

Will YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND?

Ezekiel 18:30–32



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SOME SAY:

YOU CAN'T

YOU NEVER SHOULD

ONLY IF YOU WANT TO

IT DOESN'T MATTER



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Ezekiel 18:30–32 (NKJV)

³⁰ “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways,” says the Lord God. “Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin. ³¹ Cast away from you all the transgressions which you have committed, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. For why should you die, O house of Israel? ³² For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,” says the Lord God. “Therefore turn and live!”

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GOD SAYS:

REPENT (Acts 17:30)


Acts 17:30–31 (NKJV)

³⁰ Truly, these times of ignorance
God overlooked, but now
He commands all men everywhere
to repent, ³¹ because He has
appointed a day on which He
will judge the world in
righteousness by the Man whom
He has ordained. He has given
assurance of this to all by raising
Him from the dead.”

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REPENT (Acts 17:30)
TO SET OUR MINDS
ON THINGS ABOVE
(Colossians 3:2)



Colossians 3:1–2 (NKJV)

¹ If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. ² Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth

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BE TRANSFORMED BY
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MINDS (Romans 12:1,2)



Romans 12:1–2 (NKJV)

¹ I beseech you therefore, brethren,
by the mercies of God, that you
present your bodies a living
sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God,
which is your reasonable service. ²

And do not be conformed to this
world, but be transformed by the
renewing of your mind, that you
may prove what *is* that good and
acceptable and perfect will of God.

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TO GUARD OUR

MINDS (Philippians 4:6-8)

Philippians 4:6–9 (NKJV)

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Philippians 4:6–9 (NKJV)

⁸ Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things *are* noble, whatever things *are* just, whatever things *are* pure, whatever things *are* lovely, whatever things *are* of good report, if *there is* any virtue and if *there is* anything praiseworthy —meditate on these things.

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Philippians 4:6–9
(NKJV)

⁹ The things which you
learned and received
and heard and saw in
me, these do, and the
God of peace will be
with you.

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THOSE IN ERROR NEED TO CHANGE THEIR MIND

⁹ He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” (Mat 13:9)

MANY WILL NOT

Antediluvians (Genesis 6)

Israel / Judah (2 Kings 17:5-18; Is. 6:9, 10; Ezek. 12:2; 2 Chronicles 36:16)

Pharaoh / Egypt
(Exodus 4:1-11:10)

Many Jewish leaders
(Jn 5:41-47; 7:47-49; 12:42; Lk 24:20)

Jewish leaders post Pentecost
(Acts 3-5; 7:51-54; 8:1-4; etc.)

Unbelieving Jews in Thessalonica
(Acts 17:1-10)

SOME WILL

Noah (Genesis 6,7; Heb 11:7)

Assyria (Jonah) / Exilic & post-exilic
Judah (Daniel 9; Ezra; Nehemiah)

Moses / Israel
(Ex 12:1-14:31; Heb 11:24-29)

Many common people
(Mt. 12:35-37; Lk 19:48; Jn 7:46-49)

3,000 on Pentecost
(Acts 2:36-41)

Believers in Berea
(Acts 17:11,12)

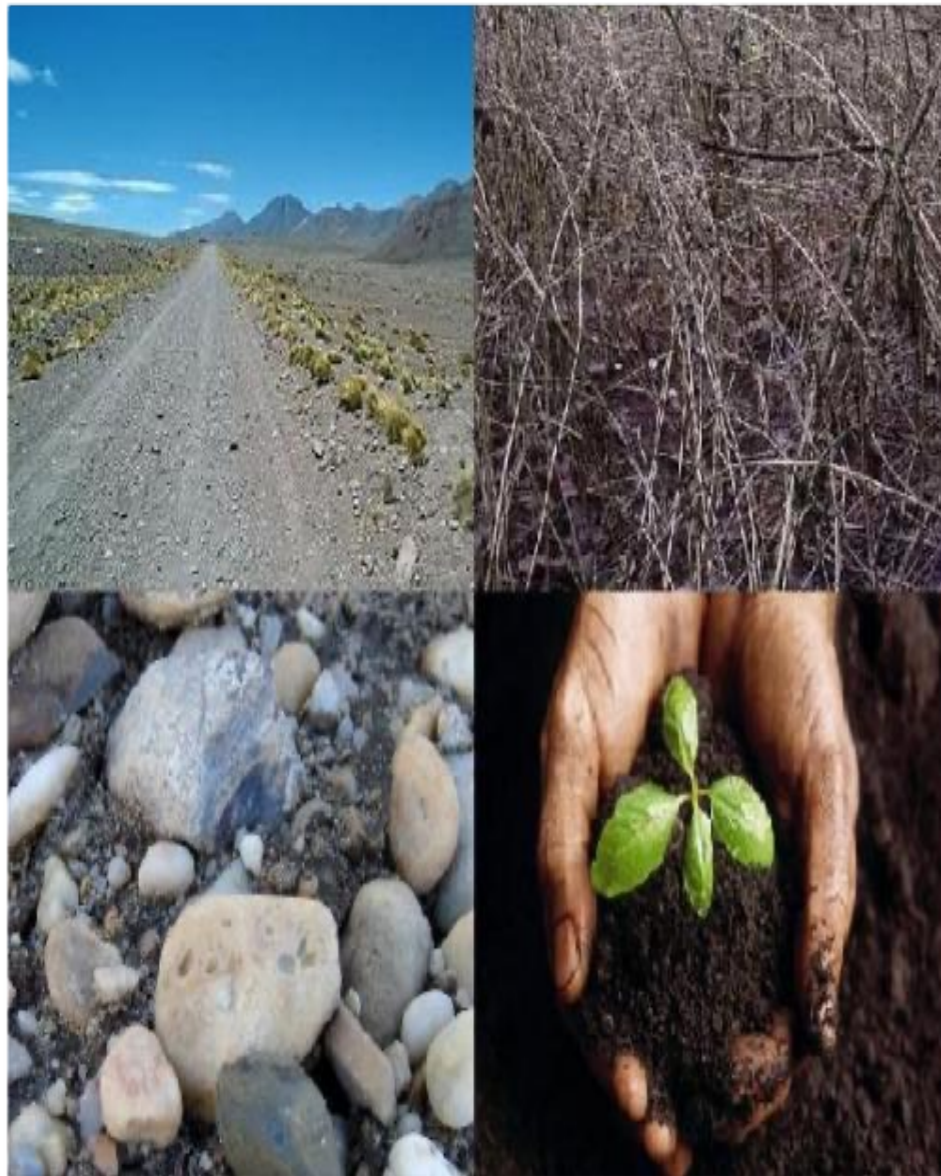
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DO WE HAVE EARS TO HEAR?

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■ **Parable of the Sower** (Mat 13:1-23)

- ▶ Some refused to hear (13:4, 13-15, 19)
- ▶ Some heard and accepted initial truth but failed to strengthen their convictions, thus failing to grow (13:5, 6, 20, 21; Heb 5:12-14; 2 Pet 1:5-11)
- ▶ Some heard and accepted initial truth but allowed some worldliness to remain (13:7, 22; Col. 3:5-11; Jam. 1:6, 7; 4:8)
- ▶ Some heard initial truth and went on to produce much fruit & endure (13:8; Gal. 5:22, 23; 2 Pet. 1:5-11; 1 Cor. 15:58)



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Acts 28:23–31 (NKJV)

²³ So when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at *his* lodging, to whom he explained and solemnly testified of the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets, from morning till evening. ²⁴ And some were persuaded by the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved. ²⁵ So when they did not agree among themselves, they departed after Paul had said one word: “The Holy Spirit spoke rightly through Isaiah the prophet to our fathers,

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²⁶ saying, ‘Go to this people and say: “Hearing you will hear, and shall not understand; And seeing you will see, and not perceive; ²⁷ For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them.” ’

Is. 6:9, 10; Jer. 5:21; Ezek. 12:2; Matt. 13:14, 15;
Mark 4:12; Luke 8:10; John 12:40, 41; Rom. 11:8

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Acts 28:23–31 (NKJV)

²⁸ “Therefore let it be known to you that the salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it!” ²⁹ And when he had said these words, the Jews departed and had a great dispute among themselves. ³⁰ Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, ³¹ preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.

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2 Thessalonians 2:10–15 (NKJV)

¹⁰ and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. ¹¹ And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, ¹² that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

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2 Thessalonians 2:10–15 (NKJV)

¹³ But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, ¹⁴ to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵

Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or our epistle.

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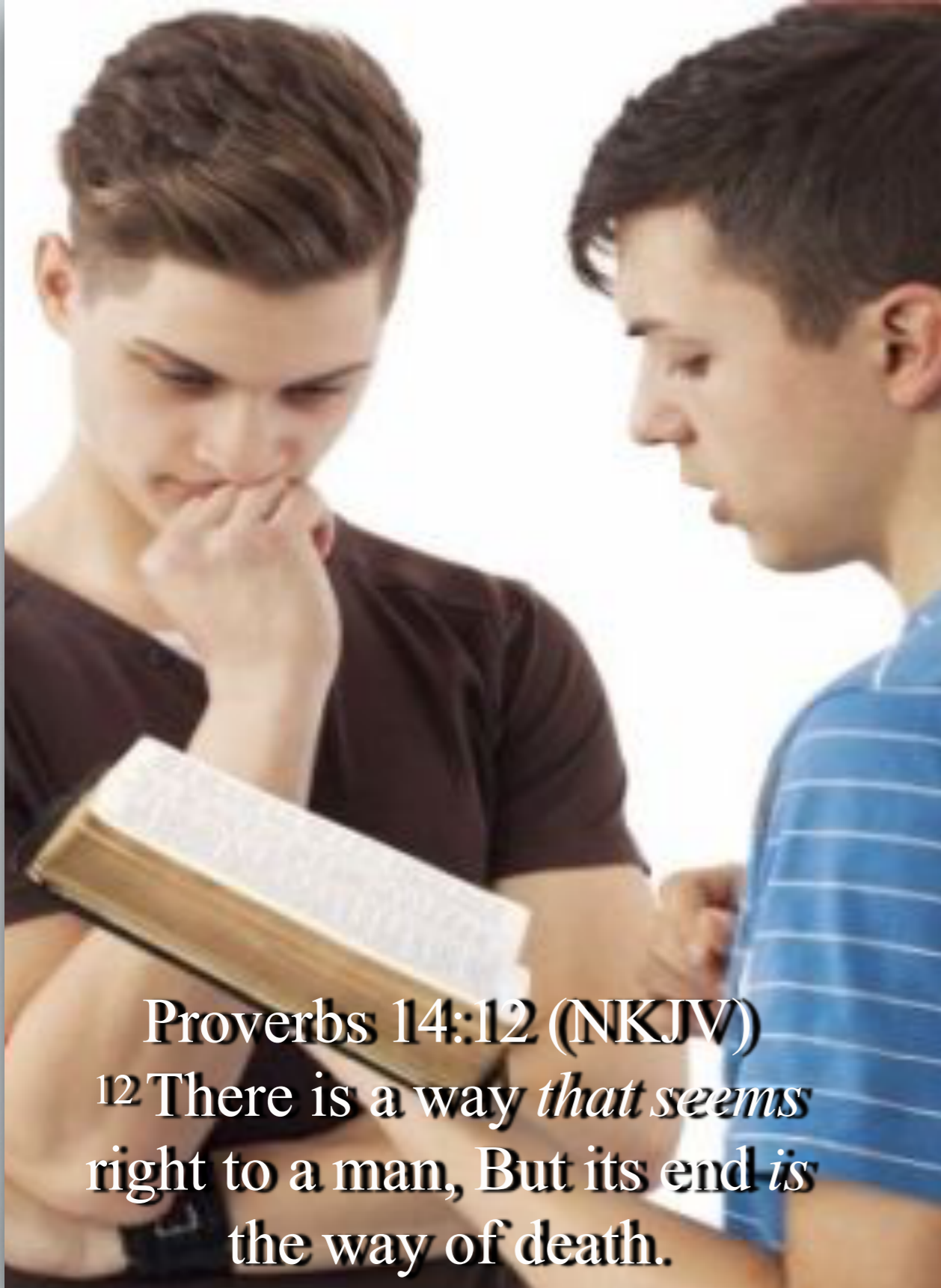


Men do not
reject the Bible
because it
contradicts
itself,
but because it
contradicts
them.

~E. Paul Hovey

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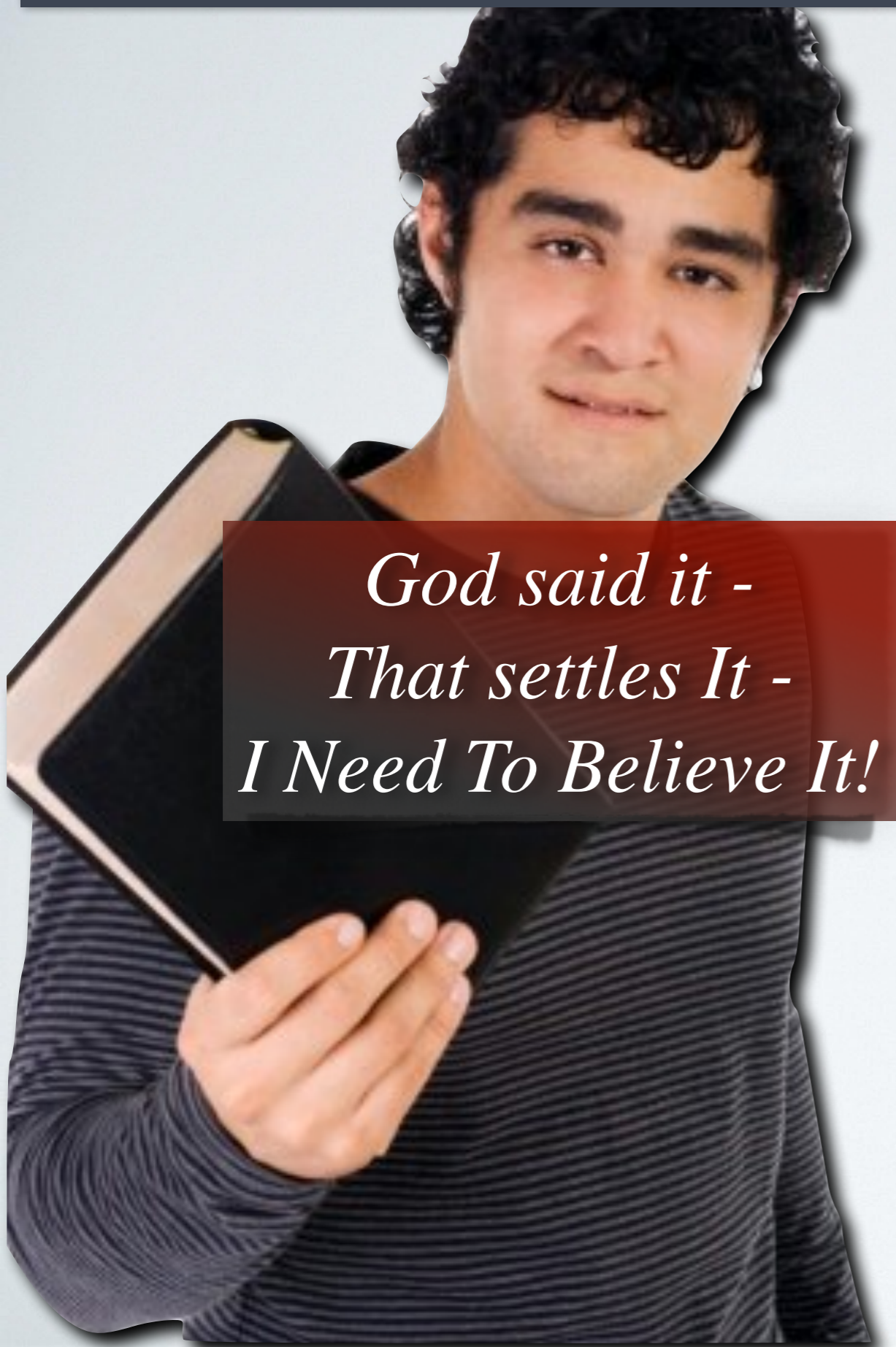
Proverbs 14:12 (NKJV)
12 There is a way *that seems*
right to a man, But its end *is*
the way of death.

Many who profess to be Christians today are not really interested in whether what they believe is actually what the Bible teaches.

Their feelings, desires, emotions, and present practice, override what the Bible teaches.

Too many are actually following “SELF” and not JESUS!

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*God said it -
That settles It -
I Need To Believe It!*

The QUESTION IS
NOT “am I sincere in
what I believe,” but “do I
actually believe what the
scriptures teach?”

Am I willing to honestly
examine the scriptures
and conform my beliefs
& practices to what the
scriptures teach?

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MANY WILL NOT
CHANGE THEIR MINDS

SOME WILL CHANGE
THEIR MINDS

IF WE BELIEVE AND
FOLLOW GOD'S
WORD, WE DO NOT
NEED TO CHANGE
OUR MINDS!

(2 Tim. 1:14)



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IF WE BELIEVE AND
FOLLOW GOD'S
WORD, WE NEED
TO SEEK TO
CHANGE THE
MINDS OF
OTHERS!

(Mat 28:19; Acts 8:4;
Eph. 4:15; 1 Thes. 1:8)



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Hear the TRUTH!

(Romans 10:17)

Believe the TRUTH

(John 14:6)

Obey the TRUTH

(1 Peter 1:22,23; Acts 2:38)

Walk in the TRUTH

(2 John 4-6,9; Col. 1:23)



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Isaiah 6:6–10 (NKJV)

⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal *which* he had taken with the tongs from the altar. ⁷ And he touched my mouth *with it*, and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged.” ⁸ Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: “Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?” Then I said, “Here *am* I! Send me.” ⁹ And He said, “Go, and tell this people: ‘Keep on hearing, but do not understand; Keep on seeing, but do not perceive.’” ¹⁰ “Make the heart of this people dull, And their ears heavy, And shut their eyes; Lest they see with their eyes, And hear with their ears, And understand with their heart, And return and be healed.”