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Does God Have A Social Security Plan? . . .



*The Circle of Life .....8*



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## “IN CASE OF EMERGENCY”

An emergency had occurred. The poor saints in Jerusalem had greater needs than the church in Jerusalem could provide. Paul heard about the situation and decided to act. He contacted churches in Galatia (1 Cor. 16:1-2), Macedonia (there were churches at Philippi, Berea, and Thessalonica), and Achaia to ask them to raise funds to help the church in Jerusalem relieve the suffering of its members. In exhorting the church at Corinth to finish the collection they had started, Paul used the example of the Macedonians.

Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves; praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. And this they did, not as we hoped, but

first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God (2 Cor. 8:1-5).

There are several things outstanding about this example. These churches in Macedonia were poor churches (“their deep poverty,” 8:2). From the economic point of view,

Paul did not think they could afford to help. They were in a “great trial of affliction” (8:2), whatever is included in that. The text seems to indicate that their circumstances were so bad that Paul discour-

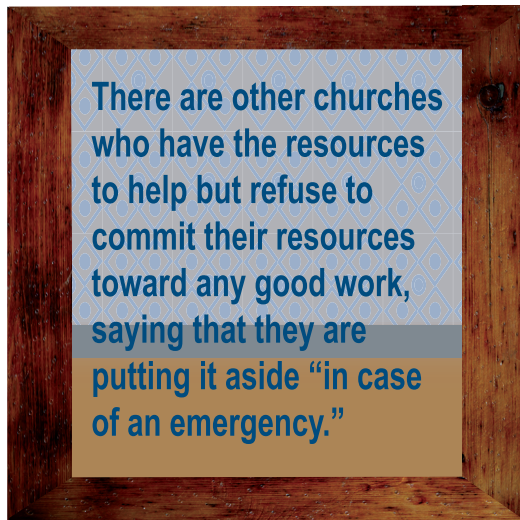
aged them from participating, knowing that they needed their resources to meet their own needs, but the Macedonian brethren would not allow that. “Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift” the Macedonian Christians insisted that they be allowed to help. What a great example of brotherly love, sacrificial giving, and zeal toward God is manifested by their example.

Such is not always the case. There are other churches who have the resources to help but refuse to

commit their resources toward any good work, saying that they are putting it aside “in case of an emergency.” Usually this means, in case they need a new furnace, air conditioner, or carpet. I have recently heard of two congregations which have accumulated large sums of money in their treasury (in one, upward of \$200,000 and in another over \$90,000) without having definitive plans for so doing (such as building a new building). Churches constantly receive requests from gospel preachers trying to arrange support so that they can continue to preach in some community with a small, struggling church. How can elders and members who know that their congregation has the ability to help turn a deaf ear to these appeals? Where has God commanded the church to hoard its money?

The churches in Macedonia were begging to be able to help. Other churches have to be begged to help! It is as if the elders (or the men in the absence of elders) are “guardians of the treasury” to be sure no one else has access to the funds raised by the first day of the week contribution. Oversight of the treasury is one role that elders have—an oversight for which they must give account. I would hate to answer to God for having turned a deaf ear to the pleas of sound brethren wanting to go preach when

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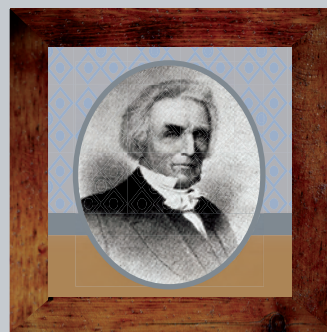
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# HAVE YOU NOT READ . . . ?

CONNIE W. ADAMS



## RESPONSIBLE MILITANCY

The price of peace with God and within ourselves is constant warfare with the Devil and all his forces. Over and over the New Testament presents the Christian as a soldier. We are charged to “put on the whole armor of God” in order to “stand against the wiles of the Devil.” We need to be properly girded, have on a breastplate, battle footwear, helmet, protected by a shield, as we wield the sword of the Spirit. Our struggle is “not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places” (Eph. 6:10-17).

Paul admonished Timothy to “fight the good fight of faith” (1 Tim. 6:12). He further instructed him to “endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ” and said, “No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier” (2 Tim. 2:3-4). In reviewing his life as a servant of Christ, among other things Paul said, “I have fought a good fight” (2 Tim. 4:7). There is no

doubt about it. Every Christian is a soldier. There are real enemies to face. Either we must conquer them or they will cause us to lose our souls. The victory belongs to the strong, not the timid.

### Enemies Without and Within

Ultimately, our enemy is the Devil himself. He is the arch enemy of God and man. He is the tempter, the adversary. His devices are numerous and he has many ministers. He is the Prince of this world. His desire is the damnation of every soul and the complete thwarting of

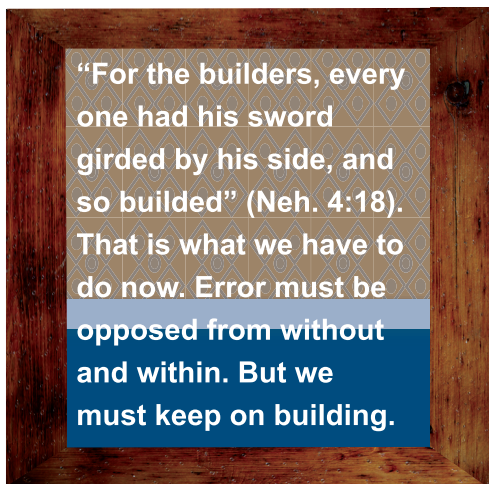
God’s eternal purpose to save man through Christ and the church. Evil governments have arrayed themselves against the truth down through the ages. False religions have arisen to oppose the pure gospel. Many of these have been deeply entrenched and some have joined hands with evil political powers to fight against the will of God. Secularism spits out Goliath-like challenges to the soldiers of Christ. Deceitful philosophies appear in stark contrast to the simplicity that is in Christ. At times, the blood of martyrs has stained the

ground. The persecuted saints in Smyrna were called upon to be faithful “unto death” to receive their crown of life (Rev. 2:10). That meant they were to hold out for the truth even to the point of martyrdom, if necessary.

Outside enemies have never been able to stop the progress of the church. Someone wrote that the blood of the martyrs became the seed of the church. Persecution has both a purifying and a unifying effect. It brings to light the mere pretenders whose consciences are for sale. It also draws together those of like precious faith as they face common adversaries.

But there are enemies within. Departures from the faith have led to seditions which have crystallized into parties with their peculiar points of emphasis. “Strife, seditions and heresies” are works of the flesh which war against the Spirit (Gal. 5:17-21). These arise from within. The time comes when they ultimately go out from among the Lord’s own to join the ranks of the outside enemies. The circle of truth is too tight for them. But while they are trying to get outside that circle, the carnage they cause is often devastating.

There are struggles within over preeminence. All need to remember that Christ is the head of the church (Col. 1:18) and that all orders must come from him. Petty jealousies and envyings ravage churches and disrupt brotherly relations while Satan rejoices. “The flesh lusteth



# WHEN YOU THOUGHT

## I WASN'T LOOKING

We have a lot of people who look to us as examples, but we should never forget about our children, who are the closest ones to which we are an example. Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven" (Matt. 5:16). From today onward, think what happens when you are not looking. To help you, consider what happens from the standpoint of a child:

- When you thought I wasn't looking, I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and I learned to trust in God.
- When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make a meal and take it to someone who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.
- When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.
- When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what God has given us.

- When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I have to be responsible when I grow up.
- When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.
- When you thought I wasn't looking, I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and fruitful Christian when I grow up.

Ephesians 5:8 says, "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light." We can never forget the smallest ones among us who see our influence. Each of us (parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, church member, teacher, or friend) influences the life of a child. How will you influence one today?

Adapted by Kyle Campbell

against the Spirit" (Gal. 5:17). There are many signs that the flesh is prevailing with too many who wear the name of Christ. Gambling, social drinking, indecent apparel, fornication, lying, and you name it, along with a general softness toward the world, may be seen all too often. The frightening destruction of marriages, increasingly found among elders, preachers, and others who have led the fight against sin in days gone by, bears shameful evidence to the reality of the problem. Loose living is more and more the order of the day, while some elders and preachers have closed their eyes to the existence of sin in their midst. Some have even become apologists for it.

### Building While Fighting

When Nehemiah led the Jews in rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem, the Samaritans did their best to stop the work. It became necessary to fight. But it was also necessary to continue building. Sentries were posted. When the enemy launched an attack upon any section of the wall, the trumpets sounded and extra help rushed to defend that place. "For the builders, every one had his

sword girded by his side, and so builded" (Neh. 4:18). That is what we have to do now. Error must be opposed from without and within. But we must keep on building.

Some have tried to build strong churches just by fighting error. Some have expended great energy in protecting the walls of spiritual Zion at one place while the ministers of Satan breached the walls at an unnoticed or unguarded place. Some have come to enjoy the excitement of battle to such an extent that they have lost their taste for building. Take a good look at the places where some warriors are working. If they cannot find an enemy to fight anywhere else, they will turn on fellow soldiers and square off for the fray. That is militancy all right, but it is not responsible militancy. Yes, we are pictured as soldiers, but we are also vineyard workers, temple builders, and joints and bands to supply nourishment for the rest of the body. We must fight to survive. But we must also fight so we can build. While all must take heed *how* we build (1 Cor. 3:10), let us be sure *that* we build. When fighting has to be done, let it not be done with carnal weapons to satisfy carnal objectives.

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**QUESTION:** I have heard some brethren say the Bible never tells us to assemble to worship. What do they mean?

**ANSWER:** I heard a taped lesson teaching this very idea a few years ago; and others have taught the same idea in recent years, especially some who have pursued the “house-church” path. It is amazing how some people, even brethren, can take a simple principle of truth and distort it to the point that they teach positions altogether foreign to the New Testament. Though it is possible and desirable to think that the person making such a statement was not expressing himself clearly or had not fully thought about the idea, he asserted that our only reason for gathering together is to edify each other. In view of New Testament teaching, I must label this notion as totally lacking in approval from the Lord. I would even challenge any proponent of this notion to cite a passage where the Lord tells Christians to

assemble to edify others. I also insist that the Bible teaches this practice in other authoritative ways, such as approved example and necessary conclusion.

I would never minimize the importance of our seeking to edify one another in our gatherings, because this purpose is a legitimate one according to the Scriptures. For instance, in our singing we should teach and admonish each other or speak to each other in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16); in our prayers we who lead those prayers ought to bear in mind the audience and express ideas that represent the desires or needs of all gathered, while expressing the prayer in words that all can hear and understand (1 Cor. 14:14-17). The numerous uses of “edify” in 1 Corinthians 14 show us that we must consider others (the horizontal dimension) in all that we do in these gatherings. On the other hand one must try to miss it to fail to see the

vertical dimension of our assembling with the saints. When we eat the supper of the Lord on the first day of the week, we remember Christ (1 Cor. 11:25, 29). Prayer is an expression of praise and adoration to God (1 Cor. 14:16-17). Singing gives occasion to make melody in our hearts to God and to express favor (grace) in our hearts to the Lord. The reading or teaching of the Lord’s Word, even when delivered by the gift of prophecy, also served to generate praise and thanksgiving to God in those understanding the message (1 Cor. 14:24-25). Surely these portraits of NT assembly worship mean something!

If we are not careful in our Bible study and determination to practice the Father’s will, we will so fix our efforts on one objective as to rule the Lord out of our efforts. Let us learn the lesson that we must take into account all that the New Testament says about this matter.

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**QUESTION:** It seems incompatible to me when I read about the weakness and trembling which Paul experienced at Corinth to read also in Romans 1:15-16 of his confidence to preach the gospel in Rome. Why was there a difference?

**ANSWER:** The answer to this question depends greatly on an examination of the contexts of the two passages in view. To ignore such is to produce a discrepancy where there really was none. This is how many of the so-called discrepancies originated—either in an ignorance of the Bible or in resistance to some Bible teaching out of

preference for another teaching. Because truth harmonizes with all other truth, just as parallel lines do not intersect each other, the Bible student’s responsibility is honestly to analyze the text in its context to ascertain what it teaches there, and then to make sure that his conclusion takes into account all other truth.

In Romans 1:15-16, Paul’s longtime plan to visit Rome, hindered earlier, now loomed again. His confidence in the gospel as God’s power to salvation was expressed. He had no qualms or reluctance to go there to teach,

because he had no lack of confidence in the weapon divinely provided. In his writing to Corinth (2:5), his reference to weakness, fear, and much trembling manifested his lack of confidence in himself. Should not every proclaimer of the gospel be as the great apostle was—completely trusting in the Lord’s provision in the gospel of Christ, but unwilling to assert himself his own virtues? Too many who are so full of themselves are equally empty of the gospel. Which is it with you? “None of self and all of Thee,” or “All of self and none of Thee”?

# 1 CORINTHIANS 2:9

## Olen Holderby

But, as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

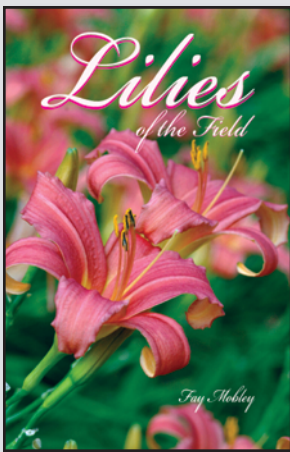
Many have used this verse to refer to heaven, the destiny of the faithful; or, at least to things which they perceive the faithful will have beyond this life. Further, the verse has been quoted at funerals to refer to heaven. Let us offer a brief examination of the verse.

“As it is written” suggests it is quoted (though not verbatim) from some source previously written. These words appear to have been taken from Isaiah 64:4 (with perhaps a thought from Isa. 65:17). If this be true, they were first penned approximately 700 years before Paul quoted them. This would have Isaiah saying that, at some distant time from the making of this prophecy, those who love the Lord would enjoy things that had not been known or enjoyed before. Should we ask Isaiah what these “things” would be, we no doubt would be referred to such as Isaiah 2:1-4; 7:14; 53:1-12. From these we may learn of a Savior who would shed his blood that man might have the forgiveness of sins, the Lord’s authority being established and exalted, man being able to walk in the ways of the Lord, the establishment of his church or kingdom, his law and word going forth from Jerusalem, and the “gospel of peace” being preached to all mankind. All these things, and more, would be included in the “things” of 1 Corinthi-

ans 2:9. Of course, these had not been known or enjoyed before.

Back to our text and its context. The first eight verses obviously deal with Christ and our relationship to him in this life—right now! In verse 10 we learn that the “things” mentioned in verse 9 God had revealed to the apostles by his Spirit. In verse 13 we read, “Which things also we speak, not in the words which man’s wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth.” Let us pause at this point and read Ephesians 3:1-5. Here we learn that the revelation had been a mystery, but it no longer is a mystery since it has been revealed. We, also, learn that we can know these things that once were a mystery by reading what the apostles had to say. So, 1 Corinthians 2:9 is in harmony with Isaiah 64:4 and Ephesians 3:1-5 is in harmony with both.

The conclusion would be that 1 Corinthians 2:9 is not referring to heaven but is referring to all those things which God designed for us to have and enjoy in our faithful walk with the Lord in this life. As we learn, believe, and obey his law, his word, his message, his gospel which was to go forth from Jerusalem, we are told, “. . . continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel . . . the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel” (Col. 1:23, 5). 1515 Walnut, Alameda, California.94501



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# THE CIRCLE OF LIFE

ROYCE AND CINDY DEBERRY

***A child grows and matures with the help of his mother and father . . . As the circle of life continues, if everyone lives long enough, the time will come when mom and dad need assistance from their children.***

When a newborn baby opens his precious little eyes for the first time, chances are he will be looking into the face of his mother or father. As time passes, he grows and matures with the help of his mother and father. Through this time they will be working with him to develop all the skills, knowledge, and wisdom necessary for a productive adult life. Jesus' parents did this with him. "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men" (Luke 2:52). Once this wonderful process has taken place . . . what then? He has reached adulthood, he is out on his own, he has his own life to live, and finally he is independent. Is the process complete?

We need to go to the Word of God for our answer. It really doesn't matter what we think. The professional's opinions do not supersede what God has revealed. The God who created us has a plan for us. We can open his word to find out what the mind of God is on this subject.

## **Responsibility**

Jesus tells us in Matthew 15:4-6, "For God commanded, saying, Honor your father and your mother, and, He who curses father or mother, let him be put to death. But you say, Whoever says to his father or mother,

Whatever profit you might have received from me is a gift to God—then he need not honor his father or mother. Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition." If giving to God is not an excuse for not helping our parents, there is no excuse for dishonoring our parents. In this case, we would dishonor our parents by failing to provide for their needs.

Jesus further teaches us by his example. In John 19, Jesus is dying on the cross. However, his concern is not for himself, but for his mother. Verses 26-27 say, "When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, Woman, behold your son! Then He said to the disciple, Behold your

mother. And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home." What an example we have! Even though Jesus is in extreme pain and anguish, and his physical life is slowly fading, he honored his mother and made sure her needs were met. Today we have been blessed with an abundance of assets and opportunities, and yet, sometimes we are too busy for our elderly relatives.

Ephesians 6:2-3 states, "Honor your father and mother, which is the first commandment with promise; that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth." Honoring is not only respecting our parents, but taking care of their needs in their older years. An attitude of willingness and happiness should be cultivated in the fulfilling of this responsibility.

1 Timothy 5:1-4 further commands, "Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers, older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, with all purity. Honor widows who are really widows. But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before



**Cindy's Parents**

**James K. & Delores Smith**



God.” This Scripture goes further and shows us our family responsibility goes back to our grandparents or other elderly family members.

## Our Family Background

In 1993, Cindy’s pop became ill on July 4th and passed away on August 8th. Cindy went to Illinois to stay for that month to take care of him, as we had no warning to move him to Indiana. In October of 1993, Cindy’s mother came to live with us because of health considerations.

On Memorial Day 1999 we drove to Aurora, Illinois to move my mother’s sister, Aunt Jean, to Indy to live with us. She had suffered a stroke and was unable to live alone. She lived with us, was an important part of our family and home life, for two and a half years. She is still loved and missed by the entire family.

My father became ill the Saturday night before Mother’s Day in 2001. He was rushed to the hospital and kept alive for a week on I-V medicines. In the course of the week, a hematologist determined that Dad had chronic lymphocytic leukemia and had probably had the disease for fifteen to twenty years. He died the next Sunday of a total body infection (sepsis). Mother was able to live on her own for three and a half years, but due to health considerations we all agreed that it might be the wisest thing for her to move in with us.

Each of these relatives had different needs in their situations. Our family has learned many things from these different situations.

## Joys

As the circle of life continues, if everyone lives long enough, the time will come when mom and dad need assistance from their children. We can see from the above passages of Scripture that this is God’s plan for us. Long before social security was implemented, God’s plan

provided “social security.” What are the positive benefits a family may experience during this era of their lives?

Life is short and everyone is busy. This can lead to families having little time to devote to each other. When you combine generations under one roof, everyone has more time to spend together. Travel time does not rob our precious minutes. We also know what each other’s needs are because we are involved with one another.

Satan hopes to detach our generations from one another. It leaves everyone vulnerable. Connections between the generations will be the cement that grounds the younger generation to what is important. Instead of looking at our older generation as a burden, or something that is disposable, we need to realize they are a blessing from God. They are a valuable commodity. They can give us and our children something we cannot get anywhere else.

They can plant roots that can sustain our children from the storms of life. Gangs would dry up if our children were not looking for a place to belong. Empty homes, empty lives, and no roots leave our children searching.

The older generation has more time and wisdom. They also have less strength and health. The middle generation is usually the reverse with good health and strength but no time and less wisdom. This



Royce’s Parents

Parvin & Pauline DeBerry

means that each generation has something to give our children that the other is not capable of giving. Sometimes, our older generation has the attitude that “I’ve raised my children, this is my time to retire and do what I want.” Can we find an example of this in the Bible? I cannot find it. I see the example of Naomi nursing her grandson in Ruth 4. The older generation has a responsibility to its youngest generation. Service is the theme of the entire Bible. We can never retire from God’s service. An older person can entertain young relatives for hours telling the old family stories that will provide them with their roots. The time spent with elderly family is productive. The time spent with the hired “babysitter” cannot accomplish this. The children can provide “legs” for the elderly relatives. This gives our children purpose. They feel important. When grandma comes home from shopping, they run to carry in her bags. This is an important task. The elderly relative needs their assistance, but the children need to be needed. Our little ones always knew whose turn it was to get Aunt Jean’s wheelchair for dinner. They would wheel her out to the table like she was the queen. This is their roots.



## DeBerry's Family

Aunt Jean, Pauline DeBerry, and Delores Smith

## Trials

We have heard it said, "One mom and dad can take care of multiple children but multiple children cannot take care of one mom and dad." Why is this true? Why are so many parents alone in a nursing home?

Sometimes mom or dad may have reached the point of needing to allow their children to help them but they refuse to move. They are attached to their home or their yard or their friends and simply refuse to allow their children to help. What is the children's responsibility in this case? Does the grown child have a responsibility to move his family to accommodate their aged parents? The people working and providing are the ones who need to decide where the family will live. The elderly relatives have the right to choose not to allow their younger generations to assist them. Some chose a nursing home believing they are still "independent," meeting their own needs. They evidently do not realize they are robbing their children and grandchildren of their heritage by their actions. It is just as important to allow others to serve you, as it is important for us to serve others. We learn different things each way.

Maybe mom or dad was happy to relocate to live with their children. Maybe, however, they feel like "honoring parents" means the parents rule. What can be done in this situation? The elderly need to acknowledge that their grown children are now the ones making the household decisions and show them the respect they deserve for taking care of the family.

Sometimes adding more generations to a home adds stress because the aged parents forget they have raised their children. They want to tell their children how to raise their grandchildren. Everyone thinks all the house business is everyone's business. We can teach our children how to deal with others through this situation. Our children will come across many people in their lifetime who do not respect boundaries. By teaching our children that we cannot control other people's actions, but instead must control how we react to other people's actions, we will have taught our children much. By showing our children that we can respect a person separately from his actions, our children will be ready for many situations in life.

We are a very mobile society. We sometimes use this as an excuse to

detach our generations. Abraham is a good example for us. He had a very important job given to him by God. It involved traveling. We can see from Genesis 11:31-12:4 and Acts 7:2-4 that Abraham did not use this job as an excuse to abandon his *father*. Abraham served God and his father.

Cindy's pop's illness helped our family come together to meet each other's needs while Cindy was gone for a few weeks helping in Illinois. Our children (both grown and young) had to work together to take care of Cindy's responsibilities in Indiana so that she was free to stay in Illinois.

My dad was in a hospital and needed care our family could not provide. We still provided the support and love he needed from us. The hospital staff could not do our job. Our family generations worked together to cover every day so that he was never alone and our mother/grandmother's needs were met.

## Character Development

The society we have built in America is based on "ME." Our children each have their own room. We each have our own phones, cars, hobbies, sports, jobs, interests, friends, etc. We have lost our center purpose which is to serve God, family, and others. Our families encourage selfishness by all pursuing their own interests. Individualism becomes more important than the whole. The family unit is our stepping stone for understanding God and his church. The character we develop at home will carry over to all aspects of our life including spiritual. The everyday events we encounter when we are working together in a family unit will help us build character traits we cannot achieve on our own. Instead of "ME" our focus becomes "US" or "YOU." Then, individualism gives in to others.

Patience is a character trait that can help us in all areas of our life. Having to give in and consider the needs of others helps us grow patience. Impatience leads us to make quick, and sometimes, rash decisions we can regret for a lifetime.

Love will also grow and we will not have people searching for an identity. They will know who they are and where they have come from. They will also know where they are going and why. Consider the person, character, and life of the young man Timothy.

Loyalty will be developed. This trait will also carry over to our spiritual life, and we will have less trouble remaining loyal to God. Our “me” society has led to the birth of hundreds of denominations. Their purpose is to allow people to worship God the way *they* want with disregard for what God wants. Where is the loyalty to God and his word?

Feeling a sense of duty to our family will ground us with the purpose we need to be productive. This grounding frees us to accomplish so much. Without a sense of duty we could end up wandering about for years searching for something we cannot describe. This too, will prepare us for accomplishing our duty to God, our employer, etc.

## The Compound

We live in a unique situation for



today's society. Our grown children all live around us. We have fenced in the perimeter of all the backyards together. Our children can go back and forth safely from one relative's house to another to home. All the adults, ranging in age from eighty-two to nineteen years, are faithful Christians. How wonderful this is and how blessed we are, but with this comes *great* responsibility. This situation enables our children to learn from all of their adult relatives. Aunts and uncles can reinforce from different viewpoints; grandparents from another different

viewpoint. This was normal back in the “olden days.” Families used their natural asset of each other to accomplish more. We find that this working together helps us to accomplish more than we could alone.

We live in a disposable world. Nothing lasts. This mindset when carried over to our family will then carry over to our relationship with God. If we think we can do away with our responsibilities to our parents with the wave of our hand and a mouthful of excuses, can't we do the same with God? But all we have done is *failed* on both accounts. We

have sinned against our parents and God. Remember the words of Jesus as he quoted from Isaiah in Matthew 15:8-9: “These people draw near to Me with their mouth, and honor Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, teaching us doctrines the commandments of men.”

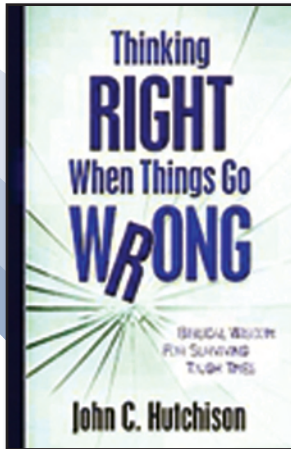
God has provided us with everything we need. Just as God provided us with parents to meet all of our needs when we were too fragile to meet our own, God completes the circle of life by commanding children to meet their parents' needs when they become too fragile to meet their own. What a perfect plan!

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# BOOK REVIEWS

QUICK REVIEW OF NEW BOOKS

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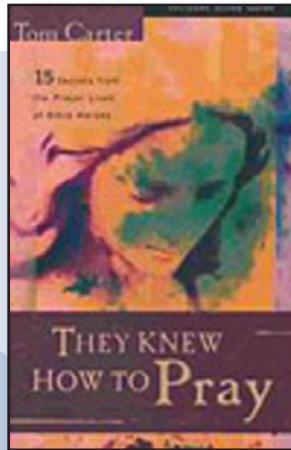
## Thinking Right When Things Go Wrong

John C. Hutchison

Grand Rapids: Kregel Publications, 2005. 256 Pages.

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Trials and sufferings come upon everyone eventually. What are we to do? How do we face the hardships of life? John C. Hutchison turns to the Bible for the wisdom to face such circumstances in life. Hutchison guides the reader to understand the biblical passages about trials and suffering and explains how these passages relate to life. Hutchison also examines the lives of Job, Jesus and Paul to learn how to deal with trials. Three main questions concerning sufferings are addressed in this work: How does suffering benefit me? How does suffering serve God's design and purpose for my life? and What help has God promised me in times of suffering? *Thinking Right When Things Go Wrong* will help the reader see trials as opportunities rather than obstacles. The discussion questions at the end of each chapter make this book good for small group Bible study.



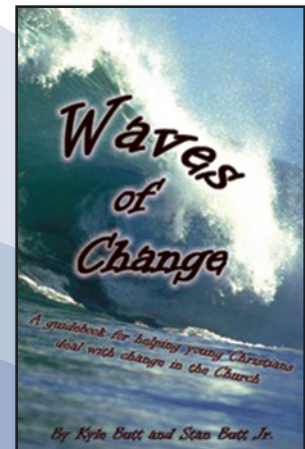
## They Knew How to Pray

Tom Carter

Grand Rapids: Kregel Publications, 2003. 205 pages.

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"Lord, teach us to pray," said the disciples to Jesus. The disciples knew that they could learn how to pray from others, especially Bible heroes. Christians need good examples to follow and Tom Carter has brought together the prayers of fourteen Bible characters in order to learn from these heroes of faith. Carter begins each chapter with the biblical and historical background of each Bible character and then adds some practical lessons on how these prayers can be followed today. The "study guide" at the end of each chapter makes this book useful for small group Bible study.



## Waves of Change

Kyle Butt and Stan Butt, Jr

Montgomery: Peaceful House Publishing, 2005. 162 pages.

0-9762140-0-8

Change is everywhere. While some of it is good, some of it is just not pleasing to God. In *Waves of Change*, Kyle and Stan Butt discuss and critique the unhealthy changes that are happening among some Churches of Christ. They open with the matter of Bible authority and then move on to discuss changes in baptism, worship, the music question, the Lord's supper, and other doctrines pertaining to the Lord's church. Each chapter closes with discussion questions. *Waves of Change* is for anyone who wants a guide to help them navigate the winds of change blowing among us.

# REWRITING HISTORY

MATTHEW ALLEN

On January 20, 2007, the *Indianapolis Star* contained an article by Robert King entitled “Rewriting History, Finding Reconciliation.” Representatives of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Independent Christian Churches, and Churches of Christ convened recently at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis to discuss the idea of writing a *new version* of the history of the restoration movement. The restoration movement occurred in the nineteenth century when people from various denominational backgrounds decided to unite on the Bible and cast away their man-made creeds. For the first few decades, the movement was unified and grew throughout the young nation. As the nineteenth century drew to a close, division loomed over the use of instrumental music in worship and the creation of missionary and benevolent societies.

By 1906, the Christian Church and Churches of Christ were officially recognized as two separate religious organizations by the Census of the United States. Now, a century after the division, there are many efforts being made from persons on both sides of the divide to heal the division through unification. The scholars and historians who recently attended the conference “hope a more balanced and rounded telling of their history could heal misunderstandings and end the occasional animosity. . . .” One person said, “When our churches read their account, hopefully it will help them, as it is helping us, to no longer demonize or discount or write off the other party.” To celebrate their newfound “unity,” representatives at the conference attended a worship service that featured both instrumental and a *cappella* singing. The Lord’s supper was also offered. The scholars say worshipping and working together have helped them see the folly of some of the squabbles their groups have had.

All of this sounds very good on the surface. What Christian wouldn’t want unity? What godly person would be satisfied with misunderstandings? While we should desire unity, God does not call for unity at the expense of doctrinal truth. Bible teaching on the doctrine of singing in worship is *not mere folly*. God has been specific in his desire for the kind of music he wants in worship. “Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord” (Eph. 5:19). This verse is very clear. *Singing* is the method that we use to praise God and the instrument we use is the *heart*. After

reading this someone might argue that God did not specifically condemn instrumental music in worship. That is correct. But, since God has explicitly told us how he wants this part of worship to be conducted, he is not required to list everything that is unacceptable. Let us be content with God’s way and not be presumptuous in assuming that instrumental music is a matter of indifference with God.

While the newspaper article speaks of the optimism of the conference participants at carving out unity between brethren, we can only guess how those who stood up against instrumental music will be pictured in revisionist history. The article gives us a good idea. The writer describes those in Churches of Christ as *a faction . . . of mostly Southern Churches . . . who began to break away*. This group was recognized as the Churches of Christ, whose worship services *are still devoid of instruments*. Read that language again: “Faction,” “Southern Churches,” “Services devoid of instruments.” These are all negative connotations. Who is being blamed for the division? It’s obvious: a bunch of factious, backward and ignorant Southerners whose services are bereft of any “normal” worship service. This is not unity. It is a cover-up. It is a hatchet job on the truth.

When you hear of the so-called unity movements between those who use the instrument in worship and those who do not, remember this: Those who argued against the instrument are being labeled as the ones who caused the division. This is simply not true. Brethren who objected to the instrument were often locked out of their facilities and left to pick up the pieces. Some are now calling for those in Churches of Christ to approach those in the Christian Church and apologize. Apologize for what? Maintaining doctrinal integrity? Respecting the silence of Scripture?

Revisionist history will not change the truth of how this division happened. More importantly, revisionist history will not change God’s truth. God has spoken. Habakkuk 2:20 says, “the Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth be silent before him.” We have no right to question God or alter our worship methods. The unity we all desire is possible. It *can* happen. True unity will be accomplished when we humbly respect God’s Word and seek to unite by speaking where the Bible speaks and remaining silent where the Bible is silent.

# PREACH THE WORD

WELDON WARNOCK

**“PREACH THE WORD! BE READY IN SEASON AND OUT OF SEASON. CONVINCING, REBUKING, EXHORTING, WITH ALL LONGSUFFERING AND TEACHING” (2 TIM. 4:2)**

There are many, many preachers but only a few who preach the word of God. Paul instructed Timothy to “preach the word” (2 Tim. 4:2). To preach the word is to preach the gospel (Mark 16:15), preach Christ (Acts 8:4-5, 35), the faith (Gal. 1:23), the cross (1 Cor. 1:18), and the unsearchable riches of Christ (Eph. 3:8). This is to be our message. It cannot be improved or made better.

## What We Should Not Preach

**1. To please men.** Paul wrote, “. . . or do I seek to please men? For if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ” (Gal. 1:10). This uncompromising apostle of Christ spoke, not as pleasing men, but God who trieth our hearts (1 Thess. 2:4).

**2. Ourselves.** “For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord” (2 Cor. 4:5). The preacher needs to hide behind the cross of Christ and preach Christ and him crucified (1 Cor. 2:2). To preach ourselves is for the purpose of attracting attention to ourselves and gaining the praise of men. Paul did not want himself to become the focus and obscure the glory of Christ from shining forth (2 Cor. 4:4-5). Preachers who use flattery have themselves in mind (cf. 1 Thess. 2:5), rather than Christ Jesus.

**3. Man’s wisdom.** Paul declared, “And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power” (1 Cor. 2:4). What did the Greek philosophers know about the wisdom of God? What do the so-called scholars today know about the mind and will of God, other than what is in the Bible? We can find scholars on all sides of every issue. Some preachers quote the divergent views of scholars, then leave the audience “dangling in thin air.” An example of this is Genesis 1. A preacher quotes scholars who support the long-day theory and then quotes scholars who espouse the twenty-four-hour day position. Then he says: “There is nothing conclusive here; make up your own mind.” Folks, the last time I checked we have twenty-four hours in a day.

**4. Opinions, hobbies and absurdities.** Radicalism and hobbyism hurt the church. Its progress and growth are impeded and stunted. Factionalism alienates and divides brethren. All that some brethren hear is a bunch of homemade rules. The joy of living the Christian life is sapped out of the hearts of God’s people by a constant diet of radical restrictions. Such destroys the spirit and vitality of a congregation. Brethren are put in a “strait jacket” and become bound by fancied views of fanatical preachers. These preachers are “church-killers” not “church-builders.”

**5. A flood of stories.** To take up a whole sermon with anecdotes and personal experiences is not gospel preaching. An elder in the church told me that he heard a preacher tell thirteen stories in a sermon that included only two Scriptures. Sounds like a lot of palaver to me! Nobody fits this description any better than some of the televangelists, like Joel Olsteen of Houston, Texas. Thousands flock to hear him in Houston every weekend. Many people like this top-water, “feel-goodism” kind of preaching. Sadly, some of our own brethren are enamored by this “milk toast,” wishy-washy, namby-pamby approach to preaching. Brethren, let’s preach the word!

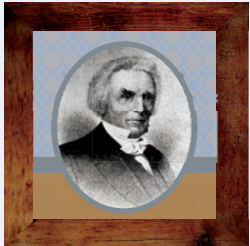
## How to Preach

In addition to being instant (ready) in season and out of season with all longsuffering and doctrine and reproving, rebuking, and exhorting when we preach, we also should preach:

**1. Boldly.** Paul solicited the prayers of the Ephesians that he might speak boldly (courageously or fearlessly) as he ought to speak (Eph. 6:20). Preaching the gospel is no place for the timid and cowardly. Some men are intimidated for various reasons. They may be afraid of losing their job or losing a gospel meeting. Trends toward digression go unchallenged (cf. 1 Tim. 4:6 and context). Worldliness is winked at and preaching on church discipline is ignored. So, because of “wimpy” preachers and a weak eldership, the church floats along without a biblical rudder. Paul wrote to the young

# DID ALEXANDER CAMPBELL START THE CHURCH OF CHRIST?

JUSTIN MONTS



Alexander Campbell

**Alexander Campbell did not start the church of Christ.**

The church of Christ began in A.D. 30 on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:38, 47). Campbell was born in 1788, long after the first century. Jesus Christ founded the church that bears his name.

In Matthew 16:18, Jesus said, “I will build *my* church.” God gave him to be head over all things to the church which is his body (Eph. 1:22-23). Further, the Hebrew writer tells us that Jesus is the minister of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected and not man (Heb. 8:2). Since Jesus Christ erected his own church, Campbell could not have possibly started the church of Christ. The apostle Paul wrote in A.D. 58, “The churches of Christ salute you” (Rom. 16:16).

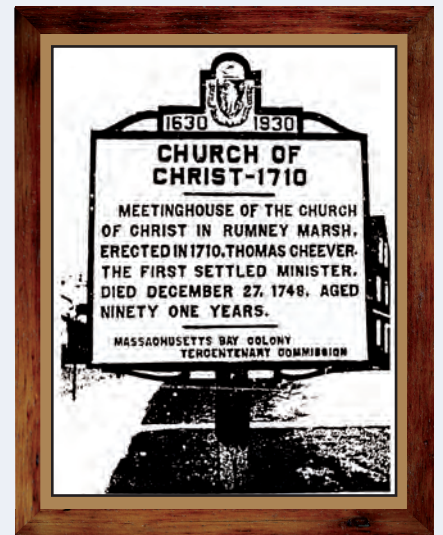
**Who was Alexander Campbell?** Campbell was a well known preacher and Bible student. He was also a delegate to the Virginia constitutional convention which led the state toward a more powerful executive branch of government. Incidentally, he was also the founder of Bethany College in Bethany, West Virginia. Campbell therefore started a college, not a church. What role did he play in the restoration movement in America? He

evangelist Timothy: “For God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind” (2 Tim. 1:7). Give us more brave men like Peter, James, John, Stephen, and Paul, to name a few, who exemplify the boldness of Jesus Christ.

**2. Fervently.** To be able to preach the gospel of Christ is a favor of God (Eph. 3:8). We should do it with all the enthusiasm we can “muster up.” It is something to get excited about! “Joy to the world, the Lord is come!” Salvation has come down and it is free (Rom. 3:24). Jesus came, died, arose, ascended back to heaven, and he is coming again. Why should not this be preached with fervor, vim and vigor? Let us hear these words as we preach: “Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord” (Rom. 12:11).

was just one among many pioneer preachers who sought to return to the Bible. Yet a man is never a standard (1 Cor. 4:6). Men can be wrong but the Bible is right.

**Additional proof that Campbell did not start the church of Christ.** Historical evidence continually surfaces that churches of Christ existed on American soil long before Campbell. Here is a photograph of a sign commemorating a church of Christ in the Massachusetts Bay Colony. The local group met in 1710. The minister, Thomas Cheever, was born in 1658. Obviously, the church of Christ predates Campbell. And, according to the Bible, it predates even Cheever! If one is in a church that did not commence in A.D. 30 he is in a church that does not belong to Christ. In which church are you found?



**3. In love.** We read: “But speaking the truth in love” (Eph. 4:15). The word “love” in the Greek is *agape* and indicates a love or concern for the good of those to whom we speak. Preaching is to save the souls of men and women. A belligerent attitude and a sarcastic tongue are not my idea of speaking the truth in love. Love would entail convicting people of sin, exposing error, and exhortation to come to our Savior Jesus Christ and serve him faithfully.

In conclusion, we quote these words that Paul penned to Timothy: “But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry” (2 Tim. 4:5, NIV).

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# ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

DAN KING



## PREACHER STORIES

### VACATION

An Illinois man left the snow-balled streets of Chicago for a vacation in Florida. His wife was on a business trip and was planning to meet him there the next day. When he reached his hotel, he decided to send his wife a quick e-mail. Unable to find the scrap of paper on which he had written her e-mail address, he did his best to type it in from memory.

Unfortunately, he missed one letter and his note was directed instead to an elderly preacher's wife, whose husband had passed away only the day before. When the grieving widow checked her e-mail, she took one look at the monitor, let out a piercing scream, and fell to the floor.

At the sound, her family rushed into the room and saw this note on the screen:

My Dearest Wife,  
Just got checked in.  
Everything prepared for your arrival tomorrow.  
Your Loving Husband.  
PS. Sure is hot down here.

Send your funny stories and hilarious incidents to: [danielh.king@comcast.net](mailto:danielh.king@comcast.net)

### I WOULD BE ASHAMED

An older preacher had a widely talked-about reputation as a glutton. He would eat three times as much as an ordinary man, and consequently, he was about three times the size of an average fellow.

At an "All-day meetin' and dinner-on-the-ground," he ate too much and became deathly ill. He went inside the church building and laid down on one of the church pews.

As the men gathered around his pale and sweating hulk, he groaned pitifully and said, "Brethren, I think I'm going to die."

One brother answered for them all, "Brother So-and-So, you wouldn't be afraid to die, would you?"

He replied, "No, but I would be awfully ashamed to!"

### SAINTS AND SINNERS

As a visiting preacher, Dwight L. Moody was warned that some of the congregation where he was to preach the following Sunday usually left before the end of the sermon.

When he rose to begin his sermon, he announced, "I am going to speak to two classes of people

### JUDGMENT DAY

A West Virginia farmer who had become convinced somehow that a prophecy about the Lord's return was immediately to take place, began revealing his conviction to many others in his community.

When the day came for our Lord's return, according to his reading of the Bible, the farmer wrapped a white sheet about him for a robe, climbed the highest hill on his farm to await the Lord's coming at midnight. To be a bit closer to heaven, the true believer climbed atop a stack of wheat straw on the hill.

After an all-night vigil, he was very sleepy. Unbeknownst to him, some mischievous boys had followed the man to the hilltop. When the sun arose, and shone warmly on the watcher, he fell asleep. Thereupon, the boys set fire to the straw stack and ran quietly for cover.

Upon awakening the farmer cried, "Judgment Da-a-a-y! And me in Hell, just as I expected!"

this morning; first to the sinners, then to the saints."

He proceeded to address the "sinners" for a while, and then said they could leave.

For once, every member of the congregation stayed to the end of the sermon.





STEVEN DEATON

# IN THE NEWS

## FIRST ANTIOCH CONFERENCE ON RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE AND PEACE

*Paul, the apostle of Jesus of Nazareth (Christ to me, but maybe not to others), to Timothy, Barnabas, Titus, and Demas.*

*Men, I implore you to attend the upcoming First Antioch Conference on Religious Tolerance and Peace, sponsored by the Athens Institute for Compromise Management. There will be speakers from various faiths and non-faiths. In the attached chart*

*is a list of the men scheduled to speak and the topics they will address. I believe this will go a long way to heal the wounds caused by Peter when he said there is no other way of salvation than through Jesus (Acts 4:12). We can only hope he will accept our invitation to attend our peaceful and loving gathering and begin his road to recovery.*

*If Peter attends we will give him five minutes to explain why he is wrong and how he plans to*

Thursday	Annas	Why I Believe Jesus is a Fraud
	Caiaphas	Why I Believe Jesus is a Liar
	Paul	The Road To Damascus: The True Story (How I Misinterpreted the Experience)
Friday	Demetrius	How Christianity is Destructive To The World Economy: Christians Want To Starve Your Family
	Alexander	The Recovery of A Disciplined Christian: Jesus Still Loves Me
	Dionysius	Paganism's Path To Peace or How Polytheism Is The Only Solution To Religious Division [Lecture will end one hour before sunset]
Saturday		*Sabbath Break In Respect of Our Jewish Brethren
Sunday		*Feast To Bacchus In Respect of Our Pagan Brethren

*make amends. Otherwise the schedule is filled.*

*Please let everyone who plans to attend know that they are to refrain from terms like "Lord of lords" with reference to Jesus. Our pagan and Jewish brethren will be offended. Also, things like "One body" and "all authority" must be avoided. This is a conference of peace and tolerance, not a time to air differences or cause strife.*

*By the way, we have been unable to come up with a title for this historic meeting. Some suggestions were submitted, but we are unsure: Christianity's Arrogance; We Are All Going To Heaven; The Way: Illusion or Delusion. The last one is my favorite, but if you have any other suggestions please let me know. We need to get a banner painted soon.*

*Peace to you,  
Paul*

# WHO WERE “THE SCRIBES”?

LEWIS WILLIS

Originally, “the scribes” were responsible for writing or copying important documents, especially the Law God had given to the Jews at Sinai. Nothing evil was originally associated with them or their work. In time, however, they became “lawyers,” interpreting the Jewish Law for the nation.

We in America have a civil law, and courts exist for making decisions about the applications of our law. Ultimately, the U.S. Supreme Court makes decisions about our law. “Lawyers” argue the differing points involved in hopes of getting the court to rule in their favor.

By contrast, the Jews had a religious law. The Jewish Sanhedrin Council was about the equivalent of our Supreme Court. The “scribes” became the “lawyers” who argued before the Sanhedrin, seeking to get a ruling in their favor regarding the application of the Jewish Law.

## In The Old Testament

Ezra was not only an Old Testament priest, he was also a “scribe.” The Scripture says, “This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he was a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which the Lord God of Israel had

given. . . . Now this is the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest, the scribe, even a scribe of the words of the commandments of the Lord, and of his statutes to Israel” (Ezra 7:6, 11).

The Law of God was both a religious and a civil law. The Jews needed someone to determine its meaning. That role fell to the scribes. Their decisions were binding. Sometimes their “interpretations”

were more binding than the Law itself.

In the New Testament we find several references to “the scribes,” among both the Pharisees and Sadducees.

“And when he (Herod) had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he *demand*ed of them *where Christ should be born*” (Matt. 2:4). In time they joined in opposition to Christ. “*And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; they were sore displeas*ed” (Matt. 21:15). Thus, we see why Jesus, in Matthew 23, included them in his rebukes.

A part of the scribes’ condemnation came because of decisions they had convinced the Sanhedrin to make which were clear violations of the Law of God. Through the years there developed among the Jews several divisions or sects. Among these were the Pharisees, Sadducees, Essenes, Zealots, and the scribes. They all professed loyalty to the written Mount Sinai Law, known as the Torah. The Torah was regarded as inspired and authoritative. But, in time, an oral Law came into being.

The Oral Law later became known as the Mishnah. The Mishnah was a document containing the “traditions” which developed from rulings “the scribes” succeeded in getting the Sanhedrin to issue. The Torah made no provisions for life in captivity, away from the Temple. The Mishnah, or oral law, was produced to provide instructions in that circumstance. The Mishnah came to be so revered that it was claimed that it extended all the way back to Moses himself, and was transmitted orally, paralleling the written law, the Torah in authority.

## In The New Testament

By the time Jesus came, the “traditions” which “the scribes,” Pharisees, and Sadducees had developed, posed a major problem which Jesus had to confront. In both Matthew and Mark references to this crisis appear. Matthew records Jesus saying, “But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men” (Matt. 15:9).



# Fourth Annual Truth Magazine Lectures

## *Great Texts of the Old Testament*

June 25-28, 2007, Bowling Green, Kentucky

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8:00 - 8:50	In the Beginning (Gen. 1:1) <b>Tom Roberts</b>	The Abrahamic Covenant (Gen. 12:1-7) <b>Daniel King</b>	The Cleansing of Naaman (2 Kings 5) <b>Doug Roush</b>
9:00 - 9:50 A	The Ten Commandments (Exod. 20) <b>Mike Hardin</b>	The Davidic Covenant (2 Sam. 7) <b>Greg Litmer</b>	Here Am I, Send Me (Isa. 6:8) <b>Curtis Pope</b>
9:00 - 9:50 B	How Can I Do This Great Wickedness, and Sin Against God? (Gen. 39:9) <b>Heath Rogers</b>	Remember Thy Creator in the Days of Thy Youth (Eccl. 12:1) <b>Jeff Curtis</b>	Ezra Prepared His Heart (Ezra 7:10) <b>Jay Horsley</b>
10:00 - 10:50 A	The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psa. 23) <b>Dorris Rader</b>	I Know That My Redeemer Lives (Job 19:23-25) <b>Gary Henry</b>	Let Us Rise Up and Build (Neh. 2:18) <b>Chuck Bartlett</b>
10:00 - 10:50 B	How to Sing With Understanding: David Maravilla		
11:00 - 11:50 A	There Arose a Generation that Knew Not God (Judg. 2:10) <b>Bob Waldron</b>	Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive (Isa. 7:14; 9:6) <b>Valerio Marchi</b>	A Watchman to the House of Israel (Ezek. 3:16-17) <b>John Gentry</b>
11:00 - 11:50 B	Relevance or Humanism <b>Sandra Waldron</b>	Lessons From Abigail <b>Judy Hafley</b>	My People Are Destroyed For Lack of Knowledge (Hos. 4:6) <b>Jennifer Maxey</b>
Lunch Break			
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Open Forum on Worship Panel Discussion <b>Steve Wolfgang • Mark Coulson</b> <b>David Maravilla • Craig Roberts</b>		Open Forum
Singing 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.			
Who Is The Lord That I Should Obey His Voice? (Exod. 5:2) <b>Johnie Edwards</b>	As For Me and My House (Josh. 24:14-15) <b>Brett Hogland</b>	Singing	Seeking the Old Paths (Jer. 6:16) <b>Jarrod Jacobs</b>

Mark's account of this same instruction says, "Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition" (Mark 7:7-9).

The "traditions" which "the scribes" had developed through their interpretations of the Law had replaced the "commandments" of God. Thus, the worship they attempted to offer had been rendered "vain," because they followed these perversions of God's will. This was

the contribution of "the scribes" which Jesus had in mind in Matthew 23. In that one chapter Jesus condemned them by name eight times, and by extension, he condemned them five additional times, if I have made a correct count.

"The scribes" had become a great hindrance to the cause of the Lord, thinking they knew as much about the will of God as God himself knew. We don't have any "scribes" around today, like those of old, but, unfortunately, we have numbers of mere men who seem to think their conclusions on spiritual matters are better than the Lord's. How sad!

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# SINGING WITH UNDERSTANDING

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## CROSSING THE JORDAN

After leaving Egypt forty years earlier, the Israelites were poised to enter Canaan from their encampment in Shittim. The last obstacle between the Jews and the Promised Land was the Jordan. Just as traversing natural barriers has always been a major problem in military campaigns, so crossing the Jordan with a large army during flood season would be daunting. However, God stopped the flow of the river upstream, which allowed his people to cross “on dry ground” (Josh. 3:14-17). After conquering the land, Israel enjoyed “rest” (Josh. 21:43-44).

### A Rest Remains

Hebrews 4:1-11 likens Israel’s rest in Canaan to our rest in heaven and urges us to “be diligent to enter that rest” (v. 11). The Promised Land represented heaven and crossing the Jordan compares to passing from this life into eternal life. Many hymns employ this figure—as pilgrims here, we have to cross our “Jordan” to attain our possession in heaven. Notice these examples:

#### “On Jordan’s Stormy Banks”

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand,  
And cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan’s fair and happy land,  
Where my possessions lie.

#### “Sing On, Ye Joyful Pilgrims”

And looking over Jordan,  
I see the Promised Land.  
Where angels there are waiting  
To greet us on the shore,

We’ll meet beyond the river,  
Where surges roll no more.

#### “When the Roll Is Called up Yonder”

When the saved of earth shall gather  
Over on the other shore,  
And the roll is called up yonder I’ll  
be there.

### The Fear of Death

If passing from this life to the next is like crossing the Jordan, then death is the point at which we “cross.” Christians should not fear death, because through it we gain rest in our Promised Land. “He Leadeth Me” makes this point:

And when my task on earth is done,  
When, by Thy grace, the victory’s won,  
E’en death’s cold wave I will not flee,  
Since God through Jordan leadeth me.

Indeed, “even death’s cold wave” should not trouble us, because God will see that we make it over just as he did for Israel.

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” recalls how God provided guidance, protection, and sustenance to Israel in the wilderness, and asks that he provide similarly for us. Notice the last verse in our hymnals:

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Bear me through the swelling current,  
Land me safe on Canaan’s side.

Certainly, the Jews had “anxious fears” about getting a huge number

of people across a flooded river. Those fears subsided when the water stopped flowing, and that happened as soon as the feet of the priests carrying the ark touched the edge, or the “verge,” of the water (Josh. 3:14-16). Likewise, when we are on the brink of death, God will help us with our fears and ensure that we “cross over” in safety.

### A Lamp to My Feet, a Light to My Path

“Give Me the Bible” uses the imagery of illumination to portray God’s word. The last verse ends by asking God to show us the correct attitude toward death:

Show me the glory  
Gilding Jordan’s wave.

The image here is that, instead of looking threatening, the appearance of the Jordan changes with light from above—the light gives a golden tint to the muddy waves, thus “gilding” them. Like the cloud with a “silver lining,” something ominous becomes hopeful. The foreboding river we must cross is death, but illumination from God’s word makes death look glorious since it is the transition from temporary pilgrimage to eternal possession.

“Crossing the Jordan” as it represents death and passing over into life is just one of many biblical themes echoed in hymns. Singing these things with understanding helps us open our hearts to God’s word and apply its truths.

# SHOULD WE ANOINT THE SICK WITH OIL?

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In the last chapter of the book of James, the Holy Spirit offers these words regarding prayer for the sick, “Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven” (Jas. 5:14-15, NKJV). As Christians strive to do all those things (and only those things) which are authorized in God’s word, the question sometimes arises as to whether this instruction is binding for us today. In this brief study we will consider some of the issues which surround this question.

## Oil Anointing in the New Testament

The references in the New Testament to anointing with oil fall into six categories:

**1. Messianic.** In ancient Israel the king of God’s people was anointed with oil by a prophet of God to signify his Divine appointment (1 Sam. 10:1; 16:14). The one whom God promised who would come to be priest, prophet, and king was called the *Messiah* (Hebrew) or *Christ* (Greek), meaning “Anointed One.” Jesus came as God’s Anointed, “to preach the gospel to the poor” and “liberty to the captives” (Luke 4:18). He is referred to as having been anointed by God (Acts 4:26-27) with the Holy Spirit and power (Acts 10:38).

**2. Metaphorical.** In three instances anointing with oil is used as a metaphor for something else. Hebrews 1:9 quotes from Psalm 45:6-7 in reference to God’s loving mercy which is likened to an anointing with “the oil of gladness.” The Apostle John in two instances appears to speak of the miraculous pouring out of the Holy Spirit, as “an anointing from the Holy One” (1 John 1:20, 27). No literal oil is involved.

**3. Refreshment.** By far, the most frequent references to anointing with oil refer to it as a type of cleansing or refreshing. The Christian who fasts is instructed “when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face” (Matt. 6:17). This refreshing is the initial reason (before Jesus explains the deeper significance) that Mary Magdalene anoints Jesus’ head and feet with “very costly fragrant oil” (Matt. 26:7, also 26:9; Mark 14:3-4; Luke 37-38, 46; John 11:2; 12:2-5).

**4. Funerary.** When Jesus is criticized for allowing

Mary to anoint him with this expensive oil, he not only foreshadows his future death, but suggests to us that burial was another customary occasion for anointing with oil. He states, “For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did it for My burial” (Matt. 26:12). After his actual burial occurred, Mary would try again, to anoint his dead body, only to witness his resurrection (Mark 16:1).

**5. Medicinal.** In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus tells of a man who is a neighbor to a stranger he finds beaten and left for dead. The text says, “So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him” (Luke 10:34). Here, the anointing is purely medicinal. The Samaritan has no power to heal, he simply gives the medical help within his ability (cf. Rev. 3:18). Various medicinal oils and salves were used in ancient times.

**6. Miraculous.** The final category may be an extension of the medicinal application. When Jesus sends out his disciples to teach the gospel they are given power to do miracles. As they go the text says, “And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick, and healed them” (Mark 6:13). It is unclear whether or not this is describing common medicine or some miraculous use of oil (cf. John 9:6, 11, anointing with mud in a miracle).

## What Does James 5:14 Teach?

The medicinal and/or refreshment use of oil appears to be the only applications of the anointing with oil that fits James 5:14. No metaphor, messianic, or funerary language is indicated. Further, anointing with oil used to carry out miracles, miraculous spiritual gifts, was only passed on through a direct gift from God or the laying on of the Apostle’s hands (see Acts 8:14-19). The latter is not possible today since there are no living apostles. Considering all the applications of anointing with oil, we can conclude that James is telling elders, who are called to the sick, to do what they can to offer refreshment and medical assistance to the sick and also pray to God. God can, and does, answer prayers. If a member should request oil for refreshment or medicinal treatment, it should be done. If a member does so expecting a miracle, it should not.

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## ANTIOCH THE INFLUENCE OF A CHURCH THAT STARTED AS A MISSION FIELD

Antioch of Syria dates from 300 B.C. and became a Roman possession in 65 B.C. It was the third largest city of the Roman empire and became the site of one of the great churches of the first century. It was at Antioch where the first of Paul's great missionary journeys originated (Acts 13:1-3; 15:36-41). It was the first church of which we read to challenge the Judaizing teachers who troubled churches in those early days (Acts 15:1-2). Antioch was also the first church of which we read to undertake the benevolent relief of brethren in other places (Acts 11:27-30). In light of this, it is instructive to recall that this city was itself once a mission field.

We read of the origins and growth of the church in Antioch in Acts 11. Some of those who had left Judea upon the persecution that arose after Stephen's death came to the city, preaching the gospel first to Jews and later to Greeks. Great numbers were converted (vv. 19-21). The news from Antioch was so encouraging that the church in Jerusalem sent forth Barnabus to aid in the work there. He later influenced Saul (Paul) to come and they worked together with the church there a whole year (vv. 22-26). It was at Antioch that God's people were first called Christians (v. 26). And so it was that this church began and grew to be one of

the most influential churches that we read of in the New Testament.

### Other Examples of This in the First Century

How many times this story has been repeated! The new work in Ephesus became the "door" through which "all they that dwelt in Asia heard the word of God" (1 Cor. 16:8-9; Acts 19:8-10). After a period in which the church at Philippi was started and built up in the faith it "sent once and again unto" Paul's needs in Thessalonica and later helped him when he was in prison (Acts 16:11-40; Phil. 4:15-16, 10, 18). The church in Thessalonica, itself fresh from being a mission field, supported the preaching of the gospel to the point that Paul could write of it, "For from you hath sounded forth the word of the Lord, not only Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith to God-ward is gone forth" (1 Thess. 1:8). These churches and others were also part of the great contribution later made for the poor saints in Jerusalem (1 Cor. 16:1-2; Rom. 15:25-26; Acts 20:1-6; 24:17). (Having noted all of the above, let it be remembered that *the church in Antioch was directly or indirectly instrumental in the establishment of all these churches and more!*) Let us not overlook the example of these churches that were once mission fields. They all grew to where they supported the preaching of the

gospel and helped with benevolent needs in other places.

### A Few Modern Day Examples

The Knollwood Church of Christ in Beavercreek, Ohio, started when a group left the Haynes Street Church of Christ in Dayton, Ohio. This church has spread the gospel in its own area and supported the preaching of the gospel around the world. Further, former members of this congregation are now preaching in a number of places, at least two of them, this writer included, in other countries.

The church in Plainfield, Indiana has been responsible for the establishment of three other churches in its general area (Danville, Mooresville, and Belleville). Two of these churches are now supporting the preaching of the gospel in other areas. Further, the Plainfield church has for years offered preacher training classes to help aspiring men to further their knowledge and abilities.

Another church that has followed this pattern is the one where brother Valerio Marchi has labored for many years in Udine, Italy. The church started in the 1980s through the efforts of Stefano Corazza and, I believe, Gianni Berdini. It has made many efforts in spreading the gospel in Udine and in the towns round about. Udine's efforts have

included the renting of meeting places where studies were regularly held in other towns and a radio program. Brother Marchi has written in at least two different publications over the years. Also, the church has allowed him to travel to other places and preach. These things have worked out in the conversion of souls to Christ and a number of churches in Italy leaving liberalism.

The church in Ramstein, Germany, started in the late 1970s in nearby Sembach and moved to Ramstein in 1982. The writer preaches at Ramstein and has been encouraged over the years to preach in many places where an open door was presented. As the church has grown it has been active in spreading the gospel, helping with much one-time support of men in various places in the world and benevolent help. At one point in 1998 the treasurer informed this writer that the church had sent out over \$10,000 in outside help and one-time support in the previous six months. While its abilities to send to needs has risen and fallen over the years, what it has done speaks well of a church that has generally averaged around forty in attendance on Lord's day morning.

The Lord's church in Laoag, northern Luzon, in the Philippines, where brother Matt Sibayan preaches, has long been active in spreading the gospel in its area. Countless churches have been established all around Ilocos Norte (the province where the church is located)

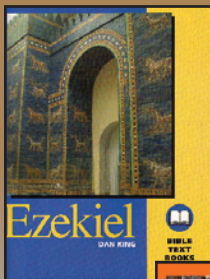
as well as in adjoining provinces. Rody Gumpad was converted by brother Sibayan. Brother Rody later moved to Tuguegarao, also on Luzon. While brother Gumpad has received outside support, the church in Tuguegarao has stood by him in his efforts to evangelize areas near and far. Probably over a hundred churches have been established around Tuguegarao either directly or indirectly as a result of the church's there influence. Further, this church also holds a yearly month-long preacher training class that has helped to train and equip would-be gospel preachers. Many of the men who have graduated from these classes have already gone on to do much good in the work of the Lord on northern Luzon. Brother Gumpad recently had a televised debated with a Baptist preacher that did much good.

## Conclusion

The example of the church in Antioch thus commends itself to us today via countless cases of imitation. Pertinent questions arise in light of all this: (1) At the church where I am a member are we working at following Antioch's example? (2) If we are supporting a preacher in other places is the church where he is located working to follow that example? It must be allowed that the ground is harder in some places than in others (Rev. 2:8, 9, 12, 13). However, let us always keep the lofty example of Antioch before us, remembering the great results of its labors.

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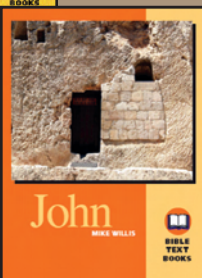
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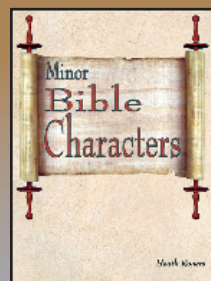
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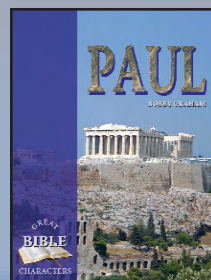


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# “THE DAYS OF OUR YEARS”

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The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off and we fly away (Ps. 90:10).

Psalms 90 is the only one of the Psalms written by Moses. It is the oldest of the

Psalms in point of time. He also sang (and later wrote) “The Song of Victory” over Pharaoh and his army when the Israelites had passed safely through the Red Sea and their oppressors had all drowned (Exod. 15:1-19). Moses also was commanded to write and teach “The Song of Moses” recorded in Deuteronomy (31:19-22, 30; 32:1-45).

Moses lived to be one hundred and twenty years of age (Deut. 32:2). “So Moses the servant of the Lord died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the Lord. And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but no man knoweth his sepulchre unto this day. And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated” (Deut. 34:5-7).

In the last forty years of his life, Moses had witnessed the deaths of approximately two million Israelites, those who left Egypt twenty years of age and above, and who then perished in the thirty–eight years of wilderness wanderings before the nation came to the Plains of Moab, on the east side of the Jordan opposite to Jericho. Here the survivors of the wanderings in the wilderness, plus the two new generations born since Sinai, waited for Jehovah’s directions regarding the crossing of the Jordan into the land of Canaan, “the Promised Land”! Probably averaging the ages of those who perished in the wilderness wanderings, the ages would be seventy to eighty years of age.

If one were to die at age “threescore years and ten,” seventy years, on the seventieth birthday, he would have lived exactly 25,568 days, counting the “leap years.” If one were to die at age “fourscore years,” eighty years, on his eightieth birthday, he would have lived exactly 29,220 days, counting the “leap years.”

No wonder Moses spoke of “the days of our years” of our life. In Psalm 90, he speaks of “days” five times, of “years” six times, of “yesterday” one time, of “morning” two times, and of “evening” one time. Mornings and evenings rapidly come and go, or “the evening and the morning” (Gen. 1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31), as Jehovah first said it. Such past days become “yesterdays.” Days and yesterdays become weeks, months, years, and a lifetime! “For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told” (Ps. 90:9).

Having recently passed my eightieth birthday, I realize more and more the beauty, truthfulness, and meaning of Psalm 90. These many short days, weeks, months, and years are truly “like a vapor that appeareth for a little while, and then vanisheth away,” are “swifter than a weaver’s shuttle,” and “all the glory of man is as the flower of grass; the grass withereth and the flower thereof falleth.” A poet wrote,

Art is long, and Time is fleeting,  
And our hearts, though stout and brave;  
Still, like muffled drums are beating,  
Funeral marches to the grave

(Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, “A Psalm Of Life,” stanza 4).

So what can one do and what should one do, being powerless to slow or check “the clock of time”?

Moses answered: “So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. . . . O satisfy us early with thy mercy. . . . Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil. Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children. Let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us” (Ps. 90:12, 14, 15-17).

Moses learned how to live, how to exit this life and world, and how to prepare to enter into eternity and life with our Creator and our God. He used the last forty years of his one hundred and twenty years to seriously make the spiritual preparations necessary to meeting God face to face (Deut. 34:10-12; Heb. 11:23-29). We are all aware of God’s will and Moses’ example. “Go, and do thou likewise” (Luke 10:37), our Lord Jesus Christ would also say to us!

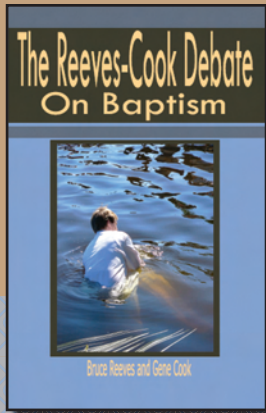


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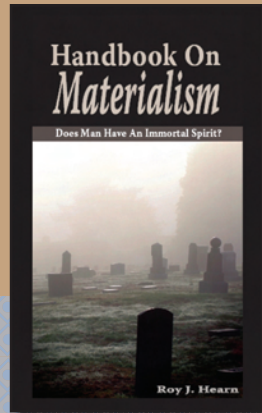


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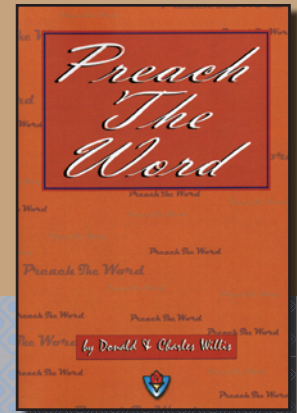
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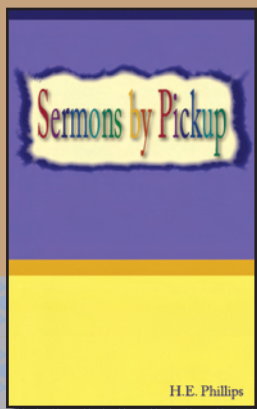
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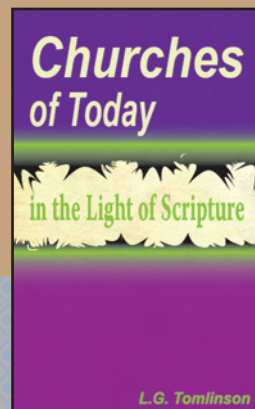
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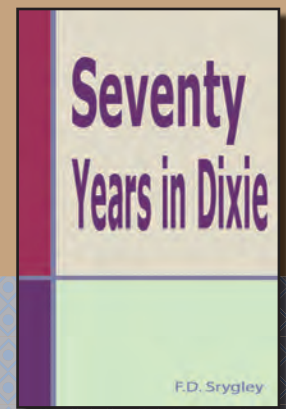
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# GOD'S DISAPPOINTING CHILDREN

The prophet Jeremiah writes in very emotional and moving terms about the distress that was brought to the Lord by the behavior of the children of Israel. Jeremiah 2:13, 20-22 reads:

For my people have committed two evils, they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns that can hold no water. . . . For of old times I have broken thy yoke, and burst thy bands; and you said, I will not transgress: when on every high hill and under every green tree you wander playing the harlot. Yet have I planted you a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art you turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me? For though you wash with nitre, and take much soap, yet your iniquity is marked before me, says the Lord God.

These moving words were written about Israel who later went into Assyria and mingled themselves with the heathens to become known to us as the Samaritans. What a tragedy! Later the same thing was to happen to Israel's sister, Judah, as she went into Babylonian captivity for her unfaithfulness to God. There she was purged over a seventy year period to come back into the land as a nation that no longer served the idols of the world. But this nation (God's called out nation), was to later crucify their own Messiah of promise. A few days before he was crucified Jesus laments their departure in Matthew 23:37-38: "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who killed the prophets and stoned them which are sent unto you, how often would I have gathered thy children together even as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and ye would not. Behold your house is left unto you desolate."

Needless to say, the Lord was broken hearted over the behavior of his children. God had done all anyone could do to bring them to obedience. Christ gave the ultimate so mankind could be saved, but still the Jew rejected their Savior and many do the same today.

Every parent can sympathize with the way the Lord must have felt and with the way he feels today. When a child is born to a young couple, the parents look at that child and have every hope of protecting and training him to be pure and holy. No parent in his right mind wants his child to be exposed to all the seamier elements of the carnal world. We want the best for our children and God feels no differently toward his.

Godly parents are instructed by God in Ephesians 6:4: "Fathers, provoke not your children to wrath, but raise them up in the nurture and *admonition of the Lord.*" Under the Old Law Deuteronomy 6:6-8 says: "These words, which I command thee this day, shall be in your heart: and you shall teach them diligently unto thy children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lay down and when you rise up. You shall bind them for a sign upon you *hand and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.*" God has always expected the parents to teach the children the right ways and lead them in the right direction. No parent in his right mind wants the worst for his children. We do not raise our children with the idea that they will become fornicators, murderers, idolaters, gamblers, drinkers, dope addicts, and liars. We want a better life for our children. Still some children will rebel from the right paths taught them by their parents, and will enter into practices that they were not taught and walk in paths that they were warned to stay away from. Ezekiel 18:2-13

speaks of just such a circumstance. God did not fail his children; his children failed him. Every earthly parent should rear his children in the right ways, and if he departs, as the prodigal son did in Luke 15, let it be in spite of his training and not because of it. When a child decides to walk against the precepts of God, which he has been instructed to walk in, he is not to be coddled or comforted in his sins, but is to be made to stand accountable for his actions. The prodigal son walked all over his conscience and even though forgiven bore the scars of his raucous life all of his days. He was unable to look back on his youth with joy, but with sadness (Eccl. 12:1, 2). This was the one of the consequences of his sinful lifestyle. He had many regrets, just as David did all of his life. Sin scars and Satan has nothing good to offer, but still he draws God's faithful children through the age old traps of lust of the eye, lust of the flesh, and the pride of life (1 John 2:16).

Our Savior died on the cross to make atonement for our sins. He did not die to save us in our sins but from our sins. He has every right to expect a higher path for his children. He alone is wise enough to direct our paths. He was tempted in all points like as we yet without sin. He knows how to comfort those who are weak, and how to bring them home when they are overcome by the world. He is "longsuffering to us not willing that any perish but that all should come to repentance" (2 Pet. 3:9).

God is broken hearted when his offspring go after the things of this world and engage in practices he has instructed are the ways of death. Still he will not prevent his children from making that choice. He will however hold them accountable for such choices (Gal. 6:9; Rom. 14:12).

Why do we today, who are God's children, knowing what we know, and loving him as we love him, disobey and disappoint him as we so often do? Is it because we have forgotten what he did to save our souls? Is it because we have failed to love him? Is it because he did not do a good job of instructing and training us in the right paths? Is it his fault? No! God is perfect and he has devised a perfect law that all men can follow. If they follow his law, then they will have a great life. If they "walk in the light as He is in the light they have fellowship with one another and the blood of Christ cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).

There was a phrase we heard years ago that we implemented in raising our children it said, "God did not make any junk." God truly did a flawless job in making provision for us as children and he has done the ultimate in every aspect so that his children can be all he hoped for them to be and be able to be reunited with

him one day in heaven. Let none impugn God for their flaws.

Blessed is the man that endures temptation for when he is tried he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord has promised to them that love Him. Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God, for God cannot be tempted with evil neither does he tempt any man. But every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust and enticed then when lust conceives it brings forth sin and sin when it is finished brings forth death, do not err, my beloved brethren. Every good and perfect gift is from above and comes down from the Father of lights with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures (Jas. 1:12-18).

As a child of my parents, I was a disappointment to them at times. At other times, I imagine that I was a joy to have as a child. I am thankful to my godly parents for not giving up on me and for making me stand accountable for my actions. I thank them for all they did in instilling godly principles and a sound conscience in me. I am still a target for Satan, as all of us will be until we die. God in his wisdom gave us parents to guide us and to chastise us when we went wrong. Timothy had a godly mother and grandmother who guided him in the right ways. As thankful as I am for my godly parents and grandparents, I am more thankful to my heavenly Father for his patience and unwavering law that continues to draw us back to him. I am thankful for his Son who loved me enough to die for me so that I can live with him forever. The least I can do while on this earth is to live for Jesus and try my best to bring glory to his name and not shame. May we all live in such a way as to make our heavenly Father proud of us. Let us all determine that we will not be a disappointment to God and bring to nothing all he has sacrificed and provided for us. Let all Christians honor our heavenly Father by bringing him the fruit of a righteous and godly life lived in accordance to the way he has raised us. Make God happy not sad!

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# THE POPE APOLOGIZES?

JESSE FLOWERS

I'm sure you've heard quite a bit about this in the news of late. Pope Benedict XVI came under a hail of criticism from the Islamic world for comments he made regarding the prophet Mohammed and the Muslim faith.

During a recent address at the University of Regensburg, the pope quoted fourteenth century Byzantine emperor Manuel II Paleologus. The portion of the quote that really caused Pope Benedict to come

under fire was the following: "Show me just what Mohammed brought that was new, and there you will find things only evil and inhuman, such as his command to spread by the sword the faith he preached."

I was amused and somewhat surprised how quickly the Catholic Pope and the Vatican began to back pedal on this controversial issue. Benedict has apologized multiple times and has even gone so far as to meet with Muslim leaders to smooth relations with them once again. There are a few things that strike me as rather intriguing in all of this.

**1. The Pope apologized.** It seems strange that the supposed Vicar of Christ ("A title of the pope

implying his supreme and universal primacy, both of honor and of jurisdiction, over the Church of Christ," *Catholic Encyclopedia*) would have to apologize to anyone. How could Christ's representative on earth be wrong about anything?! You will never find in the New Testament Christ apologizing to an individual or a group of people for anything that he said. In fact, you will find just the opposite. When our Lord offended some religious

people of his day (Matt. 15:12), he responded by saying: "Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone.

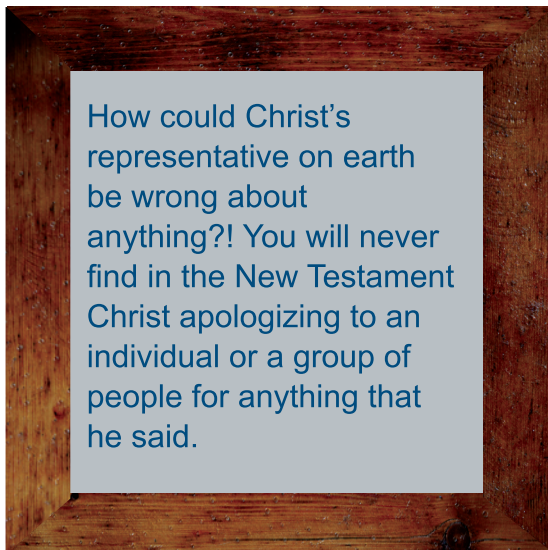
They are blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind leads the blind, both will fall into a ditch" (Matt. 15:13-14). Does that sound like an apology to you? Furthermore, doesn't it strike you as being odd that one who also supposedly possesses the gift of infallibility would have to apologize for something he said? Go figure.

**2. Apologizing for the truth.** Why apologize to someone if you spoke the truth? Well, that's exactly what Pope Benedict did after his quote got him in hot water with

Muslims. Was the information not factual about the "prophet" Mohammed and his religion? Is it untrue that he "spread by the sword the faith he preached"? No, it's definitely true. Mohammed led his followers in spreading their religion with the sword, raiding caravans and waging war until Mecca surrendered to him in 630. A number of Muslims today continue in the path of Islam's founder and the teachings of the Qur'an in utilizing the weapons of war.

Take for example chapter 9:29 of the Qur'an. "Make war upon such of those to whom the Scriptures have been given as believe not in God, or in the last day, and who forbid not that which God and his Apostle have forbidden, and who profess not the profession of the truth, until they pay tribute out of the hand, and they be humbled." We do not have the room in this brief article to quote the many passages from the Qur'an that not only encourage violence but demand it of faithful followers. But if you can secure a copy of their "holy book," then look up the following passages found in the Qur'an (2:190-194, 216-218; 3:151-152, 166-174, 195; 4:74-78, 95; 8:65-69; 9:5, 12-14, 29, 41, 111, 123). There are over 100 verses encouraging violence to spread Islam.

I am sick and tired of hearing so many say that the religion of Islam is a peaceful religion. Such claims could not be further from the truth! The very teachings of their own sacred book say otherwise. So why would the Pope apologize if what



he said was the truth? The apostle Paul never apologized for teaching the truth but simply asked some: "Have I therefore become your enemy because I tell you the truth?" (Gal. 4:16).

### 3. The Catholic and Islamic Religions are Wrong.

To get to the heart of the matter, the Pope and Mohammed are false teachers belonging to false religions. Talk about a statement that would offend many and cause a lot of backlash in the religious world! But when the Bible is recognized as our standard because it is the inspired word of God, then we can come to no other honest conclusion.

Where in the Scriptures is it ever revealed that God established the Catholic or Islamic religion? Where do you find the Holy Spirit's revelation concerning either one? And where do you find in the New Testament Jesus Christ or any of his apostles ever establishing either one of these religions? You don't. What you do find is God's

eternal purpose through his beloved Son to establish a spiritual kingdom, the church (Dan. 2:44; Matt. 16:18; Eph. 3:10-11; 1 Tim. 3:14-16; Tit. 1:1-2; Rev. 13:8). There is "one faith" and no more (Eph. 4:5). There is one religious body, the church, and no more (Eph. 4:4; 1:22-23). There is "one hope" and no more (Eph. 4:4). As Christ plainly declared himself, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father, except through Me" (John 14:6).

## Conclusion

So what will we do when we offend and upset religious people with the truth? Will we apologize for what we said? Will we cower when the threats are spoken by those who are more than willing to harm us? The temptation will certainly be present. Yet, let us rise up and "fight the good fight of faith" by speaking the truth in love with all boldness!

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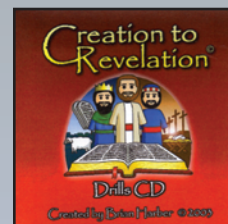


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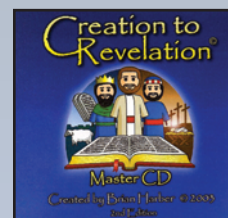
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# TEACHER TALK

## A TEACHER'S INFLUENCE

In our ladies' Bible class on Wednesday night, I have been teaching from the book *The Christian and His Influence* by the late Wendell Winkler. We have become more aware of the many ways the Lord has shown us the power of our influence as Christians and Bible Class teachers.

Jesus said we are the salt of the earth (Matt. 5:13), the light of the world (Matt. 5:14-16), and the epistles of Christ, seen and read of all men (2 Cor. 3:2,3). We show forth our influence in the community, on the job, in the home, and in our local congregations. We all have an influence . . . whether it be good or bad. As a definition of influence we might say, it is that invisible force in one's personality that causes others to act.

As teachers of the younger children, it becomes apparent how important our teaching is when we see those young lives we have influenced become obedient to the gospel when they reach the age of accountability. Recently teachers have asked me for books to help them and the parents of the young people understand when this age really is. A new book was recently released entitled *Am I Ready To Be Baptized?* by Kyle Butt and John Farber. Also, another book helpful along this line is *Am I Old Enough To Be Baptized?* As parents, we likely have all faced this scenario with our own children when they have reached this age. Training up a child in the way he should go is not an easy task. It is not only the

responsibility of the parents but also the Bible class teachers, preachers, and elders as well.

An effective teacher's influence can be found in Ezra 7:10 where we are told, "For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach his statutes and ordinances in Israel." In this Scripture we see many ways the teacher is accountable.

- We are to prepare our heart for obedient service. A teacher whose heart is not right with God will not be an effective teacher.
- We must seek the meaning of God's word and be able to apply it to our own life.
- After making the application we will not be credible if we do not live up to what we teach. We are known by our fruit (John 15:1-8).
- When these criteria are met we are ready to teach.

It has been said that true Bible teaching is the overflow of one obedient life into the life of another. As a good teacher we do not have to be perfect, but our heart has to be right with God. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul and with all thy might" (Deut. 6:5).

The life of the church is so dependent on good teachers. Jesus is our perfect example to follow. He prepared his heart and sought his Father's will throughout his life as we must do. His influence was certainly shown in the life of those he taught. What an example for us.

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## RUTH

### Theme:

God selected a virtuous woman named Ruth to be the great-grandmother of King David. She was a Gentile living in the land of Moab, but she became a follower of the one true God and moved from Moab to the land of Israel. The story of Ruth is important because Jesus Christ would come through the family of David many centuries later.

### Memory Verse

"[Boaz married Ruth and] the Lord gave her . . . a son . . . they called his name Obed: he is the father of Jesse, the father of David" (Ruth 4:13, 17).

### Short Answers:

1. Who was Naomi's husband (Ruth 1:2)?
  
2. Where did Naomi and her family move (Ruth 1:2)?
  
3. How many sons did Elimelech and Naomi have and what were their names (Ruth 1:2)?
  
4. Who were the women who married these men (Ruth 1:4)?
  
5. What happened to these men (Ruth 1:5)?
  
6. When Naomi decided to go home, what did Ruth say (Ruth 1:16-17)?
  - a. Entreat \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. for whither \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. and where \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. thy people \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. thy God \_\_\_\_\_
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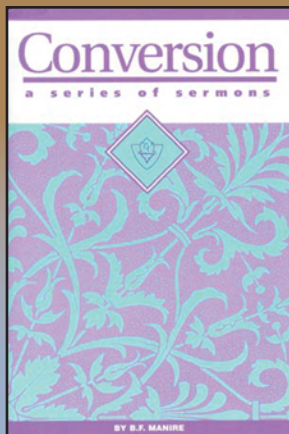
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we had funds available to help. Some elders (and some other members) can only see within the local congregation. They have little vision for taking the gospel to those outside their local church and community. Requests that come from hundreds of miles away are dismissed. Such churches have not caught the spirit of the church at Antioch of Syria which sent out Paul and Barnabas to preach wherever they could find an audience (Acts 13:1-3). How thrilled that congregation must have been when Paul and Barnabas returned and

reported their successes on the first missionary journey! I can imagine approaching a church today and saying, “I have a vision about evangelism. Brother Barnabas and I are going to go on a preaching trip to \_\_\_\_\_. We would like to take Barnabas’ cousin, John Mark, with us. Would you support us in this work? We’ll probably need enough support to be gone six months to a year.” Were the Macedonian call (“Come over into Macedonia and help us,” Acts 16:9) to come to elders in those churches which are hoarding the Lord’s money, how would they respond? “We can’t! We are saving for an emergency.”

I have only raised support to work overseas on one occasion, but I have talked to several who have gone time and again. They frequently are surprised at the ones who respond. One brother related to me about asking a church to help in his work. The church had only \$7,000 in the bank and had already committed a portion of that to helping on this particular trip. In the course of his presentation, the brother mentioned needs for material that could be purchased and taken with him on the trip. The men of the business meeting hurriedly called a business meeting and raised another \$2000 for the materials. Does that make you think of Macedonia?

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7. Where did Naomi and Ruth move after their husbands died (Ruth 1:22)?
8. From whose field did Ruth glean corn and what does gleaning mean (Ruth 2:3)?
9. Who helped Naomi and Ruth find a kinsman (relative) for Ruth to marry (Ruth 2:20)?
10. Boaz said that all the people knew Ruth was what kind of woman (Ruth 3:11)?

### Review memory verse from Joshua:

“The Lord raised them up judges . . . and delivered them out of the hand of their enemies” (Josh. 2:18).



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<p><b>ARBUTUS, MD</b> Arbutus Church of Christ 5205 East Dr., Suite D (East Drive Shopping Center) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Church phone: (410) 247-1396, 590-2852 or 551-8274</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Subscribe Today! Truth Magazine</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1-800-428-0121</b></p>	<p><b>BLUE SPRINGS, MO</b> Southside Church of Christ 4000 SW Christiansen Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Jim Bailey (816) 628-9262</p>	<p><b>LILBOURN, MO</b> P.O. Box 270 211 Benton St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Shane Williams (573) 688-2234 or 748-5204</p>	<p><b>RENO, NV</b> Central Church of Christ 2450 Wrondel Way, Ste. A 3578 Walden Ave. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Monday 7:00 P.M. (775) 786-2888</p>	<p><b>BUFFALO, NY</b> Greater Buffalo Church of Christ 3578 Walden Ave. Lancaster, NY 14086 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:15 A.M. Tuesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: David Bailey (716) 691-7649</p>
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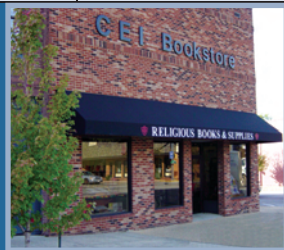
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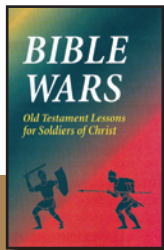
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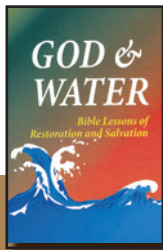
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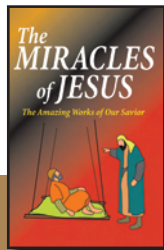
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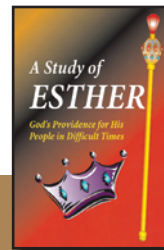
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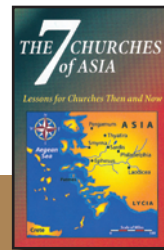
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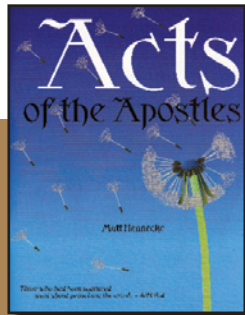
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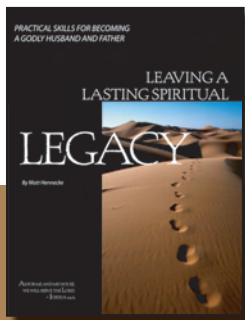
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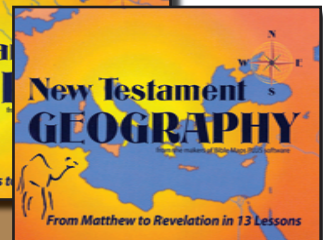
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