



A^{bout} – Teachers and Teaching

B^{est Verse} – James 3:1, “Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that teachers will be judged with greater strictness.” I read this verse for the first time as a teenager. It was a fearful thought then as it is now. Teachers of God’s Word—particularly those who are Jesus’ pastors/elders/leaders—are to proclaim His sovereignty and His right to evaluate the quality of our existence.¹ So, there is greater opportunity for hypocrisy among teachers. It is a quality despised by The Final Judge. I’m glad He is also my Father who loves His firstborn Son, the one who took this hypocrite’s place in death. I count on His grace (giving me what I don’t deserve) and mercy (not giving me what I deserve). Because I can’t help myself. I am so grateful for His love that I must teach others His Good News before it is too late for me, for us.^{Psl39} “If I say, ‘I will not mention His word or speak anymore in His name,’ His word is in my heart like a fire...I can’t hold it in.”^{Jrh20:9}

C^{ommitment} – Light of the world, light us up. Give us thankful hearts that burn for the salvation of each person in our lives. We want them to know their Maker’s love, to enjoy Your purpose for their lives, to understand the life of significance to which You’ve called us, and to find their security in Your promise of the Forever Life!

* My birthday was on Mother’s Day this year as it was at the start. She taught me so much.

¹ There are 80 NT qualifiers for the selection of an elder/pastor. Contact me, I’ll send them.
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