



## Rebellion and Redemption 1Q 2016 Lesson 11 Peter on the Great Controversy

Last weekend I was privileged to be invited to attend an event in Scottsdale, AZ called The Agape Project—Love and Transformation Two-Day Symposium. There were thought leaders from all over the nation, from across a wide range of denominational backgrounds, but all came together for one purpose—to discuss God’s character of love and how to we make the message of God’s love the central message in Christianity.

The organizers had read *The God-Shaped Brain* and it really helped them personally make a positive change in their lives and this is why I was included. They also read *Could It Be This Simple?* and recommended the books to the attendees. I met several wonderful people who are passionate about putting God’s character of love front and center in their ministries and in Christianity as a whole.

They created a Facebook page to promote the message about God’s love and in a few months have over 8000 people following. We are excited to be part of this project and will keep you informed as we move forward in sharing this message.

### SABBATH

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Read Memory Text: “But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light” (1Pet 2:9 NKJV).

What does this text mean?

This is quite profound—who, prior to Christ, was chosen by God? Abraham and his descendants—they were God’s chosen people, His priesthood, His nation, His special people. But Peter, who is a Jew, is saying that now that is no longer true—God’s special people are not Israel—they are not the chosen, select, royal priesthood, holy nation—who is? All those who accept Jesus and leave the lies of Satan and the methods of fear and selfishness behind and enter into the truth about God and His methods of love and truth!

Now, some fail to understand the Bible is teaching about a spiritual kingdom, made up of people with Christlike character and instead think that genetics are what matters. They don’t understand the



meaning of what Peter is writing and promote the idea that literal Israel, the nation in the Middle East, is God's chosen nation. Not so, look at the methods they practice, they practice the methods of the world, coercion, deceit, threats, intimidation—thus they have not left the darkness for the light.

Further, when Peter uses the term “nation” is Peter speaking of a specific territory, with physical boundaries, national identifiers like flags etc.? In other words a member of the United Nations?

No, Peter is not speaking of a nation with physical boundaries, but a nation that is unified in its trust in God and its people being transformed to be like Jesus in character!

As Paul wrote to the Philippians:

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ... Php 3:20

What does it mean to be chosen generation or chosen people? (The Greek is *genos* and means descendants, people, generation, kind, kindred, race, nation, sort).

Is it speaking of a specific generation, that group living only in the first century AD, or is Peter speaking of the people who partake of Christ?

What does *chosen* mean?

Well consider the Jewish nation—were they chosen by God? Yes—for what? Was God saying “I choose to save you and not the rest of humanity?” No!

Many people get confused on this idea of God choosing—because they misunderstand what God is choosing people for, they forget John 3:16:

“For God so loved the *WORLD* that he gave his only begotten Son...”

God, through Christ chose to save the entire world—not just a select few. The reason all humanity won't be saved is not because God chose some and didn't choose others, but because people refuse to partake of what God accomplished through Christ.

But throughout human history God has chosen people (individuals and groups) for specific *missions!*

- Abraham was chosen to be the father of a many nations and his descendants to be God's helpers in teaching the truth



- Jacob was chosen to be the avenue through which God’s healing plan would be realized
- Moses was chosen to lead Israel out of Egypt
- Israel, as a nation, was chosen to be God’s representatives to the world to tell the world the truth about God and lead the entire world into a trust relationship with God—but they failed and rejected their calling
- Christians were then chosen to be God’s ambassadors, taking the truth about God to the world—they are chosen to be God’s agents to the world so that a vast multitude from every nation, kindred, tribe and people may be saved!

Remember in Old Testament times people didn’t have to be descended from Abraham to be saved—look at:

- The patriarchs before Abraham
- Melchizedek
- Rahab
- Ruth
- Naaman
- Nebuchadnezzar
- Queen of Sheba

So here is the memory verse for today from *The Remedy*:

But you, who trust God and build upon the Stone, are a select and special people—royal ministers of God’s healing Remedy, a clean and purified nation, a people whose hearts and minds are in unity and oneness with God—who with words and lives may commend him who called you out of the darkness of fear and selfishness into his wonderful light of truth and love.

## SUNDAY

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The lesson explores what it means to go from Darkness to Light. Read 1John 1:6-7

If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the **darkness**, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the **light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another**, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

What is the darkness? What is the light?



What about the Dark Ages—what made them dark? Did the Dark Ages happen because people did not believe in God—or is it that the god in which they believed was a lie and thus their minds became darkened?

Paul says in Romans chapter one that the people of that time exchanged the truth about God for a lie, they preferred images made with their own hands to the knowledge of God and their minds became **darkened**, depraved and futile.

The Bible is making the point that the concept of God we hold either enlightens if it is accurate and true, or darkens if it is false. Is there any scientific evidence to support this?

Yes—modeling—by beholding we become changed. Our brains actually rewire based on the things we admire, worship, spend time engaged in doing. All the way down to our DNA, our genes change expression based on what we admire and worship. Remember the studies by Newberg and his group at the University of PA, or the studies on CBT and brain function. All described in *The God-Shaped Brain* and presented in the God and Your Brain Seminar.

This is from the book, *Christ's Object Lessons* p 415:

"Behold," says the Scripture, "the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people; but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee." Isa. 60:2. {COL 415.2}

**It is the darkness of misapprehension of God that is enshrouding the world. Men are losing their knowledge of His character.** It has been misunderstood and misinterpreted. **At this time a message from God is to be proclaimed,** a message **illuminating** in its influence and saving in its power. **His character is to be made known. Into the darkness of the world is to be shed the light of His glory, the light of His goodness, mercy, and truth...** {COL 415.3}

**The last rays of merciful light, the last message of mercy to be given to the world, is a revelation of His character of love.** The children of God are to manifest His glory. In their own life and character they are to reveal what the grace of God has done for them. {COL 415.5}

The light of the Sun of Righteousness is to shine forth in good works--in words of truth and deeds of holiness. {COL 416.1}



Is the world in darkness about God and His character of love today? The people from all over the country that were at the symposium I attended last week would say—absolutely.

Paul prophesied to Timothy:

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the **last days**.<sup>2</sup> People will be **lovers of themselves**, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy,<sup>3</sup> **without love**, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, **not lovers of the good**,<sup>4</sup> treacherous, rash, conceited, **lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God**—<sup>5</sup> **having a form of godliness but denying its power**. Have nothing to do with them. (2Tim 3:1-5)

Notice—these are not the atheists and agnostics, these are people who have a form of godliness but deny the power—we would say they deny the power because they deny the power of love—how and why?

What is it that breaks the power of love?

Lies believed break the circle of love and truth... You remember the cascade of events.

As long as we hold to lies about God, those lies obstruct God's love from doing its healing work—we deny the power of God.

What lie, is the core, most foundational lie of all lies currently operating within Christianity that undermines the ability of people to see God's true character of love?

The lie about God's law!

God is Creator—He made space, time, energy, matter, life, relationships, our minds. His laws are the protocols upon which all reality is constructed to operate, like the laws of gravity, physics, thermodynamics, health, and the laws that govern relationships and the functioning of our minds.

God is love and when He built His universe all reality is constructed to operate upon the principle of love, the principle of giving... You remember the examples in nature and science, respiration, water cycles, citrus acid cycle etc. etc.



The NT church taught this, that love is fulfillment of the law, because the law of love is the protocol upon which life is built, as the Bible says, “The law of the Lord is perfect reviving, bringing life to the soul.” Remember the example of someone with a plastic bag over their head, if we simply remove the bag and put them in harmony with the law, what happens? They revive!

But after Constantine converted the idea of God’s law was changed and the church began to teach that God’s law functions no different than that of what created beings can make, rules which require coercive enforcement.

With this change in the way humans think about God’s law the world entered into an age of Darkness:

Remember the differences between design law and imposed law:

### **Design Law**

Violations incompatible with life  
Require the designer to heal lest  
death ensue  
The problem is sin in humanity  
Christ’s mission to fix what was wrong  
in humans  
Transformation of heart is the key  
God is viewed as Healer

### **Imposed Law**

Violations not incompatible with life  
Require the ruler to execute lest  
unpunished rebellion ensue  
The problem is anger in God  
Christ’s mission to pay legal penalty  
to God and assuage is wrath  
Legal adjustment is the key  
God is viewed as executioner & judge

With the imposed law in mind—what is the problem, what happens?

One of God’s design laws (how things actually works) is the law of worship, by beholding we become changed. So when the church began teaching the wrong idea of law, they distorted the character of God into a severe judge and taught justice is not delivering and healing the oppressed, but punishing the oppressor. So, by beholding this type of god Christians became like this god and what resulted:

- The crusades
- The inquisition
- Indulgences
- Burning dissenters at the stake
- Arbitrary beliefs and rules
- The Dark Ages!



And today?

- Child abuse rates no different in Christian homes than non-Christian homes
- Spouse abuse rates no different
- Pornography use no different
- Addictions no different

Why? Because Christianity is still infected with a lie about God's law and character, and thus a misdiagnosis about our own condition: most Christians believe they are in legal trouble and thus they seek legal solutions. If the diagnosis is wrong, the solution is usually wrong. Thus this entire false law construct, with its false legal diagnosis, and its false legal solution obstructs the transforming power of love from doing its work in the hearts, minds and characters of people. There is a form of godliness while denying the power thereof.

We need to leave the darkness and enter the light!

## MONDAY

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The lesson asks us to read 1Pet 4:1-7, unfortunately it asks us to stop one verse short of the most significant verse in the text, so lets read through verse 8:

Therefore, since **Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin.** <sup>2</sup> As a result, he does not live the rest of his earthly life for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. <sup>3</sup> For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. <sup>4</sup> They think it strange that you do not plunge with them into the same flood of dissipation, and they heap abuse on you. <sup>5</sup> **But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.** <sup>6</sup> For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be **judged** according to men in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit. <sup>7</sup> The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray. <sup>8</sup> **Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.**  
(NIV)

Let's examine first verse one—what does it mean? Does it give a key to being done with sin? What key?



Some read this as physical mortification of the body, using devices to flagellate or beat oneself to inflict physical pain as a means to be done with sin, is this what Peter is speaking about? –No!

Such an idea comes from the false law construct—the idea that sin is breaking rules, broken rules require infliction of punishment, Jesus as our substitute was punished for our sins, thus He suffered, so if we want to be like Him, then we must inflict physical suffering on our bodies and we will be done with sin. All false, because of a false understanding of reality—i.e. God’s law.

Come back to design law and we understand something completely different.

Peter is speaking of the conflict between our fallen (fleshly) nature and our renewed (spiritual) nature, or a neuroscientist might say between the limbic system and the Prefrontal Cortex, or between judgment and feelings.

Let’s take the example of an addict to any substance, first determine what makes using such substances wrong?

- Is it wrong to smoke because the law says so—so if a teen turns 18 then is it no longer wrong to smoke? Or, is it wrong to smoke regardless of age because it violates the laws of health? This is a good example of the difference between God’s laws and man’s—humans can pass laws to make marijuana legal, they can never pass laws to make it healthy.
- So, back to the addict, if they are convicted of the need to quit, and they choose to stop, will they go through a period in which they suffer in their flesh—cravings? But as long as they are suffering, what are they not doing? They are not partaking of their addiction, thus they are done with it. It is only by giving in to the desire that they are engaging in sin, i.e. violating God’s design laws. This is true across all sin, whether it is lust, anger, greed, arrogance, we will initially suffer in our flesh, or human impulses, but if we say no, if we restrain ourselves and follow our good judgment enlightened by the Holy Spirit, then we are done with sin.

What do you think about the rest of the passage?

The reason we are admonished to live in harmony with God’s physical health laws and moral health laws is because when we deviate from His design we damage ourselves and make it harder to choose what is healthy and right.

Consider the example of alcohol intoxication—it is wrong, not because it breaks a rule for underage drinking, or driving while drunk, or that some angel in heaven writes you a citation and your





intoxication gets registered in your heavenly ledger and you now need to get some legal payment applied in order to resolve the legal debt—no!

It is wrong because it impairs your higher cortical function and disinhibits your limbic system and results in increased likelihood of you doing something your better judgment would stop you from doing.

- Why to adolescent guys want to get girls drunk?
- Why do casinos give away free alcohol?
- More than 50% of fatal accidents are associated with an impaired driver (30% from alcohol)
- Violence is increased when alcohol is involved—almost 700,000 college students are assaulted each year by someone who has been drinking
- Each year 97,000 students between 18-24 report alcohol-related sexual assault
  - <http://www.niaaa.nih.gov/alcohol-health/overview-alcohol-consumption/alcohol-facts-and-statistics>

When we fail to care for our bodies we are more likely to become sick, and when sick we are impaired in our ability to be of use (service) i.e. love others and instead need others to minister to us. Thus, as Christians we have the responsibility, to the best of our ability, to maintain the health of our bodies so that we maintain the health of our minds and stay in the best condition to be of the greatest usefulness to others. This reveals God's character of love in action.

Do you see the difference between design law and imposed rules?

What about verse 8, what is it saying? Love doesn't merely cover over sin, love destroys it and heals the damage of sin!

From *The Remedy*:

Therefore model yourselves after Christ, who, when tempted to save himself, chose instead to sacrifice himself and thus suffered in his human nature. So, be like Jesus: love others first, and say 'No' to temptations to act selfishly. Your selfish nature will suffer, but you will be done with sin.<sup>2</sup>As a result, right now on earth, you will no longer live your life controlled by feelings, passions, and desires, but rather you will live intelligently—choosing to follow God's will—in harmony with the law of love.<sup>3</sup>You have surely spent enough time living like pagans and the ungodly, who allow their impulses, desires, and lusts to control them as they engage in orgies, debauchery, drunkenness, betrayal, and disgusting idolatry.<sup>4</sup>They think you are weird because you won't join them in debasing themselves so they criticize and make fun of



you.<sup>5</sup>But they will be speechless when they stand before God and have to explain to him why they rejected the Remedy—that he freely provided, and that cures all who accept it—whether currently living or dead.<sup>6</sup>This is the reason the good news about God has been proclaimed throughout all history—even to those who are now dead, but who were diagnosed while alive, as everyone is diagnosed—so that everyone could partake of the Remedy and have their characters restored to perfect love, as God’s character is perfect love.

<sup>7</sup>The end of life as we know it on planet earth is near. Therefore, keep your mind clear and sharp, and maintain governance of yourself so that you can always talk clearly with God.

<sup>8</sup>Above everything, love each other completely because love destroys sinfulness.

Read second paragraph, “Peter encourages...” What do you think about this idea of giving account of oneself before God? How do you understand this idea? Do you see God as a magistrate, a judicial being, seeking to find what is wrong in order to inflict just punishment? Or do you see God as the heavenly physician who always diagnosis accurately the condition of each person’s heart in order to therapeutically intervene and heal?

The third paragraph states, “Instead of us being concerned about being accepted by others and conforming to their opinions and their demands and their expectations of us, Peter admonishes believers to be kind and loving to those we come in contact with.”

What is the danger in allowing the opinions of others to influence your actions?

What happens inside of you when your judgment directs you to a certain course of action, but you allow your fear of what others will think to overrule your judgment and you instead go along with others?

Every time this happens we damage ourselves, our judgment is an ability, it is not instantly destroyed when we do this. But when we go along with others instead of following our own judgment, we then judge ourselves internally and say to ourselves, “I’m ashamed of you, you make me sick, you’re weak, spineless...” our self-esteem (self-estimation) falls and we then become more needy of validation from external sources to offset or internal insecurity and low feelings. Thus, we will be more vulnerable the next time to give in because we can’t tolerate rejection.

The only way out of this is to apply the truth—to *thine own self be true*—which means to choose to do in governance of self, what your own judgment determines is best and leave other’s free to have whatever opinion of you they wish.



This is a design law, the law of liberty, when we violate this design law then love is damaged, rebellion instilled and individuality destroyed.

The last paragraph notes that Israel was influenced by the pagan cultures around them rather than converting those cultures to the truth about God.

How has the church today been influenced but the world rather than converting the world?

Primary way is by accepting the world's type of law and teaching God's law functions the same way, rules imposed that are coercively enforced. This type of thinking has corrupted Christianity.

Think of places where Christians are actively seeking to use Satan's method of coercion to enforce their way, rather than converting people with truth and love.

## **TUESDAY**

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Read second paragraph, "Maybe this is why..." What does it mean to be a partaker of the divine nature?

What is God's nature? Love—God is love. How do we become partakers of God's nature of love?

Consider a computer—hardware, software, and energy source. Humans, Soma (body, hardware), Psyche (soul, software), Pneuma (spirit, energy). Mankind was constructed with perfect physiology (hardware) and software, but the software became corrupted. Humanity is an organism that is capable of reproduction—but from what source does the reproduction come? In other words, if a person wants to reproduce, from where does the reproductive template, (gametes) come? -From themselves. And if the ones reproducing have corruption in their code what will they pass along?

This is the human condition—corrupted by Adam and infected with fear and selfishness. We need new natures. But how to get a new nature into the species that is corrupted?

Some person must rewrite the code, rewrite into the character (heart/mind) of human beings God's original operating system—God's divine nature of love must be put back into humanity. How?

Jesus became human and by the exercise of His human brain loved perfectly as a human being and wrote into the species human God's design parameters (law) of love. We don't have to create this perfect human nature—Jesus did.



And now, because of what Jesus did, the Holy Spirit will take Christ's victory and reproduce it in us, so that it is no longer I that live but Christ lives in me, we get new motives, desires, thoughts that are in harmony with God. We become partakers of the divine nature—but this is only possible because of:

1. Christ's life, death and resurrection—victory
2. The work of the Holy Spirit in us

Because Christ's victory is historic, there is nothing Satan can do to stop what Christ has already done, i.e. defeat him. Christ has already won the victory and has destroyed the infection that causes death and developed a perfect human character.

So, Satan's goal today is to obstruct human beings from partaking of the Remedy Christ has procured. He has multiple strategies to do this:

- getting people to believe there is no God and thus they have no need of a remedy to heal their character
- getting people to believe their problem is not a defect in heart/mind/character but a legal problem so they pursue legal solutions rather than heart renewal
- getting people to deny the existence of the Holy Spirit so that even if they believe in God and Jesus they close their hearts to the working of the Holy Spirit and do not experience the application in their being of the Remedy Christ achieved

## **THURSDAY**

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read third paragraph, "How we view..." What do they mean "God disturbing our little world"?

What do you think of when you think of the end of time?

Consider ISIS—they see themselves as fulfilling prophecy, they are working to incite a world war, which they believe is analogous to Armageddon and will result in the coming of their messiah, who will punish all their enemies.

What kind of a messiah are they longing for? A god of vengeance and violence, who uses power to coerce and kill to get his way.



What about Christians—what is a common teaching about how Christ will return? That He returns with a rod of iron to use power to kill and torture His enemies. Is such a depiction any different in character than the god that ISIS is looking for?

Can God get what He wants by the use of might and power?

What does God want? He wants our love and trust—can you get love and trust by the use of might and power? Zech 4:6. If the conflict between God and Satan were a question of might and power then the war with Satan would have ended a millisecond after it began.

It has never been about might, it has been about love and trust and love and trust cannot be obtained by using might and power. This idea that God is coming back to use might and power to torture and kill is a lie and if God did this rather than winning beings to love and trust Him such actions would result in instantaneous fear and rebellion.

So how do we understand the final end of sin and sinners? According to Scripture what is God's presence described as? And who lives in this fiery presence? And what happens to those who prefer lies and selfishness when they experience infinite unveiled love and truth? What do they do? They beg for the mountains to fall on them, they don't want to live, they voluntarily surrender their lives, why?

Is this an external infliction or the unavoidable results of living out of harmony with God's design and what sin does to the sinner?

Read bottom green section, "In our quest..." What do you think of this idea of Christ's righteousness credited to us? If it is credit to we have to pay it back? Is it merely a loan—credit? Is it a declaration of something that is untrue?

This idea of credited righteousness is based on the false law construct—it is not credited, it is gifted! We become partakers of the divine nature, we become transformed, we become renewed, we get new hearts and right spirits.

Justification is taking what was out of harmony and putting it right, and what was out of harmony was humankind, our hearts operating on fear and selfishness. Justification was first established in the humanity of Jesus Christ who set the human species right with God by writing God's law of love into the humanity He lived out, and then for each sinner, we are set right (justified) when our distrusting hearts are set right with Him again (i.e. we trust Him) and rebuilding us back into His image.



Here is a quote from a book *The Desire of Ages*:

**The law requires righteousness,—a righteous life, a perfect character; and this man has not to give.** He cannot meet the claims of God's holy law. **But Christ, coming to the earth as man, lived a holy life, and developed a perfect character.** These He offers as a **free gift [not credit a gift]** to all who will receive them. His life stands for the life of men. Thus they have remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God. More than this, **Christ imbues men with the attributes of God. He builds up the human character after the similitude of the divine character,** a goodly fabric of spiritual strength and beauty. **Thus the very righteousness of the law is fulfilled in the believer in Christ. God can "be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus."** Romans 3:26. {DA 762.2}

Notice what is just—it is just and right to heal and save, to put people out of harmony with design back into harmony. This is justification!

## WEDNESDAY

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Read 2Pet 3:3-7:

First of all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. <sup>4</sup> They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation." <sup>5</sup> But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. <sup>6</sup> By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. <sup>7</sup> By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men. (NIV)

From *The Remedy*:

First, understand and don't be surprised that in the last days, scoffers and doubters will arise; they will prefer the sickness of selfishness while ridiculing the cure, labeling the infection of selfishness as 'normal.'<sup>4</sup>They will say, "Survival-of-the-fittest is the way the universe runs. We are here because of this law, not because of divine creation. Where is this so-called God? Where is the 'coming' He promised? Ever since human history has been recorded, the principles of evolution have governed life, and all things continue just as they always have."<sup>5</sup>But these scoffers deliberately deny the truth and ignore the fact that long ago, by God's word, the world was created out of water and with water.<sup>6</sup>They reject the fact that it was by these same waters that a flood destroyed the world,<sup>7</sup>and they refuse to believe that the same



word has testified that the present world, which is kept for the day of final diagnosis and the elimination of everyone and everything deviant from God's design, will be destroyed by fire.

Do you think the scoffers Peter is referring to includes those who embrace the idea of evolution?

What about Theistic evolution?

## **FRIDAY**

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read and discuss questions



## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dr. Jennings has been named a *Champion of Health* by True Health Broadcasting Network in association with Health Institute for Preventive Care, Access, Research and Education (HIPCARE) and True Health TV and will be presented with the “*Legacy Champion of Health*” award at a Gala on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at the Georgia World Congress Center (GWCC), Atlanta, Georgia.

This award is being presented to Dr. Jennings, as it states in the award letter, “because of your unselfish commitment to community health exemplified by your leadership in the community and as author of “*The God-shaped Brain*” and “*Could it be this Simple? A Biblical Model for Healing the Mind*”.

*The God-Shaped Brain* is now available in Korean and is available at this website: [http://book.naver.com/bookdb/book\\_detail.nhn?bid=9519886](http://book.naver.com/bookdb/book_detail.nhn?bid=9519886)

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  2. Add a note to the verse. If a note is added to a verse a yellow note pad icon will appear next to the verse. You can see a list of your verses with notes under the Notes menu at the bottom (2nd button from the right). You can also delete your notes by opening up the specific note and touching the Delete button at the top or you can edit your note too and touch the Save button to save the changes. You can search your notes’ text too by using the top search field on the notes screen.
  3. Bookmark the verse as a favorite. A red bookmark ribbon will appear next to the verse. You can access your bookmarked verses under the bookmark menu at the bottom of the screen (2nd button from the left). On iOS you can delete your bookmarks here why swiping left on a line in the list of bookmarked verses.
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5. To search the Bible you can use the top right icon that brings up the search screen.





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7. To go to a specific Bible reference touch the middle top menu of the app where the Bible book and chapter name text is located. It will then bring up a screen of a list of Bible books where you can select a book and drill down to a chapter and verse.
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