

Monthly Memory Verse October 2012

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Message from the publisher and author

Monthly Memory Verse and Dale's Notes

Dale's Notes are provided as an encouragement to study the context from where the monthly memory verse was selected. It's my desire to provide some background information and practical understanding of some things, which I see within my own study of God's word. It's my hope through reading the notes; you will desire to study God's word in more detail.

Dale's Notes are only a layman's attempt to share the good news of our savior Jesus Christ through a monthly memory verse and the study of God's word in our daily walk with the Lord.

Brother in Jesus Christ,

Dale ☺

Dale A. Kaye

Message:

OUR NATION (The empty pulpit)

The voting season is upon us and men and women are ignorant or unwilling to vote which can make a difference in our nation for good of course you understand not all. I'm speaking to you concerning informed Christians making the best possible decision to promote godliness, righteousness, holiness in government. Any national leader which promotes and approves of abortion, of the gay/ lesbian life and the redefinition of marriage as between a man and a women Our priority in service to the kingdom of God is to serve our Lord in righteousness, in all aspects of life. There is great negligence on the part of Christian leadership in our nation to demonstrate soundness in the public arena for the principles of the gospel of Jesus Christ (*Yes, those who fill the pulpit- the under-Shepherds of Jesus Christ and the deacons of their ministries fail in two ways: they don't get involve/demonstrate themselves in public apologetics by sharing the gospel in government and the local neighborhood, all showing a public heavenly need is missing from their message [Their absences]*). Therefore, the sheep go astray and those who would do good are condemned because of political involvement for Christ, reinforcing the mindset of our culture which is biblically and political incorrect. Now you may not agree and that certainly is your right but our history as a nation. The public demonstration of the local minister is absent, so to imitate (*2Th 3:7, 2Th 3:9, Heb 13:7, 3Jo 1:11*) these leaders in public life fail to show Christ in our world like the reformers / evangelicals of our younger nation. The dreams of our forefather's which started this great nation was to enjoy the freedoms entrusted us by God our creator, the Lord Jesus Christ (*read the constitution*). We are not like other nations in many ways which pathway as a God fearing people, as a Christian recognized people has quickly changed because of a lifetime of public of disobedience to the gospel not being demonstrated at home, church, education, work, and government (*I'm saying this in regards as to what was granted us – [The United States of America] - and is being granted us from our God with regards to our heritage as a nation*).

Many American Christians in general understand their call to pursue the gospel publicly but lack the courage and willingness to pursue it in faith (Apostle Paul said: "*Php 1:14 And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without*

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fear.” “1Th 2:2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.”) Men of sound faith, leaders whom the churches are to imitate, must pick up the mantle of leadership of the apostle Paul, in leading the way for Christ. We cannot claim the glory of God if we are not willing to suffer for it as Christ would have us suffer. To hide behind the pulpit or the church doors from this truth is unthinkable! To say our obligation is complete after we have equipped the saints through our message (A message without work/application through faith is nothing more than a practice of intellectualism) but to fail to live out the example as a under Shepherd of Christ leaves the people of God at an extreme disadvantage for Christian life. This example of leadership is much need for today’s generation by proclaiming and demonstrating the power of the living God through Jesus Christ whom they proclaim living! We have more archeology, theology, preaching, churches and the list could go on and yet we fail at home within marriage, children, mothers and fathers, grandparents, genders called relationships! Relationship, relationships of every social structure is failing in general and you already know why! The answer is our relationship with God in knowing him, loving him and his ways, as a people, as individuals

Now, my brothers this does not mean our leaders in all our churches fail at this example, nor does it mean they are not call by God to proclaim the gospel truth to you but it does mean if they should not you should still uphold that which each Christian is call to of Jesus Christ himself in humility before a great God living out the example of Jesus in our world.

Prayer request:

Please continue to pray for the Monthly Memory Verse and Dale’s Notes. I ask your continued prayers to serve in this capacity and remember my family as we walk to honor our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thank you,

Dale

Quick Bio-glance

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Absalom Backus Earle, 1812-1895



A. B. Earle was born in Charlton, New York. He was converted at the age of sixteen and began preaching two years later. He spent the next three years studying and preaching. At the age of twenty-one he was ordained at Amsterdam, New York. After pastoring there for five years, Earle felt led by the Lord to enter the evangelistic ministry. The next fifty-eight years of his life were spent holding meetings in the United States (every state) and Canada. He held 39,330 services, traveled 370,000 miles, led 160,000 souls to Christ, and earned a total of \$65,520 for his sixty-four years of ministry. He influenced 400 men to enter the ministry.

Earle authored the following books: Bringing in the Sheaves, Abiding Peace, Rest of Faith, The Human Will, The Work of an Evangelist, Evidences of Conversion, and Winning Souls. He died at his home in Newton, Massachusetts, March 30, 1895, at the age of eighty-three.

A writer in a leading British religious paper said concerning Mr. Earle: "His preaching was not eloquent. His delivery was not beyond the average. His voice had no special power. His large angular frame and passionless mouth were decidedly against him. His sermons seemed sometimes as though composed thirty years ago, before we so often heard, as now, the more clear and ringing utterances of free grace, and the name of Jesus in almost every sentence. He expressed his own emotions very simply, and did not often refer to them. His rhetoric was often at fault, and sometimes his grammar. Truly the enticing words of man's wisdom were wanting in his case."

<http://www.reformedreader.org/a.b.earle.htm>

Theology Term

Egalitarian

Egalitarianism is the doctrine which holds that all of mankind is equal, or that everyone (including men and women) are to be looked upon as equals. In some Theological circles Egalitarianism is also used to identify the doctrine of those who promote wealth redistribution or economic equality.

<http://www.mountainretreatorg.net/faq/glossary.html#egalitarian>

Mat 4:3 And when the tempter came to him..... By "the tempter", is meant the devil, see 1Th 3:5 so called, because it is his principal work and business, in which he employs himself, to solicit men to sin; and tempt them either to deny, or call in question the being of God, arraign his perfections, murmur at his providences, and disbelieve his promises. When he is here said to come to Christ at the end of forty days and nights, we are not to suppose, that he now first began to tempt him; for the other Evangelists expressly say, that he was tempted of him forty days, Mar 1:13 but he now appeared openly, and in a visible shape: all the forty days and nights before, he had been tempting him secretly and inwardly; suggesting things suitable to, and taking the advantage of the solitary and desolate condition he was in. But finding these suggestions and temptations unsuccessful, and observing him to be an hungered, he puts on a visible form, and with an articulate, audible voice, he said, if thou be the Son of God;

Dale's Notes

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MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE**Part II****Read Matthew 4:10 (KJV)**

Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

Tempted when alone

Looking at our memory verse and its context we find our savior was isolated, alienate from all other human relationships. He is lead by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness with the beasts (wild animals live), (Mar 1:13 *And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts....*) and God wants the readers to fully understand He [Our Savior] is alone. But the writer does not stop there, our savior was fasting, he ate nothing! Conditions are important so we can see how to overcome our own difficult situations for victory, to bring glory to God.

Luk 4:1-2 *And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered.*

It's simple to understand, many of us will find ourselves completely alone, alienated, no one around and we are to be faithful to God! To obey his word! This also points to the conditions we may find ourselves in, showing no matter what the circumstances are, with food, no food, with covering, no covering, with protection, no protection (I'm speaking of our ability to protect ourselves physically). This confrontation of temptation between the Lord and the devil shows us we can and will be victorious should we obey the word of God! What comes to my mind are the early Christians who were fed to the wild dogs or lions for entertainment in the coliseum! Consider our beloved apostle Paul in his missionary journeys or our beloved apostle John being exiled to the Isle of Patmos for the witness of Jesus Christ! Read with me the follow witness of Paul to the Corinthians.

Endurance of the Apostle Paul

"2Co 11:23-30 Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one--I am talking like a madman--with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant? If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying."

Adam Clarke's
Commentary on the Bible

"In the course of this trial, it appears that our blessed Lord was tempted,

1st. To Distrust.
Command these stones to become bread.

2dly. To Presumption.
Cast thyself down.

3dly. To worldly Ambition. All these will I give.

4thly. To Idolatry.
Fall down and worship me, or do me homage. There is probably not a temptation of Satan, but is reducible to one or other of these four articles.

From the whole we may learn:

First. No man, howsoever holy, is exempted from temptation: for God manifested to the flesh was tempted by the devil.

Secondly. That the best way to foil the adversary, is by the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, Eph. 6:17.

Thirdly. That to be tempted even to the greatest abominations (while a person resists) is not sin: for Christ was tempted to worship the Devil.

Fourthly. That there is no temptation which is from its own nature, or favoring circumstances, irresistible. God has promised to bruise even Satan under our feet."

So our savior's temptation is set in such a way that no one could miss-understand God is demonstrating the absolute dependency of man's need upon the word of God for victory of over temptation, sin!

Like I said last month, "So Christ shares with us a pattern for triumph over temptation which we can easily follow. Telling us over and over it's in knowing the will of God by the word of God." As we saw/read about Jesus saying "it is written" or "it is said" basing his entire defense against temptation from the devil by the living word of God!

*Heb 4:12 For the word of God is **living** and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

We should remember what was said last month with regard to the sufficiency of God word to prepare a man for battle in righteousness, which is a life living out the word of God to the glory of God! Every good work!

2Ti 3:16-17 All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

Please let me repeat once again from last month's notes with regard to worshiping and serving our Lord Jesus Christ.

What does this all have to do with temptation, worshiping and serving God?

"Simply this, if you aren't committed to God from the heart with all of yourself, you will fall in times of testing! Because a heart set on fire for Jesus is careful before God, as not to offend but please him in every way. Why? Because you love him endlessly for all he is and all he does and all he has done for you."

Prayer

Lord Jesus, have mercy on us sinners who have sinned against you this day, this week, this month, and this year! Have mercy upon us Lord Jesus, for without you we cannot stand and apart for you we shall surely die. Fill us with boldness to proclaim your truth and walk in it. Help us Lord to not excuse ourselves from the task you have called us too that in all things we glorify you. Forgive our ministers, preacher, teacher, deacons, laymen and all others of faith for not willing publishing your truth. Forgive us if it be true that we hide behind your church walls and preach only in safe environment. God have mercy us who know your word well, if we should not proclaim it publicly in this dark world to the lost. Help us to follow your example and all your apostles and those whom you wrote about in your word. Amen

1Th 1:5-8 because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.