2024.03.30 Family Worship lesson in "the Proverb of the day" Proverbs  $30{:}5{-}6$ 

"Pure Words of a Trustworthy God"

- <sup>5</sup> Every word of God is pure;
  He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him.
- <sup>6</sup> Do not add to His words, Lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar.

Pastor teaches his family a selection from "the Proverb of the day." In these two verses of Holy Scripture, the Holy Spirit teaches us that only God's pure words give us true knowledge of Him in Whom we trust.

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Proverbs 30 verses 5 and 6. These are God's words. Every word of God is pure. He is a shield. To those who put their trust in him. Do not add to his words. Lest he rebuke you. And you be found. A liar.

So far.

Of God.

Notice that this isn't just the word of God is pure generally speaking. That says every word of God. Which recognizes that the very words of scripture are the words. Of God. Not everyone believes this, even in the so-called reformed churches. I once was upgraded by a professor from a nearby supposedly reformed, University.

After an evening service. In which I had. Referred to that which was read as the words. Of God. And of course, this is the Lord Jesus's doctrine of scripture. That every stroke of the pen, even the yacht and the tittle Which wasn't a full letter, but the tiniest little piece that differentiated one letter from another.

Would not pass away because they are the words of God. And then, of course, the Apostle in second Timothy 3. Every word of scripture is breathed out. By God. And so, this is just the Bible's own doctrine of scripture throughout the Bible. Every word of God is pure. It is not corrupted by his use of the human author.

Yes, God uses the human author's, mind, and the human offer author's hand, and he uses those who, Uh, make copies of manuscripts those who carefully preserve and Test copies against the original. And so forth, all those things. But every word is pure. This is why we confess. Uh, Miss Westminster Confession one Which of course, the confession is freely admitting that.

It is not the word of God. But that the words of God are contained. In the word of God, the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. But that they are kept pure and entire That are kept pure because they are gods. They belonged to him. And since they are God's words, He not only has given each of them.

But he has kept them for us. But praise God, when we use the words, it's not even the words. That are a shield for us. Look at verse 5, Every word of God is pure. He is a shield. To those who put their trust. In him. And so this reminds us.

That it is not our theology that protects It is not right ideas that preserve. It is the Of the Bible, the god of our theology. The God, Who by his grace has given us to have right ideas about himself. And so, Our Hope our Salvation. Our protection. Our Deliverance.

Is personal. Something that God does. Personally. Now, some have this idea. In part, correct. The, their relationship with God is not a relationship with Doctrine. It's a relationship with a person. But then they make the great mistake. Of thinking that their relationship with God is undoctrinal. And they come up with their own ideas, the holy Spirit told me this or I knew from God that I should do that, or Um, disagree with one or another plain teaching of the scripture.

But they say, I trust in him. He's my shield. There's a problem with that. It says, do not add. To his words. Lest he rebuke you and you be found a liar. Now, it is true that we will be found a liar and rebuked ultimately by God for anything that we teach in addition to or opposite the Bible Anything that we practice in addition to or opposite, the Bible, But here.

It's especially that you be found a liar. When you have said, I put my trust in him. You see, people will not get to stand before their idea of God at the Judgment. They will only get to stand before the true and living God at the Judgment. And this is why trusting in him.

Means clinging to his word. And its truthfulness. So that we will trust in The God Who is In The God, Who gave us the Bible and The God Who Opened to us, his mind and spoken to us in our own words. Invented language that he might speak to us in language.

And so the use of the scripture and the right interpretation of scripture by scripture, Is vitally important to actually trusting in God? Because if trust in him is merely a feeling that we have about an idea in our mind, or our heart, Then we will be devastated. When we stand before him, and he rebukes us.

We are found to be a liar. Can you imagine the horror? And the last day for those who thought they believed, And they say Lord Lord in your name, did we not in your name? Did we not? In your name, did we not? And some of it are things that they thought were really good.

Do Mighty works. Prophesy cast out demons. And then he will say to many in that day, according to Matthew 7. Depart from me, I never knew you.

You workers without the law. They didn't have his word. And workers without the law. Or joined also by Believers without the gospel.

That our theology must must be from the Bible. So that we may That we are trusting in him. And that we know him and he knows us and we are his own. And he is our Shield. So, praise God, that he's given us, the scriptures and preserved his word pure and entire So that we may know that every word is pure.

And we will not add to it. But we will put our trust in him. And rejoice that he is our Shield. Just as much as God appeared to Abram. After the, Uh, the whole situation with lot and the King of Sodom and Offending, both sets of kings from that world war, that happened.

In that day. And Abraham Faithfully. Stuck to what he learned from Melchizedek and Uh, told lot or told the king of Sodom that he would put his hope in God most high And then God appeared to Abraham and he said, Do not be afraid Abraham. I am your Shield.

And you're exceeding great reward. So also God comes to you, my dear family. In the page of Proverbs 30 verse 5. And he says, he is your Shield. And you're exceeding great reward. Trust in him. And he will be your Shield. Amen, let's pray.

We thank you Our Father, that you Spoken to us, especially by your son. First and many times in many ways, On the spirit of your son brought. Your word. Many different ways. But especially now, When your son, the Lord became flesh. And who is our great and last Prophet.

And who speaks? Himself by the apostles prophets and evangelists and The pages in the New Testament. And we thank you that he himself continues to send. His Same Spirit. To help us. We pray, Lord, that your spirit would help us. That he would help us. Cling to your pure words.

That he would help us understand them. That you would help us to believe whatever you say in the scripture. And to do whatever you command in the scripture. And we pray O Lord that as your spirit gives us to put our trust in you through Christ. That indeed, we would know you to be our shield and our exceedingly great reward.

In the Lord, Jesus your son. For we ask it in his name, amen.