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The Church at Corinth: A Case Study of Division in the Local Church (5)

Because churches of Christ have a propensity to divide, I have been writing on the causes of division in local churches, using the text of 1 Corinthians as our guide. The issues that most frequently divide churches are problems that could and should be worked through in order to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, rather than doctrinally different mind sets that inevitably take brethren in opposite directions (Eph. 4:3). Sometimes, the issues that trouble churches have to do with matters related to congregational worship.

EATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

The unity of the church at Corinth was strained during the partaking of the Lord's supper. The tension that existed is manifested in two different ways with reference to the Lord's supper. The supper was perverted from a memorial feast of the Lord's sacrificial death into a common meal. The scriptural evidence is not extensive enough to know exactly what caused this perversion of the Lord's supper into a common meal, but one can note that many worship services to idols included participation at a meal. These probably spilled over into the church (cf. 1 Cor. 8:10). With reference to this issue, Paul instructed that common meals be eaten at home rather than being included in the worship of the local church (1 Cor. 11:22, 34). Had the Corinthian church not decided to correct this problem, saints would have been forced to go in separate directions because one could not tolerate the perversion of the Lord's supper into a common meal.

The second issue pertaining to the Lord's supper resulted from the first problem. Because a common meal became a part of the public work and worship of the church, other problems developed. (Compare this to the problems that have developed with the introduction of mechanical instruments of music in worship and solos, quartets and choirs—who gets to play the piano, sing the solo, etc. during worship?) Those who were affluent had plenty to eat; those who were poor did not (1 Cor. 11:20-21). The members ate with those in the same social background and this resulted

in divisions (1 Cor. 11:18) and factions (1 Cor. 11:19) among the members. We recall that Paul had previously said, "For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called" (1:26). Those who had plenty appear to have been an elitist minority who had little to do with the commoners among them.

Sometimes the unity of a church is threatened by cliques and clans, just as was the case at Corinth. Some churches are composed of a sizable number of Christians who come from two or three family units. We are always happy to see families successful in teaching and converting their members and rearing their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. So, do not mistake what follows as an implication that a large family group, many of whom are Christians, is bad. However, sometimes these family bonds are exclusive of other Christians. Those from the same family talk to each other, but not to others, at the worship services. And, if two members of different family units have a conflict, the conflict spreads to affect both families, creating such tensions that members of the respective family groups hardly speak to each other or have a kind word to say about the others. This may spill over into business meetings so that whatever one is for, the other is against. Such tensions hamper the Lord's work wherever they exist.

THE PUBLIC SERVICES

Chapters 12-14 are devoted to a discussion of spiritual gifts. More important than the existence of these temporary spiritual gifts was the problems of brethren learning to work together as a cohesive body. What underlies the discussion on spiritual gifts is a spirit of rivalry and competition among members who want to take a leading role in public worship.

The problem can be detected by a careful reading of these chapters. Chapter 12 argues that all of the different

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Have You Not Read...?



CONNIE W. ADAMS

Editorial Left-Overs

TO NORWAY, AGAIN

It has now been fifty-two years since my first Bobbie and I went to Bergen, Norway to establish a faithful congregation. The work was slow and hard from the beginning. But a start was made. Through the years since, a number of men and their families have worked there. Mason and Louise Harris spent five years there. Bill and Mary Lou Pierce worked there for seven years, the latter part being in Stavanger. Tommy Thornhill and Bob Tuten and their wives spent some time there. Tom and Shirley Bunting devoted nineteen years of their lives to that work and, had it not been for them, the work would not have survived. Their son Don and his wife, Cammie, worked a few years in Stavanger. Their son Terrell and wife, Karen, have spent many years there. They are presently in this country and working with the church in Manchester, Tennessee. Their daughter, Renee, married Heath Robertson from Memphis, Tennessee last year and they are now working in Bergen. Renee grew up there and knows the language and the culture well. Heath is learning fast. We plan to spend five weeks working with them in Bergen and also contacting people in other places who have shown interest. In addition to a meeting in Bergen, and visiting these other places to study with contacts, I am to teach the book of Romans to Heath and whomever else wants to sit in on these studies. I have made five trips to Norway since living there from 1957-59. The church is small and the work is still hard, but there is still a light burning in Bergen and we look forward to working again in "the land of the midnight sun."

INTERESTING PLACES

Our meeting work over the years has taken us to a number of most interesting places in this country, as well as in several others. We were just in our second meeting with the County Line Road church in St. Joseph, Missouri. This area has not only an interest-

ing history, but one important to the development of this nation. St. Joseph was the launching point for the pioneers who followed the Oregon Trail up the Platte River. It was here that pioneers outfitted themselves for the wagon trains which left in early spring, in hopes of reaching Oregon before winter. When we travel that way now in an air conditioned car and enjoy the conveniences of restaurants and motels along the way, it is hard to imagine the perils of such a journey in covered wagons. The courage and determination of those hardy folks boggles the mind.

It was also from St. Joseph that the Pony Express launched mail service to the west. Across Kansas and Nebraska are found way stations where these riders changed horses and headed west with the U.S. mail. It was at St. Joseph that the infamous outlaw, Jesse James, was killed. In an attempt to evade the law, he moved there and changed his name to Howard. There was a bounty on his head, and one of his former gang members, Bob Ford, shot Jesse in the back while he was hanging something on the wall.

Here also, the famous pioneer preacher, Moses E. Lard, was buried. He did much preaching in Richmond, Missouri and also in St. Joseph, both before and after his significant work in Lexington, Kentucky. I visited his grave last year in my first meeting there. While we are indebted to the brave souls who settled the west, we are even more indebted to the likes of Moses E. Lard for their work in spreading the gospel in what then was the frontier of our country.

GOOD MEN NEEDING SUPPORT

In April we worked with a new congregation on the east side of Wichita, Kansas. They are presently meeting in a storefront building and with the support of brethren from Westside, Mulvane, El Dorado, and a few other places, the meeting room was filled to overflowing each

night. Jerry Blount is the energetic preacher and stands in need of additional support for this new work.

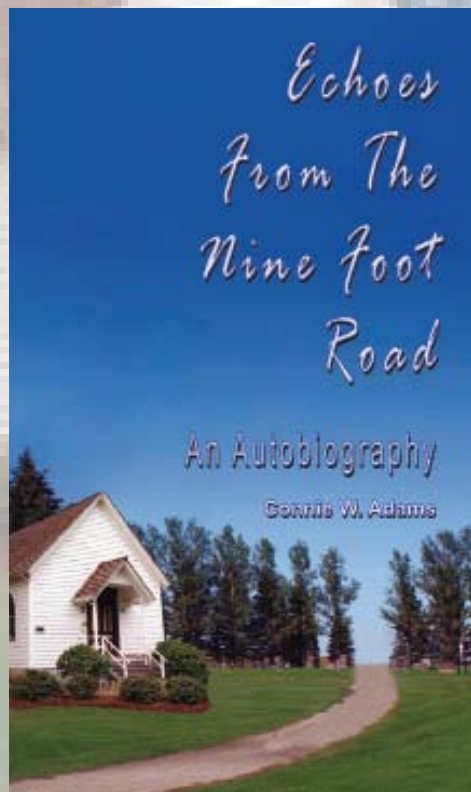
In May, we worked in our fifth meeting (over thirty years) with Parkview at West Lafayette, Ohio where John Gibson preaches. This was the best attended meeting of any we have had there. Some recent converts have added new zeal to the work. John comes from good stock. His father, the late Earl Gibson, was a good friend and faithful worker for many years. His younger brother, Marc, preaches in Lakeland, Florida, and is well known by readers of this magazine for his excellent writing. During the last year, John has lost \$900 a month in support. The local church has picked up an additional \$200 a month, but that is all they can do now. During the time he has worked at Parkview, he has done carpentry work so he could continue preaching there. He is worthy and the work there needs his full attention. Every gospel preacher who has preached in meetings within two hours or more of that place, has had Gibsons and Rummels (his mother's family) in attendance. They have not only worked in the kingdom, they believe in encouraging others who do that work.

LESS PREACHING, OR MORE?

It is fashionable these days to have shorter and shorter meetings. Why? Is it because the gospel is no longer "the power of God unto salvation"? Is it because it no longer pleases God "by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe"? Is it because the world is so righteous that it does not need to be admonished to "repent and be baptized"? Is it because denominationalism has now fully embraced the truth and repudiated its soul-damning "doctrines and commandments of men"? Is it because all Christians are now so fully grown to maturity in Christ, that they need less instruction? Are there no more false teachers disturbing the churches who need to be "reproved and rebuked" and "whose mouths must be stopped"? If you think so, then would you invest the time to read Romans 1:16; 1 Corinthians 1:21; Acts 2:38; Matthew 15:8-14; 2 Peter 1:5-11; 2:1-3; 3:17-18; 2 Timothy 2:16-18; Titus 1:10-13. Or is that too much scripture at one sitting?

Could it possibly be that many want less preaching because they are afraid their manner of life might need to be changed and their priorities rearranged?

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Echoes From The Nine Foot Road

An Autobiography

Connie W. Adams

Candid and penetrating, the author writes in the context of a historical period that many fail to grasp. While professional historians seek to capture the 20th century among churches of Christ from an academic perspective, Adams offers on-the-ground insight of one who came of age during the last half-century. His treatment of the attitudes and issues of the 1950's and 1960's may be one of the plainest yet. —Wilson Adams, Editor of Biblical Insights

Connie Adams' autobiography allows the reader to relive the mid-20th century to the early 21st century through the eyes of a gospel preacher. At times one's eyes will fill with tears and at other times roar with laughter as he reads the experiences of a gospel preacher dedicated to the service of the Lord. Connie's life experiences make his autobiography interesting, informative, and pleasurable reading. —Mike Willis, Editor of Truth Magazine

Connie Adams' reminisces of more than sixty years working for the Lord will be difficult to put down once you begin reading. While it recounts the joys and struggles of its author, it encourages zeal for preaching the gospel and kindles a stronger desire among the faithful to stand up for the cause we love. Brother Adams explains many issues and expresses his viewpoints related to an important generation of Christians. It should be read not only by those who have lived alongside brother Adams but by younger members of the Lord's family as well. —Colly G. Caldwell, President of Florida College

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LGBT Pride Month: An Abomination to the Lord

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An ancient king once said, “He who justifies the wicked, and he who condemns the just, both of them alike are an abomination to the Lord” (Prov 17:15). King Solomon’s warning should be heeded today.

A modern ruler has proclaimed June, 2009 “LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER PRIDE MONTH.” In his proclamation, President Barack Obama extols the virtues of the LGBT rights movement in America and commits our citizenry to “achieving equal justice under law for LGBT Americans” (http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/Presidential-Proclamation-LGBT-Pride-Month/).

This president has told us that LGBT issues are matters of civil rights. As such, we are told to view them as a discriminated minority entitled to equal rights, “regardless of sexual orientation.”

These are word games. With rhetorical dexterity he shifts away from the true nature of the issue. We can no longer define homosexuality as an issue of immorality (sin), but as a “civil rights” issue. Opposition to homosexuality will increasingly be viewed as discrimination and “prejudice.” (If you are against homosexual behavior, you are against “civil rights”!)

June, 2009 is the month the U.S. Government recognizes this collection of sexual sins as something in which to take pride (instead of being moved to deep remorse and godly sorrow for this great sin against God and man). God overthrew the nation of Israel because she gloried in evil and rejected truth and godliness: “Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who put darkness for light, and light for darkness; Who put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!” (Isa 5:20). God will not exalt sin today, either (Prov 14:34).

By framing the discussion of LGBT issues as “civil rights,” President Obama calls evil good. Opponents of LGBT conduct do not advocate or condone violence

against the LGBT community by identifying their conduct as sinful and disgraceful (to themselves and to God, Rom. 1:27). To conclude that one cannot object to homosexual behavior without being a “homophobe” who incites discrimination, hatred, and violence against LGBTs is as wrong as concluding all who oppose abortion sanction the murder of Dr. Tiller, the pro-abortion doctor who was gunned down in Kansas on May 31!

Proclaiming June, 2009 as LGBT Pride Month justifies the wicked in their evil. Homosexuality and all its derivatives are not worthy of honor. The city of Corinth was filled with homosexuality, but the light of the gospel shined in that dark place, “And, many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed and were baptized” (Acts 26:18; 18:8). Among the “unrighteous” there who “would not inherit the kingdom of heaven,” if they remained in their sin, were the “effeminate” (KJV) and the “sodomites” (1 Cor. 6:9). The first word (*malakos*, lit., soft) is used “of a male who submits his body to unnatural lewdness.” The second word (*arsenokoites*, sodomite) is used of “one who lies with a male as with a female.” Only when these sinners heard, believed and obeyed the gospel were their sins “washed” away (1 Cor. 6:11). The same is no less true today.

As our President likes to say; *let me be clear*: all such vile behavior (LGBT) is sin. Homosexuals dishonor their bodies among themselves (Rom. 1:24). While the U.S. President exalts such immorality as worthy of honor, God’s word is clear, “such will not inherit the kingdom of heaven” (1 Cor. 6:9).

The day has arrived when standing against the sin of homosexuality will subject Christians to persecution, not only from our fellow citizens, but also from our government. Although many may mock us for our faith in God’s word, like the prophet Jeremiah we must not shut our mouths (Jer. 20:7-9). We must obey God rather than men; we cannot sanction such moral corruption (Acts 5:29; 2 John 9-11).

For example, one brother in Christ who works for the USDA shared a current memo from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights in which all USDA Headquarter employees are encouraged “to attend the Department’s Gay and Lesbian Pride Month observance on June 4, and employees outside of the Washington D.C., area to hold and/or participate in appropriate Gay and Lesbian Pride Month Celebrations at their offices or worksites during the month of June.” Christians are indeed being affected! May God grant them (and us all) the courage of faith to withstand these pressures to compromise with evil.

Even now, the President’s proclamation attempts to condition Americans to fully accept this perverse conduct as normal. He proclaims: “Due in no small part to the determination and dedication of the LGBT rights movement, more LGBT Americans are living their lives openly today than ever before. I am proud to be the first President to appoint openly LGBT candidates to Senate-confirmed positions in the first 100 days of an Administration.”

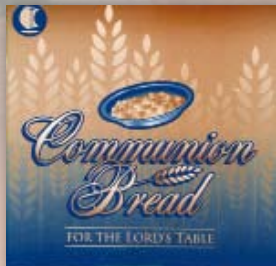
While “LGBT Americans” are called out of the closet to places of honor by this administration, those who resist and speak out against these sins are being shoved into the closet! My fellow Christian, will we pledge loyalty to Caesar to protect our life and livelihood at the expense of faith? Or, will we “keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus” when persecution comes (Rev. 13:15-17; 14:12)? That choice is being set before us even now.

God sent His Son to this world to save sinners from perishing, not to champion sin as a “civil right” (John 3:16). Those who justify the wicked in their wickedness are an abomination before God (Prov. 17:15). Presidential proclamations will not change this sobering truth.

A nation that turns its back on God cannot long endure. America will not endure when righteousness collapses and sin is exalted by its leaders and its citizens (Prov. 14:34).

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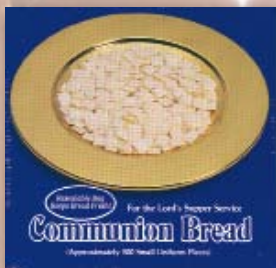
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Lemur-like Fossil, “Ida,” Says Nothing about Alleged Human Evolution

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The popular press has been raving about the fossilized primate skeleton nick-named “Ida.” She has been hailed as the “eighth wonder of the world” and is supposedly evolution’s “missing link” between humans and what are considered “early” primates. A quick review of the literature and scientific commentary surrounding this controversy, however, reveals that Ida is nothing for creationists to lose sleep over. By all appearances, the uproar is only another smoke and mirrors publicity campaign orchestrated by Darwinian paleontologists, publishers, and museum curators vying for the spotlight and a return on their investment. The pro-evolution, left leaning, online encyclopedia Wikipedia has done a thorough job describing the exaggerations and sensationalism surrounding Ida, leaving the impression that there is little here to fuss over.

WHAT WE KNOW

The fossilized remains of a supposedly 47 million-year-old lemur-like creature were, according to reports, uncovered in 1983 in the Messel pit outside Darmstadt, Germany. Half of the skeleton was sold to a museum in Wyoming. The other half was held in secrecy until 2007 when it was sold for \$750,000 to a University of Oslo professor, Dr. Jorn Hurum, and a scientific team he assembled. Hurum and team reportedly bought the specimen after two other museums turned down offers to buy the piece as too expensive. The fossil was purchased to be put on display in the University of Oslo Museum of Natural History. The significance of the finding is that it is 95% complete, and represents a new genus and/or species of animal. The new genus was named *Darwinus*, in honor of Charles Darwin, and its unveiling was arranged to coincide with the 200th anniversary of the naturalist.

When you filter through all the media hype, here are the less-than-convincing facts: (1) Darwinists classify apes, monkeys, and humans into a group of “higher” primates known as anthropoids. However, for 150 years there has been no consensus as from what line of “early” primates the anthropoids descended. (2) A splinter group of evolutionists (including Jorn Hurum and his team) believe the evolution-

ary line of anthropoids should be traced back to a group of “lower” primates called adapids. (3) Adapids are currently classified in the superfamily Strepsirrhines, a group that includes living lemurs. (4) The Hurum team argues that adapids (including Ida) should be reclassified out of the lemur line and into the Superfamily Haplorhini along with anthropoids. Thus, Hurum argues, Ida is the link between the most primitive primates and modern anthropoids.

DARWINISTS ANSWER DARWINISTS

Many renowned pro-Darwin scientists have dissented from Hurum’s conclusions. Here are eight examples:

1. Standard analysis of a primate specimen involves comparing 200 – 400 traits with the latest *Eosimias* fossils from Asia as well as anthropoids from Egypt. Hurum’s team did not include these fossils in their analyses and examined only thirty characteristics from Ida. In this regard, Dr. Richard Kay of Duke University stated, “*There is no phylogenetic analysis to support the claims, and the data is cherry-picked*” (as quoted in Gibbons, 2009).

2. University of Chicago paleontologist, Callum Ross also disagrees with Hurum’s conclusions, stating, “*Their claim that this specimen should be classified as haplorhine is unsupported in light of the modern methods of classification*” (Ibid.).

3. Christopher Beard, curator of paleontology at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, commenting on the failure of Hurum’s team to consider the latest research stated, “*It’s like going back to 1994. . . . They’ve ignored 15 years of literature*” (Ibid.). Beard also disagrees that Ida should be reclassified with anthropoids. In an article in *New Scientist* he stated, “*In order to establish that connection, Ida would have to have anthropoid-like features that evolved after anthropoids split away from lemurs and other early primates. Here, alas, Ida fails miserably. So, Ida is not a ‘missing link’ – at least not between anthropoids and more primitive primates*” (Beard 2009a). In another interview, Dr. Beard stated, “*This fossil is not as close to monkeys, apes, and humans as we*

are being led to believe” (Beard 2009b). Beard was further quoted as saying, “I actually don’t think it’s terribly close to the common ancestral line of monkeys, apes and people. I would say it’s about as far away as you can get from that line and still be a primate” (Ritter, 2009). Beard said that he “would be absolutely dumbfounded if it [Ida] turns out to be a potential ancestor to humans” (McGourty, 2009).

4. University of New England paleoanthropologist Peter Brown states that Hurum’s team did not offer sufficient proof that Ida was ancestral to humans. “It’s nice it has fingernails, something we have, as do most primates . . . but they’ve cherry-picked particular characters and they’ve been criticized (by other scientists) for doing that” (Dayton, 2009).

5. John Fleagle of the State University of New York at Stony Brook called Ida a “pretty weak link” and stated, “It doesn’t really tell us much about anthropoid origins, quite frankly” (Ritter, 2009).

6. Matt Cartmill, an anthropologist from Duke University said “The P.R. campaign on this fossil is I think more of a story than the fossil itself” (Moskowitz, 2009).

7. Dr. Henry Gee, a senior editor for the most esteemed scientific journal in the world, *Nature*, has repeatedly stated that it is misleading to claim that Ida is a “missing link.”

8. To be accepted for publication in a scientific peer-reviewed journal, the editors required that Hurum’s team remove wording from their manuscript suggesting that the fossil was in the evolutionary line to humans

QUESTIONABLE MOTIVATION

Darwinists and intelligent design advocates alike have suggested that the manner in which Ida was unveiled to the world bears the marks of profiteering rather than an investment in the advancement of science. “You need an icon or two in a museum to drag people in,” said Hurum, “this is our Mona Lisa and it will be our Mona Lisa for the next 100 years” (Randerson, 2009).

Dr. Hurum, already well known for profiting from pro-evolution TV documentaries, arranged for the production

and broadcast of documentaries on Ida to be aired on BBC Television and the History Channel (owned by A&E Television Networks). This was all done before the scientific community was permitted to review his claims. Hurum also worked with Little, Brown publishers and Colin Tudge on the book “The Link – Uncovering Our Earliest Ancestor” prior to official peer review by fellow paleontologists.

One article described the media controversy as follows: “Ida’s debut to the world was comprised of an astonishingly slick, multi-component media package. . . . ‘The way these things used to work is that a finding was released in the scientific journals and then it finds its way into the more popular media, and then production companies find out about it and do a TV show.’ In the case of Ida, a production company got in on the ground floor, filming the entire research process as it happened” (Cline, 2009). In other words, Ida’s missing link status was predetermined before the claims could be corroborated or refuted by the scientific establishment.

One individual on Hurum’s team, Dr. Philip Gingerich, said they would like to have published their findings in a more credentialed scientific journal such as *Nature* or *Science* but told the Wall Street Journal, “There was a TV company involved and time pressure. We’ve been pushed to finish the study. It’s not how I like to do science.” In response, Dr. Peter Brown says, “That sounds all sorts of warning bells” (Dayton, 2009).



QUESTIONABLE SCIENTIFIC SCRUTINY

To be accepted for publication in *PloS One*, the authors were required to remove wording that suggested the fossil was in the evolutionary line to humans. *PloS One*, published by the Public Library of Science, is an open access “inclusive” online journal. It is currently known as a newer venue with a less rigorous review process and a higher acceptance rate than other more prestigious journals. Whereas most journals typically require two or more reviewers to critique and approve a manuscript for publication, publishing in *PloS One* often includes only one peer reviewer and a \$1,250 fee. If the

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discovery of Ida really is the “missing link,” Darwinists have been searching for since the 1859 publication of *The Origin of Species*, you can be assured it would have been published in a journal of notoriety such as *Paleobiology*, *Nature*, or *Science*.

IDA APPEARS TO BE A MOSAIC, NOT A TRANSITION

Creationists and ID advocates should take comfort that for the past 150 years, Darwinists continue to grasp at straws in attempts to prove that humans evolved from primates. To date, there is no scientific consensus as to the uncontested validity of a series of missing links in line to humans. The fact that Ida has fingernails, typical of most primates, is less significant than has been suggested. The presence of nails only proves that Ida represents a mosaic (a term also used to describe other animals such as the Duck-Billed Platypus, Red Panda, Hoatzin, Archaeopteryx, Spiny Anteater, and the Pronghorn Antelope). There is no continuum of finely graduated transitional fossils that predate any of these animals. Where did they come from? Mosaics are creatures that look as if they have been piecemealed together by someone with an imagination. Were gradualistic Darwinian evolution true, there would be countless millions of transitional fossils exhibiting all the intermediary animal forms between the amoeba and man. What is really found are animals appearing suddenly and, apart from special creation, inexplicably. The late Harvard paleontologist, Stephen J. Gould, said, “*The absence of fossil evidence for intermediary stages between major transitions in organic design, indeed our inability, even in our imagination, to construct functional intermediates in many cases, has been a persistent and nagging problem for gradualistic accounts of evolution*” (1980).

CONCLUDING THOUGHTS

The good that can come from this controversy is another opportunity for the wheat to be separated from the chaff by testing individual honesty and scientific integrity. Like-minded truth-seekers (Darwinists and creationists alike) can unite and find common ground in opposing what is falsely called knowledge, potentially opening doors for meaningful and productive dialogue as Paul had with the Athenians. “*And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, ‘May we know what this new doctrine is of which you speak? For you are bringing some strange things to our ears. Therefore we want to know what these things mean’*” (Acts 17:19, 20).

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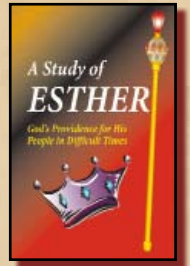
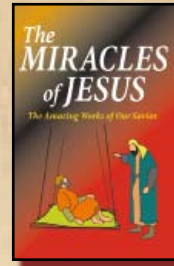
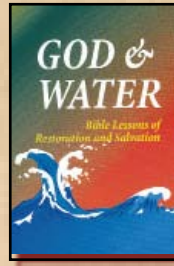
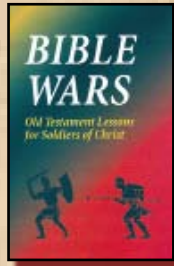
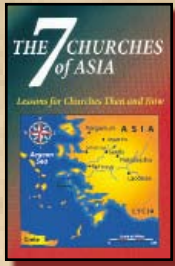
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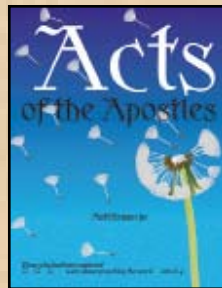
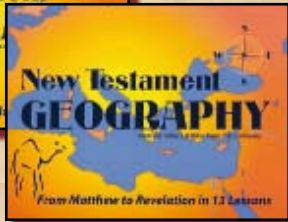
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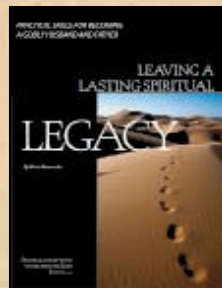
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Watch Out, Mom and Dad!

JILL VONDENSTEIN

In case you haven't heard, kindergarten isn't what it used to be. **Watch out, Mom and Dad**, because if you don't start teaching early, your child will be behind before he starts. Be sure you cover the basics—ABC's, counting, colors, shapes, and maybe a second or third language—before pre-k. Such is the hype surrounding early education. As much as most parents agree that the expectations are a little aggressive, we all fold and work to make sure Johnny is on schedule. After all, who wants his/her child to fall behind?

More importantly, what about your children's spiritual education? Are they falling behind? **Watch out, Mom and Dad**, because if you aren't diligent, they probably won't make the grade. Any teacher can tell you that the success of a student is closely tied to the involvement of his parents. Bible class is no different. There is a noticeable difference between a child who is always in class and the one whose attendance is unreliable. There is even a difference in the child who is consistently late. Bible class is only 45 minutes long. Bring them 10 minutes late and the teacher has a choice to make: "Should I keep going and hope they didn't miss too much or do I start over and hope we have time to finish the lesson?" If they aren't in class, they *are* missing out. Do you discuss what they learned in class? Do you help them prepare their homework? Do you ever ask the teacher how they are doing? The problem isn't that parents don't understand that these concepts apply to secular school *and* Bible class. The problem is Mom and Dad's priorities.

Watch out, Mom and Dad, if you expect Bible class teachers to get your children to Heaven; you'll regret it and so will they. Ninety minutes of Bible class each week isn't enough. We would never dream of limiting secular education to *ninety* minutes per week, so why is that good enough for God's Word? Dad, how much time do you spend teaching your children each week? I say "Dad" because God has charged fathers with this responsibility (Eph. 6:4). A certain amount of teaching falls to mothers simply because we tend to have more opportunities. But fathers, do you expect, support, and encourage your wife to teach your children while you are away from home? Do you actively discuss your children's spiritual education with your wife? If you don't, you leave an awesome and often intimidating task to your wife. She needs your help and your children need you to

help her.

Watch out Mom and Dad, if your child knows everything about his favorite TV characters, but can hardly describe anything about Bible characters. You see, even young children can learn about the Bible. Don't fool yourself into thinking that you can wait until your children are older to start teaching. If your daughter knows Cinderella and Sleeping Beauty then she is capable of knowing Queen Esther and Deborah the judge. If your son knows Superman's fatal weakness, he can remember Samson's too. It's actually quite easy to teach when they are young. Get a good children's Bible story book and read it at bedtime. Replace the Care Bear coloring book with one that depicts Bible characters. Ask other parents how they are teaching their children. Share ideas and help each other; after all, we are all trying to accomplish the same goal: a generation that *knows* God (Judg. 2:10).

Watch out, Mom and Dad, if you don't invest the time to teach while they are malleable you will loose them to Satan as their hearts harden to sin. The tragic reality is that many faithful parents produce unfaithful children. Without a solid foundation our children will fall away when they go out into the world. The Psalmist warns, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it; Unless the Lord guards the city, the watchman stays awake in vain" (Psa. 127:1). There is no education more important or a material blessing of more value than teaching the first principles and the stories of God's Word.

After giving the law to the children of Israel Moses commanded them, "*You shall teach them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontlets between you eyes. You shall write them on the doorpost of your house and on your gates*" (Deut. 6:6-9). Does this describe your home? Be honest with yourself, your spouse, and your children. We all have areas of our life that need improvement. If these instructions sound very different from what is happening at your house then make the changes necessary to "*bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord*" (Eph 6:4).



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Learning About Giving in Few Words

GIVE AS PROSPERED

Since “the handwriting of ordinances” which is the law of Moses, has been “taken out of the way, nailing it to his cross” (Col. 2:14), our giving is not regulated by the old law but by the new. And, it says: “Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come” (1 Cor. 16:2). We are on the honor system!

GIVE ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK

The New Testament sets “the first day of the week” as the day for the Lord’s people to give into the church treasury (1 Cor. 16:2). Every other day is excluded !

GIVE AS ONE PURPOSES

Paul’s charge to the Corinthians was: “Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give” (2 Cor. 9:7). We must put our giving in the budget and stick by it!

GIVE WITHOUT GRUDGING

“ . . . so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity” (2 Cor. 9:7). If we give and then wish that we had not given, God will not accept such doings! You never give this way, do you?

GIVE CHEERFULLY

Paul declared, “for God loveth a cheerful giver” (2 Cor. 9:7). If we can’t give cheerfully, then don’t give; and that isn’t good either! We must learn to give because we want to, and know it is for the right reason.

GIVE SPARINGLY/BOUNTIFULLY

The law of sowing and reaping is still so. “But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully” (2 Cor.9:6). We will reap as we sow. “Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap” (Gal. 6:7).

GIVE AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN

A truth often overlooked are the words of Luke 6:38: “Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again” (Luke 6:38). Ever try this truism?

GIVING IS MORE BLESSED

“It is more blessed to give than to receive . . .” (Acts 20:35).



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BOBBY L. GRAHAM

Question:

As much separation as the Church of Christ has from the outside (denominational) world, does it really make sense that we (the church) continue to be divided internally concerning the institutional vs. the non-institutional issues?

Answer:

Because of the link between this question and the following one, we use this answer to establish some general foundation for answering the following question. The question involves some areas in which there possibly is some misunderstanding of basic biblical teaching, necessitating some attention to such principles as our foundation. The New Testament teaches that the church consists of the saved people of God, gathered together in Christ for service and work in the name of Christ (Eph. 5:25-27; 1:10). Their separation from the world, including false religion, is the result of their heeding the call of the gospel of Christ and living and serving Christ in holiness (2 Thess. 2:13-15). The fellowship in this universal body (church) is spiritual association in the blessings, privileges, and responsibilities of the gospel and exists among saved people spread around the world and throughout the centuries, independent of their being in the same local churches. As long as they remain in fellowship with Christ based upon the declared message of Christ in the gospel (1 John 1:1-4), they also remain in fellowship with others similarly related to Him. Whatever separates them from the Lord—disapproval by Christ because of false teaching, erroneous practice, immorality in life, etc.—also separates them from others in union with the Lord. The determination of who is in fellowship with the Lord is the Lord's, and all that we can know concerning it is what He has disclosed to us in the New Testament. People must exercise free will in obeying the Lord's will and in judging who is in fellowship with Him, as indicated by numerous exhortations to obedience in relation to fellowship (1 Tim. 1:18-20; 1 John 1:7-9; 2:18-19).

In the local church there is fellowship in the sense of mutual participation in spiritual activities planned, overseen, and funded by the church. In this local-church fellowship there must be decisions concerning which activities scripturally fit into the church's work and which people are in fellowship with the Lord. Instructions/admonitions to local churches to withdraw from certain ones because of their lives or teachings illustrate this principle (Rom. 16:17; 1 Cor. 5; 2 Thess. 3). With

them they could have no part (be in fellowship), but with others they could have a part. Decisions of the congregation should be based on clear approval of the Lord's Word for the practice.

Because of the authority of Christ over every individual Christian and each congregation, many Christians have objected to such practices as church support of human institutions for doing the work which Christ assigned to the churches and congregational support of social/recreational endeavors. A similar situation arose in the late 1800's when some brethren pushed the missionary society into the church's work and the instrument of music into the church's worship. Conscientiously they are unable to participate in such efforts, but their consciences have been largely ignored by brethren insisting on such efforts. As long as these efforts and attitudes continue, the cause of such division in local churches will remain there. We should pray and work to the end that all Christians will honor the authority of Christ and submit to it, as well as esteem unity in the local church more than pet projects or organizations. It never "makes sense" when brethren insist on their own agenda instead of the Lord's.

Question:

If a church worships scripturally but sends a contribution to the Tennessee Children's Home, would you view them as faithful to the Lord? Consider Jas. 1:27 and Psa. 133:1 in your answer.

Answer:

Against the background of the previous answer, we stress that more than the worship of the local church must conform to the will of Christ, because He is the head over "all things to the church" (Eph. 1:22). I, as well as many others in congregations

North Park church of Christ Shutting Doors

After more than 65 years, the North Park church of Christ in Abilene, TX is shutting its doors.

The church has met at its present location since around 1949, having existed even prior to that, with O.B. Proctor as the local evangelist. The current building was built to seat 400 and had attendance of about 350 when the doors of the new structure opened. The original building had been in the far end of what is now the current parking lot and the parsonage was the house directly across the street from it, though that was sold many years ago.

North Park was offered oversight of the now infamous Herald of Truth program before Highland Street was, but the

practicing what is here being discussed, would have a problem participating in a congregation in which the Lord's will respecting local organization was ignored and the church used female elders, though this area is not "the worship." Would the questioner have a problem? I would also have a problem, as would many others, being part of a congregation harboring one "who had his father's wife," though this is not "the worship." Who has the right to limit the authority of Christ to "the worship"? In each case I would judge the church described to be unfaithful to Christ, just as I would when the will of the Lord in the area of its work is ignored.

While we would approve scriptural worship wherever we find it to exist, we also would further encourage people claiming to believe in the need to be scriptural to carry that claim as far as the Lord's inspired pattern takes it. If I had the opportunity to work with such a church, assuming they manifested a meek attitude (teachable, unresistant to teaching, as in James 1:21), I would try to teach them the wrong in which they were participating during the time I was there. I would ask them for authority for any congregation funding some social-relief agency/organization, though its purpose seems a good one. James 1:27 does not authorize such institutional support, because it directs the Christian, not the congregation, to go to the distressed orphan or widow to see what he can do for that one. Even if it directed the church, the church would have to use its own local organization to implement the work. Psalm 133:1 commends the unity of God's people as they practice the Lord's will, but unauthorized practices continued in disregard of conscientious scruples of brethren destroy that unity. I have never known a congregation which disagreed or divided over worship, organization, or work clearly authorized in the New Testament. It has been only in those doubtful matters where such disagreement and division followed.

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North Park elders looked at it and realized it was an unscriptural arrangement. Brother Yater Tant had been preaching in Oklahoma dealing with these things and was asked to come to North Park and preach on the matter. Many left North Park as the institutional controversy early emerged as Abilene was "ground zero." A debate emerged as a result with the Harper/Tant debate, one of the earlier dealing with these issues in 1955. As a result, members at North Park were given the derogatory nickname of the "Tanti-church" (spoof on "anti") by some of those more liberal in the community. North Park produced a bulletin which was distributed throughout the country warning brethren of the error of institutionalism.

Among those who served as local evangelists were O.B. Proctor, Roy Foutz, Hoyt Houchen, Arvid McGuire, Julian Snell, Jay Bowman, and Wayne Goforth.

Due to a decline in the membership over the years, brought on by aging and death of members, the declining nature of the area in which the building is located, and the growth towards the opposite end of town, the necessity of discontinuing to meet came about. Over the years, North Park financially aided in the support of many gospel preachers throughout the world, but in recent years the preacher for North Park has needed to raise support himself to remain at North Park. These are natural ebb and flows of congregations which exist long enough. Even the Jerusalem church lasted only about forty years.

North Park has sold its facilities and members will be attending elsewhere. Certainly we might wish for North Park to have continued to provide a congregation on the north side of town, but our current presence here has not yielded growth in recent years. With that in mind, members attending and helping elsewhere may provide the money and manpower to do greater things there.

Thanks to all who have visited over the years. North Park is located two blocks from I-20 on the Grape Street exit, so they have been many over the years as brethren have traveled. An exact date of closing has not yet been set, but an August/September timeframe is desired. Please call or e-mail before visiting to ensure status.

Wayne Goforth, evangelist at North Park for the past ten years, is to begin working with the Woodland Heights congregation in Brownwood, Texas this fall. Please pray for both the new efforts of the members as well as that of the Goforth's and the Lord's people in Brownwood.

For the congregation,

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Excursion to Israel and Egypt (11)

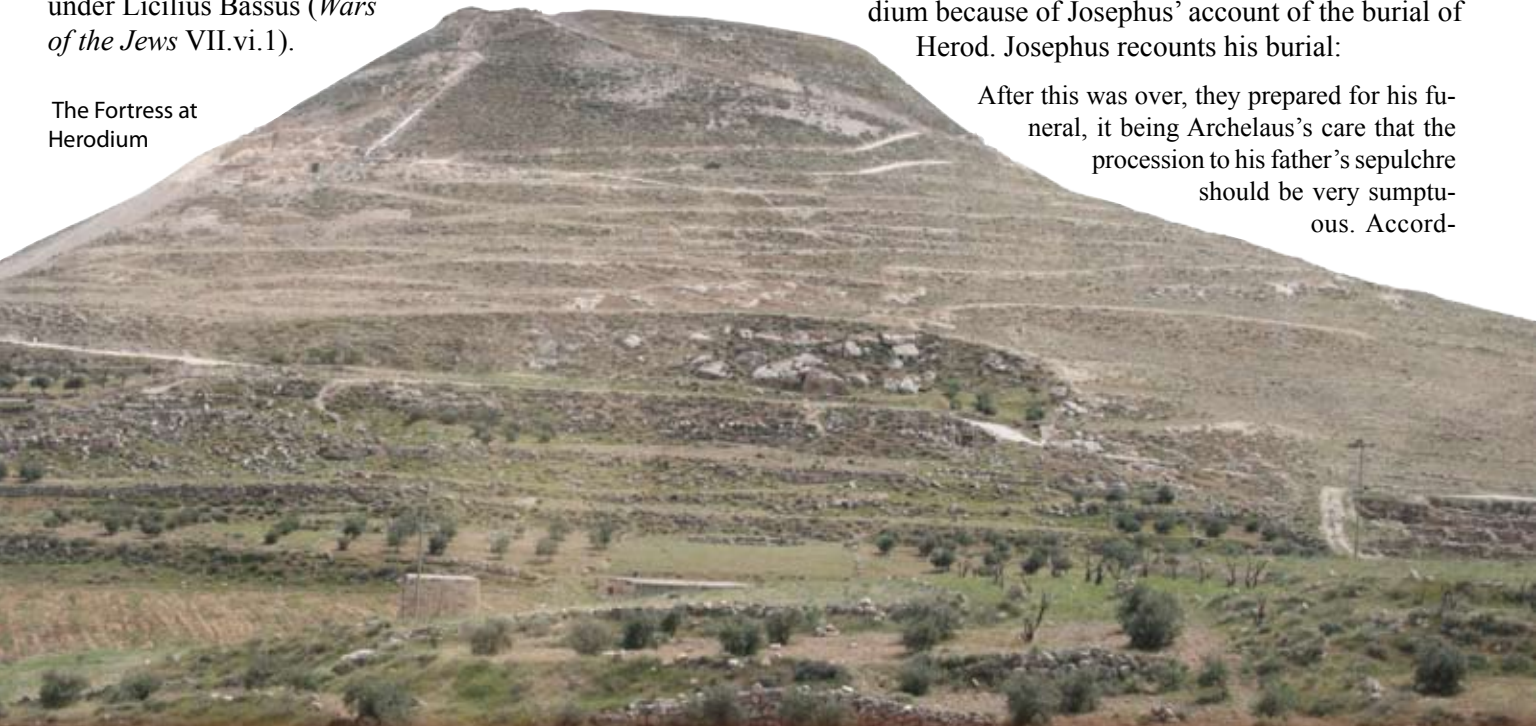


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HERODIUM

Herodium was one of Herod the Great's most outstanding building projects. (Other projects include his massive constructions at Caesarea Maritima, Masada, and the reconstruction of the Temple.) Herodium, which is located about eight miles south of Jerusalem and about two miles from Bethlehem, was built between 24 and 15 B.C. to commemorate a victorious rearguard action on Herod's flight to Masada in 40 B.C. (*Antiquities of the Jews* XIV.xiii.9). Its summit is 2460 feet above sea level. Josephus wrote, "And in this place where he overcame the Jews, it was that he some time afterwards built a most excellent palace, and a city round about it, and called it Herodium." The location looks like a peak in the shape of a volcano. But it is not a natural peak; it is the citadel of a palace complex. Herod the Great entertained Agrippa, son-in-law of the emperor Augustus, here in 15 B.C. (*Antiquities of the Jews* XVI.ii.1). Herodium was captured by the Romans in A.D. 71 under Licilius Bassus (*Wars of the Jews* VII.vi.1).

The Fortress at Herodium



Josephus describes the citadel:

When this wedding was over (Herod's marriage to Mariamne, daughter of Simon, son of Boethus, mw), he built another citadel in that place where he had conquered the Jews, when he was driven out of his government, and Antigonus enjoyed it. This citadel is distant from Jerusalem about three-score furlongs. It was strong by nature, and fit for such a building. It is a sort of moderate hill, raised to a further height by the hand of man, till it was the shape of a woman's breast. It is encompassed with circular towers, and hath a straight ascent up to it, which ascent is composed of steps of polished stones, in number two hundred. Within it are royal and very rich apartments, of a structure that provided both for security and for beauty. About the bottom there are habitations of such a structure as are well worth seeing, both on other accounts, and also on account of the water which is brought thither from a great way off, and at vast expenses; for the place itself is destitute of water (*Antiquities of the Jews* XV.ix.4).

Scholars knew that Herod the Great was buried in Herodium because of Josephus' account of the burial of Herod. Josephus recounts his burial:

After this was over, they prepared for his funeral, it being Archelaus's care that the procession to his father's sepulchre should be very sumptuous. Accord-



ingly, he brought out all his ornaments to adorn the pomp of the funeral. The body was carried upon a golden bier, embroidered with very precious stones of great variety, and it was covered over with purple, as well as the body itself; he had a diadem upon his head, and above it a crown of gold; he had also a sceptre in his right hand. About the bier were his sons and his numerous relations; next to these was the soldiery distinguished according to their several countries and denominations; and they were put into the following order:—First of all went his guards; then the band of Thracians; and after them the Germans; and the next the band of Galatians, every one in their habiliments of war; and behind these marched the whole army in the same manner as they used to go out to war, and as they used to be put in array by their muster masters and centurions: these were followed by five hundred of his domestics, carrying spices. So they went eight furlongs, to Herodium; for there by his own command, he was to be buried;—thus did Herod end his life (*Antiquities of the Jews* XVII.ix.3).

In *Wars of the Jews* (I.xxiii.9), Josephus also describes Herod's burial:

After this, they betook themselves to prepare for the king's funeral; and Archelaus omitted nothing of magnificence therein, but brought out all the royal ornaments to aug-

ment the pomp of the deceased. There was a bier all of gold, embroidered with precious stones, and a purple bed of various contexture with the dead body upon it, covered with purple; and a diadem was put upon his head, and a crown of gold above it, and sceptre in his right hand; and near to the bier were Herod's sons, and a multitude of his kindred; next to whom came his guards, and the regiment of Thracians, the Germans also and Gauls, all accoutred as if they were going to war; but the rest of the army went foremost, armed, and following their captains and officers in a regular manner: after whom, five

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The ongoing work where Herod the Great's tomb was located at Herodium.



Excursion to Israel and Egypt (11)

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hundred of his domestic servants and freedmen followed, with sweet spices in their hands; and the body was carried two hundred furlongs to Herodium, where he had given order to be buried.

The discovery of the Tomb of Herod is the climax of the excavations at Herodium.

Among the remains at Herodium is a first century synagogue, very similar to the one at Masada and one of the few first-century synagogues which have been preserved. Outside of the fortress at Herodium, Herod also built for himself a pool.

At the beginning of the Bar Kokhba revolt (A.D. 132-136), Simon bar Kokhba declared Herodium as his secondary headquarters. Archaeological evidences for the revolt were dispersed all over the site, from the outside buildings to the water system under the mountain. Inside the water system, supporting walls (which were built by the rebels) were discovered,



The first-century synagogue at Herodium

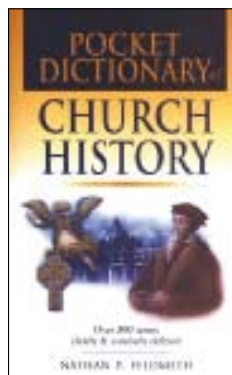
and another system of caves was found. Inside one of those caves, the Field School of Kfar Etzion members discovered

a burned wood which, afterwards, they dated to Bar Kokhba revolt time. The burned wood is still, after more than 1800 years inside the cave, waiting for the visitors.



The pool which Herod constructed for himself at the base of the fortress.

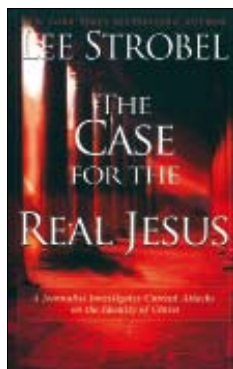
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Pocket Dictionary of Church History. Nathan P. Feldmeth. Inter-Varsity Press, 2008. 141 pages, softback. ISBN: 978-0-8308-2703-9

Who are some of the key figures and what are some of the key events in religious history over the past 2000 years? Inter-Varsity Press has put together a handy, concise *Pocket Dictionary of Church History* which will help the Bible students to get a quick grasp of the key persons, places, events, and movements within church history. From Peter Abelard to Ulrich Zwingli, this *Pocket Dictionary* contains over 300 entries, and each entry is clear and concise. This dictionary also includes information on key terms (*ad fonts* to *via media*), key “isms” (Arminianism to Unitarianism), key places (Azusa Street to White Horse Inn), and key councils (Nicaea to Vatican II). A handy chronology of people from the first century to the twentieth century is also included at the end of the book. The *Pocket Dictionary*, along with each other book in the IVP “Pocket” series, is highly recommended. Inter-Varsity Press has printed 14 “Pocket” books in this series to date. They are: *Biblical Hebrew*, *New Testament Greek*, *Apologetics and Philosophy*, *Biblical Studies*, *Church History*, *Ethics*, *New Religious Movements*, *North American Denominations*, *Theological Terms*, *World Religions*, *Christian Apologetics*, *Evangelical Theology*, *History of the Church*, and *History of Theology*.

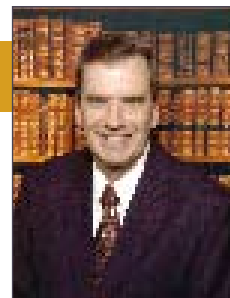


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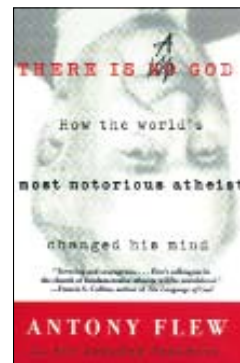
The Case For the Real Jesus. Lee Strobel. Zondervan, 2007. 311 pages, hardback. ISBN: 978-0-310-24210-9

What is the truth about Jesus?

Are there “alternative gospels” that present the truth about Jesus? Did the early church distort the truth about Jesus by tampering with early biblical texts? Can we know the *real* Jesus? Lee Strobel, an investigative journalist and one-time legal editor of the *Chicago Tribune*, answers these questions and defends the truth about Jesus in his new book, *The Case for the Real Jesus*. Strobel writes like a true investigative journalist. He asks questions of the twenty-first century skeptics, tests their theories, debunks their myths, and answers their objections. He puts these liberal “scholars” on the witness stand for cross-examination and exposes their false testimony about Jesus. Specifically, Strobel answers six popular and prevalent challenges that are being offered today against the truth of Jesus. He addresses the so-called “alternative gospels,” the alleged church tampering of biblical texts, the new “explanations” about Jesus’ resurrection, the claim that Jesus’ identity has pagan origins, the claim that Jesus was an imposter, and the modern suggestion that people can believe what they want about Jesus. *The Case for the Real Jesus* is highly recommended. Strobel has three other good apologetic works in his “Case For” series that are also worth reading: *The Case For Christ* (1998), *The Case For Faith* (2000), and *The Case For A Creator* (2004).



CHRIS REEVES



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There Is A God. Antony Flew. Harper One, 2007. 222 pages, hardback. ISBN: 978-0-06-133529-7

Without question, one of the most notorious philosophers and atheists of the twentieth century is Antony Flew. At one time, Flew even debated a member of the church, Thomas B. Warren (September 22-23, 1976). It will now come to the surprise of many that Flew has changed his mind. He is now a theist, and he has written about his change in *There Is A God*. Flew, with open and honest candor, takes the reader through the changes that occurred in his own life from the time of his not believing in God, to believing that the design in the universe does indeed point to a Designer – God. *There Is A God* is interesting, informative and exciting reading. (Note: The Warren – Flew Debate can be viewed at: www.thebible1.net/video/warrenflewdebate).

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The Greatest Optimist Who Ever Lived Was Jesus

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From the first two parables Jesus gave (the Sower and the Tares) it would have been easy for the disciples to have become discouraged. Only one out of four soils (which represented the minds of men) would be good. The Parable of the Soil is God's plan. The parable of the Tares Among the Wheat is the devil's plan. God has a plan and the devil has a plan. In the parables, the devil's plan immediately followed the Lord's plan. The disciples learned from the Tares that Satan would be doing his best to undermine their efforts—the sowers of the seed. The devil is mentioned in both parables.

At this point Jesus was generally unrecognized for the work he was about to do. Local leaders were trying to ignore Him and world leaders did not know Him and were not interested. These disciples had left everything and staked it all on this carpenter from Nazareth (Mark 10:28). It would be quite understandable for them to wonder, "What's going to become of us?" They had left everything and had staked their whole existence on something very small and local. Now they are told that only one in four is good soil and that the devil will be trying to sow tares and ruin it. It was at about this same time that John the Baptist was beheaded and that Jesus gave one of the most positive, optimistic, and encouraging of all the parables – the mustard seed.

THE PARABLE

Another parable put he forth to them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: Which indeed is the least of

all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches (13:31,32).

This writer has some mustard seeds which he brought back from the Bible lands. They are so small that it takes a magnifying glass to get a good look. They are almost microscopic. Thus, the "least of all seeds." One would have to have nimble fingers to sort out one grain, but Jesus only spoke of one – a minimal minimum. This one grain can grow into a tree that can reach as high as fifteen feet. This huge plant is contrasted to the other small herbs which have much larger seeds. It grows into a tree which birds desire as a safe haven in which to build their homes.

THE HUMBLE BEGINNING

Jesus often noticed that which is unnoticed by most: the widow's mite, one lost coin, one talent, a cup of cold water, and now "the least of all seeds." Smallness and humble beginnings never meant weakness or insignificance to Jesus. Preparation for the kingdom began with an eccentric man in the wilderness who wore camel's hair and ate locusts and wild honey. At one time John, himself, became

discouraged and frustrated when he asked Jesus: "Art thou he that cometh, or look we for another?" We can partly understand this because John was in prison and everything went downhill from there.

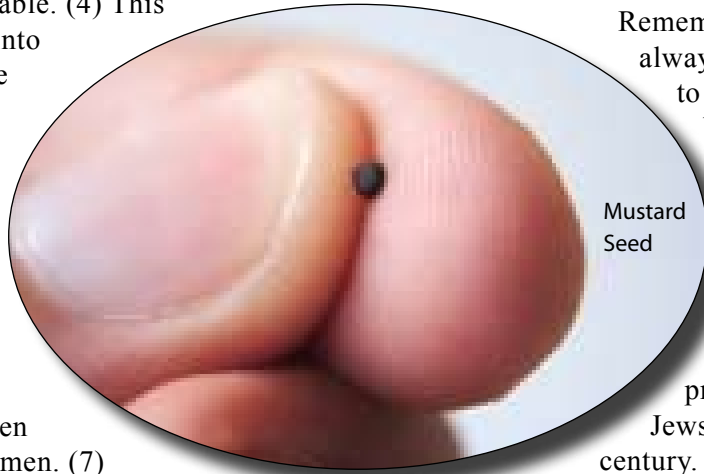
The Messiah would be like "a shoot coming forth from a stem," "a tender shoot, a root out of dry ground," which does not reflect probable success (Isa. 11:1; 53:2,3). (1) His birthplace was in the small community

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of Bethlehem, not Jerusalem or Rome (Mic. 5:2). (2) His human parents were peasants, not wealthy or prestigious. (3) His birth included an eighty mile journey which would have been especially difficult considering Mary's condition. Then there was no room in the inn, leaving only a manger in a stable. (4) This was followed by their flight into Egypt with their infant to flee the mighty, ruthless Herod and his "Slaughter of the Innocents." (5) His ministry began in an unglorious place without fanfare. Remember the proverb, "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" (6) The nature of his disciples – fishermen, tax collectors tent-makers. No men of renown, rulers or wealthy men. (7) The nature of His kingdom: It started out as a stone that becomes a mountain (Dan. 2:35,44). (8) The number of core disciples – twelve at the beginning, then 120 in the upper room awaiting the coming of the Holy Spirit, but on the day of Pentecost this number grew by about 3000, then 5000, then multitudes (Acts 2:41; 4:4;

5:14; 6:7). It then went to Judea, Galilee, and Samaria (Acts 9:31) and became "many thousands" (Acts 21:20), and then to the *uttermost parts of the earth!* (Col.1:23; Acts 1:8).

THE GREAT OPTIMIST

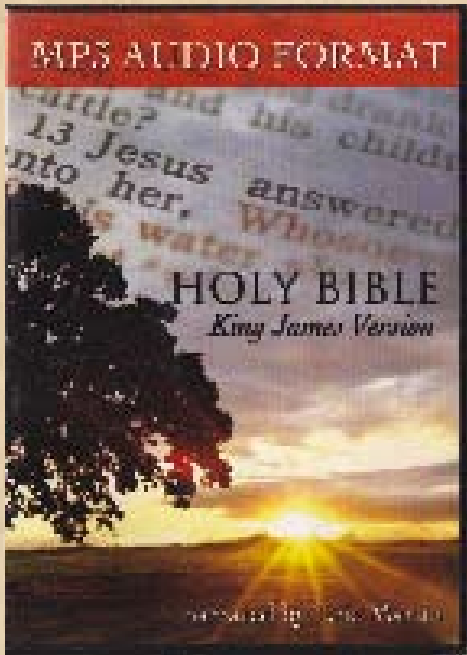


Mustard Seed

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All of these things were accomplished in the face of prejudice and persecution from Jews and Gentiles in the first century. Can it be accomplished again in the twenty-first century? We still have the same seed. We need to catch the optimism of the *Greatest Optimist* who ever lived.

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What Is the Ramstein church of Christ? (2)

(A Church Special to Many)



STEVE WALLACE

We continue our look at the Lord's church in Ramstein, Germany. A church made up U.S. military members, government workers, and family members, Ramstein regularly gained and lost members due to transfers related to such work. Well over 200 people, members and their families, passed through the church there over the years. As noted in our first article, upon being sent to another location, many brethren later spoke of missing the family atmosphere at the church. For the benefit of churches everywhere, in this article we continue our look at a couple more things that made the church in Ramstein so special in the eyes of its former members.

THE IMPORTANCE OF ASSEMBLIES

One brother reflected on something that was true for almost all the various groups of which we were a part during our years with the church there. He writes of remembering,

... that when the church met on Sunday morning, Sunday evening or Wednesday, all the members of the church were present if not hindered by sickness or military duty. No one missed by choice as is so common in the United States today. The encouragement this gives cannot ever be fully expressed in words.

An elderly couple once came to visit their daughter, who was a member at Ramstein. They also found it remarkable how the same number of people were generally in attendance for mid-week services as for Sunday a.m.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

As with small congregations here in the U.S., the church in Ramstein provided unique opportunities for most all of its members. What was unusual was the age at which some brethren found themselves called upon to fill places in the church that were often filled by older and more mature Christians in established churches here in the states. One brother, who was in his early-to-mid 20's during his time at Ramstein, wrote,

I miss that congregation so much for several reasons. First, it was there that I was encouraged to write my first sermon. I have used that to spring board into preaching more and now preach

very consistently every Sunday at a local congregation here. It all started with the love and support from members I had there.

It is touching to note that this brother and his wife went on to form the backbone of a small church in a southern city in which he has been stationed for the last three to four years. He recently reported the baptisms of his two oldest sons, both of whom, I believe, were born during his tour at Ramstein Air Force Base.

Another couple, not long out of high school, came to the church at a time when other long-time members were being transferred out. They immediately jumped in to take over teaching, preaching, scheduling, and other jobs that the departing brethren had done.

Perhaps the words of one couple best sum up the experiences of many former Ramstein members.

The opportunity for spiritual growth is one that is seldom seen in congregations in the U.S. Because of the mobility of the members, there is much expected from members in the realm of teaching classes, sharing hospitality, providing transportation, taking care of the meeting facility, etc. . . . These things are "set," often for years, in the U.S. with very little change—the same group of brethren perform the same function within the body of Christ year after year. This doesn't offer the challenge for weaker brethren to become stronger. In a situation like Ramstein, you are *needed* and useful, you don't feel like another "apple in the bunch."

Beyond all this, the church, sometimes with the bulk of its membership consisting of Christians under thirty years old, was forced to deal with common problems confronting God's people today. This congregation, consisting of different members with the passing of time, had to carry out the sad business of withdrawing from a good number of wayward members over the years. We also had many brethren come to us out of institutional backgrounds. It was a pleasant experience to see the keen interest on the part of those who had come to us from conservative churches when lessons were preached on the issues behind the institutional division. This writer estimates that ninety per

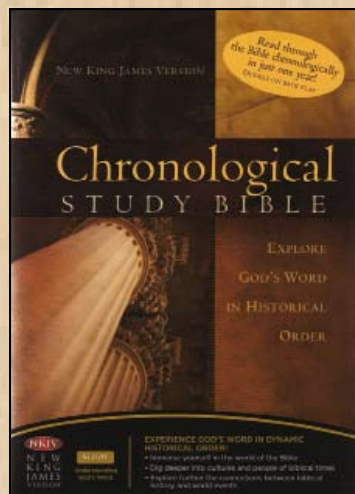


cent of the brethren who came to us out of institutional backgrounds were brought out of that error.

With Christians coming to us from every imaginable background, another problem with which we were often faced was adulterous marriages. While one always goes about handling this problem in as kind a way as he knows, the sad truth was that most brethren in such marriages resisted any and all efforts to bring them to repentance. As sad as the resultant business of withstanding them is, there was an encouraging consensus of conviction among brethren over the years regarding the need for it. Further, I can remember the time that we had Ed Harrell in for a scheduled meeting which happened to take place a month after his article, "Homer Hailey, False Teacher?" had appeared in *Christianity Magazine*. Others who stood with

Ed in his error also held meetings for us in the late 1980s and early 1990s. This writer was forced to study and confront these issues, both in speaking with these preachers and in his preaching. In succeeding gospel meetings in the years following we scheduled preachers who would preach the truth on these issues. Members were enlightened to what was taking place among churches in the U.S. Some had the sad experience of being transferred to areas in the U.S. where churches had accepted brother Harrell's unity-in-diversity teaching and the resultant "sanitized gospel," and started churches in their homes rather than becoming a part of such churches.

The Lord willing, in our next article we will look at some more things that made this church special in the eyes of its former members.



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Why Did God Choose Israel?

DAVID DANN

The Old Testament is centered on the covenant God made with the nation of Israel, the history of Israel, and the instruction revealed through the prophets of Israel. The Old Covenant places a great deal of emphasis on the fact that the nation of Israel was designated as God's chosen people. When presenting the law of God to Israel, Moses said, "For you are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth" (Deut. 7:6).

Why did God choose Israel for His people? Since the Bible consistently teaches that there is no partiality with God (Rom. 2:11), we cannot accept the notion that God arbitrarily selected Israel to receive special treatment. Why would an all-knowing, loving, and supremely just God choose one nation as a special treasure above all others? There must have been clear, logical reasons for such a decision. Fortunately, the Bible tells us what those reasons were.

THE BIBLE TEACHES THAT GOD CHOSE ISRAEL:

1. To provide a means by which he could bless the entire world. From the beginning man destroyed his fellowship with God through sin (Gen. 3:17-24). The tendency of man to violate God's law is, and has always been, a universal problem (Rom. 3:23). Following the first sin in the garden, God promised to provide redemption for mankind through the seed of the woman, who would bruise the head of the serpent (Gen. 3:15). This is generally recognized as the first recorded prophecy of Christ's victory over sin and death in the Bible. Since the promise of redemption would come through the offspring of the woman, it would be necessary for there to be a certain nation of people from whom the Christ would arise at some time in the future. In order to bring about this plan of redemption for the world, Israel was chosen to serve as the people who would provide the channel of God's blessing since Christ would eventually come into the world through the nation of Israel (Matt. 1:1-17).

2. To fulfill the promises made to Abraham. Along with the promises that his descendants would become a great nation and would be given possession of land, God made the promise to Abraham that, "In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed" (Gen. 22:18). In other words, the promised Christ, who would redeem mankind from sin, would be Abraham's descendant according to the flesh. Someone had to serve as the head of the family through which God would fulfill His plan of redemption. God selected Abraham because His faithful and righteous character was suited to such a responsibility (Gen. 18:19; Rom. 4:3). Thus Israel became the chosen people of God by virtue of the fact that they were the descendants of Abraham through his son Isaac and grandson Jacob. Moses reminded Israel that they were chosen for this reason by providing the following explanation: "because the Lord loves you, and because he would keep the oath which he swore to your fathers, the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt" (Deut. 7:8).

3. To be entrusted with God's revealed word. God saw fit to reveal His word to mankind in written form (2 Tim. 3:16-17). It was vital, not only that the Scriptures be revealed, but also that they be respected, preserved, and passed on from generation to generation. Someone had to be selected to be useful and instrumental in this process. God chose Israel to serve in this capacity. Along these lines the apostle Paul writes, "What advantage then has the Jew, or what is the profit of circumcision? Much in every way! Chiefly because to them were committed the oracles of God" (Rom. 3:1-2).

4. To provide the rest of mankind with a witness to the reality and nature of the true God. From ancient times much of mankind has been steeped in idolatry. Rather than retain the knowledge of the true God, men have, "worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator" (Rom. 1:25). But through Israel God has provided a witness to His powerful existence. In His use of Israel He executed judgment upon the false gods of Egypt (Exod. 12:12). Through

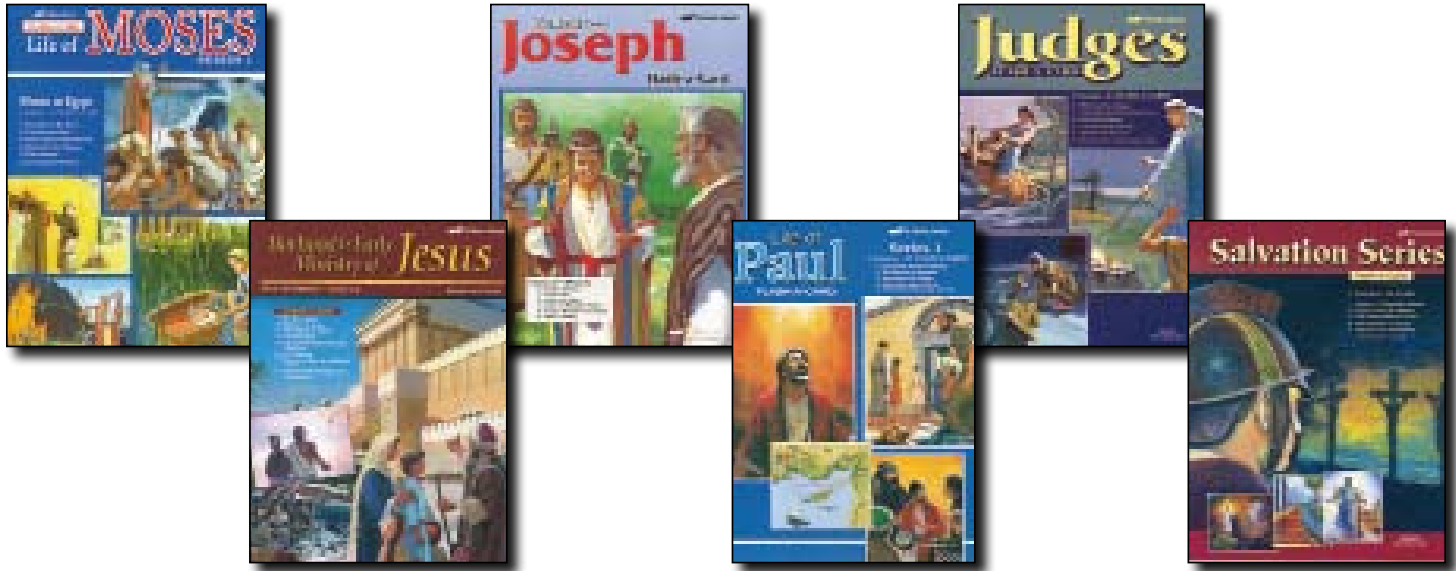
His use of Israel God has provided the written testimony of those with whom He dealt in a personal way (Exod. 33:11; Isa. 6:1-10; Jer. 1:9-10). While many of the Israelites of the Old Testament era were not faithful to the God of heaven, there was a faithful remnant among them (Isa. 28:5). The true God is clearly portrayed in the Scriptures in His dealings with Israel.

CONCLUSION

While God did choose Israel in Old Testament times, the physical nation of Israel does not enjoy such special

status today. As Paul says, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise" (Gal. 3:28-29). Salvation comes not through a physical relationship with Israel, but through believing and obeying the gospel of Christ (John 14:6; Mark 16:16).

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Positive Atheism

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I read a *USA TODAY* editorial, written by Tom Krattenmaker, (11/17/08, 15A), entitled “Atheism, a positive pillar.” (Unless noted, all quotes in this article are from this source.) Its content persuaded me that a similar effort is being made to secure approval for atheism, as has occurred in trying to make homosexuality acceptable.

The author began his article: “Being an atheist is not easy in this age of great public religiosity in America. Not when the overwhelming majority of Americans profess some form of belief in God. Not when many believers equate non-belief with immorality.” He said he was “mindful of atheism’s reviled reputation. . . .”

Krattenmaker attributes the public attitude toward atheists to “. . . the late atheist spokesperson Madalyn Murray O’Hair, who was known for her caustic mockery of religion and its followers.” He also says the cause of atheism “has not been well-served by the surly attacks on religion by some of atheism’s highest-profile torch carriers,” and he listed Bill Maher’s new movie as an example of this anti-religious stature of atheist leaders through the years.

But today, atheism has a new voice, and a new message which is designed to gain favor for their cause of unbelief. The new voice is that of Margaret Downey, recent president of the Atheist Alliance International. Downey is currently at work organizing “a non-believers’ unity convention to take

place in 2011.” Her Alliance “comprises nearly 60 U.S. atheist groups with combined membership of about 5,000.”

(Just as an aside, I wonder how difficult it would be to get *USA TODAY* to use half of one of its two editorial pages to promote an idea that is advocated by a mere 5,000 Americans? Do you suppose brethren could get that much space to advocate what the Bible says about atheism?)

The goal of the Atheist Alliance International is to overcome atheism’s “reviled reputation. . . showing the public what atheists are for. . . . Because, save for the belief-in-

a-deity part, it sounds a lot like what most Americans value.”

What is the focus of “*POSITIVE ATHEISM?*” Here are the traits that will now be advanced as the goal of atheism: “. . . care for one’s community and fellow human beings, love of country and cherished American principles, [and] the pursuit and expansion of knowledge.”

This is their characterization of “*POSITIVE ATHEISM.*” The author continues, “. . . non-believers have always stood shoulder to shoulder with fellow citizens doing the things Americans generally do: working hard, obeying laws, helping the needy and doing what they can to improve their communities.”

Atheists are depicted giving blood, and having their hair cut for use in cancer patient wigs. Downey even presided



“over a baby-naming ceremony . . . and the newborns were given not godparents, but ‘guideparents.’” Why, this sounds so good that perhaps we should all jump to get involved in this “positive” movement!

This new focus “...is more interested in building bridges than walls.” And, as the media picks up their cause, I predict that atheism will be given the same “acceptance” as homosexuality has been given. As an example of that acceptance, in the recent election, a California amendment prohibiting same-sex marriages was barely passed, and the cost of that effort was over \$63 million dollars!

THE BIBLE STILL SPEAKS ON ATHEISM!

No matter what the media chooses to report, and no matter how many may join the crusade, the Word of the Bible God (whose existence they still deny) records the verdict on their cause. Twice, God had the Psalmist address this subject, and the language used is anything but complimentary of atheism. Notice carefully what God’s Word says about atheism!

“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good” (Psa. 14:1). And again: “The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good” (Psa. 53:1). Now, stop and ask yourself, “Why did God have David write this condemnation, not once, but twice? Furthermore, there is

no possible way to misunderstand what God says about anyone who promotes the cause of atheism. The participants are declared by God to be fools!

BUT, GOD IS NOT YET FINISHED

The apostle Paul was commissioned to address the cause of atheism in his day. He wrote:

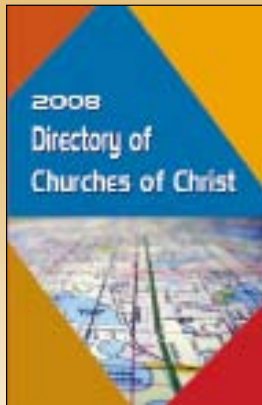
Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things (Rom. 1:19-23).

The message of both the Old and New Testaments is the same: One is a fool while denying the existence of Almighty God! Young people, let these foolish people smile or rage about God. They are

still fools in the eyes of God. Should you decide to embrace their “POSITIVE ATHEISM,” you will make yourself as much a fool as they are! Is this truth plain enough for you?

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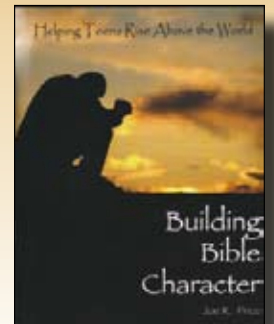
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The Powerful Word

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What is a word? Linguistic anthropologists believe words to be units of sound. Humans, unlike any other living being, are able to give sounds meanings and classifications which create language. Although words cannot be seen with the eye or felt by the hand, they are powerful.

Wars have begun and ended with words. People's lives have been drastically changed in courts of law on a few simple words of testimony. Words have brought about slavery and emancipation. Words can bring life or death. The Bible teaches the power of words, specific words. Consider some of the powerful words in the Bible.

THE SPOKEN WORD PROVED POWERFUL IN THE BIBLE.

God's word spoke creation into existence: "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear" (Heb. 11:3). The phrase "*God said*" is used ten times in the creation account (Gen. 1). The Psalmist simply stated, "For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast" (Ps. 33:9). Unfortunately, many reject the powerful word of God as it relates to creation. We should stand in awe of the powerful word of God considering what His word has created.

THE WRITTEN WORD ALSO DEMONSTRATED POWER IN THE BIBLE.

Matthew 4 depicts the written word as being powerful. The Old Testament was available in Jesus' day. When He was tempted by the devil, Jesus quoted the written word. As a result, the devil left Jesus (Matt. 4:11). The written word also can and must be used by us as it was used by Jesus to overcome temptations. By doing so, the devil will leave us.

How active is the written word in our lives? Do we read and study the word? The Hebrew writer said, "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart" (Heb. 4:12). God's word is alive and powerful. We must allow it to do its work and apply it in our lives.

THE SPOKEN WORD OF JESUS WAS POWERFUL.

Jesus was able to heal the sick, raise the dead, and mystify the most educated by His words. When Jesus was twelve years old, He astonished some lawyers gathered at the temple with

the answers He spoke to them: "And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed" (Luke 2:46-47).

While travelling in a boat, Jesus and His disciples encountered a great storm. The disciples became greatly afraid for their lives. When they wakened Jesus, He calmed the storm by His words: "And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm" (Mark 4:39). Jesus raised Jairus' daughter by His words. Jesus entered the room where she lay and said, "Maid, arise. And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat" (Luke 8:54-55).

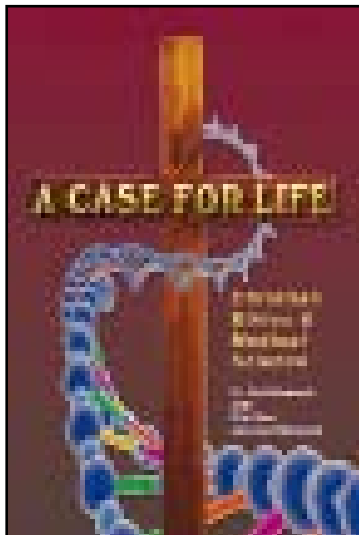
The words of Jesus caused many to believe and others to scoff. Watching the miracles Jesus performed at the utterance of His voice must have been amazing. However, His power can be traced to who He was: the Son of God.

THE WORDS OF THE GOSPEL EXUDE POWER.

The words of the gospel are the words of God and Jesus. The written words of the apostles are the mind of God revealed by the Holy Spirit (John 16:13; Eph. 3:1-5). Paul wrote of the power of the words of the gospel. He wrote, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith" (Rom. 1:16-17).

After reading this passage, it is logical that Paul wrote, "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17). Faith is acquired through the gospel as was above mentioned. The words of the gospel instruct the way to gain salvation. Salvation can only be gained through obedience to the inspired words of the gospel.

How powerful are words? Reading and obeying the words given to us in Scripture will determine the destination of our souls. Christ certainly felt words were powerful. I leave you with His words: "He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day" (John 12:48).



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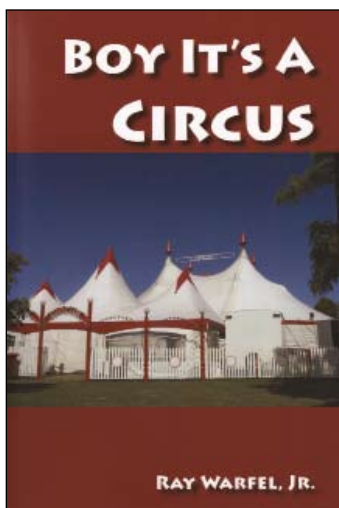
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Boy It's A Circus

by Ray Warfel, Jr.

Many Christians today have expressed concerns about the problems facing our young people. Especially is this true regarding young men, who are deemed "at risk" by some sociologists and others who claim expertise in studying such things. Growing from boyhood to manhood brings changes that can be chaotic, crazy, a circus. This book is a great tool for study for parents and their sons and for Bible classes. The lessons are designed to help young men to grow up to be godly men.

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JEREMIAH

When God called Jeremiah to be His prophet, he felt like a child who does not know what to say (Jer. 1:4-6). God solved this fear when He said, "I have put my words in thy mouth" (v. 9). The prophet must tell God's people to repent of their sins and obey God. God also told him not to be afraid when some of the people get angry at him because they do not want to obey God's Word.

Jeremiah is called "The Weeping Prophet" because he was very sad when the people were stubborn and refused to obey God (Jer. 9:1). God told His people to repent of worshiping idols and to offer animal sacrifices in worship to God. They should kill a lamb or a bull and burn certain pieces on the altar. Instead, they listened to false prophets who told them to worship idols by burning their children (Jer. 7:31). Like a traveler who follows the right road, God's people should "ask for the old paths" and follow God's road of truth, "but they said, We will not walk therein" (Jer. 6:16). They were stubborn.

King Josiah and Jeremiah worked together in teaching the people to repent and obey God, but later this good king of Judah died in battle. The next four kings were evil and persecuted God's prophet, sometimes putting him in prison. Wicked King Zedekiah let his

servants tie a rope around Jeremiah to lower him into a deep pit with mud at the bottom and gave him nothing to eat. "Jeremiah sunk in the mire" (Jer. 38:6). Later he was rescued.

Once God gave Jeremiah a message telling King Jehoiakim that the nation of Judah must repent or God will punish them. Jeremiah told his scribe Baruch to write the message, and a servant brought it to the King. The King was so angry he cut the message into pieces and threw it in a fire (Jer. 36:23).

Jeremiah warned the people if they did not repent, God would let the nation of Babylon destroy Judah and take them as captives for seventy years as punishment (Jer. 25:11; 29:10). Finally, when they did not repent, that is what happened. Before the Babylonians captured all the Jews, some fled to Egypt and took Jeremiah with them. That is probably where he died.

Jeremiah told the Jews about God's wonderful promise, "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant" (Jer. 31:31-34). This means God would send Jesus Christ as our Savior to forgive all our sins. Jesus gave the new covenant, also called the New Testament, to save us and lead us to heaven.

ACTIVITY - SHORT ANSWERS

1. How did Jeremiah feel when God called him to be a prophet? _____
2. Why did some people get angry at Jeremiah? _____
3. How did false prophets tell the people to worship idols? _____
4. When Jeremiah sent God's message to King Jehoiakim, what did the King do? _____
5. How many years did God punish Judah as slaves in Babylon? _____

ACTIVITY - MATCHING

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| 1. The Weeping Prophet | _____ a. Jeremiah's scribe wrote God's message |
| 2. "Ask for the old paths" | _____ b. God's Word is the only right way |
| 3. King Josiah | _____ c. This King let evil men throw Jeremiah in a pit |
| 4. Baruch | _____ d. Jeremiah was sad because the Jews disobeyed God |
| 5. King Jehoiakim | _____ e. Jesus gave the New Testament to save us from sin |
| 6. King Zedekiah | _____ f. This good King helped Jeremiah teach the Jews |
| 7. "I will make a new covenant" | _____ g. He cut up God's message & threw it in a fire |

MEMORY VERSE:

"Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths" (Jer. 6:16).

REVIEW MEMORY VERSE FROM ISAIAH:

"Behold, the nations are as a _____ of a _____ (to God. He rules over them all.)" (Isa. 40:15).

The Church at Corinth: A Case Study of Division in the Local Church (5)

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spiritual gifts are derived from the same Lord and are to be used in his service. This is followed by an extended comparison of the local church to the human body. All are baptized into one body (not several) and drink of one Spirit (12:12-13). For that reason, one part of the body is no less important than any other part of the body. Therefore, “the eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I have no need of you’; nor again the head to the feet, ‘I have no need of you’” (12:21). The implication is that the church at Corinth was having problems with the men who had these spiritual gifts. The spirit of competition and rivalry resulted in some thinking that their gift was extremely important but those which others had were unimportant or useless. Perhaps it had boiled up so intensely that some actually thought about another member for whom Christ had died as, “I have no need of you.” After all, one might have thought, “If they weren’t attending and speaking, there would be more time for me to speak.”

The wonderful chapter on love, 1 Corinthians 13, must be read in the context of this conflict:

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal.

And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.

But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. And now abide

faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love (1 Cor. 13:1-13).

Think about the opposite conduct to the list of the attributes of love that was probably occurring at Corinth which threatened the peace and unity of the local church:

Love is . . .

What was happening at Corinth . . .

Kind	Unkind
Does not envy	Envious
Does not parade itself	Parades itself
Is not puffed up	Is puffed up
Does not behave rudely	Is rude
Does not seek its own	Seeks its own self interest
Is not provoked	Is provoked
Thinks no evil	Thinks that one’s motives are evil
Does not rejoice in iniquity	Rejoices when his competition sins
Rejoices in truth	Rejoices in hearing his brother is wrong
Bears all things	Puts up with little or nothing
Believes all things	Believes the worst about his brother
Hopes all things	Hopes for the worst about his brother
Endures all things	Quits when he does not get his way

Paul obviously was addressing a congregational problem at Corinth in which brethren had allowed their desire to be “first” supersede what was best for the congregation.

Chapter 14 continues the discussion calling attention to the disruptions in the assembly. Tongue speakers spoke but no one understood the language in which they spoke, two were trying to speak at the same time, one wanted the other to hurry up and finish so he could speak, women were interrupting with questions, etc. No wonder Paul wrote,

If anyone speaks in a tongue, let there be two or at the most three, each in turn, and let one interpret. But if there is no interpreter, let him keep silent in church, and let him speak to

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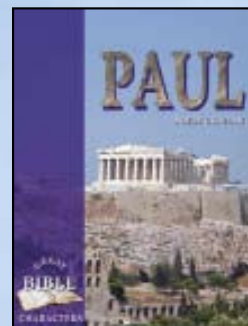
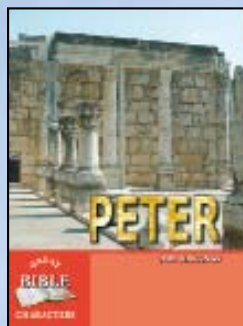
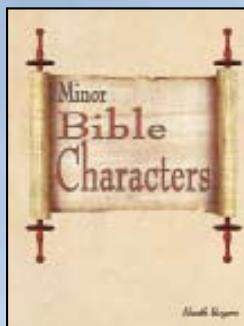
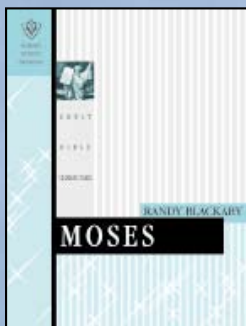
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himself and to God. Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others judge. But if anything is revealed to another who sits by, let the first keep silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints (1 Cor. 14:27-33).

Just as Corinth had problems relating to public worship, so also do some churches today. One song leader is jealous because the elders asked another song leader to lead singing for the entire gospel meeting. A brother gets upset because one teaches the adult class and he doesn't get to,

he is never asked to fill in when the preacher is away, he only gets to teach the children's classes, he was not asked to serve as a deacon or elder, etc. Such attitudes can destroy the unity in any local church.

So long as the church is composed of imperfect men, it will always have problems related to people learning to work together. The teaching and preaching programs of the local church must be directed toward maturing immature saints not only to get us ready for our eternal home in heaven, but also to enable us to work together in peace.



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<p>OCEANSIDE-VISTA, CA Church of Christ 2020 Sunset Dr. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Lowell C. Bell (760) 940-8003</p>	<p>ALACHUA, FL Santa Fe Hills Church of Christ Hwy. 441, 1/2 mile west of I-75 (Exit 78) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (386) 462-4325 or (352) 333-7003</p>	<p>FT. WALTON BEACH, FL 6 Lane Dr. Mary Esther, FL Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Joey Rankin (850) 244-9222</p>	<p>MERRITT ISLAND, FL Church of Christ 512 Plumosa St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (321) 453-3320</p>	<p>PANAMA CITY BEACH, FL Beach Church of Christ 8910 Front Beach Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Ben Liggins (850) 234-2521 or 234-1368</p>	<p>ZEPHYRHILLS, FL Church of Christ 5444 4th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Assembly 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (813) 788-9587</p>
<p>ARVADA, CO (Denver) Northgate Church of Christ (Lincoln Academy Charter School) 6980 Pierce Street Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Afternoon Class/ Worship 1:30 P.M. (303) 456-4895</p>	<p>BRONSON, FL Church of Christ 894 E. Hathaway (Hwy. 27A) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Thursday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: John Zellner (352) 528-3058</p>	<p>FROSTPROOF, FL Church of Christ 40 W. "A" St. Frostproof, FL 33483 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mike Freese (863) 635-2607 or 635-4278</p>	<p>MIAMI, FL Flagler Grove Church of Christ (Nearest to Airport) 500 N.W. 53rd Ave. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: John Buttrick (305) 634-5924</p>	<p>PANAMA CITY, FL Church of Christ 3339 Florida Ave. (Between Baldwin Rd. & Hwy. 390) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Marvin Hudson (850) 265-6539</p>	<p>CENTERVILLE, GA Centerville Church of Christ 250 Collins Ave. (Near Robins AFB) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: J. Wiley Adams (478) 922-1128</p>
<p>COLORADO SPRINGS, CO Northeast Church of Christ 6660 Galley Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (719) 597-6661</p>	<p>BROOKSVILLE, FL Church of Christ 604 W. Fort Dade Ave. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: V.C. McCormick (352) 796-9803</p>	<p>GENEVA, FL Church of Christ Ave. C and 2nd St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. (407) 349-9998</p>	<p>MIAMI, FL Church of Christ 12780 Quail Roost Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Clark Pace (305) 233-9590 or (954) 430-1437</p>	<p>PENSACOLA, FL East Hill Church of Christ 2078 E. Nine Mile Rd. at Camberwell Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Stan Adams 479-2130 or 994-7749</p>	<p>CONYERS, GA Rockdale Church of Christ East Metro Atlanta, 705 Smyrna Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Forrest Bacon, elder (770) 918-1932; Wendell Holland, elder (770) 761-6987; Building (770) 929-3973</p>
<p>FT. COLLINS, CO Foothills Church of Christ 1200 Raintree Drive Worship 11:00 A.M. Bible Study 11:30 A.M. Call (970) 482-9690 for Wednesday Service (Meets in home.)</p>	<p>CHIPLEY, FL Church of Christ 1295 Brickyard Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (850) 638-4942</p>	<p>HOLLYWOOD, FL Harding St. Church of Christ 5828 Harding St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (954) 961-4112</p>	<p>OCALA, FL Church of Christ 3900 S. Pine (441, 301 & 27 S.) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Al Sandlin 352-351-5188</p>	<p>PENSACOLA, FL Northside Church of Christ 4001 N. Ninth Ave. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Joseph R. Mazter (850) 432-0736</p>	<p>CORDELE, GA Crisp County Church of Christ 120 Emmaus Road Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jimmy Tuten Call for directions: (229) 271-1964 (229) 382-8722 (229) 402-4101</p>
<p>GRAND JUNCTION, CO Valley Church of Christ 491 Sparrn Road P.O. Box 40531 Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bill Bohannon www.ValleyChurchofChrist.net</p>	<p>DELAND, FL North Blvd. Church of Christ 823 N. Woodland Blvd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jack Owen (386) 734-6907 or 734-4311</p>	<p>JACKSONVILLE, FL Julington Creek Church of Christ 1630 State Rd 13N Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (904) 230-3332 (Bldg.) or 268-9638 (Wendell Bowman) jimbello07@netzero.net www.jccoc.com</p>	<p>ORLANDO, FL Pine Hills Church of Christ 890 Hastings St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Ray West (407) 293-2851 or 290-8650</p>	<p>PUNTA GORDA, FL Church of Christ 2300 Taylor Road PO Box 511069 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening (Nov.-Mar.) 4:00 P.M. Evening (Apr.-Oct.) 5:00 P.M. Evangelist: Paul Branch (239) 458-3566</p>	<p>PINE MTN. VALLEY, GA Church of Christ Route 116 (near Callaway Gardens) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Tommy W. Thomas (706) 628-5117 or 628-5229</p>
<p>IGNACIO, CO Church of Christ 295 Burns Ave. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 1:00 P.M. (970) 563-9418</p>	<p>DESTIN, FL South Walton Church of Christ 64 Casting Lake Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (850) 632-3817 www.southwaltonchurchofchrist.com</p>	<p>JACKSONVILLE, FL Marietta Church of Christ 8150 Driggers St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jamie Rhoden Elders: Jamie Rhoden & Steve Frazier (904) 781-5704 or 693-0432 www.mariettaoc.com</p>	<p>ORLANDO, FL Azalea Park Church of Christ 6800 Lake Underhill Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 4:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: James P. Needham (407) 277-7931 or 628-2995</p>	<p>ST. PETERSBURG, FL Church of Christ 901 49th St. South Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Doug Barlar (813) 321-2721</p>	<p>SAVANNAH, GA Coastal Church of Christ 7201 Johnny Mercer Blvd Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Ron Nelson ronnelson@embarqmail.com (912) 306-4631 www.coastalchurchofchrist.com</p>

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<p>VALDOSTA, GA Church of Christ 4313 North Valdosta Rd. (Located 1 mile E. of Exit 22 off I-75) Worship 9:00 A.M. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. (No evening worship) Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (229) 244-8630</p>	<p>PALATINE, IL Church of Christ (N.W. Chicago Suburb) 1050 N. Deer Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (847) 967-9667</p>	<p>MUNCIE, IN Church of Christ 301 N. Calvert Ave. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Kevin Sulc (765) 284-5299 or 286-5488</p>	<p>EL DORADO, KS Emporia St. Church of Christ 1154 S. Emporia Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (316) 321-1025</p>	<p>CAMPBELLSVILLE, KY Sunny Hill Dr. Church of Christ (near the Dairy Queen) Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Lee stevelee4510@windstream.net (270) 789-1651</p>	<p>REGINA, KY Road Creek Church of Christ 7 miles west of Elkhorn City on Route 460 & Route 80 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (606) 754-9883, 754-8642 or 754-5398</p>
<p>BLACKFOOT, ID Church of Christ 370 N. Shilling P.O. Box 158-83221 Bible Study 1:30 P.M. Worship 2:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (208) 785-6168 or 681-1552</p>	<p>CLARKSVILLE, IN Clarksville Church of Christ 407 Lewis and Clark Pkw. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Kipp Campbell (812) 941-0747 or 944-2305 KCcampbell@earthlink.net Elders: 944-1878 or 948-9917</p>	<p>OOLETIC, IN Church of Christ 400 Lafayette Ave. P.O. Box 34 Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (812) 279-4332</p>	<p>LENEXA, KS Lenexa Church of Christ 7845 Cottonwood Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jim Stauffer (913) 631-6519 or 764-9170</p>	<p>CANEYVILLE, KY Caneyville Church of Christ 103 N. Main St. (near the 4 way stop) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Dale Barnes (270) 879-6152 or 274-3065</p>	<p>BATON ROUGE, LA Park Forest Church of Christ 9923 Sunny Cline Dr. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bill Crews 275-4684 or 273-1105</p>
<p>ABINGDON, IL Abingdon Church of Christ 209 N. Main Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 4:00 P.M. Evangelist: John B. Wilson (309) 462-5368</p>	<p>ELLETSVILLE, IN Church of Christ 303 W. Temperance St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: John Isaac Edwards (812) 876-2285 or 336-4630</p>	<p>PEKIN, IN Church of Christ (First St. & Karnes Ct.) Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: John Henry 967-3437 or 967-3520</p>	<p>TOPEKA, KS 17th Street Church of Christ 5600 SW 17th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (785) 235-8687 or 273-7977 www.17thstreetchurchofchrist.org</p>	<p>DANVILLE, KY 385 E. Lexington Ave. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 11:15 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Scott Viñuquin (859) 236-4204 or 238-0860</p>	<p>BOSSIER CITY, LA Bossier Church of Christ 2917 Foster Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (318) 747-4308 or 742-4557</p>
<p>BENTON, IL Church of Christ 203 N. Central St. P.O. Box 12 (west of Wal-Mart) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Greg King (618) 438-2911 or 435-2981</p>	<p>HAMMOND, IN Woodmar Church of Christ 2133 169th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (219) 845-8942</p>	<p>PLAINFIELD, IN Church of Christ 350 E. Township Line Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Johnie Edwards (317) 839-0174</p>	<p>WICHITA, KS Ridge Road Church of Christ 7001 W. 21st St., North Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. (316) 722-6622 or 744-1841</p>	<p>FRANKLIN, KY 31-W North Church of Christ 1733 Bowling Green Road Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Monts (270) 586-3978 www.franklinchurch.com</p>	<p>LAKE CHARLES, LA Southside Church of Christ 3919 Auburn St. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (337) 474-9122 or 436-0477</p>
<p>CHICAGO, IL Northside Church of Christ 2543 W. Division St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: James R. Davis, Jr. (312) 961-2150</p>	<p>HOBART, IN Church of Christ 300 N. Liberty St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (219) 942-2663</p>	<p>RICHMOND, IN Gaar Road Church of Christ 1835 Gaar Rd. (1 mi. S. of I-70 off Hwy. 227) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Douglas R. Clark (765) 935-2911</p>	<p>WICHITA, KS Westside Church of Christ 2626 W. 47th St. South Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mike O'Neal (316) 729-9302 or 942-1649 www.cocwestside.com</p>	<p>GLASGOW, KY East Main St. Church of Christ 106 Carnation Dr. (across from Gorin Park) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Doug Lancaster (270) 404-0346 or 651-7141</p>	<p>LEESVILLE, LA White Park Church of Christ 17801 Nolan Trace; 20 mi. from Fort Polk (5 mi. W. of Leesville) Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:35 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (537) 239-4614 www.whiteparkchurchofchrist.org</p>
<p>CHICAGO, IL Church of Christ 1514 West 74th Street Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: James E. Scott Bldg. (773) 224-9279 (708) 339-6126</p>	<p>INDIANAPOLIS, IN Castleton Church of Christ 7701 East 86th St., 46256 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (317) 842-3613</p>	<p>SALEM, IN Westside Church of Christ 2000 West State Rd. 56 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Evan Casey (812) 883-2033 www.westsidechurchofchrist.info</p>	<p>BEAVER DAM, KY Church of Christ 1235 Williams St. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study After Worship Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mike Thomas (270) 274-4451 or 274-4486</p>	<p>LEITCHFIELD, KY Mill St. Church of Christ Highway 62 E. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:55 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Joey Cooper (270) 259-4968</p>	<p>MANY, LA Lakeside Church of Christ 12095 Texas Hwy. (Hwy. 6 W.) 12 miles west of Many Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (318) 256-9396</p>
<p>DOWNERS GROVE, IL Church of Christ 1236 63rd St. (1 and 1/2 mile E. of I355) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:55 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (630) 968-0760 • www.dgcoc.org</p>	<p>JAMESTOWN, IN Church of Christ (1 Mi. south of I-74) Cor. Darlington & Mill Sts. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:25 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: David Halbrook (765) 676-6404 or (317) 892-6285</p>	<p>TRAFALGAR, IN Spearsville Rd. Church of Christ, 6244 S. 500W. (1.2 mi. S. of Hwy. 135) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: David R. Dodd (317) 878-5969 or (317) 439-3252 spearsvilleroadmessenger@gmail.com</p>	<p>BOWLING GREEN, KY Eastside Church of Christ 1706 Smallhouse Rd Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:25 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wed. 10:00 A.M. & 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Gary Kerr (270) 843-9925 www.mightyisthelord.com</p>	<p>LOUISVILLE, KY Valley Station Church of Christ 1803 Dixie Garden Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Dudley Ross Spears (502) 937-2822</p>	<p>STONEWALL, LA N. DeSto Church of Christ 2071 Highway 171 (South of Shreveport) Worship 9:00 A.M. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Bobbitt (318) 925-2733</p>
<p>GLEN ELLYN, IL Church of Christ 796 Prairie, 60137 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Joseph T. Novak (630-529-2149) (630) 858-2290</p>	<p>KOKOMO, IN Church of Christ 1217 S. Courtland Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 10:30 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Joshua Welch (765) 453-2356</p>	<p>DES MOINES, IA Church of Christ 1310 N.E. 54th Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:40 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (515) 262-6799</p>	<p>BOWLING GREEN, KY West End Church of Christ 300 Blue Level Rd., 42101 Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelists: Todd Chandler & Lowell Sallee (270) 842-7880 www.westendchurch.com</p>	<p>LOUISVILLE, KY Church of Christ 4401 West Broad St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Donald Wright, Jr. (502) 772-3026 or 491-9372</p>	<p>WEBSTER, MA Church of Christ Webster 168 Main St. Sunday Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Sunday Worship 10:30 A.M. Wed Bible Study Call for details (508) 765-6067 Preacher: Peter Capoccia</p>
<p>MATTOON, IL Southside Church of Christ 1100 S. 17th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (217) 234-3702</p>	<p>MARION, IN South Marion Church of Christ 3629 S. Washington St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Alan Jones (765) 922-7602</p>	<p>GRINNELL, IA Church of Christ 1402 Third Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (641) 236-1955 (641) 793-2989</p>	<p>BRANDENBURG, KY Brandenburg Church of Christ 612 Broadway Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Charles J. White (270) 422-3878</p>	<p>OWENSBORO, KY Southside Church of Christ 2920 New Hartford Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jarrod Jacobs (270) 683-5386 or 264-7869</p>	<p>PORTLAND, ME Church of Christ 856 Brighton Ave. (Breakwater School) Leave Maine Turnpike at Exit 48 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Second service immediately following morning worship. Mid-week Bible Study—Please call for times & places (207) 839-3075 or 839-8409</p>

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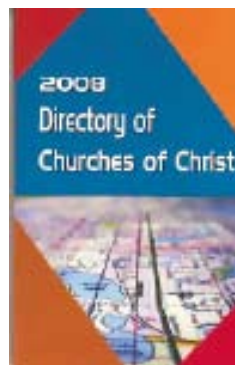
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