JESUS

Hebrews 12:2

- Jesus is our example in everything.
 - He is our example in <u>suffering.</u>- I Pet. 2:21
 - He is our example in <u>serving</u>.
 - John 13:15
 - Phil. 2:5-7
 - He is our example in submission.-
 - Mt. 26:39

- Jesus is also our example in dealing with threats to the faith. Notice how he handled the critics of his day:
 - Sadducees- Matt. 22:23-33
 - **Pharisee- Matt. 22:34-46**
 - A lawyer- Luke 10:25-37
- Jesus used the scriptures!!!

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THE FALSE CLAIM THAT WE CAN NOT KNOW ABSOLUTE TRUTH

- We live in the age of tolerance. The cry is for unity at almost any cost.
- We minimize truth to tickle fancies. II Tim. 4:1-3

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- Jesus addressed this in John 8:32
- The apostles were told that they would be guided by the Holy Spirit unto all truth (Jn. 16:13), which they were to share with others.- Il Peter 1:20-21; 3:1-2

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- This eliminates God's vision of unity.- Eph. 4:4-6
- This eliminates a standard of behavior that must be honored- II Thess. 2:15, Gal. 1:6-9

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The Bereans came to understand the truth because they searched the scriptures daily (Acts 17:11). What or who were they trying to find out about? John 5:39 gives us the answer.

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THE FALSE CLAIM THAT SECTARIANISM IS PERFECTLY ACCEPTABLE

- There is still only one church because there is only one body.- Eph. 4:4
- Jesus is still the only way to the Father- Jn. 14:6, Acts 4:12.

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THE DESENSITIZATION TO SIN

- Matt. 5-7
- James 1:27
- II Tim. 2:21
- Eph. 5:17