

Just about everyone in the world these days are thinking about what is going to happen this year. Most people are very interested in what politicians are going to do, but few are interested in what God is going to do.

Major changes will take place before this year is over. So far, the changes we have experienced this year have been horrendous. They have made most people afraid, angry, insecure, uncertain, and confused.

You would think that believers in Jesus Christ would be different. Surely they would overcome their fear and remain confident and courageous as they trust in God. But no, millions of them around the world behave the same way as unbelievers. You can't tell them apart.

We are observing the Lord's Supper today which is all about remembering Jesus Christ. The problem is, most believers today are so biblically ignorant that they can hardly recall anything about the Bible, which has devastating consequences.

Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

Isaiah 5:13 Therefore My people go into exile for their lack of knowledge;

Proverbs 19:2 Also it is not good for a person to be without knowledge,

Hosea 4:12 My people consult their wooden idol, and their diviner's wand informs them; For a spirit of harlotry has led them astray, And they have played the harlot, departing from their God.

**Jeremiah 4:22 For My people are foolish,
They know Me not; They are stupid children,
And they have no understanding. They are
shrewd to do evil, But to do good they do not
know."**

Proverbs 8:12-19 I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, And I find knowledge and discretion. 13) "The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way, And the perverted mouth, I hate. 14) "Counsel is mine and sound wisdom; I am understanding, power is mine. 15) "By me kings reign, And rulers decree justice. 16) "By me princes rule, and nobles, All who judge rightly. 17) "I love those who love me; And those who diligently seek me will find me. 18) "Riches and honor are with me, Enduring wealth and righteousness. 19) "My fruit is better than gold, even pure gold, And my yield than choicest silver.

Isaiah 3:10-12 Say to the righteous that it will go well with them, For they will eat the fruit of their actions. 11) Woe to the wicked! It will go badly with him, For what he deserves will be done to him. 12) O My people! Their oppressors are children, And women rule over them. O My people! Those who guide you lead you astray, And confuse the direction of your paths.

Job 36:11-12 If they hear and serve Him, They shall end their days in prosperity, And their years in pleasures. 12) "But if they do not hear, they shall perish by the sword, And they shall die without knowledge.

This is the time we should be very serious about learning and disseminating the gospel and the fundamentals of God's word because people are looking for a way to be saved from the madness that has overtaken the world; it is ubiquitous. So it is imperative that each of us make sure that we learn and use the fundamentals of Bible Doctrine.

We need to commit to memory the verses used to give the gospel (*Eph. 2:8-9*, *Rom. 3:23*, *Rom. 4:5*, *Rom. 6:23*, *John 3:18*, *John 3:36*, *Acts 16:34*, *Gal. 2:16*).

We must have the knowledge of how to move out of carnality when we sin, back into spirituality by acknowledging our sins to God (*1 John 1:9*), and we need to enlighten those who don't know this recovery system from sin that God has made available to every believer.

Look for “**Visuals**” at the top of the CBC Homepage and then scroll down to “**The Circles**”. We all need to be able to show others the way to get back in fellowship with God when we sin.

We need to know what “**Faith Rest**” is and how to explain it to others. (**Heb. 4:1-10**)

We need to explain the difference between “**personal love**” and “**unconditional love**”, the difference between “**water baptism**” and “**real baptism**”, what are “**spiritual gifts**” & (why are some extinct and some are not.) What are **dispensations**? What is the “**rapture**”? What is the **Tribulation**? What is the **Second Advent**? What is the **Millennium**? What is the **Great White Throne**?

God expects us to be hungry for His word and to commit ourselves to take it in every day.

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25) not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

2 Peter 3:18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.