

Roadblocks On The Road To Hell!

2Peter 3:9



God Doesn't Want Anyone To Go To Hell!

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

2Peter 3:9



Listen to What Jesus Says!

Mark 9:43-48

*"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed, rather than having two hands, to go to hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched—
where
Their worm does not die And the fire is not quenched."*





***“And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, rather than having two feet, to be cast into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched—
where
Their Worm does not die
And the fire is not quenched.”***

***"And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out.
It is better for you to enter the kingdom of
God with one eye, rather than having two
eyes, to be cast into hell fire --- where
Their worm does not die
And the fire is not quenched."***





***Self Must Be Denied So That
Self Is Not Destroyed!***

***The Flesh Must Be Denied So
That The Soul Is Not
Destroyed!***



Since God Does Not Want Us To Go To Hell, He Has Set Up Roadblocks

1. To stop us
2. To get our attention
3. To get us to turn around



Roadblock #1 God's Written Word

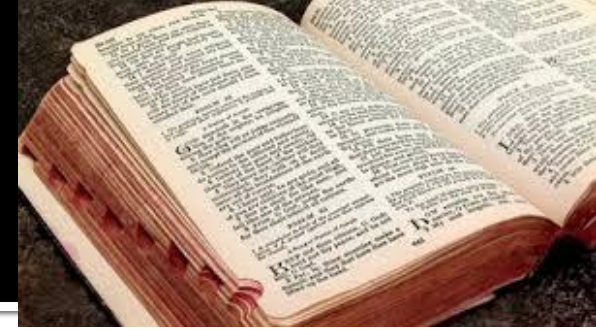
Life Is an "Open Book Test" With The Bible As
The Book!

*"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God,
and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for
correction, for instruction in righteousness,
that the man of God may be complete,
thoroughly equipped for every good work."*

2 Timothy 3:16



Proverbs 3:1-2



***"My son, do not forget my teaching,
But keep my commands in your heart,
For they will prolong your life many years
and bring you peace and prosperity."***

Proverbs 5:2

***"My son, pay attention to my wisdom;
Lend your ears to my understanding, That you
may preserve discretion, And your lips may
keep knowledge."***

**Discretion : The ability to consider consequences
before taking action
(see Titus 2:5)**



Roadblock #2 God's Love



- A ship had to cross the North Atlantic Ocean through iceberg filled waters
- A sailor fell asleep on his night watch one night, and the ship crashed into a large iceberg
- Water began to enter the ship rapidly and the passengers panicked, thinking all of them would drown



- The captain called for volunteer sailors to save the ship by jumping into the frigid waters, swimming to the gash in the ship, close the door of the compartment where water was rushing in, and thus save all of the lives on board.

No officer volunteered, but at the last minute a teenager who was an accomplished swimmer yelled, "I will go!" The captain embraced him, whispered a command and he dove in the frigid water



- As the passengers listened, the subtle roar of the water entering ship stopped
- However the passengers realized a few minutes later, that the boy had drowned
- The next morning the captain, being a man of faith called everybody together for a memorial service



*After singing a few songs, the captain said,
"That young man that made the ultimate
sacrifice for us last night....
That young man was my son, You were saved
at the price of my son!"*

The Same IS True With Us!

John 3:16

Roadblock #3, Your Conscience

Do you know why Lie Detectors have a place in society?

Because God put a conscience in us!

We are made in God's image, Genesis 1:27

When we violate that conscience there are physical repercussions that can be measured (pulse, blood pressure, sweat glands, respirations, etc.)



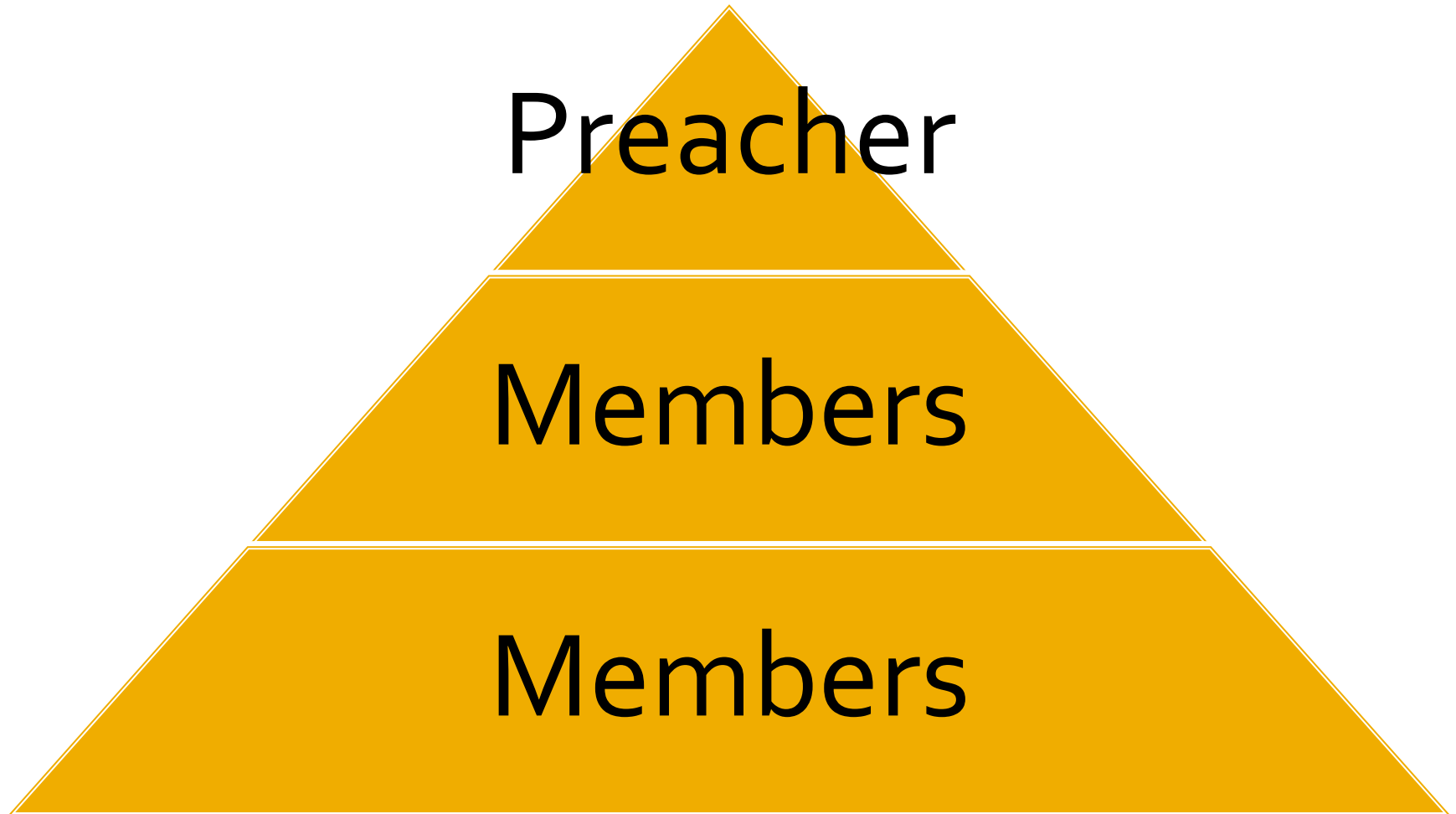
Romans 2:14-15, NLT

“Even gentiles, who do not have God’s written law, show that they know His law when they instinctively obey it, even without having heard it. They demonstrate that God’s law is written in their hearts, for their own conscience and thoughts either accuse them or tell them that they are doing right.”

Observations

- Your conscience tells you that when you learn better, you do better
- When your conscience identifies God's word, you should settle for nothing less (2 Timothy 3:15-16)
- When your conscience identifies "man-made righteousness" you should reject it (Romans 10:1-4)
- Beware of religious leaders with "seared consciences" toward God's word (dead consciences) 1 Timothy 4:1-2

Church Organization (Infancy)



Church Organization (Maturity)

Philippians 1:1



Elders

Deacons/Minister

Members

The Plan Of Salvation

Hear the Gospel	Acts 15:7
Believe the Gospel	Acts 15:7
Repent of Sins	Acts 17:30
Confess Christ	Acts 8:37
Be Baptized	Acts 8:38