me: (4) "Was the baptism of John from heaven or from men?" (5) They reasoned among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say, 'Why did you not believe him?' (6)"But if we say, 'From men,' all the people will stone us to death, for they are convinced that John was a prophet." (7) So they answered that they did not know where it came from. (8) And Jesus said to them, "Nor will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

These leaders question His authority, opposing certain questions to trap Jesus. Notice how Jesus turned the tables and presented a question to the leaders. The leaders focused on what would happen if they gave a correct answer and an incorrect answer. They pleaded ignorance. Overall, Jesus exposed the hypocrisy of their question, unmasking their evil motives. He wasted no truth on them!

My brothers and sisters, there is only two answers to every question: God's answer and everyone else. And everyone else is wrong!

> **SCRIPTURE READING** 1 TIMOTHY 6:3-10

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Christians are not sinless, but they should sin less.

