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### DINING HALL AT HILL TRIBES CHILDREN CENTER, MAE RIM, THAILAND, DAMAGED BY STORM

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### WHY I PREACH THE DOCTRINE OF THE TOTAL HEREDITARY DEPRAVITY OF MAN

Series: In The Defense of the Doctrines of Grace Nicknamed Calvinism

Sermon 2, Part 1
By Wayne Camp

Editor's Note: In the October 1, 2002, and the November 1, 2002, issue, I started the

publication of some messages that I have prepared in defense of the doctrines of grace that have been nicknamed "Calvinism." There is abundant historical and biblical evidence that these doctrines did not originate with John Calvin. In fact, the legendary five points indicated in the acrostic TULIP did not originate with John Calvin. Rather they were formulated

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by the Council of Dort in answer to the five points of Arminianism set forth by the followers of James Arminius. The doctrines of that system called *Calvinism* are biblical doctrines. And, they are historic Baptist doctrines. Many churches that vehemently denounce these doctrines trace their history through churches that held to these doctrines. For instance, if a church traces its history through churches in the Philadelphia Association, its history has a decidedly "*Calvinistic*" link or links in it. To

denounce these doctrines as heresy is to denounce your own Baptist forefathers and renders your claims to perpetuity invalid. In view of these facts, I have chosen to set forth on the pages of this paper a biblical defense of these doctrines. —Wayne Camp, Editor.

Why do I preach the doctrine of Total Hereditary Depravity? Why do I preach the doctrine of the total inability of man to do that which is spiritually acceptable with God of a man's own motivation and inclination? Read on and you will see that these truths are clearly set forth in the Scriptures.

TEXT: John 3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Romans 7:18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

Ephesians 2:1-3 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; 2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: 3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

Psalm 51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

I have read from four different books of the inspired Word of God as a basis for this message. My subject continues the series I have called *In The Defense of the Doctrines of Grace Nicknamed Calvinism*. My subject is *Why I Preach The Doctrine Of The Total Hereditary Depravity Of Man*.

To the modern thinker there is no doctrine that is more obnoxious than this doctrine. It is a contradiction to the supposed goodness of all men by nature. It is a rebuke of every social dogooder who thinks if we can improve education, the environment, and give out enough free goods and money, the evils of the world will

suddenly disappear. It is in opposition to most, if not all, of the modern means used in evangelism and church growth. This doctrine is a denial of man's innate ability to come to Christ and salvation by his own will and motivation. This doctrine is a cannon that blasts every other doctrine of Arminianism.

The Arminian argues that every man has within his own nature the ability to come to Christ if he will simply take the first step in the exercise of his alleged free will. The doctrine of *Total Hereditary Depravity* shows that man will never and can never come to Christ of his own volition and motivation.

The Arminian argues that God calls all men equally and the reason some come to Christ and others do not must be found in man. This doctrine of *Total Hereditary Depravity* shows that there is no difference in men, the difference is in the manner in which men are called. Any difference in the way that men respond to the gospel of Jesus Christ is a God-put difference. *Exodus 11:7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.* 

The Arminian argues that the atonement of Christ is universal and available to all men if each will only seek it out in his own natural longing for God. **Total Hereditary Depravity** argues that **there is none that seeketh after God.** It argues that God must seek the sinner and bring him all the way to salvation or he will never come.

The Arminian argues that God has chosen all men to salvation but makes that salvation dependent on the alleged free-will of man. Or, he may argue there is no election to salvation and that one enters the realm of the elect by his coming to Christ of his own inclination and desire.

The Arminian argues that one can loose his salvation, or can at least go out of it if he personally desires to do so. He further argues that he got into this salvation of his own free will and can therefore get out of it of his own free will. **Total Hereditary Depravity** argues that man is such by nature that he cannot, of his own, unassisted free will come to Christ, nor

can he stay saved by his own works or power. The same Divine power that drew him and enabled him to come to Christ must also keep him and cause him to persevere or he would surely be lost.

The Arminian argues that man can repent by simply making up his own mind to do so without any outside intervention or assistance. **Total Hereditary Depravity** argues that it is godly sorrow that worketh repentance; it argues that God must grant repentance if any are to repent towards God so as to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Arminian argues that all men have the necessary faith to come to Christ. Or, he may argue that man can conjure up the necessary faith to come to Christ. **Total Hereditary Depravity** argues that God must give a sinner faith if he is to believe.

This doctrine of **Total Hereditary Depravity** is, therefore, a pivotal doctrine. One who truly sees this doctrine as set forth in the Word of God will shortly thereafter see the other doctrines that we call the doctrines of grace, or the doctrine of sovereign grace. As I have told you before, one great enemy of the doctrines of grace, Evangelist Jimmy Swaggart, confessed in his magazine that, if one accepts as true the doctrine of total depravity, he must also accept the doctrines of election, effectual call, particular redemption, and preservation and perseverance of the saints. He declared that one who rejects any of the others must reject total depravity also. He argues correctly that total depravity requires an effectual call, etc. To quote him exactly he said of the legendary five points, "If you believe in one of these, you have to believe in all of them" (The Evangelist, Sept. 1983, p. 9).

I have no use for Jimmy Swaggart. He is a false prophet of the most deceptive kind. But, in his above assertion he was correct. If one truly embraces one of the five points it will lead him to embrace them all if he is consistent in his interpretation of the Scriptures.

This is why it is so important to be correct in our understanding of this doctrine of **Total Hereditary Depravity.** If one is wrong here, it will affect his understanding of the entire scope of the scheme of salvation, as well as his Page 4 March 1, 2003

thinking about God, and the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, I want to tell you in this message Why I Preach the Doctrine of the Total Hereditary Depravity of Man

#### I PREACH THE DOCTRINE OF THE TOTAL HEREDITARY DEPRAVITY OF MAN BECAUSE WE MUST UNDERSTAND THE SOURCE AND EXTENT OF MAN'S DEPRAVITY

God is not the source of man's depravity. It is clear from Scripture that he did not create man in a sinful state. He created man upright. Ecclesiastes 7:29 Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions.

God created man in a state that he could call him good as he could all of his creation good. After he created man he declared all that he had created to be very good. Genesis 1:31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

God created man in his own image; his own moral goodness. Genesis 1:26-27 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

The fact that all are born with a sinful nature is better understood when we understand that Adam was a representative man. Our standing was in him; when he fell we fell, and great was that fall.

#### Just how great was that fall?

That fall was so great that all men are conceived with a sin nature. *Psalm 51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.* David was not inferring that his mother was in an act of sin when he was conceived. Rather, he was saying that he was conceived in a sinful state; he was conceived with a sinful nature.

That fall was so great that all men are wicked by nature and come forth from the womb speaking lies. *Psalm 58:3 The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.* One does not have to be around children long to see the evidences of their depravity. They come forth from the womb speaking lies. No one has to teach them to sin any more than a mother duck must teach her ducklings to swim. Those ducklings just have swimming in the water in their nature. And, all children are born into this world with the nature to sin and they do not have to be one year old to manifest their bent to sin.

That fall was so great that it brought death to of Adam's offspring. Romans Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned. In Thailand the bodies of the majority of those who die are burned. This is the common practice, if not universal practice, of the country's Buddhist population. But, there are still many evidences of the death brought by Adam's transgression. Between Chiang Mai and Mae Rim where the Children's Center is located there are two, possibly three places where families congregate for the funeral and the burning of the bodies of their loved ones.

Here in the United States one cannot travel far without seeing a cemetery. Beautiful hillsides are often covered with tombstones where the bodies of the dead are interred. I have just returned from a meeting in the beautiful state of West Virginia. I do not remember what city it was but I remember seeing a very large cemetery that was filled with the graves of the dead. Sin entered the world by Adam and death entered the world because of sin. Death passed upon all men because in Adam and personally all men have sinned.

The fall of Adam was so great that all men are born dead in trespasses and sins. *Ephesians 2:1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins.* One does not have to wait to die spiritually. He is born in that state or condition. By nature all men are separated from God. And, as the body (See DEPRAVITY Cont. Page 9, Right Col.)

#### **THAILAND MISSION NEWS**

# Report on The Sovereign Grace Independent Baptist School of Theology of Thailand

By Wayne Camp

When I planned this report about The Sovereign Grace Independent Baptist School of



Theology, that was all I intended to write about in this report. However, since I started



CHILDREN EATING IN DINING HALL THAT WAS BLOWN DOWN

organizing the material for this report, there has been a storm at the Children's Center and has blown down the dining hall where the children and students eat their meals. This dining hall was constructed of wood and bamboo with a leaf roof and was susceptible to such damage. Please see the picture on the front page. The building on the left with the leaf roof is the one that was damaged. The one on the right is

where we conduct classes for the school. The building has been temporarily repaired so that it is usable but we are making plans to rebuild it when Bro. Anond returns to Thailand. We plan to rebuild it in a more permanent structure. We hope to build a steel structure for the roof. It will cost about \$2000 to \$2500 to build it so that it will not blow down as easily as this one did.

At the moment the funds are not available to rebuild the dining hall. God willing we will be able to begin construction in June after Bro. Anond is back at work in Thailand. In the meantime, the children will continue to use it in its temporarily repaired condition. Thanks to Bro. Daniel, Bro. Anond's brother, the building was repaired in a timely manner.

#### THE GRAND OPENING

November 2, 2002, was a happy day at the Hill Tribes Children's Center. In the evening we gathered for a good meal and then the grand opening services for the children's center and the SGIB School of Theology. There was a good crowd gathered for this event. Several groups came from the various churches and a good number of folks came from the surrounding neighborhood. Though no official count was made, I suspect there were 200 or more present for this meeting. Below is a picture of some of the congregation present. The two



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pictures do not show all present for many were outside the building and more in the building who were not included in these two pictures.



**GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ATTEND** 

Five Thai government officials attended the grand opening. The ones who spoke were very favorable in their comments concerning the Children's Center. The picture above shows three of them and two others were seated to their left. The notion that you cannot operate a children's home, school, mission work and

churches in Thailand without having some costly foundation and central organization such as some have is just not true. The Buddhist

government of Thailand is very tolerant of and kind to our work there even though we have refused to set up a foundation or a centralized governing organization of the churches, the children's center and the school. The presence participation of these government officials at the grand opening of the center and school give evidence of that. The children from the center go to Thai government schools. We have been paying fees for their attendance but have been informed by one government official that they hope to pick up this fee in the near future.

Bro. Bill Lee and wife, Janice, are pictured below. They are eating at the grand opening meal. It was served outside.

#### GETTING SCHOOL GOING

The first full day of school at the Sovereign G r a c e Independent Baptist School



of Theology was exciting and very gratifying.

In our very first class in English, most of the class learned the alphabet. I bought some flash cards with the alphabet on them and by he end of class they were recognizing the letters when I would hold the cards up at random. They could also say the alphabet in unison without my coaching them. Of course, they had the advantage of using most of the characters of our alphabet in the La Hu language. Also, the Li Su language uses letters that are also similar to some of ours.

The most interesting part came



#### STUDENTS IN CLASS



when I was teaching Theology. I was introducing the course, and as I had during the Bible Conference. I was going over the attributes of God that we would be studying. I spent a good amount of time before the break going over the attribute of Sovereignty. During the break, two students stayed behind to talk with me about the study. Daniel, Bro. Anond's brother who is graduating from a seminary in Bangkok Sunday night but is a student here also, said, "I know that it is true that God is sovereign and that he does as he wills where and when he wills, as you show, but it is so hard to believe. There is something inside me that keeps fighting against what the Bible says."

I said, "You have just hit the nail on the head. Our human reasoning and old nature fights against the exercise of Divine Sovereignty."

I then showed the two brethren Isa. 55:8-9. Isaiah 55:8-9 For my thoughts are not your

thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. 9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

I asked Daniel to read it while the other brother followed along in his Bible. When Daniel finished he said, "Amen, Praise God, his thoughts are really higher than our thoughts and that is why something inside us fights against the truth."

The four of us who were there rejoiced together talking about the greatness of our great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ. When the rest of the class returned from break, Daniel related his experience to them and read to them Isa. 55:8-9. Experiences like this assure me that the sacrifices my wife and the church made to allow me to be there were all worthwhile. She and the church I pastor will truly be rewarded for the sacrifice they are making that I may do this very needful work. The others who are supporting this work will also be rewarded for their efforts.

The students seemed to really enjoy beginning to learn the way to prepare a sermon. I learned that they have a problem and will have to use English letters and numbers to make outlines because they do not have some of the characters in their language to set up the various levels of an outline.

I scheduled one hour each Thursday and Friday for questions and discussion times. The first day there was a young man who asked a question. Though he is not certain if he is called to preach, he is interested in going to villages where there are no churches and teaching the Bible with a view to eventually helping a preacher start a church. He appears to be one of the best students.

His question was, "How can young churches survive without help from the United States? How can they have support for a pastor?"

This gave me the opportunity to teach on giving. Due to their economy I showed them that if the families in the church, including the pastor, harvest 100 boxes of rice (20 litre boxes) they can either sell 10 boxes and give the money to the church to be used for pastoral support or

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#### STUDENTS IN FRONT OF CLASS ROOM

they can give the 10 boxes of rice to the church to be given to the pastor. I then included peanuts, vegetables, pigs, chickens, corn, fruit and whatever I could think of that they raise in the villages. For the most part, the lesson was heartily received. And, before the term ended I was able to see this lesson bearing fruit in some of the churches as they made plans and moves to support their pastors better.

This is one area about which Bro. Lee and I

have been very concerned. I was really surprised and pleased that the young brother brought it up in our question and discussion session on the first day.

Because of this interest in church support, I began a study of *The Support of the Church* in our Ecclesiology classes the next week. I know that this subject should normally be dealt with later in the study of the church. But, in the times I

had been over there and among the churches I had learned that you adjust to meet needs when they arise and this was an urgent need in some of the churches.

I explained to the students that the churches and individual members would be greatly blessed if they practiced giving of tithes and offerings. I saw the young man who asked the question apparently praying while the discussion period was still going on. It appeared



STUDENTS HOUSE AT CHILDREN'S CENTER

God had really convicted him about the matter and he was praying for the faith to follow the biblical teaching on the matter.

Please pray that the preachers and churches will continue to grow in this grace of giving. I am reminded of Paul's words on this matter. 2 Corinthians 8:7 Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also.

The tremendous challenge of this work is ever before me even while I am here at home. The call of God to this work, the excitement of the students as they learn, and the great need that is recognized by the churches motivate me to continue it.

Shortly after teaching on support of the pastors during our question and answer session we visited the church at Hoe Sum Suk. I preached in the morning service and then Bro. Anond and I met with several of the men of the church and discussed how they could help their pastor stay in school. We taught a short lesson (30 minutes) on the bible doctrine of giving and they agreed they would give 1/10<sup>th</sup> of their crops and any other income or increase they had to the church and give it to the pastor who could sell what he did not need for his family and thus support him.

Sitting for over an hour discussing this with these men I was impressed with the solidness of this group. One wanted to know, hypothetically, if they should still tithe if they did not especially like the pastor. I told them that when we give our tithes and offerings through the church we are giving to God, not the pastor. And, unless he does something that would disqualify him from being pastor, they should continue to support him and should keep giving their tithes and offerings through the church even if they asked the pastor to resign.

I will write more later about the school and the four months I spent teaching and preaching in the churches. I also want to write about the prison ministry and the children's center.

#### **DEPRAVITY, Cont. from page 4**

without the spirit is dead, so man, without God, is dead spiritually. Every Scripture that declares that Jesus Christ came to give life is a testimony that man is dead spiritually. John 10:10 I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. This verse, as well as the one cited just above show that even Christ's sheep, until they hear his voice, are dead in trespasses and sins and bereft of spiritual life.

That fall was so great that the imaginations of men's hearts are only evil from their youth up. Genesis 8:21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done. What is it in a child that causes him to have all these evil imaginations from the time of his youth?

That fall was so great that it caused all of Adam's offspring to naturally be children of wrath and disobedience. Ephesians 2:2-3 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that the worketh in children disobedience: 3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. It is evident from Scripture that man is naturally sinful and is, therefore, spiritually dead. He gets it from his first father, Adam. Isaiah 43:27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed against me. According to John Gill, a Jewish commentator had this to say on this verse, "thy first father hath sinned how canst thou say thou hast not sinned? and behold thy first father hath sinned, and he is the first man, for man is naturally in sin."

That fall was so great that sin reigned among men as a result of it. Romans 5:14,17,21 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression,

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who is the figure of him that was to come. 17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.) 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. Sin is king in the heart and life of the unregenerate person. It reigns. It has dominion over the sinner. It reigns because of one man's offense. Grace reigns in the heart of the saved but sin reigns in the heart of the unsaved.

That fall was so great that judgment to condemnation came upon all men as the result of it. Romans 5:16 And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification. The judgment that came as a result of Adam's sin was to condemnation. That is why all who into this world born are condemnation. All unbelievers are condemned. This condemnation is not because they have heard the gospel and rejected it. It is because they have never believed on the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour. John 3:18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already. because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

#### I PREACH THE DOCTRINE OF THE TOTAL HEREDITARY DEPRAVITY OF MAN BECAUSE IT IS ABUNDANTLY DECLARED IN GOD'S WORD

In God's Word the depravity of man is declared to be total. John 3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Romans 7:18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. Our first birth is of the flesh and that which is born of the flesh is flesh. And in our adamic nature there is no good thing. We were inherently totally depraved.

The depravity of man is declared to be hereditary. Romans 5:12 Wherefore, as by

one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned. Nothing could be more evident than the fact that we inherit our sin nature from Adam. Romans 5:12 and other Scriptures prove that to be so.

The depravity of man is declared to be enslaving. Romans 6:20 For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. There is no bondage that can equal the bondage of the unregenerate person. It is such bondage that man is helpless to deliver himself from this slavery of sin.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that it renders him incapable of loving God. Romans 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. Someone may question my use of this Scripture to substantiate man's inability to love God. The carnal mind is no more capable of loving God than it is of being subject to the law of God. How can one whose mind is enmity against God and whose heart is deceitful above all things possible love God. It is only after regeneration that one can love God. That is when love for God is shed abroad in the heart by the Holy Spirit. Romans 5:5 And hope maketh not ashamed: because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that it renders man incapable of obeying or pleasing God. Romans 8:7-8 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. 8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. How helpless we are, in our natural and unregenerate state to obey or please God! It is impossible. Please note the word cannot. The one who is still unregenerate cannot please God. His carnal mind is not subject to the law of God and cannot be subject to that holy law.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that it renders man incapable of coming to Christ. John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. This is another inability of the unregenerate

person. He cannot come to Christ. Only when the Holy Spirit quickens and draws him is he able to come to Christ. His will is depraved and he cannot come. Jesus made it very clear. John 6:65 And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that it makes man unwilling to come to Christ. John 5:40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life. Man, by his natural powers, cannot come to Christ. Moreover, he is unwilling to come to Christ. With a mind that is defiled and enmity against God and a heart that is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked the unregenerate man simply will not will to come to Christ.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that parents are incapable of bringing forth a spiritually clean offspring. Job 14:4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one. Job 25:4-6 How then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean that is born of a woman? 5 Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight. 6 How much less man, that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a worm? These questions must be answered and the answer is not good. No unclean thing can produce a clean one. The son of a man that is born of woman cannot be clean.

The depravity of man is declared to be such

that he drinks iniquity like water. Job 15:14-16 What is man, that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous? 15 Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight. 16 How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water? Depraved men desire sin as one desires water when he is thirsty. He drinks iniquity as if it were water.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that the heart of man is deceitful and wicked. Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? Ah, says someone of one who is not saved, "He is really good at heart." This cannot be true when his heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that the mind and conscience of man are defiled. Titus 1:15 Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

The depravity of man is declared to be such that unregenerate men cannot receive the things of the Spirit of God. 1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

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