

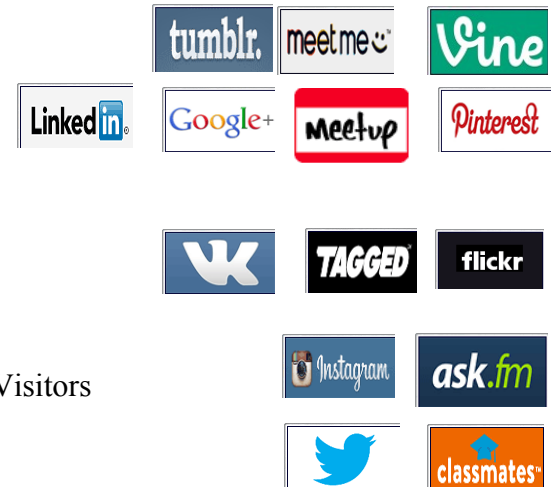
START WITH A STORY: Facebook is like a fridge. Even when u know there's nothing new going on, u still go on & check it every 10 minute.

Q: “I wonder what Facebook employees do to waste their time at work?”

LESSON THEME:

POINT OF CONTACT:

1. Facebook - 900,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly
2. Twitter - 310,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
3. LinkedIn - 255,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
4. Pinterest - 250,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
5. Google Plus+ - 120,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly
6. Tumblr - 110,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
7. Instagram - 100,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly
8. VK - 80,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
9. Flickr - 65,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
10. Vine – (*the old MySpace*) - 42,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
11. Meetup - 40,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
12. Tagged - 38,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
13. Ask.fm - 37,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
14. MeetMe - 15,500,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors
15. ClassMates - 15,000,000 - Estimated Unique Monthly Visitors



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INTRODUCTION: WHAT IS FACEBOOK? - A recent survey claims that 61% of Americans aged 13-17 have a Facebook profile. The site features 74 million profiles with 85,000 new ones added every day. During any given week it has 36 million active users. Never has strict separation from the world been more urgent for Christian homes and churches, and never has it been less practiced among those who claim to be Bible-believing people. We are in an awful, desperate battle for the souls of young people, and churches and families that do not get serious about this battle will surely regret it.

Facebook is a “social networking” web site. In the same family as most all social networking sights it is primarily and advertising store. It is a place where advertisers for the right price can drop in their ads and promote their products in a relaxed atmosphere that is soft sell. For the end user - It is a meeting place, a dating connection, a chat room, an instant message service, a place to blog or write about your life and opinions (*like an online diary*), a place to download music, a place to post your personal information, photos, videos, and music clips, and a way to link to your friends’ pages. It allows people to sign up for a free account wherein they create their own personal “spaces” and associate with others. When you sign up you answer demographic questions about yourself to facilitate searches by others who are looking for certain characteristics. The user can list things such as date of birth, schools, favorite movies and music, astrological sign, body type, and “sexual preference.” Facebook users can post messages and pictures to one another’s pages. It’s vast online community. It’s a cyber youth hangout. It’s a web publishing house for private expression. And it’s super cool.



We need to say here that Facebook and Twitter are used for more than a chat room and dating service. It is used for business purposes, for example, such as posting resumes and for job promotion; but the part we are concerned about in this report is the social and moral aspect. Facebook and Twitter are not the only social networking site, they are

the largest social networking sites. They connect people based on the schools they go to, their majors, their interests and their friends and friends' friends.” Facebook requires an active e-mail address as evidence that one is indeed who he says he is. For young people, though, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest and Google Plus+ are overwhelmingly the social networking site of choice, and they are the ones we are talking about in this lesson.



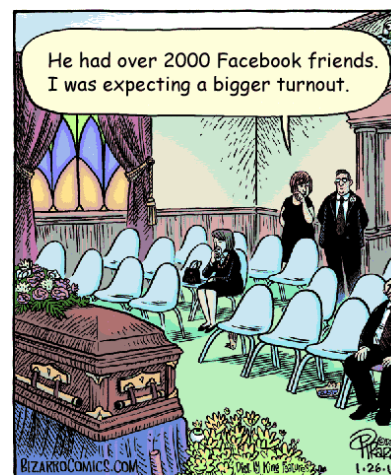
LESSON:

1. FACEBOOK ADDS FUEL TO HIGH DIVORCE RATE - Whether **Facebook** is to blame, or is simply part of the problem, the fact remains that a UK law firm recently went through all their divorce petitions and found that one in five mentioned **Facebook** in some manner. One of the reasons for the explosion in the popularity of **Facebook** is the fact that you can easily look up

old school mates or acquaintances from the past. What is your high school sweetheart doing today? You are just a few clicks away from finding out. No doubt, many marriages have been ruined because one of the parties connected or reconnected with someone they had no business talking to. Mark Keenan, Managing Director of Divorce-Online said: ‘I had heard from my staff that there were a lot of people saying they had found out things about their partners on **Facebook** and I decided to see how prevalent it was I was really surprised to see 20% of all the petitions containing references to **Facebook**. The most common reason seemed to be people having inappropriate sexual chats with people they were not supposed to.’ Flirty emails and messages found on Facebook pages are increasingly being cited as evidence against a spouse. One 35-year-old woman even discovered her husband was divorcing her via **Facebook**. Emma Brady was distraught to read that her marriage was over when her husband updated his status on the site to read, ‘Neil Brady has ended his marriage to Emma Brady.’ Last year a 28-year-old woman ended her marriage after discovering her husband had been having a virtual affair with someone in cyberspace he had never met. WHAS News in Louisville, KY, recently reported on a man who said that Facebook led to his divorce. He said that his ex-wife went to her high school reunion and saw an old flame, but the meeting didn't stop there. His wife and the old flame started to message each other through **Facebook**. The divorcee says he went into her account, saw inappropriate messages and the marriage went downhill from there. ‘**Facebook** creates a lot of temptation,’ he said. One divorce attorney said that in the past, ‘If there was an affair in a divorce case it was usually a co-worker that was involved. Nowadays, it’s just as likely to be somebody from an entirely different city and a lot of that has to do with **Facebook** and how easy it is to reconnect with old flames.’”

2. FACEBOOK, APPLE, GOOGLE CENSORING CHRISTIAN SPEECH -

The policies and practices of several major Internet-interactive ‘new media’ communications platforms and service providers were examined and evaluated in order to determine the risk of those entities committing anti-Christian viewpoint censorship. The companies reviewed were: Apple and its iTunes App Store; **Facebook**; MySpace; Google; Twitter; and Internet Service Providers (ISPs) Comcast, AT&T, and Verizon. Our conclusion is that Christian ideas and other religious content face a clear and present danger of censorship on web-based communication platforms. ... Apple has twice removed applications that contained Christian content from its iTunes App Store. In both instances, Apple admitted that these apps were denied access because it considered the orthodox Christian viewpoints expressed in those applications to be ‘offensive.’ ... Of the 425,000 apps available on Apple’s iPhone, the only ones censored by Apple for expressing otherwise **lawful viewpoints** have been apps with Christian content. The search engine giant Google has committed past practices of anti-religious censorship. For content reasons, it refused to accept a pro-life advertisement from a Christian organization, an issue that prompted litigation in England. ... Also, in March of 2011, Google established new guidelines for its ‘Google for Non-Profits,’ a special web tool program, but specifically excluded churches and other faith groups, including organizations that take into consideration religion or sexual orientation in hiring practices. Facebook has partnered with gay rights advocates to halt content on its social networking site deemed to be ‘anti-homosexual,’ and it is participating in gay-awareness programs, all of which suggest that Christian content critical of homosexuality, same-sex marriage, or similar practices will be at risk of censorship.”



3. WHO OWNS FACEBOOK? – Facebook and Twitter are powered by advertising and it is big business.

4. WHERE ARE THE PARENTS? - When you read about Christian young people getting wrapped up in **Facebook** and other morally dangerous things, you wonder immediately, “Where are the parents?” Why aren’t they overseeing their children’s lives and protecting them from the devil? It is very easy to get wrapped up in other things and not to have a close enough handle on what your children are doing, how easy it is to let the flesh have its way in the home so that you are not the example you should be or have the spiritual power that you should have; but we must pay any price to save our children and grandchildren from Satan’s snare.

Here are a few comments from parents concerning **Facebook**:

“Personally I believe that too many parents are living in carnality so that they themselves don’t see the damage that these things do.”



Fragmentation of time and space may contribute to our modern climate in which organic relationships have fallen by the wayside of rampant individualism. Life's demands often make it difficult to build meaningful and trusting relationships. Friends are now only a click away.

According to a recent study conducted by a neuroscience group at the University of Southern California, social networking sites such as Twitter and **Facebook** do not provide the necessary room to feel compassion or admiration. Our needs have become sterilized and our hearts desensitized to the reality of a fallen world. While we may not be able to turn back the hands of time, we can make a concerted effort to engage in a more personal way with family and friends, face to face and heart to heart.



“How stupid does a parent have to be to just let their kid have free reign on the internet?”

“I think this is the important point in all of this. Our nation is full of clueless parents -- even amongst Christian families. The internet itself may not be evil, but it is too easy to exploit for evil purposes. And too many parents choose to remain ignorant about how their kids are using it, or they are misusing it themselves and their guilt prevents them from speaking up.”

“If your children have an internet presence of any kind, as parents you have a responsibility to make sure the content is acceptable. Our children are still developing decision-making skills. If we don’t teach them, they will learn from the wrong sources. First and foremost is open and honest communication. If the lines of communication are not open with your children, I believe this is the starting point. Let them see your heart, your fears, and most importantly, your love.

“Be involved in the lives of your children. The teen years are a time of coaching for parents. Tell them how the game is played, then send them into the game. You cannot play this game for them, that would be great, but it is counterproductive. Good coaches are encouragers, and challenges. All in an effort to produce the best possible results.

“Absolutely no internet activity without an adult present--this will stop a lot of potential problems. Insist that you have full access to any and all email, as a parent--no exceptions! I also recommend you use software guards on any computer your children access.

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In a culture that is fast fragmenting time and space, relationships and love, let us be ever more appreciative of those precious relationships that are becoming a rare commodity. May we once again enjoy face to face encouragement and value personal accountability! Let us find creative ways to model Christ's love by nurturing friendships in more tangible and meaningful ways.

"So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" (Philippians 2:1-4).

5. FACEBOOK PRIVACY - **Facebook** claims it has 400 million users. But are they well-protected from prying eyes, scammers and unwanted marketers? Not according to Joan Goodchild, senior editor of CSO (Chief Security Officer) Online. She says your privacy may be at far greater risk of being violated than you know when you log onto **Facebook**, due to security gaffes or marketing efforts by the company.

Facebook came under fire recently, when 15 privacy and consumer protection organizations filed a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission, charging that the site, among other things, manipulates privacy settings to make users' personal information available for commercial use. Also, some **Facebook** users found their private chats accessible to everyone on their contact list - a major security breach that's left a lot of people wondering just how secure the site is. In two words, asserts Goodchild - not very.

On *"The Early Show on Saturday Morning,"* she spotlighted five dangers she says Facebook users expose themselves to, probably without aware of it:

- Your information is being shared with third parties
- Privacy settings revert to a less safe default mode after each redesign
- Facebook ads may contain malware
- Your real friends unknowingly make you vulnerable
- Scammers are creating fake profiles



Is **Facebook** a secure platform to communicate with your friends? - Here's the thing; Facebook is one of the most popular sites in the world. ... Security holes are being found on a regular basis. ... It is not as inherently secure as people think it is when they log on every day. Certainly, there are growing pains. Facebook is considered a young company and it has been around a few years now. It is continuing to figure this out. They are so young they are still trying to figure out how they are going to make money. They don't even have a revenue model yet. It is hard to compare this to others; we have never had this phenomenon before in the way people are communicating with each other - only e-mail comes close.

The potential for crime is real. According to the Internet Crime Complaint Center, victims of Internet-related crimes lost \$559 million in 2009. That was up 110% from the previous year. If you're not careful using Facebook, you are looking at the potential for identity theft, or possibly even something like assault if you share information with a dangerous person you think is actually a *"friend."* One British police agency recently reported the number of crimes they've responded to in the last year involving Facebook climbed 346%. These are real threats.

Lately, it seems a week doesn't go by without some new news about a Facebook-related security problem. A publication called *"TechCrunch"* discovered a security hole that made it possible for users to read their friends' private chats. Facebook has since patched it, but who knows how long that flaw existed? Some speculate it may have been that way for years.



Researchers at VeriSign's iDefense group discovered a hacker was selling **Facebook** user names and passwords in an underground hacker forum. It was estimated he had about 1.5 million accounts - and was selling them for between \$25 and \$45. And the site is constantly under attack from hackers trying to spam these 400 million users, or harvest their data, or run other scams. Certainly, there is a lot of criticism in the security community of Facebook's handling of security. Perhaps the most frustrating thing is that the company rarely responds to inquiries.

Do people really have **privacy on Facebook**? - No. There are all kinds of ways third parties can access information about you. For instance, you may not realize that, when you are playing the popular games on **Facebook**, such as Farmville, or take those popular quizzes, every time you do that, you authorize an application to be downloaded to your profile that you may not realize gives information to third parties.

Does **Facebook** share info about users with third parties through things such as Open Graph? - Open Graph is a new concept for them - they unveiled it last week at a conference. It actually is basically a way to share the information in your profile with all kinds of third parties, such as partner websites, so they can have a better idea of your interests and what you are discussing, so they can - as they portray it - "make it a more personal experience." The theory behind Open Graph - even if they have not implemented it - is their whole business model, isn't it? Well, that is the business model - they are trying to get you to share as much information as possible so they can monetize it by sharing it with advertisers.

Isn't it in **Facebook's** best interest to get you to share as much info as possible? - It absolutely is. Facebook's mission is to get you to share as much information as it can so it can share it with advertisers. As it looks now, the more info you share the more they are going to with advertisers and make more money.

The cool kids at **Facebook** Inc. are telling e-laughers everywhere that "haha" and emoji are in, and "lol" is out. Facebook last week released a report analyzing how its users convey laughter. The way they expressed humor changed based on gender, age and geography. No joke: "lol" users are older than "haha" and "hehe" people. If you want to telegraph your youthful giggles, use an emoji. "Haha" was the most popular choice, with more than half of all laughs, while emojis accounted for a third. It seems "lol" -- the popular acronym for laugh out loud -- is no longer hip. Only 1.9 percent of users are "lol"-ing, meaning the expression could soon be going the way of once popular phrases such as "rotfl" (rolling on the floor laughing).

Shocking facts about Facebook

A third of all divorce filings in 2011 contained the word "Facebook"

Iceland used Facebook to rewrite its constitution!

Adding the number 4 to the end of Facebook's URL will automatically direct you to Mark Zuckerberg's wall.

Facebook pays \$500 to anyone who can hack into it.

A couple got murdered because they defriended someone on Facebook

A man was ordered to apologize on Facebook or Go to Jail



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FACE BOOK SUPPLEMENTAL PAGE

KnowBe4 Security Tips - Top 5 Facebook Scams

Facebook now has over a Billion users, that's a mind-boggling thousand million people who check their page regularly. The bad guys are irresistibly attracted to a population that large, and here are the Top 5 Scams they are trying to pull off every day of the year.

1. **Who Viewed Your Facebook Profile** lures you with messages from friends or sometimes malicious ads on your wall to check who has looked at your profile. But when you click, *your* profile will be exposed to the scammer and worse things happen afterward.
2. **The Facebook Color Changer App** tries to trick you to personalize your Facebook page, but it also leads you to phishing sites, deceives you to share the app with friends, and infects your mobile devices with malware. Stay away from it.
3. **Fake Naked Videos** There are tons of fake naked videos being posted all the time using the names of celebrities like Rihanna or Taylor Swift that sometimes make it past the Facebook moderators. These scams are in the form of an ad or a post and have a link to bogus YouTube videos. That site then claims your Adobe Flash player is broken and you need to update it - but malware is installed instead!
4. **Facebook Videos With Come-On Titles** The bad guys often try enticing titles like "Not Safe For Work" or "Scandalous" to lure you into clicking on these videos and get redirected to phishing sites that steal your personal information.
5. **Check my status update to get free Facebook T-shirt** Messages from your Facebook friends to go to their page, and get a free Facebook t-shirt. It's a scam and remove any access to rogue applications if you have clicked on something like this.

Facebook is what it is, there simply is no way to **change the colors of your profile** or **change the theme**. Stay away from such messages if you want to avoid getting your PC infected with malware.

Stop Look Think - Don't be fooled

This was an exciting year for social. About 300,000 apps were added to the Apple AAPL +0.55% App Store. Eighty-five billion apps have been downloaded since October. Instagram's active use grew by 23 percent. Even Monica Lewinsky became active on Twitter after her compelling speech at the Forbes Under 30 Summit.

As 2016 approaches, techies and social users might begin to wonder, "What's in store for next year?"

We expect to see a host of new social apps taking the web and mobile by storm. Even current popular apps will partner and grow, so we can all feel a little closer to our networks.



Here are a few up-and-coming social media companies to watch in 2015:

A. Unmetric is a social media analytics and competitive intelligence platform. The platform helps users generate ideas by displaying streams of successful campaigns to see what is resonating with consumers. Rather than taking hours or days to analyze data, Unmetric can analyze your marketing efforts in minutes and compare them to relevant competition. It even provides real-time alerts when content your competition posts is driving more engagement than usual.

B. Kenshoo Social is a platform allowing users to create and manage targeted social marketing campaigns. Considered breakthrough social media technology for elite marketers, Kenshoo Social analyzes data, metrics, and algorithms to detect target audiences, measure performance, and help budget money. Not only that, the platform provides training and certifications through KenshooU as well as a blog with critical consumer trends and insights.

C. Bubbly is a voice-based social media network, allowing users to record voice messages, edit them with effects, and share them on social media. Bubbly was recently acquired by Altruist Group, a company that provides telecom services in Europe, Africa, and Asia, though terms of the acquisition were not disclosed. With 40 million users in

Asia and the Middle East, and \$39 million raised in investor funding, this company is one to keep an eye on moving into next year.

D. Heard is a social news network that vets sources while preserving anonymity. The platform allows for dynamic, free-flowing social conversations similar to those seen at a party where crowds gather around storytellers, and form and disperse naturally as conversations change. The app uses matching and reputation engines to help content find the right audiences, without users needing to search, follow, or friend others.



E. Frilp is a quick way to receive recommendations from friends and Frilp experts on a product or service you are seeking. This is the perfect app to use when in a new city you aren't familiar with because you can access the local knowledge of your contacts to recommend hotels, restaurants, and attractions. Frilp finds businesses and services your contacts have used by analyzing your social networks, phone book, and office network. The advantage here is trust. You could either trust the reviews of random people you don't know on review websites, or call a friend.

F. WeChat is a media-centric messaging app that connects users across platforms. BuzzFeed has recently teamed up with WeChat to deliver top viral content and news to followers. Predicting the future of content sharing lies within messaging platforms; BuzzFeed hopes the preemptive partnership will help lead the shift in the way we share content.

G. Whisper is an online community for sharing secrets. Users are entertained by stories about everything from embarrassing moments to guilty pleasures from anonymous users. The app organizes secrets into categories including confessions, relationships, military, and faith. It even alerts users of trending searches with keywords such as "caught" and "my parents."

H. Line is more than just a messaging app. Yes, the app does allow free messaging, group chats, and stickers on all smartphone devices and even on a PC. But, users can also connect with popular celebrities, brands, and TV shows to receive exclusive news and coupons only found through Line. The app also allows free real-time voice, video calls, photo, and video sharing with other app users.

I. Space Tag is a breakthrough social media platform that is about to launch. The app allows users to tag specific places and objects leaving notes for themselves or others. The app recognizes any users' location from the camera on the smartphone. This social network will be a big one from ShopCloud, the Israeli startup behind Inside Navigation providing indoor location identification with sub-meter accuracy, using only sensors on a modern smartphone.

J. Quicket is a multi-purpose mobile application that aims to be a one-stop-app for all your travel needs. The app recently launched a Facebook seat check-in that allows users to check out who's going to be sitting next to them, with an optional link to their Facebook profile. Other features help travelers with everything from booking a flight in less than a minute to selecting a seat on the plane, all in the comfort of one app. Quicket is headquartered in Munich and was developed from what was formerly Jets. The company has raised €1,000,000 from a combination of private investments and venture capital.

RUIN MARRIAGE

- "A third of all divorce filings in 2011 contained the word "Facebook," according to Divorce Online. And more than 80 percent of U.S. divorce attorneys say social networking in divorce proceedings is on the rise, according to the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers." --If you're not going to get off Facebook because the government is watching you, your kids are in grave danger, or burglars use it to find out when you're at work. Will you at least get off Facebook to save your marriage?

K. Meetey is a location-based app that lets you share and enjoy moments happening around you. The network creates a quick and easy way of connecting and engaging with people in the area. Users are also able to share and

consume local content in the anonymous mode. Meetey is launching at Web Summit and aims to be the “go-to” app when you want to see what’s happening in your area.

L. Sharewall is a new service that allows readers to access content that would otherwise would be locked behind a paywall by using social sharing as a currency. Additionally, using its recently launched artificial intelligence

facemasked

Hello.

I'm a stranger,I'm sitting comfortably
in your friends list.

I love your photos. Got quite a few up
on my wall. I especially like the one with
you in your school uniform.

When I was younger I always got told
not to talk to strangers. I didn't
listen, looks like children these days
haven't changed much either.

I'm a stranger, Im sitting comfortably
in your friends list.

engine, the startup helps websites offer customized content for readers across three channels: the homepage, newsletters, and social media.

M. Rinbw is an innovative new social app that lets you share short, five-second videos with your closest friends. Rinbw lets users send trivial moments from life that don't matter to 1,000 followers, but mean the world to your closest friends. The app serves as a video phonebook and helps you start conversations with your contacts.

N. NOKNOK is an anonymous reputation app that tell users how their friends saved them as a phone contact. This provides interesting insight on how we are labeled by friends, family, coworkers, and even romantic acquaintances. With the most recent version of the app, users are able to chat with name givers while they remain anonymous. Users are able to ask them why they labeled them a certain way and who they are.

O. Viber is a pioneering mobile messaging, voice, and video service. Viber lets everyone in the world connect — freely. Users can send free text messages, fun stickers, photos, videos and doodles, share locations anywhere in the world, make free HD-quality calls, and communicate with push-to-talk. Calls are free among Viber users, and low-cost to any other phone number

**–A Stanger Can Mean Danger–
know who you speak to**

around the world.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

“I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart. I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me. A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked person” (Psalm 101:2-4).

“Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God” (Matthew 5:6, 8).

“Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven” (Matthew 5:13-16).

“Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery: But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart” (Matthew 5:27-28).

“If ye love me, keep my commandments” (John 14:15).

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" **(Romans 12:1-2)**.

"This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit" **(Galatians 5:16-25)**.

"This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness" **(Ephesians 4:17-24)**.

Facebook Facts



Facebook, Twitter and The New York Times
have been blocked in China since 2009.

"Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers" **(Ephesians 4:29)**.

"And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you" **(Ephesians 4:30-32)**.

"Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them. For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;) Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is" **(Ephesians 5:1-17)**.

"Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man" **(Colossians 4:5-6)**.

"Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart" **(2 Timothy 2:22)**.

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away" **(2 Timothy 3:1-5)**.

“Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables” (2 Timothy 4:2-4).

“For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works” (Titus 2:11-14).

“Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.

Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded. Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up” (James 4:4-10).

“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever” (1 John 2:15-17).



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