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**(Psalm 119:18)**

## **Open Thou Mine Eyes**

In keeping with some of the articles we have posted over the past few weeks, that tradition can be a tremendous hinderance to knowing and understanding the truth, we are continuing on with the same theme this week, albeit from an entirely different perspective.

We are using a pagan religion, the Hellenistic belief system and the Oracle of Delphi, which was popularized in the hit film a few years ago “300” to once again illustrate how easily fact can be lost by incorrect teaching and belief.

The statement, "Give me a child for his first seven years and I'll give you the man." is alleged to be attributed to the Jesuits or one of their members -- St. Ignatius of Loyola, amongst others.

When one is raised in a certain belief system, and raised in particular by a person that one loves or respects or both, if the teaching is incorrect it can be extremely difficult for the truth to be received.

Leo Tolstoy once said:

“Freethinkers are those who are willing to use their mind without prejudice and without fearing to understand things that clash with their own custom, privileges, or beliefs.”

This certainly holds true with the Bible which says:

“For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.”

Romans 8:6-8

Although our first article does use the word “tradition” in a positive light, it nevertheless serves to illustrate how easy it is to overlook the facts of history by assuming, believing so and so either could not be right or could not be wrong.

Once again, going back to our previous theme of the location of the Temples in Jerusalem, close to one thousand years of oral tradition says they were built over the Dome of the Rock. However, one small book of thirteen chapters, Nehemiah, says something otherwise, that it was not built over the Dome of the Rock.

Jesus certainly was aware of the tremendous hindering power of “tradition” as evidenced in the book of Matthew, chapter fifteen:

“Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying, Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread. But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition...teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.”

At the end of our introductory article from Archaeology Odyssey, “The Oracle of Delphi—Was She Really Stoned?”, we share some interesting material from Tom Horn's book “Apollyon Rising 2012. This material relates how the Oracle of Delphi made an interesting prophecy concerning Apollo-Osiris, Satan, the rise of the antichrist and his location – Memphis Egypt.

The prayer King David prayed,

“Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law”. Psalm 119:18, would seem like a good prayer for us all at this time in history.

Let it never be said of us,

“In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.” 2 Corinthians 4:4

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