

Friday with Fred – October 6, 2017



THE ANSWER IS IN THE ASKING

If I were to write regarding the evil of tyrants, the stupidity of political dialog or the banalities of a culture steeped in celebrities, the week provides an abundance of evidence and there would be no end to my writing.

The danger is that so many people seem to be so influenced by evil and dumb ideas. It gives credence to Voltaire who said, *"Anyone who has the power to make you believe absurdities has the power to make you commit injustices and atrocities."* We are watching many injustices and many atrocities around the world and in our own country for the simple reason.... ideas have consequence! As Marx said, *"Belief determines behavior."*

The beliefs of many are staggering: Philosophers, having nothing to say and say it with great eloquence. Lawyers, sometimes through subtleties, make right and wrong seem to be similar concepts. Politicians have the skill of turning an unanswered lie into an unquestionable truth within 24 hours. But theologians and theology should be an island of significance in a sea of contingency.

The foundational issues that fundamentally infect and impact our country will not be solved by a bipartisan political agreement. (*The human heart is desperately wicked and fully deceitful. Who can understand it? Jeremiah 17:9*) We do not need the Democrats' answer. We do not need the Republicans' answer. We need God's answer. Have you asked for it?

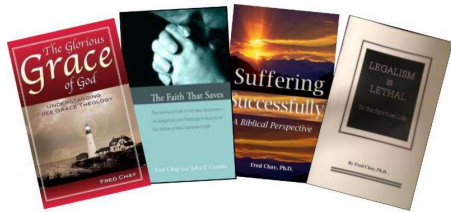
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Until He comes for us,

Fred

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