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Slide 3. [Psa 24:3-6 KJV] 3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? 4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. 5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. 6 This [is] the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.

How is your relationship with the Lord?

Slide 4. [Jhn 10:27 NKJV] 27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

You either are a Christian or you are not.

Slide 5. [2Jo 1:9 KJV] 9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

[2Jo 1:9 NLT] 9 Anyone who wanders away from this teaching has no relationship with God. But anyone who remains in the teaching of Christ has a relationship with both the Father and the Son.

It is not what you do but where your trust is placed.

Slide 6. [Rom 4:13 KJV] 13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, [was] not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.

[Psa 16:1 KJV] 1 [[Michtam of David.]] Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

[Psa 18:2 KJV] 2 The LORD [is] my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, [and] my high tower.

When you don't know what to do, Where do you turn? Look to Jesus.

[2Ch 20:1-2 KJV] 1 It came to pass after this also, [that] the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them [other] beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle. 2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they [be] in Hazazontamar, which [is] Engedi.

Slide 7. [2Ch 20:12 KJV] 12 O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes [are] upon thee.

We learn to trust the Lord through the Good News about Christ.

Slide 8. [Rom 10:17 KJV] 17 So then faith [cometh] by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

God deals with Evil. Wickedness will be judged

Slide 9. [Gen 38:7 KJV] 7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.

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God gets angry at wickedness. You don't have to answer to Facebook or Twitter or any other social media.

Slide 10. [Psa 7:11 KJV] 11 God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry [with the wicked] every day.

[Psa 9:17 KJV] 17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, [and] all the nations that forget God.

Slide 10. [Pro 2:22 KJV] 22 But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.

The years of the Wicked will be shortened. Jehoiada lived to be 130. Joash the king was assassinated at the age of 47 for turning from God and for killing a priest.

Slide 11. [Pro 10:27 KJV] 27 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.

What is within you? Goodness or Evil?

Slide 12. [Mat 12:34-35 KJV] 34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil,[G4190] speak good things? for **out of the abundance of the heart the mouth** speaketh. 35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil[G4190] man out of the evil[G4190] treasure bringeth forth evil things.[G4190]

The Truth Concerning How God Treats Evil

God is often kind to the unthankful and the wicked. So be like Him.

Slide 13. [Luk 6:35 KJV] 35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and [to] the evil.[G4190]

Evil continues to grow worse.

Slide 14. [2Ti 3:13 KJV] 13 But evil[G4190] men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

Guard your heart, All of you. Joash Departed from Serving God.

Slide 15. [Heb 3:12 KJV] 12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil[G4190] heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

Slide 15. [Pro 4:23 KJV] 23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it [are] the issues of life.

Relationship with God There are sides. Good sides and Bad sides.

Slide 16. [1Jo 3:12 KJV] 12 Not as Cain, [who] was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

Why doesn't God take immediate action against evil like he did Judah's son Er?

Slide 17. [2Pe 3:9 KJV] 9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

The path to evil and the motivation is unbelief!

They prevent the truth from being known.

Slide 18. [Rom 1:18, 21-32 KJV] 18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; ...

[Rom 1:18 NLT] 18 But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who suppress the truth by their wickedness.

Relationship with God makes a difference.

Slide 19. 21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified [him] not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.

God reaches a point where he lets them have their way.

Slide 20. 24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen. 26 For this cause God gave them up unto <u>vile affections</u>: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is <u>against nature</u>: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

When God gives them over to their own way the path becomes progressively worse.

Slide 21. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in [their] knowledge, God gave them over to a **reprobate mind**, to do those things which are not convenient; 29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate,

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deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 Without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

They know what they are doing is wrong, yet...

Slide 22. 32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Possibly he sees no change in the future. But the future for them is not Good.

Slide 23. [Heb 9:27 KJV] 27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

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Slide 24. [Jhn 12:26 KJV] 26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will [my] Father honour.

A Powerful Relationship

Slide 25. [Rom 12:1-2 KJV] 1 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. 2 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.