1.In this Series of Lessons on Man's

Ignorance we are Studying

- 1. Man's Spiritual Ignorance
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The Bible says that ignorance is a condition of being darkened in understanding, alienated from the life of God, and prone to sin and destruction¹²³. The Bible also makes a distinction between ignorance and innocence, and between intentional and unintentional ignorance²⁴. The Bible commands us to repent of our ignorance and seek God's wisdom, which is the opposite of ignorance¹⁵. The Bible also provides some examples of how ignorance can be considered in judgment and how it can be avoided⁴.

Isaiah 40:28 - Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

Isaiah 40:28 Context

²⁵To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One. ²⁶Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that *he is* strong in power; not one faileth. ²⁷Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my God? ²⁸Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding. ²⁹He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength. ³⁰Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: ³¹But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.

BIBLE VERSES LIKE ISAIAH 40:28 - Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, [that] the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fa... (kingjamesbibleonline.org)

2. Bible verses related to Isaiah 40:28

Genesis 21:33 - And Abraham planted a grove in Beersheba, and called there on the name

of the LORD, the everlasting God. (Verses like Genesis 21:33)

Isaiah 57:15 - For thus saith the **high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity**, whose **name** *is* **Holy**; I **dwell in the high and holy** *place*, with him also *that is* of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. (Verses like Isaiah 57:15)

Jeremiah 10:10 - But the LORD *is* **the true God, he** *is* **the living God, and an everlasting king:** at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation. (Verses like Jeremiah 10:10)

Deuteronomy 33:27 - The **eternal God** *is thy* refuge, and underneath *are* the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy *them*. (Verses like Deuteronomy 33:27)

1 Samuel 2:10 - The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: **the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth**; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed. (Verses like 1 Samuel 2:10)

Psalms 90:2 - Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even **from everlasting to everlasting, thou** *art* **God.** (Verses like Psalms 90:2)

Isaiah 40:21 - Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from **the foundations of the earth?** (Verses like Isaiah 40:21)

Isaiah 45:22 - Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for **I** *am* **God**, and *there is* none else. (Verses like Isaiah 45:22)

Isaiah 55:8-9 - For **my thoughts** *are* **not your thoughts, neither** *are* **your ways my ways, saith the LORD**. For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (Verses like Isaiah 55:8)

Isaiah 59:1 - Behold, **the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save**; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: (Verses like Isaiah 59:1)

Isaiah 66:9 - Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut *the womb*? saith thy God. (Verses like Isaiah 66:9)

<u>Jeremiah 4:22</u> - For my people *is* foolish, they have not known me; they *are* sottish children, and they have none understanding: they *are* wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge. (Verses like Jeremiah 4:22)

<u>Mark 8:17-18</u> - And when Jesus knew *it*, he saith unto them, Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened? Having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and do ye not remember? (Verses like Mark 8:17)

<u>Mark 9:19</u> - He answereth him, and saith, O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me. (Verses like Mark 9:19)

<u>Mark 16:14</u> - Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. (Verses like Mark 16:14)

Luke 24:25 - Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: (Verses like Luke 24:25)

John 5:17 - But Jesus answered them, **My Father worketh hitherto**, and I work. (Verses like John 5:17)

John 14:9 - Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? **he that hath seen me hath seen the Father**; and how sayest thou *then*, Shew us the Father? (Verses like John 14:9)

Acts 13:47 - For so hath **the Lord commanded us**, *saying*, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth. (Verses like Acts 13:47)

Romans 11:33-34 - O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how **unsearchable** *are* **his judgments, and his ways past finding out!For who hath known the mind of the Lord?** or who hath been his counsellor? (Verses like Romans <u>11:33</u>)

Romans 16:26 - But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of **the everlasting Go**d, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith: (Verses like Romans 16:26)

<u>1 Corinthians 2:16</u> - For who hath known the **mind of the Lord**, that he may instruct him? But we have the **mind of Christ**. (Verses like 1 Corinthians 2:16)

1 Corinthians 6:3-5 - Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life? If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church. I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren? (Verses like 1 Corinthians 6:3)

<u>1 Corinthians 6:9</u> - Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? **Be not deceived**: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, <u>(Verses like 1 Corinthians 6:9)</u>

<u>1 Corinthians 6:16</u> - What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh. (Verses like 1 Corinthians 6:16)

<u>1 Corinthians 6:19</u> - What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and **ye are not your own**? (Verses like 1 Corinthians 6:19)

Philippians 1:6 - Being confident of this very thing, **that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform** *it* **until the day of Jesus Chris**t: (Verses like Philippians 1:6)

<u>1 Timothy 1:17</u> - Now unto the King **eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God,** *be* honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Verses like 1 Timothy 1:17)

<u>Hebrews 9:14</u> - How much more shall **the blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself **without spot to God**, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? (Verses like Hebrews 9:14)

3. Translation Details for Isaiah 40:28

Hast thou not known? Strong's Concordance

acknowledge, acquainted with, advise, answer, appoint, assuredly, be aware A primitive root; to know (properly, to ascertain by seeing); used in a great variety of senses, figuratively, literally, euphemistically and inferentially (including observation, care, recognition; and causatively, instruction, designation, punishment, etc.) (as follow) -acknowledge, acquaintance(-ted with), advise, answer, appoint, assuredly, be aware, (un-)awares, can(-not), certainly, comprehend, consider, X could they, cunning, declare, be diligent, (can, cause to) discern, discover, endued with, familiar friend, famous, feel, can have, be (ig-)norant, instruct, kinsfolk, kinsman, (cause to let, make) know, (come to give, have, take) knowledge, have (knowledge), (be, make, make to be, make self) known, + be learned, + lie by man, mark, perceive, privy to, X prognosticator, regard, have respect, skilful, shew, can (man of) skill, be sure, of a surety, teach, (can) tell, understand, have (understanding), X will be, wist, wit, wot.

hast thou not heard, Strong's Concordance

attentively, call gather together, carefully, certainly, consent, consider A primitive root; to hear intelligently (often with implication of attention, obedience, etc.; causatively, to tell, etc.) -- X attentively, call (gather) together, X carefully, X certainly, consent, consider, be content, declare, X diligently, discern, give ear, (cause to, let, make to) hear(-ken, tell), X indeed, listen, make (a) noise, (be) obedient, obey, perceive, (make a) proclaim(-ation), publish, regard, report, shew (forth), (make a) sound, X surely, tell, understand, whosoever (heareth), witness.

that the everlasting, Strong's Concordance

always, ancient time, any more, continuance, eternal, for, everlasting, long time, Or lolam {o-lawm'}; from <u>alam</u>; properly, concealed, i.e. The vanishing point; generally, time out of mind (past or future), i.e. (practically) eternity; frequentatively, adverbial (especially with prepositional prefix) always -- alway(-s), ancient (time), any more, continuance, eternal, (for, (n-))ever(-lasting, -more, of old), lasting, long (time), (of) old (time), perpetual, at any time, (beginning of the) world (+ without end).

God, Strong's Concordance

angels, exceeding, God, very great, mighty

Plural of <u>'elowahh</u>; gods in the ordinary sense; but specifically used (in the plural thus, especially with the article) of the supreme God; occasionally applied by way of deference to magistrates; and sometimes as a superlative -- angels, X exceeding, God (gods)(-dess, -ly), X (very) great, judges, X mighty.

the LORD, Strong's Concordance

Jehovah, the Lord From <u>hayah</u>; (the) self-Existent or Eternal; Jehovah, Jewish national name of God -- Jehovah, the Lord.

the Creator, Strong's Concordance

choose, create creator, cut down, dispatch, do, make fat A primitive root; (absolutely) to create; (qualified) to cut down (a wood), select, feed (as formative processes) -- choose, create (creator), cut down, dispatch, do, make (fat).

of the ends, Strong's Concordance

coast, corner, lowest, uttermost participle Feminine of <u>qatseh</u>; a termination (used like <u>qatseh</u>) -- coast, corner, (selv-)edge, lowest, (uttermost) participle

of the earth, Strong's Concordance

common, country, earth, field, ground, land, nations, way, From an unused root probably meaning to be firm; the earth (at large, or partitively a land) -- X common, country, earth, field, ground, land, X natins, way, + wilderness, world.

fainteth not, Strong's Concordance

faint, cause to fly, be weary self

neither is weary , Strong's Concordance

faint, make to labor, be weary A primitive root; properly, to gasp; hence, to be exhausted, to tire, to toil -- faint, (make to) labour, (be) weary.

there is no searching, Strong's Concordance

finding out, number, unsearchable, From <u>chaqar</u>; examination, enumeration, deliberation -- finding out, number, (un-)search(able, -ed, out, -ing).

of his understanding, Strong's Concordance

intelligence, an argument, caprice

4. Ignorance Defined

Ignorance - Wikipedia

Ignorance is a lack of <u>knowledge</u> or <u>understanding</u>. Deliberate ignorance is a culturally-induced phenomenon, the study of which is called <u>agnotology</u>.

The word "ignorant" is an adjective that describes a person in the state of being <u>unaware</u>, or even <u>cognitive</u> <u>dissonance</u> and other cognitive relation, and can describe individuals who are unaware of important information or facts. Ignorance can appear in three different types: factual ignorance (absence of knowledge of some fact), object ignorance (unacquaintance with some object), and technical ignorance (absence of knowledge of how to do something).

5. Bible Verses About Ignorance

BIBLE VERSES ABOUT IGNORANCE BY KJV BOOK ORDER (kingjamesbibleonline.org)

<u>Proverbs 8:5</u> - O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.

<u>Proverbs 19:2</u> - Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hasteth with his feet sinneth.

<u>Proverbs 22:3</u> - A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

Ezekiel 33:6 - But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

<u>Hosea 4:6</u> - My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

<u>Matthew 7:21-23</u> - Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. <u>(*Read More...*)</u>

Luke 23:34 - Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

John 13:7 - Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

Acts 17:30 - And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Ephesians 4:18 - Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

<u>James 1:5</u> - If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

<u>**1** Peter 1:13-16</u> - Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; <u>(*Read More...*)</u>

<u>1 John 4:1</u> - Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.