

TODAY'S LESSON

“HOW JESUS ANSWERED HYPOTHETICAL ARGUMENTATION”

(Mat 22:23-33)

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5 Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, **6** saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.”

7 And Jesus said to him, “I will come and heal him.”

8 The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only **say the word**, and my servant would be healed. **9** For I am a man under **authority**, having soldiers under me.

Matthew 8:5-10

“And I **say to this one**, ‘**Go**,’ and **he goes**; and to **another**, ‘**Come**,’ and **he comes**; and to **my servant**, ‘**Do this**,’ and **he does it**.”

10 When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, “Assuredly, I say to you, I **have not found** such **great faith**, not in **Israel**!”

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12 “I still have **many** things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* **now**. **13** However, when **He, the Spirit** of truth, has come, **He will guide you into ALL truth**; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but **whatever He hears He will speak**; and He will tell you things to come.

Hebrews 2:3-4

³ How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, ⁴ God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?

1 Corinthians 14:37

37 If **anyone** thinks himself to be a **prophet** or **spiritual**, let him **acknowledge** that **the things which I write to you are the commandments of the Lord**.

2 Peter 1:12-15

12 I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth. **13** Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by reminding you, **14** knowing that soon I will leave behind my body, just as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. **15** Moreover I will make sure that you always have a reminder of these things after my death.

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Ephesians 3:3-5

³ By revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, ⁴ by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), ⁵ which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets

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¹ That which was from the beginning, which **we have heard**, which **we have seen with our eyes**, which **we have looked upon**, and **our hands have handled**, concerning **the Word of life**— ² **the life was manifested**, and **we have seen**, and **bear witness**, and **declare** to **you** that **eternal life which** was with **the Father** and **was manifested to us**— ³ that which **we have seen and heard we declare** to **you**, that **you also may have fellowship with us**; and truly **our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ**. ⁴ And **these things we write to you** that **your joy may be full**.

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31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you remain in My word, you are truly My disciples. **32** And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

33 They answered Him, “We are Abraham’s descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can You say, ‘You will be made free’?”

34 Jesus answered them, “Truly, I am telling you, whoever is committing sin is a slave of sin.”

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Truth liberates us!

Doubt nor skepticism cannot liberate us

Doubt, skepticism keep us enslaved in the dark

Enslaved in sin (the attraction of worldly wisdom)

THE LIBERATING POWER OF GOD'S WORD

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Romans 6:16-18

16 Do you not **know** that to **whom you present yourselves slaves to obey**, you are that one's slaves **whom you obey**, whether of **sin unto death**, or of **obedience unto righteousness**? **17** But **God be thanked** that *though* you **were slaves of sin**, **yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered to you**. **18** And **having been liberated from sin**, you **became slaves of righteousness**.

Romans 6:3-4

³ Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

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16 And we have known and believed the love that God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God in him. **17** Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world. **18** There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

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23 The same day the **Sadducees**, who **say** there is **no resurrection**, came to Him and asked Him, **24** saying:
“Teacher, Moses said that if a man dies, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife and raise up offspring for his brother. **25** Now there were with us seven brothers. The first died after he had married, and having no offspring, left his wife to his brother. **26** Likewise the second also, and the third, even to the seventh. **27** Last of all the woman died also. **28** Therefore, in the resurrection, whose wife of the seven will she be? For they all had her.”

Matthew 22:23-33

29 Jesus answered and said to them, “**You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God.** **30** For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels of God in heaven.
31 But concerning the resurrection of the dead, **have you not read what was spoken to you by God**, saying, **32 ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’?** **God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.**” **33** And when the multitudes heard *this*, they were astonished at **His teaching**.

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20 Has not God made foolish the **wisdom of this world**? **21** For since, in the wisdom of God, **the world through wisdom did not know God**, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. **22** For **Jews request a sign**, and **Greeks seek after wisdom**; **23** but we **preach Christ crucified**, to the Jews a **stumbling block** and to the Greeks **foolishness**, **24** but to **those who are called**, both Jews and Greeks, **Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God**. **25** Because the **foolishness of God is wiser** than **men**, and the **weakness of God is stronger** than **men**.

Colossians 2:8-10

⁸ **Beware** lest **anyone cheat you** through **philosophy** and **empty** deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to **Christ**. ⁹ **For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily**; ¹⁰ and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

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Liberates us from things that don't concern us Psalm
131; John 21:20-23

Psalm 131:1-3

1 LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, nor with things too profound for me.

2 Surely I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with his mother; like a weaned child *is* my soul within me.

3 O Israel, hope in the LORD from this time forth and forever.

John 21:20-25

20 Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, “Lord, who is the one who betrays You?” **21** Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, “But Lord, what *about* this man?”

22 Jesus said to him, “If I will that he remain till I come, what *is that* to you? You follow Me.”

23 Then this saying went out among the brethren that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, “If I will that he remain till I come, what *is that* to you?”

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