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NEWSLETTER

THIS MONTH'S TEACHING
THE TRUE
NATURE OF GOD

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What you believe about God affects everything in your life. If you think He's harsh and angry, you'll never feel safe around Him. But if you know how good and merciful He really is, you won't hesitate to draw near.

One of the most foundational things the Lord ever showed me is the harmony between the judgment under the Old Covenant and the grace under the New. I call it Christianity 101, because if you don't understand what God is really like, you're wide open to the devil's deception.

This isn't about arguing Old Testament versus New Testament. This is about your relationship with God. And I guarantee you, anyone who's not sold out and passionate about God has a misunderstanding of His true nature. That's a big statement. But the reason I say it is because if you think God is stern, angry, or unpredictable, you'll keep Him at arm's length—especially when you mess up.

I know there are passages in the Old Testament that seem hard to understand. You read about an angel that killed 185,000 Assyrians in one night, the death angel in Exodus, God smiting Miriam and King Uzziah with leprosy, and so on. At first glance, it can seem like you're dealing with two completely different Gods. But the problem isn't with God. The problem is with our understanding.

God did not change between Malachi and Matthew. He didn't suddenly decide to be nicer. He's always been merciful and full of love. In fact, Malachi 3:6 says: *"I am the LORD, I change not."* So, what changed? The way God relates to mankind changed.

Under the Old Covenant, there was no new birth. So the only way God could deal with sin was through judgment. That was the covenant people were under, and it was necessary to point people toward their need for a Savior. It's a lot like trying to tame a wild animal.

A Wild Horse and a Merciful God

To illustrate this, when my boys were young, they wanted a horse. We couldn't afford one, but we prayed—and soon, six horses were given to us. Two of them were beautiful Arabian foals, completely untamed and about to be put down. When I hired two cowboys to catch them, both ended up in the hospital.

So I prayed, and the Lord gave me an idea. I rigged a slipknot around a bucket of oats, and when the horse lowered its head, I caught it. And that horse—named El Shaddai—went absolutely wild. It hit the end of the rope, flipped over, bucked, and panicked. I tried to cut it loose, but it was running so wildly around the post, I couldn't do it without getting trampled. Finally, after twenty minutes, it collapsed from exhaustion. I went over and put a halter on it, and from then on, I could ride it.

Now, I don't recommend that method. But here's the point: after that experience, the horse obeyed—but it trembled every time it saw me. It was terrified of me. I tried everything to win it over—I talked to it, sang to it, and even quoted Scripture to it! I wasn't the enemy. I saved its life. The fear didn't come from what I did, but from the wildness in the horse reacting to correction.

The Turning Point Most Christians Miss

Likewise, people read the Old Covenant and assume God is harsh or cruel. They don't understand the difference between the covenants, so they run them together and end up confused about who God really is.

This may sound radical, but the purpose of Old Covenant Law wasn't to bring us into relationship with God or reveal His love. It was to show us God's perfect standard—one we could never meet—and remove any illusion that we could earn righteousness. Romans 7:9 says the Law makes sin come alive inside of us. It doesn't help us overcome sin; it actually strengthens it.

The problem was that people were comparing themselves among themselves and thinking, *I'm not perfect, but I'm better than most, so I must be okay.* But God doesn't grade on a curve. James 2:10 says if you break just one point of the Law, you're guilty of breaking them all. So the Law wasn't a checklist to get right with God—it was meant to expose how far we fall short and drive us to cry out, "God, have mercy on me, a sinner!"

The Real Reason God Gave the Law

The Law was a ministry of death and condemnation. It was meant to shut us up, not lift us up. It was never about earning relationship with God—it was meant to bring us to the end of ourselves. When people thought they were doing well, God raised the standard even higher so they'd realize they couldn't make it without Him.

When you finally grasp how holy God is and how hopeless we are without Him, that's when you begin to understand how great this salvation through Jesus really is. Under the New Covenant, Jesus bore all the wrath, judgment, and punishment that sin deserved. He took it all on Himself at the cross. Now God deals with us not based on our sin, but on what Jesus did.

That changes everything. If you've never truly felt the weight of your sin, you won't fully appreciate the freedom Jesus bought for you.

Start Seeing God Clearly

Understanding the true nature of God will change your life. When this really clicks, your faith will grow, you'll start receiving from God like never before, and your life will become a powerful testimony of His goodness.



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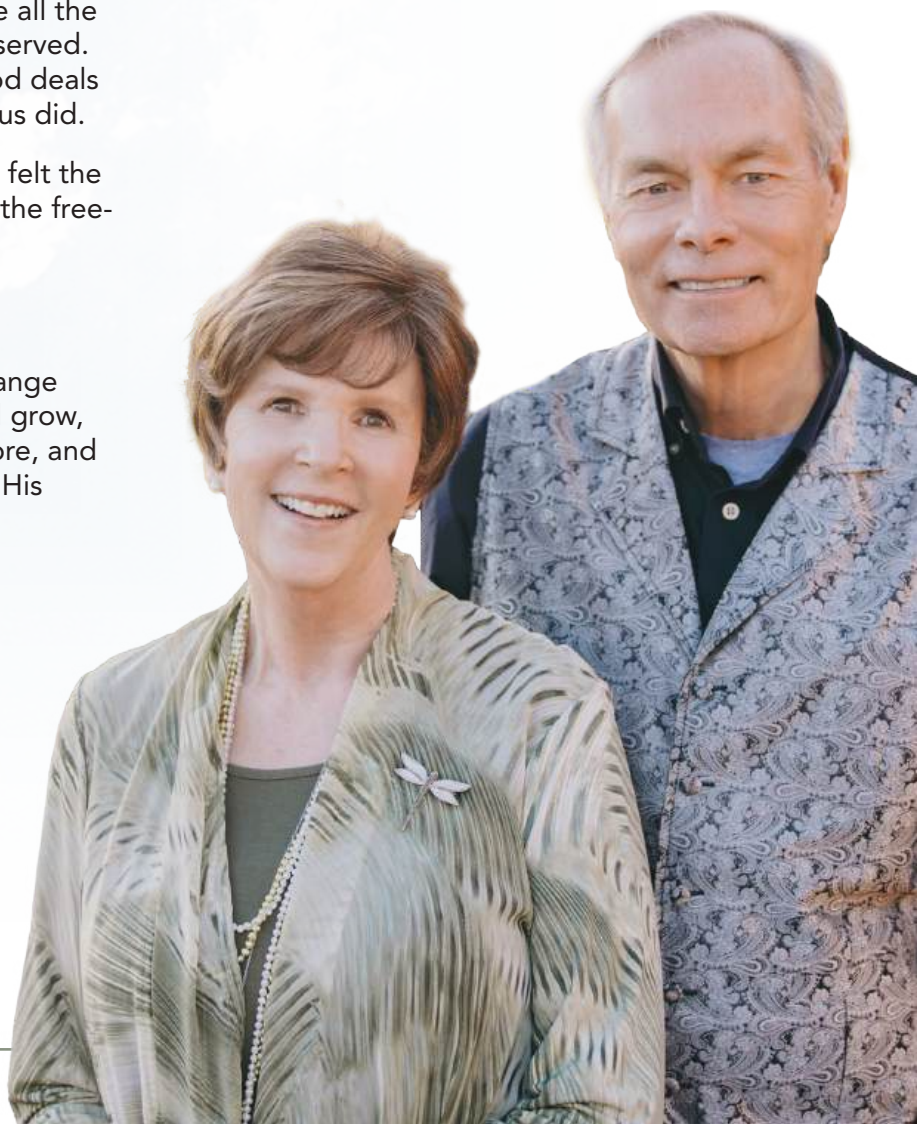
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Do you want to stand on solid ground? The Word of God is the only foundation that will never shift, fail, or let you down.

*For the **word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword.***

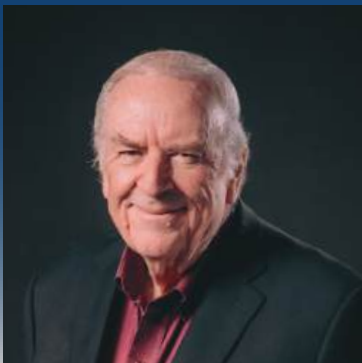
Hebrews 4:12, emphasis added

In the Greek language, that word *quick* refers to being alive. The Bible is unlike any other book. **When you read it, something fresh will jump out at you regularly because it's alive.**

Romans 12:1–2 tells us that we're called to be living sacrifices who aren't conformed to this world but are transformed by the renewing of our minds. The word *transformed* illustrates what happens when a caterpillar turns into a butterfly. That's the kind of change God wants to produce in us—but it starts with renewing our minds.

So, how do we renew our minds? **By the Word of God.** It's the seed we must plant in our hearts if we want it to produce the results we desire (Mark 4:14 and Col. 3:16).

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When I was growing up, most households in America received a daily newspaper. A paperboy would ride by on his bicycle and throw it onto your front yard. You'd wake up, have your coffee, and read the paper. It became a routine—you felt like your day wasn't complete if you hadn't had your coffee and newspaper.

But let me ask you—how much more important is God's Word? Instead of making daily headlines our priority, we need to be meditating on the truth that never changes. Even if it's just a few verses a day, spending time in the Word will transform you into a better disciple of the Lord. And once that truth takes root in your heart and begins producing fruit, guess what lies ahead? Victories!

Let's declare this together (2 Cor. 4:13):

"I've sown the Word in my heart. And now it is increasing [Acts 6:7], multiplying [Acts 12:24], and prevailing in my life [Acts 19:20 and Ps. 119:11]."

Hallelujah! It's alive, folks. I know I keep saying that, but I want you to grasp just how powerful this truth is. Find the promise in Scripture that applies to your situation. Plant the living Word in your heart. Meditate on it. That's how transformation begins.

Want to grow in biblical wisdom with Wendell Parr? Thanks to our generous partners, you can explore his teachings for **FREE** on the *Charis Daily* show airing on **CharisDailyGTN.com!**



MORE THAN CONQUERORS

Brought Back from the Brink of Death by Words of Life!

When life takes a devastating turn, will you still stand on what God's Word says?

That was the choice Pauline Wilson faced when her husband, Phil, suddenly slipped into a coma during what was supposed to be a routine surgery. In that moment, Pauline had to decide: would she agree with the truth and speak life—or yield to fear and let death have the final word?

Pauline and Phil, who live in England, had been faithfully attending a global online Bible study based on Andrew Wommack's *Charis Healing University* curriculum. Little did Pauline know, the truths she was learning were about to be tested in the most personal and critical way.

Rather than giving in to fear, Pauline chose to stand on the Word.

*I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that **I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.***

Deuteronomy 30:19, emphasis added

Knowing that her words could make the difference between life and death, she consistently chose to speak life (Prov. 18:21). So, when doctors said Phil was unlikely to survive—and that if he did, he'd have numerous health issues—she quietly but firmly whispered in faith, "No, he won't."

When their children arrived at the hospital, Pauline asked them not to speak any negative words over their dad. Together, the children stood in unity, speaking only life to their father's body and to the machines supporting him. Their faith-filled words had such a noticeable impact that one nurse even commented, "Whatever you're doing, keep doing it."

As they continued speaking life over the situation, Phil's vital signs gradually began to improve. He woke up—and just eleven days later, he walked out of the hospital unaided and completely healed.



Today, Phil leads an active lifestyle and still attends the online Bible study with Pauline. And when they shared their healing testimony with fellow attendees, **fifty-seven Kenyans gave their life to Jesus.**

"Healing University was the key to me being prepared," Pauline shared. "Through it, I learned to be careful about what I say because death and life are in the power of the tongue."

What about you? In the face of crisis, your words carry power too. Choose life—and watch what God can do!

Quotes edited for length and clarity.



Thanks to our partners and friends, more people like Pauline are learning to speak life into hopeless situations. For more encouraging testimonies, visit **awmi.net/video/series** today!



YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU— BUT YOU CAN SEND IT AHEAD

Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate.

1 Timothy 6:17–18



What Will Your Life Say After You're Gone?

You've walked with the Lord, grown in faith, and poured into the lives of others. But when your time on earth is done, what lasting message will your life continue to speak?

August is **National Make-A-Will Month**—a time to pause, reflect, and prepare. Not just for practical reasons, but for spiritual ones. Creating a will is a powerful act of stewardship. It lets your voice echo into the future, blessing loved ones and advancing the kingdom.

Your will can carry forward what mattered most to you—your faith, your values, and your desire to see lives transformed by the Gospel.

Steward What God Has Given You— Faithfully and Intentionally

Every resource in your hands is something God entrusted to you—and your will is your opportunity to steward those gifts with intention. With a simple plan, you can provide for loved ones and honor what mattered most to you.

Even a small legacy gift can speak volumes. It becomes a testimony—a final word that declares, “My faith shaped every part of my life, including how I gave.” Your estate plan becomes a spiritual statement of trust, love, and eternal vision.

A Will That Reflects Your Calling

This isn't just about checking a legal box—it's about discipleship. As followers of Jesus, we are stewards of everything: time, influence, and even our estates. A will ensures your values live on and that your heart for the kingdom continues to make an impact.

Start Today—It's Simple, Secure, and Free

Getting started is simple and free. Just visit awme.net/give/legacy or scan the QR code below. This secure, step-by-step tool guides you through the process in about twenty minutes.

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If you've been stirred by **Andrew Wommack's teaching**, you already know that **God's Word has the power to completely transform your life**. But have you ever asked yourself what it would be like to go even deeper? To move beyond simply hearing the Word to mastering it, living it, and equipping others?

Building a strong foundation in the Word and a personal relationship with God is key to finding His purpose for your life, and **Charis Bible College** is designed to help you do just that. Through this **life-changing curriculum**, you will be immersed in the Word and transformed from the inside out.

And now, with **Charis Online**, our Year 1 experience is more accessible than ever before. You can go deeper—wherever you are—right from the comfort of your own home.

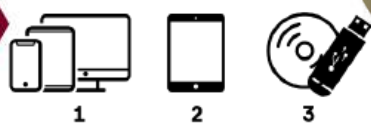
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