



Monthly Memory Verse September 2012

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Publisher & Author Message

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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 something's, 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:

PRAY FOR OUR NATION, only God can save. Pray God's word would have free course within our capital, schools, churches and the media outlets. Nothing is impossible with God. We want our Savior in every heart of mankind; all to come to the saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ. Pray the Lord grants mercy that we are willing to server and grace be given to those who truly believe to share the good news.

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 A. Kaye

Quick Bio-glance

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Andrew Melville (1545 -1626)

Who should run the church and how? Andrew Melville was born near Montrose in 1545. Before Melville, the Reformers had been mostly concerned with how people were saved and that they worshipped God in the right way. However Melville wanted to make sure that the church was organized the way it was in the New Testament. He said that the church should be Presbyterian. Like John Knox, Melville also strongly believed that the government should have no control over the church.

Melville went to university in St Andrews before going to Geneva in Switzerland to study the Bible and teach Latin. He returned to Scotland in 1574 and became principal of the University of Glasgow. The next year he attended the General Assembly and spoke out against the 'Tulchan' bishops that had recently been brought into the church. John Knox had also argued against bishops. Melville said that there was no such thing in the Bible as a bishop who had power over other ministers. He showed the Assembly that in the Bible, 'bishop' was just another name for a minister.

In 1578, Melville was Moderator of the General Assembly which accepted the Second Book of Discipline. This book set out Presbyterianism as the way the church should be run. In 1581 the King's Confession against Roman Catholicism was signed by the king and people across Scotland, but in 1584 Melville had to leave the country after getting in trouble for a sermon he had preached. He refused to accept the authority of the government to make judgments on his preaching as he said he was the messenger of a King 'far above them' – The Lord Jesus Christ. He then clanked his Hebrew Bible down on the table in front of them and told them that it was what gave him his authority. With Melville gone, Parliament passed the Black Acts against Presbyterianism.

In 1592, king James VI was pleased with the church, got rid of the Black Acts and passed the Golden Act. Although this didn't give the church all that they wanted, it was a big improvement.

In 1599 more bishops were introduced and in 1604 the king tried to stop the General Assembly [link to General History – General Assembly] from meeting. The next year the Assembly met without his permission and in 1606 the ministers signed a paper protesting against Episcopacy. Melville's name was the first on the list and for this he was imprisoned in the Tower of London.

In 1611, Melville was released from the Tower so that he could go and teach the Bible to Protestants in France. He was never allowed to return to Scotland. In 1612, full Episcopacy was introduced in Scotland. In 1618, James brought in his worst laws yet – The Five Articles of Perth. These forced five episcopal and Roman Catholic worship practices on the church, including kneeling at communion and celebration of Christmas and Easter. Ministers who refused to accept them were removed from their churches or put in prison. Melville died in France in 1622. King James died three years later. But things would get worse before they got better.

<http://reformationhistory.org/andrewmelville.html>

Theology Term

Sacerdotalism

Sacerdotalism is from the latin [*sacerdotalis*] meaning priesthood. The modern Protestant doctrine of Sacerdotalism is that of recognizing institutional Church officers. As opposed to Roman Catholic Sacerdotalism which is of Church ordination of Priests in the establishment of an office hierarchy which serves as liaisons between God and man. It is believed that grace is administered through the one so ordained by the Roman Catholic Church. <http://www.mountainretreat.org.net/faq/glossary.html#sacerdotalism>

John Gills -
Exposition on the
Entire Bible

"because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world; by "he that is in the world" is meant either the devil, the prince and god of the world, and who goes up and down in it, dwells in the hearts of the men of it, under whose influence they are, and in whom he works effectually; or antichrist, whose spirit was now in the world, and whose doctrine was propagated by the false teachers, in whom he began to appear; but he that is in the saints, either God who dwells in them, and their in him, [1Jo 4:15](#); is mightier than the man of sin, and his emissaries, to keep and preserve from all corruptions, and every false way; or Christ, who dwells in their hearts by faith, and is stronger than the strong man armed, and able to save and deliver out of his hands; or the Spirit of God; and so the....."

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Dale's Notes

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MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

Part I

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.

Worship and Only Server

We could start by reading the prior verse which would give us the reason why our Lord said these words. The exchange of words between our Lord and his tempter is clearly understood as a test of obedience and worship to God! Our beloved Luke gives us insight that it was the Holy Spirit which led our savior into the wilderness to be tested 40 days of tempting by the devil (the wicked one, Satan).

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.

Slow down your thinking and get hold of the truth as to who it is our savior is facing and what powers / wills are at war ("Thy will be done...")! I want you to know the word of God is completely sufficient to stand against the devil and all wickedness. Without going into great detail our Lord rested his battle with temptation completely on the word of God. Over and over we read how He [Jesus Christ] lays blow by blow upon his enemy with the word of God securing victory by the words "it is written..." then the command of God!"

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.

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.

Now since we all think we know something about temptation and we do but we must first say we know nothing when it coming to temptation [I'm not talking about our familiarity with being tempted]. Our track record speaks for itself concerning our sins. Therefore, the scripture teaches us how to stand against temptation so we obey God! On-the-other - hand, our savior's track record stands as glorious monument of his sinless, spotless, pure, holy, and perfect life, which was offered up, as a sacrifice for our sins! We should know Jesus knows all about it, sin and its temptation!

Heb 4:15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

2Co 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

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Arabic version reads, "the Spirit that is in you"; who is in the saints, as a spirit of regeneration and sanctification, as a spirit of adoption, and the earnest of their inheritance; he is able to carry on the work of grace in them, and finish it, and will do it; and he, as a spirit of truth, is more powerful than the spirit of error; and when the enemy comes in like a flood, or pours in a flood of errors and heresies, he lifts up a standard against him, causes him to fly, and secures the saints from being carried away with it: compare with this the Septuagint version of [Psa 124:1](#), "if it had not been the Lord who was on our side"; which render it thus, "if the Lord had not been in us".

Mankind would perpetually sin against their creator should it not be for the mercy and the grace of God through Jesus Christ!

Worshiping and severing the Lord go hand in hand, just like faith and works share in the glory of God. We don't give part of our hearts to God and those we love, we give all! That's right! All of ourselves!

We either obey or fail. It's simple! I know, I can hear the rattling already, "but Dale you don't understand that expectation it to high, it's unattainable for us!" All of this is attainable through Christ Jesus!

1Jn 4:4 *Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.*

What does this all have to do with temptation, worshiping and serving God you might be asking about now?

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!

I think John Gill's expresses the intent and spirit of the law of Moses when he comments on Christ's word spoken to his tempter.

"For it is written, thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. This passage stands in [Deu 6:13](#) where the words are, "thou shalt fear the Lord thy God, and serve him, and thou shalt swear by his name": the last clause is not cited by Christ at all, swearing being only a species, or part of religious worship; and the other two clauses are somewhat different from the original text, as here cited, and may be accounted for: instead of "fear the Lord", it is "worship the Lord"; and the one well explains the other; the fear of God being often, in Scripture, put for the whole worship of God, both internal and external: and in the next clause, the word "only" is added by Christ, as expressing the true sense of it, and agreeably to other places of Scripture, particularly [1Sa 7:3](#);"

"1Jn 2:15-17 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"

Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank you so much for your grace and forgiveness. Forgive me for failing you in times of testing, temptation. Help me honor and server with all of myself. Amen