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# Straight Talk to Women





By Jarrod Jacobs

# Culture and Christendom

Our society speaks much about “women’s rights” and “social equality.” To say that women have been made to feel inferior and have been treated in cruel and harsh ways through the years is to state the obvious. Furthermore, to say that there have been “religious leaders” and even entire religions, like Islam, who have mistreated women is to state a fact as well. Unfortunately, though, there have been folks in our culture who have gone to an opposite extreme. In order to right the wrongs done to women, some have claimed that it is fitting for women to leave their God-given roles as women and assume man’s role. In many cases, we find men who are willing to let women assume their role, and they either do nothing, or assume the woman’s role. Such an extreme position is as wrong as one that says women are somehow “beneath men.”

To appreciate the truth about a woman’s God-given role on earth, let us see what God says.

## WOMEN ARE NOT “SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS”

Something that ought to stand out as we read the Bible is the place of dignity and honor that God has given women. Some have wrongly said that the Bible puts down or “belittles” women. This is not so. We see God’s

favor placed upon women from the beginning (Gen. 2:18-25). When God looked for one to be a companion to man, He made a woman to complement him. An animal would not do, nor would another man do. God made a woman from man’s side to be his companion and helper in life. Scattered throughout the Scriptures, we see godly examples of women: Ruth, Hannah, Esther, Mary, Phoebe, Priscilla, Lois, Eunice, Abigail, etc. These women are held in high esteem by God, and folks who read of these godly ladies are encouraged to follow their examples. Yes, there are wicked women mentioned in the Bible: Jezebel, Maacah, Athaliah, etc., just as there are wicked men mentioned. What ought to stand out to us is that godly women were not castigated, forgotten, or somehow “erased” from Bible history. They were honored by God. Miriam was a prophetess of God (Num. 12:2). Hannah was a woman of prayer who gave her first-born son to God (1 Sam. 1:11-28). Let us remember Matthew, Mark, and John specifically record the fact that the women who were disciples of Christ were the first to arrive at the empty tomb of Jesus. These facts were not erased from the Bible, but have been recorded for generations of folks to read and to learn! God treated women in a righteous way, and expected men to treat their counterpart in the same way.

Consider the care God expected for the widows (Exod. 22:22; Deut.

10:18; 24:19-21; 27:19; Ps. 146:9; Prov. 15:25; Isa. 1:17, 23; 1 Tim. 5:5, 9; etc.). In a time when it was said that only men could own property, it is God who demanded that men provide for the widow who had no property or inheritance after her husband had died. We see God’s favor shown when He personifies wisdom as a woman (Prov. 8-9).

The virtuous woman of Proverbs 31 is ever with us, is she not? Further, some of the great New Testament faith heroes were women who served and loved the Lord and who faithfully gave their lives for Him. Nowhere in Scripture do we read of women being “second-class,” inferior, or unworthy of our respect and honor. Men may treat women thus, but God never did, and never condoned that behavior.

## GOD HAS ROLES FOR WOMEN TO ACCEPT

Just as God has roles for men on this earth, so also He has roles or work for women. Sometimes, this is where folks will cry “foul” and say that God is not treating women fairly. At first glance, it might seem as if there is a “double-standard” in the Bible, but I would suggest that when we read what God has said with an open mind, it is not a double-standard at all. Just as we recognize an “order” to things where we have certain roles or functions to fulfill in our employment, at school, and even in

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By Mark Mayberry

# Avoiding Dangers

A good and godly wife is a great blessing while a woman who disgraces her husband is a pestilent curse: “An excellent wife is the crown of her husband, but she who shames him is like rottenness in his bones” (Prov. 12:4). Solomon also said, “I discovered more bitter than death [is] the woman whose heart is snares and nets, whose hands are chains. One who is pleasing to God will escape from her, but the sinner will be captured by her” (Eccl. 7:23-29, esp. vv. 26 & 28). In response, one could say that Solomon’s negative attitude comes, in part, from being attracted to the wrong kind of women (1 Kings 11:1-8).

The Bible sharply contrasts the godly woman and the wicked woman. The former is quiet and submissive, gracious and wise (Prov. 11:16; 14:1; Eph. 5:22-33; 1 Pet. 3:1-6); the latter is boisterous and rebellious, naïve and foolish (Prov. 9:13; 14:1).

## AVOIDING CONTENTIOUSNESS

Godly women avoid contentiousness. This word is defined as “causing or likely to cause disagreement or controversy ... given to provoking argument” (Oxford), and is descriptive of one who exhibits “an often perverse and wearisome tendency to quarrels and disputes” (Webster).

Men and women alike must bridle the tongue (Psa. 39:1; 141:3; James 1:26; 3:2-6). Yet, the Bible specifically addresses women in this regard. It is better to live in a corner of a roof

(or in a desert land) than in a house shared with a contentious and vexing woman (Prov. 21:9, 19; 25:24). Again, a constant dripping on a day of steady rain and a contentious woman are alike; he who would restrain her restrains the wind, and grasps oil with his right hand (Prov. 27:15-16; 19:13).

## AVOIDING COVETOUSNESS

Godly women avoid covetousness. This word is defined as “having a great desire to possess something belonging to someone else” (Oxford), or alternatively, to “(1) want somebody else’s property: to have a strong desire to possess something that belongs to somebody else; (2) yearn to have: to want to have something very much” (Bing).

This common deficiency affects men and women, young and old, rich and poor (Josh. 7:19-21; 1 Cor. 5:9-11; 1 Tim. 6:9-10). All must beware of covetousness, recognizing that life is not measured by the quality or quantity of their possessions (Luke 12:15-21; cf. Exod. 20:17; Eph. 5:5).

Amos, the plainspoken prophet of God, rebuked the women of Israel, saying, “Hear this word, you cows of Bashan who are on the mountain of Samaria, who oppress the poor, who crush the needy, who say to your husbands, ‘Bring now, that we may drink!’” (Amos 4:1-3). Micah similarly denounced those who scheme iniquity, devising evil plans during the night, doing their worst during the day. They covet fields and seize

them, robbing a man of his house and his inheritance (Mic. 2:1-2).

Coveting is a malady of the heart, producing evil attitudes and actions (Mark 7:20-23). Christian men and women should be content regardless of circumstances (Phil. 4:11-13). Godliness is a means of great gain if accompanied by contentment (1 Tim. 6:6-10). Trusting in God, who said, “I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you,” let us make sure our character is free from the love of money, and that we are content with those blessings we possess (Heb. 13:5-6).

## AVOIDING CARNALITY

Godly women will avoid carnality. This word is defined as “relating to or given to crude bodily pleasures and appetites, marked by sexuality” (Webster), or alternatively, “(1) pertaining to or characterized by the flesh or the body, its passions and appetites; sensual: carnal pleasures” (Dictionary.com).

All believers should live in a holy and upright manner (1 Cor. 6:9-11; 1 Thess. 4:1-8). Yet, the Bible specifically addresses women in this regard. Women are described in Scripture as “the weaker vessel” (1 Pet. 3:7, NKJV); but, in another sense, possessors of great power (Prov. 2:16; 6:24). Beauty and charm are potent. In the Song of Songs, the shepherd said to the Shulammite, “You have made my heart beat faster, my sister, my bride; you have made my heart beat faster with a single glance of your eyes, with a single

strand of your necklace” (Song of Sol. 4:9). Within marriage, physical attraction and sexual desire are right and good; yet, outside of a divinely sanctioned relationship, it is base and sinful (Prov. 5:18-19; Heb. 13:4). Solomon said the Proverbs were written, in part, “To keep you (my son) from the evil woman, from the smooth tongue of the adulteress.” He said, “Do not desire her beauty in your heart, nor let her capture you with her eyelids” (Prov. 6:24-25). The lips of an adulteress drip honey, her speech is smooth, and she flatters with her words. Yet, her mouth is a deep pit; one who is divinely accursed will fall into it. In the end, she is bitter as wormwood, and more deadly than a sharp, two-edged sword (Prov. 5:3-4; 6:24; 7:5; 22:14). Forbidden love may be exhilarating (Prov. 5:20) and stolen water may be sweet (Prov. 9:17), but the price of such folly is high: One who commits adultery with a woman is lacking sense; he who would destroy himself engages in such shameful conduct (Prov. 5:21-23; 6:26-35; 7:21-27; 9:13-18).

## AVOIDING CREDULITY

Godly women will avoid credulity, i.e., they will not be gullible and easily manipulated, but wise and prudent. Credulity refers to the “readiness or willingness to believe especially on slight or uncertain evidence” (Webster) or the “willingness to believe or trust too readily, especially without proper or adequate evidence; gullibility” (Dictionary.com).

Warning against the peril of false teachers, Paul spoke of those who are most vulnerable to their manipulative methods: “For among them are those who enter into households and captivate weak women weighed down with sins, led on by various impulses, always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth” (2 Tim. 3:6-7). False teachers enter through devious means, with ulterior motives, using pretense and guile. Jude sounds a similar alarm:

“For certain persons have crept in unnoticed...” (v. 4). While both men and women can be led astray (2 Cor. 11:2-3), Paul said, “And it was not Adam who was deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression” (1 Tim. 2:14).

Let us consider Paul’s statement in 2 Timothy 3:6-7 in detail. Doing the devil’s work, promoters of error control their followers, bringing them into bondage, and leading them away as spoils of spiritual warfare. Paul says that “weak women” (NASB) or “gullible women” (KJV) are especially vulnerable. Carrying a derogatory connotation, this term refers contemptuously to a silly woman, i.e., an adult woman of foolish and/or frivolous character. Such women are weighed down with sin. Burdened by the guilt of their transgression, they react, not with godly sorrow and genuine repentance, but by defending their actions and denying their culpability (Prov. 30:20; John 9:39-41). Having rejected the Biblical pattern of pardon, they remain in their sins, unforgiven, unreconciled, and unredeemed (Jer. 8:20).

Women of foolish and frivolous character are led on by various impulses. In other words, they are subject to diverse lusts and evil desires. Titus expresses a similar thought: “For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another” (Titus 3:3-7, esp. v. 3). Captive to their cravings, such individuals live for the moment. In contrast, let us cultivate the far-sighted faith of Moses, who, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin. Moses considered the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt because he was looking to the reward (Heb. 11:24-26).

## CONCLUSION

Recognizing the danger of contentiousness, may godly men and women cultivate a spirit of patience and longsuffering. Recognizing the danger of covetousness, may we be content with those blessings the Father has bestowed upon us. Recognizing the danger of carnality, may we clean ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

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# Exhibiting Love

We use the word “love” to describe all kinds of emotions and preferences, from the deep well of devotion for our newborn child, to our leanings toward creamy peanut butter or crunchy. As wives, we love our husbands. We may also love our houses. But in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, the Holy Spirit makes it clear that love is more than what we feel for someone or something. Just as Hebrews 11 shows that true faith *acts*, true love is a word full of action, and most often, the action of love involves *giving*.

No more telling definition can be found for the word “love” than that found in John 3:16: “*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son.*” God so loved us that He *gave*, and what He gave was profound. Not only did God give His priceless Son, but He chose to give us the right and ability to become His children and bear His name. “*Behold, what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!*” (1 John 3:1).

The Lord loved us and showed us what love looks like by His life on earth. He left the realm of heaven for us (John 6:38); He washed His own disciples’ feet (John 13:14); He died for us when we did not deserve such love (Rom. 5:8).

It was on the love of the Lord, and love of our fellow man, that the Law and the Prophets of old were

hung (Matt. 22:40), and Scriptures show that these loves are active.

Jesus said, “If you love Me, keep My commandments” (John 14:15). Among those commandments, we are to “love not the world or the things in the world” (1 John 2:15), and we are commanded to love our neighbor (Matt. 22:39). “This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you” (John 15:12) and, “These things I command you, that you love one another” (John 15:17).

Love for our fellow man also entails activity. We are to emulate Jesus’ sacrificial love for us by being willing to sacrifice for our brethren. “*By this we know love, because He*

*laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoever has this world’s goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?*” (1 John 3:16-17).

There are many Biblical examples of love’s expression. Paul urged the Christians in Corinth to show the same love for the needy brethren in Judea that had been expressed by the churches of Macedonia. As they sent gifts “*in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality.*” Their love led them to *give*, not only the gift, but themselves (2 Cor. 8:1-5). ▶



Think of Dorcas, who did “*good works and charitable deeds*” (Acts 9:36-39). When she died, the widows of the church wept, showing Peter the garments she had sewn for them. They were not weeping for the loss of a seamstress. They were weeping with love for their sister in Christ who had exhibited love toward them.

Love for one another will be seen in our response to the work others are given to do. In 2 Samuel 7:1-17, we see what strong desire King David had to build a house for God. Knowing how David longed to honor the Lord with a temple, the Lord told him, “*You did well that it was in your heart*” (1 Kings 8:17-19). What was David’s reaction when God refused his offer, choosing another to build His house instead of himself? He was content to *let someone else do the work he desired to do* (1 Chron. 22). He even encouraged Solomon to build the temple, sharing the plans he had made and materials he had gathered, so that Solomon would succeed in his task. Sadly, Christians may so desire to do a particular service for God that they become resentful when someone else does the work, and does it better. This is not love. We ought to emulate David’s attitude of love, both for God and for others, giving encouragement to the one involved in the work, praying for his/her success, *helping* him/her to succeed.

How can love be exhibited in the church today? When a man was gravely ill, he received a card of encouragement from a sister in Christ, and his wife received one from

her as well. The sender knew that when one is hurting, their mate hurts also. When asked about the charitable work of one Christian lady, it has been said of her that the auditorium could not hold all the food she has prepared for others. When a woman was stricken with cancer, a sister in Christ came and gathered up the family’s clothes that needed ironing, doing the work and returning the clothes ready to wear. When a child was born, a sister in Christ came and cleaned the house for the new parents. When an excellent seamstress wanted to share her talent with others, she invited girls and ladies into her home to teach them to sew. When a young man observed that his sister in Christ was dressed immodestly, he kindly showed her what Scripture says. And when a young woman was told by her brother in Christ that her clothing was immodest, she thanked him and chose something better to wear. When one young wife and mother made acknowledgement for sin, she was so sickened by what she had done that she could hardly take care of her family. She tells how comforted she was when a sister in Christ brought them food. When a young woman of the world used curse words, a fellow student who was a Christian showed her how God views such language, and eventually converted her to Christ. When a man was dying of kidney failure, his brother in Christ offered him one of his own kidneys.

In each case cited, all of them true, someone offered something to someone else, whether the gift was of their time or talent, their knowledge of the Scriptures, their finances or labor, or their own flesh. They saw a

need. They *looked* for a need. They loved.

The church is described as a body (Eph. 1:22-23). Just as we love each member of our physical body and care for it, the various members of the church are to care for one another for the benefit of each, thereby benefitting the whole. We ought not to denigrate our own talents by comparison with other members of the body, saying “*I am not a hand,*” nor should we belittle the contribution of other members, saying, “*I have no need of you.*” Dangers arise when we ignore these principles because such lack of love, both of self and others, will lead to envy, anger, hatred and division. Rather, “*if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it*” (1 Cor. 12:12-26). Further, Paul said in Romans 12:15, “*Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.*” Both these passages paint a clear picture of what love looks like. It is selfless response to the circumstances of others. Love is clearly seen, because love *acts!*

“I will rejoice in your rejoicing,  
 When days are good,  
 and days are fine.  
 And when your tears of  
 grief and sorrow  
 Will fall to earth, then so will mine.”

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# Limitations and Allowances

Women of faith share in every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ. Gender identity has no bearing on one's redemptive relationship with God, since there is "neither male or female" in Christ Jesus (Gal. 3:26-29). This does not negate the truth that the Lord has designated particular roles and responsibilities, along with certain restrictions, for women in his church. The limitations and allowances of which we speak here are not arbitrary, demeaning, punitive, or optional, but the result of God's wisdom as defined and explained in the Holy Scriptures.

## LIMITATIONS

The Lord God established an order of headship based upon His nature and the order of His creation. "But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God" (1 Cor. 11:3). This outlines the God-given model of authority in our lives, whether applied to society as a whole, to the home, and to the church. It is the model that works, and the one to which we must submit.

The Scriptures apply God's order of authority to teaching the gospel in 1 Timothy 2:11-15, and to the conduct of women in worship assemblies in 1 Corinthians 14:34-35. These verses reveal God's limitations upon women when teaching the Bible.

*1. Women are not allowed to teach or have authority over a man (1 Tim. 2:11-12).* Teaching is an

expressed action of authority over students. As such, men are to lead in teaching as well as in prayer (1 Tim. 2:8, 12). Women who teach over men are exercising an authority God did not give them. A woman is not to seize such authority for herself, nor can men properly assign teaching authority to her which God has not given. Some defend women preaching and teaching over men in the churches and other venues by asserting that they are teaching under the oversight of the elders. However, the elders have no right or authority from God to give women authority to teach over men. They cannot give what is not theirs to give, nor can women claim as their right that which God says is wrong. Women have no Bible authority to publicly preach or otherwise take the lead in the public teaching and worship of the local church.

The woman's deception in the garden provides another reason why they are not permitted to teach over men (1 Tim. 2:14). Eve took the lead in the garden. She was deceived, and then she led her husband into sin. God's order was not applied and both of them fell into sin. Thus, women are instructed to learn with quiet submission rather than teach over men (1 Tim. 2:11-12). Honoring her roles as a wife and a mother will bring a woman honor – not the seizing of authority to teach over men.

*2. Do not speak out in the assembly of the church (1 Cor. 14:34-35).* While the context addresses the use of miraculous gifts in the assembly,

this principle is stated to prevent confusion and to insure the reign of order and respect for God's divine order of headship in the assembly. Women are not free to speak out in worship assemblies: "it is shameful for women to speak in church" (1 Cor. 14:35). This prohibits such activities as women preachers, song leaders, prayer leaders, and other acts of leadership in the public worship of the church.

## ALLOWANCES

The worthy woman of Proverbs 31 "opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness" (Prov. 31:26). Women have many opportunities to teach the word of God. Consider this brief review of the teaching opportunities the Lord grants women of faith.

### *1. Teaching as a wife.*

The wife who honors and respects her husband with pure and God-fearing conduct plays an influencing and instructive role within her marriage. In 1 Peter 3:1-2 it is exactly the qualities of submissive honor, moral purity, and godly fear by which the believing wife helps bring her husband to faith. Women should not underestimate the teaching they provide by being faithful, devoted wives. Godly husbands rise up and bless them for it.

### *2. Teaching children.*

Some of the greatest teaching is done by godly mothers and grandmothers who impart the faith to their children. From Jochebed and Hannah to Mary, Lois, and Eunice, the Scriptures give us multiple examples of

women who taught their children and grandchildren to know the word of God (2 Tim. 1:5; 3:15). Like the mother of King Lemuel, who taught her son the great truths of the worthy woman, we urge every godly mother to teach her children the ways of God (Prov. 31:1, 10).

### 3. Teaching other

*women.* Experience is often a great teacher, and the Lord wants older women to teach younger women (Titus 2:3-5). With age ought to come the maturity of faith that equips one to be “teachers of good things” to the next generation of women in the Lord’s church. Age, when coupled with faithful maturity, is a great asset to you as a teacher of younger women. We encourage the older women to teach the younger women. And, we counsel the younger women to listen to and learn from these women whose age and experience in the kingdom make them worthy teachers of what is good.

### 4. Teaching as a companion with your husband (or other man).

The teaching tandem of Aquila and Priscilla was a powerful force for truth as they took Apollos aside and “explained to him the way of God more accurately” (Acts 18:24-26). In this private setting, with respect for the headship of the man, Priscilla contributed to teaching Apollos the gospel. Such teaching is still proper and much needed today.

### 5. Teaching in the worship assembly.

Even in the worship assembly there is an occasion for women to teach. By singing praises to God the entire congregation is “teaching and admonishing one another” (Col. 3:16). Thus, in the midst of the congregation women participate

in this form of teaching every time they raise their voices in song.

## SOME APPLICATIONS

At times the question arises, “May a woman write in religious journals and thus teach men?” We have already noted several allowable situations from the Bible in which women did indeed teach men. Let us also remember the prohibition in 1 Timothy 2:12 is against seizing authority “over” a man, with teaching over men as the way said authority is usurped. A woman teaching an adult Bible class or preaching in a worship assembly has a “captive audience” and is strictly forbidden. Such is not the case with writing books, internet blogs, Facebook postings, and the like. The author, whether a man or a woman, is not exercising any particular authority “over” others. Similarly, may a woman write songs for the church to sing for praising God and teaching one another? Most churches sing many songs written by women. The Bible allows women to avail themselves of such opportunities while being careful never to seize authority from men.

Another frequently asked question is whether women may work outside the home. The core role of the woman in the home is to be the helper-homemaker (Gen. 2:18; Titus 2:5). The wife completes what is lacking in her husband (i.e., she is a help meet, one who corresponds to, a helper comparable to her husband). Necessarily then, her essential role focuses her attention upon the care of her home and family.

According to 1 Timothy 5:14, along with bearing children, the wife is to “manage (rule, ASV) the house.” The word used conveys that she is its ruler, guardian, caretaker, and guide (see Mark 14:14, where it is used of the master of the house). Proverb 31:27 is an apt commentary

on what this means: “She watches over the ways of her household.” She is not the leader of the home, but, the wife and mother has the central responsibility of serving her family. The feminist movement has devalued this God-honored role, but women professing godliness accept it as their primary work.

The Holy Spirit further describes wives as “homemakers” who are “obedient to their husbands,” who “love their husbands,” and “love their children” (Titus 2:4-5). Wives “guide the house” (KJV), arranging the affairs of the family for its good. May wives be “workers at home” (NASB) and also work outside the home? It is possible, but great care must be taken. Whether a woman may have another job in addition to her God-given task of homemaker is answered by whether or not doing so hinders her ability to be a homemaker. Please consider that the worthy woman of Proverbs 31 industriously tended to her family by planning and executing the affairs of her home (Prov. 31:15-19, 27). She engaged in business enterprises that brought financial profit to her family (Prov. 31:16, 31). While doing so she faithfully tended to the needs of her family. Others knew of her fidelity and faith, and held her husband in respect (Prov. 31:23). When a woman chooses to work outside the home she must be careful that it does not deter from her first duty of managing the household. Her first priority is to arrange the affairs of her family in the ways of righteousness. All other considerations must be subordinated to this God-ordained role.

By accepting God’s limitations and allowances, godly women can be effective teachers of God’s word.

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# Overcoming Handicaps

By Minerva Caudill

**T**In the ninth chapter of the Gospel of John, we are told of a time when Jesus and His disciples passed by a man who was born blind. The disciples, drawing the same illogical conclusion that Job's friends made about Job, conclude that, since God punishes the wicked, all misfortune must be a punishment for wickedness and ask Jesus in verse two, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind?" Jesus annihilates this conclusion in verse three by replying, "It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was so that the works of God might be displayed in him." As someone who was born with a rare, degenerative eye disease that has robbed me of most of my sight, I have a real empathy for the blind man and so the words of Jesus strike a real chord within me. When I couple this statement with the one Jesus makes in Matthew 5:16, "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven," I have hope that there are still things I can do to cause people to glorify God. And when I consider all the amazing things that Paul did despite his disability, I know that there are some things I can do.

**So the question is:  
What are some things  
that we Christian women  
with disabilities can  
do to serve God?**

For those of us who are fortunate enough to be wives and mothers, the answer is fairly obvious: continue to

be a godly wife and mother. Although my disability prevents me from keeping my house as neat and tidy as I would like, I realize that in Genesis 2:18 when God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone," He did not say, "I will make someone to clean his house for him" but "I will make him a helper suitable for him." I can continue to be a companion to my husband by listening to him, talking with him, encouraging him, and laughing with him. As for the chores that I need to get done: because I have a good husband, whenever I come to something that requires eyesight, I just call out, "Bill, could you help me do such and such?" and he stops what he is doing and comes and takes the food out of the oven or removes the childproof lid from the cleaning solution or whatever it is that I need done.

Disabilities do not need to hinder a woman from being a good mom, either. My lack of vision has never stopped me from listening to my children, talking with them, advising them, and discussing God's Word with them. To a certain extent, having a mom with a disability has helped them to grow spiritually. They have always, even when they were small, helped me to do things that require better vision than I possess. As a result, they don't think twice about doing things for other people who are in need. Helping others has become a habit with them.

As important as the roles of wife and mother are, they are not the only duties of a Christian woman. We have a responsibility to serve

God even if we are not fortunate enough to get married and have children. So, what are some other ways that we as Christian women with disabilities can serve God?

The first thing that comes to my mind is a simple thing where having a disability is actually necessary. But just because a thing is small doesn't mean that it is unimportant, for Jesus said, "And whoever in the name of a disciple gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink, truly I say to you, he shall not lose his reward" (Matt. 10:42). So, what is this small thing? It's being humble enough to let others do things for us. In our congregation, we have a lot of small children who are being raised by godly parents. And because these children have been taught to care about others, they come running up to help me. It may not actually be helpful to me to have a six-year-old take my hand and lead me down the hallway, or to have a small child pick up the soap dispenser and wave it around in the air in front of me so that I can "find it easier," but their hearts are in the right place. By letting them do these sometimes less-than-helpful deeds and thanking them for their efforts, I feel that I am reinforcing their parents' efforts to teach them to be kind and encouraging them to be kind to other people. It also makes me very happy to know that I have made them feel happy and useful.

**But what else besides  
this small, passive act can  
we do to serve God?**  
Well, that depends. What abilities

or talents has God given you? Just because you have a disability does not mean that the talents and abilities you had before you developed that disability have disappeared. You may have to use your imagination to find ways to still use these talents, but you can still use them.

**Do you possess a talent for cooking but no longer have the eyesight or the mobility to cook a meal for someone else?** Consider inviting two or three teenage girls over to cook a meal under your supervision. This meal could be for a family in need, a bereaved family, or even a visiting preacher.

**Do you have a talent for teaching but your disabilities keep you from being able to handle a class on your own?** Consider becoming a mentor for a young woman who wants to teach but has no experience. You can help her plan lessons, gather materials, and practice what she will say. You can also sit in on the class with her and demonstrate various ways to tell the story and get the children to think and answer questions.

If your disability is, like mine, a lack of vision but you love to teach, try asking for the classes with good readers. I have taught everything from eight and nine year-olds on up through high school senior girls. My husband and my daughters help me prepare the lessons and the notes for the class. I have found that the students are very helpful and more than willing to read anything from the questions to Bible verses. When I

forget what comes next in the lesson, I hand my notes to one of the students and say, "What do I have down next?" and they always very cheerfully tell me and we continue on with the class.

### **Do you have a talent for listening? Are you adept at social media?**

Some Christian women have started Facebook groups where the women in a congregation can come together and ask for advice or encouragement. This is a good place to share your knowledge and experience with others. Is the computer just a big paperweight on your desk? The phone can also be a handy tool. I have an 84 year-old aunt who is almost completely sedentary because of arthritis who has trouble using her fingers because they don't have much feeling and whose eyesight is slowly being sapped by glaucoma and macular degeneration, but she has a group of people who regularly call her for both advice and encouragement. She manages to use some of her talents even though she has several disabilities.

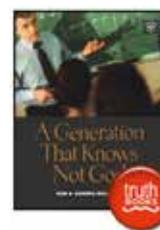
These are just a few examples of ways in which we can work around our disabilities so that we can continue to serve the Lord by serving others. But there is more to serving God than just serving others. What about our own personal growth? In Psalm 1:2, the psalmist, speaking of the righteous man, says, "But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night." Because our disabilities limit our activities, those of us with disabilities potentially have more time to meditate. Apparently the blind man in John 9 spent time meditating on God's law, for his responses to the scribes and

Pharisees were swift and powerful and his faith in Jesus was strong.

Peter also exhorts us in 2 Peter 1:5-7, "Now for this very reason, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love." Disabilities cannot hinder us from acquiring these qualities, and consider what Peter says will happen if we do acquire them. He says in verse 8, "For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." What a wonderful promise.

**Note:** All verse quotations are taken from the NASB.

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# Preacher's Wife: Going Abroad

By David Raif



David Raif and family.

**Amy:** “Are there grocery stores in Guatemala?”

**Me:** “Surely. People eat there, too.”

**Amy:** “Do they have hospitals?”

**Me:** “I would imagine.”

**Amy:** “Where are we going to live?”

**Me:** “We’ll figure it out when we get there.”

That’s just a glimpse into one of the many conversations I had with my wife, Amy, when we were considering moving to and working in Guatemala in 2007. On a brief visit the year before (2006) I had met brethren in Quetzaltenango and

had limited experience traveling inside the country, but I had no idea what it would be like to live in Central America. That is not much comfort to a wife and mother of three small children (3, 2, and 10 months) whose mind is haunted by thoughts of Typhoid, Malaria, kidnappings etc., but we were determined to learn Spanish and to encourage Christians there, and so ... we went.

**In November 2007 we crammed our Honda Pilot and a small white trailer to the gills and**

**drove the full length of Mexico with our children and Amy’s uncle Darryl.**

We had a route roughly determined and had communicated with a few brethren in Guatemala but still had many questions about the journey itself and about our arrival. Amy must have been thinking of Abraham’s wife Sarah as she too swallowed fears, leaving everything she knew behind, putting faith in God and following her husband’s leadership.

Three Guatemalan brethren were waiting for us when we crossed the Mexico/Guatemala border. Saturday is one of the busiest days in the border town of El Carmen with hordes of people shouting over one another, pushing goods and services on new arrivals. It was a long, hot, sticky day as we filed paperwork to legalize our vehicle and cargo. I had to leave Amy and the children with brother Fariñas. Both remember their first conversations dominated by smiles and hand gestures. Dirty children crowded around the car, peeking in the windows at the gringos with “Barbie” children. **We all had that awkward feeling of being constantly different and constantly watched.**

For a few weeks, we lived in a hotel room on the east side of Quetzaltenango. Amy spent most of her days in the hotel, washing clothes in the shower, boiling water to drink and being frustrated by beans that would not cook in an electric pot at high elevation. ▶

When I left with brother Jerónimo to visit brethren in other places, Amy did not dare take the children outside. We laugh now, smiling at our ignorance and our resulting fears (I'm sure the Guatemalan brethren laugh even more). Yet, the feelings of doubt that plagued us were very real – especially for this young mother. **We held on to one another and called upon God, trusting in His arms.**

Amy majored in modern languages in college, with an emphasis on French and German. In Guatemala, however, people speak Spanish. At first it was difficult for her to connect with sisters in the congregation. Besides the language barrier, culture, and stereotypes about being an American woman and about being a “preacher’s wife” built obstacles for real relationships. She could have let pride get in the way, not wanting to fumble over words or commit social *faux pas* or damage her reputation, but this would only build higher walls and superficial relationships.

Instead, she chose the path of humility, forgetting herself in order to help and serve others. She learned to laugh at her language blunders (“Where do you wash your ducks?” *potos* = ducks; *platos* = plates). She decided to break down barriers by cooking and shopping more like the Guatemalan sisters. (No to the microwave. Yes to open street markets and carrying your groceries on your back. Even yes to cooking a meal for 50 people over an outside, open-air fire.) She dared to be real with the sisters, confessing her faults and temptations, letting others see past stereotypes to understand the real person inside.

Six years later, several ladies who at first seemed worlds apart from Amy depended on her as a trusted friend. Sisters and neighbors alike cried when it was time for her to return to the States. Amy had touched lives in ways I was not able. I did my work for the Lord in Guatemala, but so did Amy. She complemented my efforts. We worked as a team.

**At times I have asked myself how things might have been different if I had been a single man working as an evangelist in Guatemala.** Obviously, there would have been an advantage to not worrying about the health and safety of a family and to having more time to devote to the work (1 Cor. 7:32-34). It would have given me different freedoms and different opportunities, but honestly, I don't think I could say it would have been better or worse; it would have just been different.

What especially made having my wife and family with me in Guatemala a fruitful and joyful experience was not about having a comfortable home and wife to return to (although I enjoyed that). Rather what made Amy an asset to the work was that she gave herself to the Lord and sacrificed everything to do so. **If I had married a woman who was wrapped in herself and in her comforts and conveniences, my work would have suffered – comforts of home or no.** We would not have made it to Guatemala in the first place. However, because Amy was

determined not to let herself get in the way of doing good and being good, she made all the difference in the work, in the brethren, and in me.

If it sounds like I'm impressed, it's because I am. In foreign or domestic work, we need more women (and men) with her character and resoluteness for the Lord. Amy and I recently moved back to the States and are now helping to plant a work in Philadelphia. Our adventure continues. **Our challenges change, but what will make our work fruitful will be our willingness to constantly consider ourselves “abroad” and sacrifice until we reach our true home with Him.**

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By David Halbrook

# Preacher's Wife: Staying Home

When asked about my preaching experience, I sometimes say that my training began in 1976 – the year I was born. Though I did not have a clear desire to fully devote my life to the work of an evangelist in my youth, I learned about that life because that was the work of my father, Ron. Because I am a man, most often I think back on my father's example for help in applying God's principles to manhood and the work of an evangelist, but as I am beginning to lead my own family, I am finding the example of my mother, Donna (Bell) Halbrook, in the home as a valuable tool for learning and teaching. Among those lessons is the blessing of an evangelist's wife who is both willing and able to devote herself to being a keeper at home (Titus 2:5).

## GOD'S PLAN WAS MY PARENTS' PLAN

From the beginning, it is clear that God's plan for the woman was that she guide the home. Paul tells us that the woman was made for the man (1 Cor. 11:9), thus her role in the home is not punishment for sin (though her role was made more difficult by Eve's sin, Gen. 3:16). By God's design, the wife's attributes provide the perfect complement to the husband's. Man's physical strength is complemented by woman's more gentle nature. Man's desire to conquer at almost any cost has often been tempered by woman's desire and appeal for his attention at home. As peace and prosperity allow man opportunity to explore the

male and female makeup, science confirms what the Bible informs and what (macro) evolution cannot explain – that man and woman are inherently distinct from each other and that each gender flourishes when they live consistently with God's plan, revealed both in nature and, more clearly and specifically, by His word.

Proverbs 14:1 praises the woman who builds her house, and no mother builds her house who does not determine to give her home her primary attention according to her ability. We sometimes joke about wanting to be in two places at once, but God has placed time limitations on every family, including the family of evangelists. Each family and spouse must wisely choose where to focus their time. Because God has a plan for the mother to be a keeper at home, His plan should be the plan of all Christians, including evangelists. Many blessings and gifts belong to my father, my siblings, and me because my mother was permitted and determined to devote her life to her family by devoting the majority of her time and attention to us.

## CHILDREN BLESSED BY HER CONSISTENT PRESENCE

Because God's plan was my parents' plan, each day my mother's goal was to build her home and watch over the ways of her household, giving them her primary and constant attention (Prov. 14:1; 31:27). How can a mother give her household her primary

attention when she is not primarily with her household? The routine of getting children prepared for each day and night requires *someone* to be there and because God's plan was my parents' plan, that someone was my mother. I suppose this was as much a blessing because of what it prevented in addition to what it provided. I have no stories of the regret of sins easily accomplished by coming home to an empty house (such as being introduced to pornography, sexual immorality, alcohol/drugs/tobacco by personal curiosity or friends). I have no traumatic childhood experiences because of a "sitter" who violated the trust put in them. Instead, a normal day for me meant coming home to a mother who would hold me accountable for the events of that day and evening, with the time to listen when we were willing to talk. In a time where there are so many outside voices and influences that are constantly present inside the home (through the radio, television, talking and texting on the phone, and various internet devices), how crucial it is that there is someone at home with the children whose goal is to build the home by watching over their ways! In God's plan, no one has more interest in that home being built than the mother. Mothers, do you know the ways of your children and hold them accountable for how they use or view their phone and internet devices, iPod, Facebook page, email, television shows, movies, and music?

## **EVANGELIST'S WORK BLESSED BY HER CONSISTENT PRESENCE**

The work of an evangelist is not always a “nine to five, forty hours a week” type of work. How many hours a week do you think Peter worked (remember, he was

married)? In Acts 3:1, Peter and John went to the Temple according to the schedule of the people they hoped to teach. The evangelist who works publicly and from house to house often must work around the schedule of those whom he is teaching (Acts 20:20). While an evangelist cannot do this to the detriment of the home, one reason this was not a detriment in our home was because Mom was always present. She was not unexpectedly called into work, home late from work, or otherwise obligated in a way that caused private Bible studies to be delayed or cancelled. Such would certainly cause the way of truth to be blasphemed and potentially cause open doors to shut (Titus 2:5).

I don't know how many gospel meetings my dad preached growing up. My childhood impressions are not of a constantly absent father, but I have some specific memories of the weeks he was gone. I remember that our Bible study did not end when Dad was gone – Mom made sure they continued. Whether it was reading the Bible together and/or, as was the custom in our home, reviewing and reciting two of our nightly memory verses (from the Old Testament and New Testament, some of which I can repeat even today). I do not know what life would have been like for Dad to have returned to find out that Mom thought things were too busy for Bible reading or memory verses while he

was gone. Without confidence that Mom's presence and work would be consistent in his absence, many people would not have been urged to decide whether they were headed “On to Canaan or Back to Egypt?” or to watch for “Trends Pointing Toward a New Apostasy.” And though his work in the Philippines has mostly been done after we children were out of the house, what evangelist could regularly go overseas when his wife finds ways to pull her house down in his absence (Prov. 14:1)? The work of every evangelist is blessed when his wife is devoted to her family, and for this, she deserves praise (Prov. 31:28-31).

## **WIFE'S WORK BLESSED BY SOME TIME ALONE**

Jesus advocated private prayer in His public preaching and private practice (Matt. 6:6; 14:23). Jesus advocated time with friends and brethren to visit, teach/learn, and share life's joys and sorrows (Luke 10:38; John 11). Some of these things could not always be done well, or at all, with all twelve disciples or the multitudes around Him, and some of them were best done without them being present every moment.

Because a woman's work in the home requires her consistent presence, husbands who nourish and cherish their wives will make time for them to have time alone – alone to pray and study, alone to plan for upcoming projects, alone to talk to family and/or friends to problem-solve or have the simple conversations that maintain close

relationships, etc. Wives who are consistently present need some time to be temporarily absent. That may require a few minutes in the evening. That may require several hours one day. Each family will have to make those decisions, but if Jesus, while in the flesh, chose to temporarily leave His disciples or the multitudes (whom He dearly loved), no wife or mother should think or feel that such time is selfish. We evangelists are constantly concerned for the churches (2 Cor. 11:28), but that does not excuse us from the duty of dwelling with our wives with understanding (1 Pet. 3:7). And when we do better in our work as husbands, our wives can be more effective in their “saving” work (1 Tim. 2:15).

## **CONCLUSION**

We know God's plan works to save lost souls and to strengthen His churches. Husbands and wives, let us be equally convinced that God's plan for the home will work in any culture, economy, and marriage. Let's make His plan our plan, and thereby bless ourselves, the churches, and each member of our homes as we work by faith to rest in heaven. (Thank you Mom for helping me to understand these lessons.)

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By Frances Finley

# Preacher's Wife: A Labor of Love

**C**Sister Luther Roberts was my “Dorm Mom” at Abilene Christian College back in 1943-1944. Concerning my plan to be a preacher’s wife, she wrote in my Yearbook, “You have chosen one of life’s hardest places to fill – that of being a preacher’s wife. But your life will be full and rich and your blessings many.” She was so right in regard to the richness and fullness of my life.

During the 1943-44 school year at ACC, Ernest ran for President of the Student Body and I ran for Secretary. We campaigned together, and we both won. Afterwards, we spent 68 years together campaigning for the Lord.

We were married on September 25, 1944 at my hometown of Farmersville, Texas. Ernest had already moved to Nacogdoches, and was preaching for the Baker Street congregation. Over the years, we labored with various congregations in Texas, Arkansas, New Mexico, Kansas, and Oklahoma.

My husband wanted a peaceful home. In one of his letters to me the week before we married he wrote, “Folks assure me we are going to have our fusses and spats. Is it an essential? I don’t like the idea a bit, and I so very much hope they are wrong about it. I realize it is just as much my part as it is yours to prove them wrong. I see no special satisfaction in ‘kissing and making up,’ as they put it. Why couldn’t we just continue to act as we ought to act as Christians?” We were blessed with a peaceful home, without fusses and fights. **Romans**

**14:19 says, “Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another.”**

Ernest’s Mother and Dad wanted him to preach the gospel. Before his birth his Mother wrote, “And as we planned the great event, that great day of your birth, we filled the days so full of plans that you should do on earth. We prayed with earnest and fervent prayers that if you should be a son that you would go forth in the world to preach His word, that His will on earth be done.” When Ernest was fifteen years old, his Dad started finding preaching appointments for him.

My parents, Leonard and Murl Jackson, were hard-working, God-fearing servants of the Lord. I grew up on a farm with three brothers. Our parents taught us honesty, integrity, and how to work. We lived off the land and my Mother was an excellent seamstress – so we never lacked for food and clothing. Our parents also taught us gratitude and good manners: “Please,” “Thank you,” “I love you,” and “I’m sorry” were a part of our vocabulary. We taught this to our children as well.

After our first two daughters were born, I conducted several teacher training classes. Once again sister Roberts gave me wise advice, suggesting that being at home with my husband and children, rather than traveling to teach others, was the wiser course. I followed her counsel.

We were blessed with four children and their spouses: Kathy Owings and husband Ron, Anne Stevens and husband Jimmy, Sherelyn Mayberry and husband Mark, and Alan Finley and wife Julie (Whisenhunt), also eleven grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. Monetarily we were never wealthy, but as a family we were very rich. Ernest would say when talking about our family, “I find it very hard to be humble.”

During our early years of marriage, many brethren wanted to add innovations to the church budget that were foreign to the Bible, such as multiple congregations sending funds to one congregation to be dispensed by the receiving church, churches supporting orphan homes, and the **Herald of Truth**. Ernest opposed these unscriptural practices. As a result, he frequently faced opposition. He had four gospel meetings cancelled in one year. This did not make him popular among some, but as one of our sons-in-law said at his funeral, “Popularity was not the author of Ernest’s faith.”

Music was a part of our family life. When our older daughters were in grade school, we wanted them to have piano lessons. On

our 10th anniversary, I came home to find a piano in our living room. So piano lessons began. I vividly remember their first recitals, and later Sherelyn's also. My anniversary gift established a family tradition: each of our girls received a piano on their 10th anniversary. Anne's love for music has grown thru the years. To this day, she writes lyrics and music for spiritual songs, and several are in our church songbooks. All four children sang in their school choruses. At our family get-togethers singing is one of the main highlights.

A few days before Ernest passed away, a group from church came to the care facility where he spent his last few months, to sing with him and the other patients.

**Despite suffering from advanced Alzheimer's, which had robbed him of so much, he could still remember the words of gospel hymns, and his beautiful bass voice was heard loud and clear.**

Ernest set up rules for our household, he being its head. Punishment followed if the rules were not obeyed. Proverbs 13:24 says, "He who spares his rod hates his own son, but he who loves him disciplines him promptly." Sometimes the discipline was physical, and with it went lots of talking. Our children were not perfect (and neither were their parents); they were not rebellious, but respectful—what a blessing!

Kathy has spent many years teaching Math and is now in the administration of Deer Park ISD. Anne is both a preacher's and elder's wife, and Bible class teacher, Sherelyn is also both a preacher's and elder's wife, and Bible class teacher. Alan is an elder, Bible

class teacher, and an administrator for the Conway Regional Medical Center in Conway, AR.

My hobby is sewing and my husband always encouraged me in it. Even today, I hold a sewing class in my home on Tuesdays. Ernest's hobbies were fishing and hunting. When we moved to Poteau, Oklahoma, the women of the congregation fished so I took up the hobby. We bought a used RV to pull behind our Chevy Suburban. Many happy evenings were spent fishing from a bridge at Sardis Lake in the Ouachita Mountains located south of Poteau. We also enjoyed fishing at the ponds on Glenn Jones' ranch at Centerville, Texas.

I loved being a preacher's wife. Ernest loved to teach people how to go to Heaven, and I loved being by his side. He preached for 75 years. I was his companion for 68 of those years, and I thank God for our life together. Our last work was at Centerville, Texas, where Ernest and our son-in-law, Jimmy Stevens, labored together for twelve years. This was the longest time we worked with a single congregation during our married life. Our time at Centerville was a rewarding conclusion to a life of preaching and teaching the gospel. Afterwards, we retired to Alvin, where Ernest had labored during the 1980s, and worshiped with the Adoue Street congregation, where we were reunited with old friends and family.

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By Aleta Samford

# Teaching Children

Several years ago and not long after promotions in our Bible classes, a former student left a note on my table that read: “Thank you for being my teacher. You have put God’s word in my heart.” If you have taught Bible classes for any length of time, you know there are no sweeter words that a student can share with a teacher. Those words are framed above my desk for encouragement and a reminder of my goal as a teacher of God’s Word.

To place God’s Words into the hearts of our children *is* our goal. Doing it within a limited time period while facing various personalities and attention spans is the challenge – a challenge that oftentimes overwhelms and prevents women from joining the ranks and experiencing the joy of watching children learn and internalize God’s Word.

Our children’s spiritual education primarily occurs in the home. While the thoughts and tips in this article will focus on the Bible classroom, where opportunities are available for exercising the senses and making further application, the principles will apply whenever and wherever God’s Word is taught.

I’m not a teacher by profession but I *do* love teaching God’s Word, and several years ago, I decided I needed to improve my technique because I wanted to make sure I was doing my best in regard to the souls of the

children growing up around me. One day, I stumbled upon *The Seven Laws of Teaching* by John Milton Gregory. It was *not* an easy read, but buried within were nuggets of truth and potential ideas that led my search for improvement to the greatest teaching resource of all – God’s Word.

We are all familiar with the Laws of Nature and with the fact that plants will die should any of the required elements be missing. There are also certain “laws” or principles or elements of the mind that must be present in every act of teaching. If they are not, the learning process will “die.”

Space allows me to provide only a brief description of the seven elements to successful teaching, but I hope it will be enough to spark some interest for learning to teach, or offer refreshment if you’ve taught for years. To increase your love of teaching and for the benefit of your students, I encourage you to practice them all – all the time – and to the best of your ability.

**I. Law of the Teacher: “The Teacher must know what she will teach.”** The process of placing God’s Word in the hearts of our children does *not* begin with them; it begins with *us*. You aren’t able to teach what you do not know, so constantly feed on God’s Word; have a working knowledge of the Big Picture of His plan for man’s salvation. Show them that you love being a student of God’s Word yourself. Your enthusiasm will

be infectious, not to mention the thorough and proper knowledge you will be imparting to the children. God’s Law of the Teacher is found in Deuteronomy 11:18-19.

**II. Law of the Learner: “The Learner must attend with interest to the material being learned.”**

Though we’ll always be challenged by the behaviors of some children, if you are excited, prepared, and alert, unfavorable incidences *will* be minimal. Well prepared teachers have the right to be heard and respected (feared). Keep hand-work to a minimum and focus their minds on the “material being learned,” that is, the mighty works of God – His blessings if we obey and His punishments if we do not. With accountability, attentions will be held. God’s Law of the Learner is found in Proverbs 1:7 and 9:10.

**III. Law of the Language: “The language used in teaching must be common to teacher and learner.”**

We are thrilled when lessons become clear in our minds through study; plan to make the lesson clear and exciting in the minds of the students (subsequent laws will help). Create mental pictures by using illustrations from their own lives, just as Jesus did through parables. Always be aware that what you teach could possibly sound like a foreign language to the children. Define

your words; turn word meanings into class activities. Decorate the classroom with Biblical themes to teach divine truths. God's Word is not fantasy; avoid decorating with such things. God's Law of the Language is found in 1 Corinthians 14:9-11.

#### **IV. Law of the Lesson: "The truth to be taught must be learned through truths already known."**

Helping the students see how each lesson connects with the previous one increases the excitement of learning and improves attention. Never begin a lesson with a new thought. Consider being the sole teacher per quarter for the goal of continuity.

Also, consider the following in regard to learning for a life time: We cannot expect our children to learn to love, obey, be patient, and forgive ("truths to be taught") by simply telling them to do so. Undergird these concepts with who God is and what God does. Always start with the fundamental stories of the Bible, appealing to a higher power than themselves. The truths to be taught will naturally be learned through the truth of who God is. Convince them of that. Learning is a step-by-step process with God as the first step.

Consider the "Steps" of Salvation: God doesn't require the last "step" of obedience (baptism) until we first learn of Him (hear), understand (believe), react to what we understand (repent), and recognize Him as Lord (confess). Obedience is a natural last step; not the first step. Make God "the truth already known."

#### **V. Law of the Teaching Process: "Excite and direct the self-activities of the pupil and, as a rule, tell him nothing that**

#### **he can learn himself."**

This Law emphasizes the teacher's responsibility while the next Law emphasizes the students'. We must cultivate the ground so that the seeds we plant will take root. This requires the art of motivation, which, if you have diligently applied all the other laws, you are well on your way to accomplishing. Set their minds to thinking; expect them to dig out the answers. Draw them in through their senses, motivating their souls. God draws us in through his beautiful creation and calls us through the gospel as we face our problem of sin. Posing endless problems will help your students gain wisdom and better judgment as they use God's Word for their answers. God's Law of the Teaching Process is found in Romans 1:20, John 6:44, and 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14.

#### **VI. Law of the Learning Process: "The pupil must reproduce in his own mind the truth to be learned."**

In this thing called learning, the spotlight is on the children, not us. Make investigators of them, insisting they search out the evidence themselves. Even for the youngest children, help them gather the facts through questions that begin with Who and What, increasing to Where, When, Why, and How as they get older. Help them "be" the Bible character and "reproduce in their own mind the truth to be learned." When you plant seeds and stir the mind, they will do their part and come to proper conclusions. God's Law of the Learning Process is found in Philippians 2:12, 2 Timothy 3:14-15, and 2 Peter 1:3.

#### **VII. Law of Review and Application: "The completion, test, and**

#### **confirmation of the work of teaching must be made by review and application."**

Everything we've put into the students' minds is potential for further thinking, for modifying their conduct. Reviews help the students turn this "thought potential" into active habits. Mental victories are not achieved in one effort. Pull from your students' subconscious minds. Never, ever avoid reviews. God's Law of Review and Application is found in 2 Peter 1:12 and Psalms 119:11.

In conclusion, please take time to read this article again so that you can see how these principles are interwoven. I guarantee that your classroom will become a laboratory of learning and that you will successfully take God's Word to the hearts of your students.

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By Richard Thetford

# The Worthy Woman of Proverbs 31



*“Who can find a virtuous wife?  
For her worth is far above rubies”*  
(Prov. 31:10). This chapter tells us of the value of a good wife to her husband – the manual labor that she does, her fulfillment of responsibilities to those who need her, her ability to provide for her family, and her wisdom in caring for herself and others. There are very few influences that affect a man’s heart in his service for God more than his wife. She can either encourage his spirituality and his dedication to God or quench it. The worthy woman of Proverbs 31 is a woman who embodies the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23), causing her husband to want to confide in her with absolute, complete trust. A woman who has learned to be dignified, competent, noble minded, with a very strong commitment to God and her family is hard to find, and when a man does find her, he realizes that he has found a precious treasure whose worth is *“far above rubies.”*

**A good, supportive, trusting wife is a blessing to a man. A woman who is a partner to her husband, who can be counted on to be there with him in any given situation, and who cares for his interests, gives him a much needed security that is lacking in the world today.** An excellent wife

has what every woman really wants to have – a husband who trusts her, and who does not doubt or question her work because he has faith and confidence in her. He knows that she is adding great value to her family and to those in need. In everything that she does, she strives to be pleasing to God and her husband. A virtuous wife does not hinder her husband, but rather strives to help him in all things that are right and honest before God (Prov. 10-12). To the modern feminist, the wife is not her husband’s helper, but rather a competitor. Her “mindset” may be “anything that he can do, I can do better.” However, in great contrast, the virtuous wife says, “anything you can do, I can help you do better.” She receives praise by helping, not competing.

We can also see clearly that the worthy woman of Proverbs 31 is not afraid of work. She certainly is not lazy! She awakens in the morning and then sets out to get things accomplished. She is involved in her home, doing many things for her family and others. It is evident that this woman did not do only what was convenient for her, but rather what was best for her entire household. This woman exemplified a “want to” attitude in her life and service for her family and others – the same attitude displayed in the life of Tabitha (Acts 9:36, 39; cf. Prov. 31:13-14, 19, 27).

**A virtuous woman ensures that those under her care receive what they need at all times,**

**whether that be food, clothing, or protection.** She serves others from the fruit of her labors and from what she has learned throughout her life. She makes sure that she provides for the needs of her family. She smiles because she knows that she makes future preparations. Far too many times we get ourselves into major problems because we do not prepare for coming events. We may know of certain situations that loom ahead such as car repairs, medical treatments, etc., but spend our money on pleasures of the moment and fail to prepare for those future needs. A worthy woman avoids such circumstances because she is disciplined and prepared. She has truly demonstrated how to manage the home as indicated in 1 Timothy 5:14. In addition, she is as intent upon giving as she is upon getting – often serving the poor with her own hands, doing it freely and with a good attitude. **She exemplifies kindness by her speech and outward conduct (Prov. 31:15, 20-21)**

She has learned to use her skills to provide for her family and she is not afraid to interact with the world. She considers her options and has learned how to properly manage the assets that are available to her. She does not behave rashly, based on emotion and feelings. When she gains a profit, she reinvests it in her family, and does not use it simply to increase her own pleasure or enjoyment at the expense of others. A worthy woman is confident in her life, ▶

that what she is doing is right and good in the sight of the Lord. She is disciplined and serious about her duty as a manager and guide in the home that she strives to make pleasing to God (Prov. 31:14, 16, 18, 24).

### A worthy woman knows her responsibilities.

She knows that she would not be able to provide for others if she neglected her own needs, both physical and spiritual. Her greatest strength is her wisdom: i.e., her accurate judgment about the world and her influence in it. When she speaks, her words are not hasty, rash, biting, sarcastic, or cruel. Rather, they are controlled by kindness which comes from her heart. Words can destroy relationships, husbands, children, churches, and souls. But at the same time (when used properly), words can heal and save. A worthy woman is eager to share the wisdom that she has gained in her life of living for God to teach and encourage others in order to help them reach their best potential. Though she anticipates many challenges, she has positive confidence in the Lord's providential care, expecting that God will supply her family's every need (Prov. 31:17, 22, 25-26).

### As a partner in marriage, she knows that she has a great influence on her husband's life and service for God.

Her reputation is established in such a way that it bleeds off onto him. Her husband does not have to spend time trying to straighten out problems at home because he knows that his wife is able to make the day-to-day decisions that revolve around their home. He is successful because he has complete trust and confidence in his wife and her ability to manage things properly. She is organized, energetic,

and carries out her responsibilities. As a result of the love and loyalty that she has for her children, they "call her blessed." Her husband "praises her" (Prov. 31:23, 28-31).

So, what is the worthy woman's motivation? She fears God. Her motivation is not all about her relationship with her husband, her children, or even her community. Rather, she acts in this way because of her relationship with God. She is serious and devoted to her responsibilities as a worthy woman, wife, and mother because she fears God. She knows what God expects from her and she does not want to fall short of His expectations. Her actions are based on what is right, responsible, and mature because she *wants* to please Almighty God – this is her goal in life. She knows that one day she will stand before God in the judgment (John 12:48). **She is only looking for the praise of God, not the praise of men (John 12:43).**

As a husband and father, I am so thankful that I have found "a virtuous wife" whose "worth is far above rubies." I "praise her" often and our children certainly "call her blessed." Young women, the worthy woman of Proverbs 31 is the kind of wife you should strive to be. It will take a lot of effort, but the returns that you gain will certainly be above the cost that was paid. Older women, you are to be commended for the qualities that you have demonstrated and every good activity in which you have excelled. Young men, you will be wise to look for a very precious "worthy woman" who is striving to live her life for God and who will be the kind of helper for you that God planned for her to be. For you husbands, be sure that you thank God often in your prayers for those wonderful

attributes that are evident in your own wife and "praise her" for them.

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By Mark Mayberry

# A Tribute to Trudy



The following eulogy was presented at the memorial service for sister Trudy Jennings, wife of brother Albert Jennings, a faithful preacher and elder (now also deceased), and longtime member of the Adoue Street church of Christ in Alvin, Texas. Albert and Trudy are lovingly remembered by their friends, family and brethren, and will be deeply missed. **As Psalm 116:15 says, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."**

Family visitation was held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at the Scott Funeral Home in Alvin, Texas. Memorial services were at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at the same location, with interment following in the SouthPark Cemetery at Pearland, Texas. Funeral services were conducted by the elders and deacons of the Adoue Street church of Christ. Darin Henry led the following songs: "In the Garden," "When We All Get to Heaven," and "When All of God's Singers Get Home." Tony Noll read the obituary and led the opening prayer. The eulogy, sermon, and closing prayer were offered by Mark Mayberry.

## OBITUARY

Trudy Jennings, age 89 of Alvin, Texas, passed away Saturday, May 24, 2014, in Houston, Texas. Trudy was born on May 14, 1925 in Goliad, Texas. She was a homemaker, owner of the Cattleman Western Store of Alvin, and was a faithful member of the Adoue Street Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Jennings; parents, Elizabeth and Cephas E. Miller; son, David Jennings; sisters, Elizabeth Lamberth and Dorothy Faye Miller.

Trudy is survived by her daughters, Donna Dunham and husband Rick, Debbie Segers and husband Dennis; 4 grandchildren: Melissa Winzeler and husband Eric, Brian Segers and wife Jo, Laurie Hemphill and husband Matt, Shannon Ozceri and husband Berend; 7 great-grandchildren: Allison Segers, Holly Segers, Kate Segers, Emily Hemphill, Abby Winzeler, Amelia Ozceri, Will Winzeler; 1 brother-in-law, Jim Lamberth and wife Lou; special friends: Jeff Milligan, Jennifer Kahla, and her children, Kaleigh and Kolby, along with numerous other relatives, friends, and employees.

## EULOGY

Albert Jennings was six years older than Trudy. When she was a teenager, one of the elderly ladies in the congregation said, "You need to 'set your hat' for that Albert. He is a fine young man." Trudy responded, "Noooooo ... He's too old." Despite the age difference, romance blossomed. On the day when Albert and Trudy were to be married, this same woman pulled her aside, saying, "I don't think you should marry Albert." "Why?" responded Trudy. "Because," she replied, "Albert is too old."

Trudy and Albert married during war time (WWII). Albert was given a weekend pass and "permission" from his commanding officer to get

married, so Trudy took the bus (by herself) to meet Albert in Lubbock for the wedding. There was a fire in the baggage area under the bus, which was extinguished, but the passengers were not allowed off the bus, so Trudy had no way of knowing if her wedding dress was damaged. Luckily, it was O.K. When they got to the motel, their reservations had been lost and the only room was one with a twin bed, so they took it. Thus began their marriage.

Her daughters remember, "Mother made most of our clothes while we were growing up, as well as many for her granddaughters, and even a few for her grandson. When Donna got married, she made Donna's wedding dress, the bridesmaids dresses, the flower girl's dress, as well as the suit for the ring bearer, who was David, and the ring bearer's pillow. They were all just perfect."

"Also, one of her favorite things for all of us was the Christmas Stockings and dying and hunting Easter eggs. One of the most fun egg hunts was when Uncle David hid Easter eggs for the grand kids at the store for a hunt when the store was closed. There was only one small problem, one "real" egg was not found until several weeks later, when it was finally discovered in a boot. After that, Nannie and PaPaw said, 'Only plastic egg hunting is allowed at the store.' Also, mother always made everyone a birthday cake, even if it was a couple of months early or late; when you came anytime close to your birthday, you had a cake."

### Sister Jennings spent her whole life taking care of other people.

For example, when her young friend Jennifer visited Trudy at home, and later in the nursing home, no matter how bad Trudy might have personally felt, she would say to Jennifer, “How are you feeling today?” and “Can I get you anything?”

Lauri and Melissa remember, “Grandma made us each feel very special.” Trudy loved people, her family, her children and grandchildren, her brothers and sisters in Christ, those with whom she labored at the Cattleman Western Store, and people in the Alvin community.

Sister Jennings had the heart of a servant, putting the needs of others before her own needs. She devoted herself to serving her family, friends, and brethren. She was hospitable, opening her home to others, offering words of encouragement and exhortation, bringing food to the sick, giving gifts to those she loved. She exemplified the qualities of the worthy woman described in Proverbs 31.

For the past two years (as she slipped into dementia), Trudy has been telling the nurses that she needed a bus ticket so she could go home and check on her parents. She even thought her roommate at the nursing home was “her Grandma” and that she was taking care of her Grandma while she was in the hospital. Well, Trudy finally got her bus ticket to go home. There will be a lot of happy family and friends welcoming her there.

In conclusion, her daughter Debbie said, “The most important things Daddy and Momma taught us was to love God.” They emphasized this to both their children and grandchildren. Despite their busy

schedule, and as long as health permitted, Albert and Trudy faithfully attended each and every assembly of the church. Both were spiritually perceptive. Both loved the Word of God, the church that Christ established, and the souls of men. The lasting legacy of this beloved couple is that they exemplified the statement of Solomon, who said, “The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person. For God will bring every act to judgment, everything which is hidden, whether it is good or evil” (Eccl. 12:13–14).

### LAST NIGHT I DREAMED OF HEAVEN

By Forrest Morris  
Written 2001

Last night I dreamed of heaven.  
And its streets all paved with gold.  
Oh, those beautiful  
walls of Jasper.  
What a wonderful sight to behold!

There at heaven’s grand entrance,  
stood Gabriel in grand array.  
I shouted out with gladness.  
Oh, what a glorious day!

While along the way  
I encountered,  
unnumbered angel bands  
They welcomed my arrival.  
Each with outstretched hands.

There in that beautiful city,  
I beheld the most  
wonderful sights.  
In that land filled with sunshine,  
where there are no  
dark filled nights.

Oh, how I yearn for heaven,  
when my dreams will be fulfilled.

For there I will see our  
precious Savior,  
who gave so much on  
Calvary’s hill.

### WHEN WE GO TO GOD IN PRAYER

By Forrest Morris  
Written 2002

When our hair turns gray in color,  
and our step is slowed in pace –  
When we faintly hear  
the songbirds,  
and deep wrinkles  
crease our face –

When we tire at doing nothing,  
and we labor to stand alone –  
When we miss our  
children’s laughter  
'cause there’s no one  
left at home –

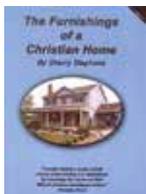
When the thoughts slip  
from our memory,  
and we falter 'long the way –  
When our eyes lose their glimmer  
and we don’t know what to say –

When our life on earth has ended,  
And our soul then flies away –  
We’ll rejoice there with the angels,  
In that home so far away.

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We’ll lift our eyes to heaven,  
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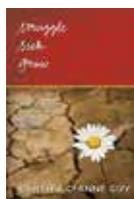
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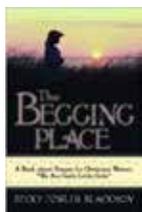
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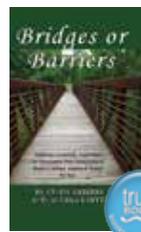
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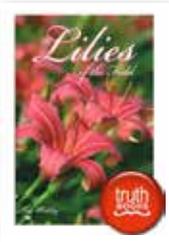
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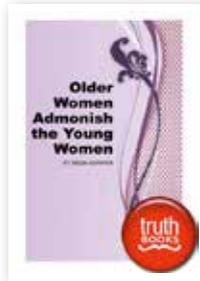
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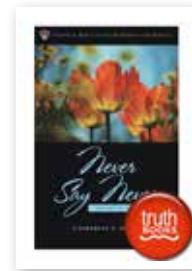
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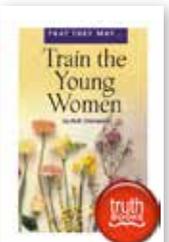
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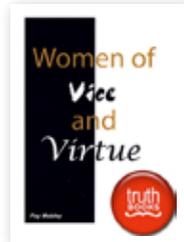
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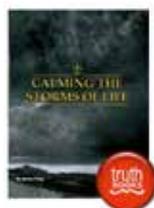
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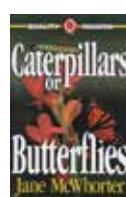
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By Ron Halbrook

# Man as Body, Soul, and Spirit

Generally, in Scripture, the nature of man is expressed as body and soul, or body and spirit, with *soul* and *spirit* used as synonyms. A couple of times we read of man as body, soul, and spirit. When some passages refer to man as a “soul” and others refer to man as “spirit,” is there a difference?

## SOUL AS LIFE, SPIRIT AS UNSEEN OR INVISIBLE REALITY

“God is a Spirit,” and by its nature “a spirit hath not flesh and bones” such as Jesus had while on earth (John 4:24; Luke 24:39). Genesis 1:27 records man’s creation in these words, “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.” It is clear that man is made in God’s image in terms of our spiritual nature, not our fleshly nature. This uniquely separates man from the animal world.

The spirit or soul of man, like God, can never pass out of existence – it is immaterial, incorporeal, and immortal. The spirit departs from the body at death, as Solomon said, “Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.” The spirit will return to the resurrected body on the great resurrection day (John 5:28-29). Therefore, when God creates the soul or spirit of a man, it will never cease to exist.

In a basic or simple manner, “soul” represents something which is living as opposed to non-living,

animate as opposed to inanimate. “Spirit” refers to an invisible or unseen being or reality such as the wind, breathe, God, or man’s invisible nature made in God’s image. Since the spirit of man is animate, he may properly be called a soul where soul is intended to be a *synonym for spirit*. Since the body of man is animate, he may properly be called a soul where the intended idea is that man is a *living creature on earth*.

Therefore, soul may be used in some passages to refer to man simply as a living creature in common with other living creatures on earth. “And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul” (Gen. 2:7). Soul may be used in other passages as a synonym for spirit because man as a “spirit” being survives the death of the body. “And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell” (Matt. 10:28).

When soul is used as a synonym for the spirit in passages such as Matthew 10:28, it means man is a living creature whose life will continue to exist after the death of the body.

In some manner soul and spirit can be distinguished when used together in such passages as Hebrews 4:12, which mentions separating the two: “For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and

is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” Here “soul” refers to man as a living creature while “spirit” refers to his existence as an invisible immortal being.

When soul is used with spirit in a passage such as 1 Thessalonians 5:23, it may refer to man as animate, living. “And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.” In this passage Paul prays for man as a tripartite being:

1. *As a body*: a physical instrument we use in God’s service.

2. *As a soul*: a living creature, stressing the gift of life which should be dedicated to God and used in His service while we live on this earth (Gen 2:7).

3. *As a spirit*: an invisible being with consciousness, intelligence, moral capacity, and volition who will never die.

Yes, man’s nature may be expressed as body, soul, and spirit, with some slight distinction between soul and spirit, but often soul and spirit are used simply as synonyms.

## SOUL AND SPIRIT AS SYNONYMS: LUKE 23:46 AND ACTS 2:27, 31

Soul and spirit may used as synonyms as can be shown in passages such as Luke 23:46 and Acts 2:27, 31.

We read in Luke 23:46, “And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.” His body was taken down from the cross and buried in the grave, but his spirit went to Paradise in the hades world as he said in verse 43 to the penitent thief, “Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.”

### The spirits of both Jesus and the thief departed from their bodies and returned to God’s keeping in the hadean world.

When we die, the body is buried in the grave, and the spirit goes back to God who keeps all the spirits in the hades world until the final resurrection day of all men (John 5:28-29). That is why the rich man and Lazarus were still alive and conscious in Luke 16:19-31 after their bodies were buried. Their bodies were in their graves, but their spirits were still very much alive and conscious in the hades world. The spirit of Lazarus was in the part of hades for the righteous called Paradise or Abraham’s bosom, and the rich man was in the part of hades for the wicked to be tormented while awaiting the resurrection day.

Regarding the spirit’s departure to the hadean world, Acts 2:27-31 is a parallel passage, which says,

Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance. Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and

buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

First, we should clarify the term “hell” as used here in the King James Version (KJV). There are two Greek words translated as “hell” in the KJV. The one Greek word is *hades*, meaning the place of all the dead. The other Greek word is *gehenna*, meaning the final place of eternal punishment – both body and soul are cast into *gehenna* according to Matthew 10:28. That will happen after we are raised from the dead and receive our final reward or our final sentence of punishment as per John 5:28-29.

In Acts 2:27 and 31, the word *hades* is translated “hell” in the KJV, but this is not *gehenna*. The American Standard Version, the New King James Version, the New International Version, the English Standard Version, and all others give the translation in Acts 2:27 and 31 as *hades*. In the Old English of 1611 it was understood that “hell” might refer to *hades* or to *gehenna*, depending on the context. In our time we understand it more clearly if *hades* is not translated as “hell” because for us it seems the modern English word “hell” refers to the final place of eternal punishment for the body and the soul.

The prophecy given by David in Psalm 16:10 is quoted by Peter in Acts 2:27 and 31 to show that Christ has fulfilled it: “For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.” He fulfilled it because when He died, His body was buried in the grave and His

spirit went to Paradise in the hades world, but on the third day He was raised from the dead. Therefore, His body did not remain in the grave to decompose or to see corruption, and His soul did not remain in the hades world. On the resurrection morning as recorded in Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, and John 20, Jesus arose and the tomb was empty. Therefore, His body came out of the grave and His soul came out of the hades world.

Therefore, when Luke 23:46 explains that His “spirit” went back to God when He died, Acts 2:27 and 31 explain the same event by using the parallel or synonymous term “soul.” Notice the “spirit” of Jesus in Luke 23 and the “soul” of Jesus in Acts 2 respectively, “And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.” “Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.” When *His spirit* left his body, *His soul* entered the hades world – His spirit and His soul are the same thing. His invisible “spirit” or in other words His living “soul” did not perish when His body died but simply departed from it, yet remaining alive and conscious all the while.

Just as both soul and spirit are used in reference to Jesus, so also they both are used in reference to Job: “Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul” (Job 7:11). For Job to speak “in the anguish of my spirit” means exactly the same thing as Job complaining “in the bitterness of my soul.” His soul is his spirit and his spirit is his soul. His body was covered in sores and could turn to dust at death but not his spirit or his soul. It is alive and conscious in the body and out of the body.

## SPIRIT AND SOUL APPLIED TO GOD, MAN, AND ANIMALS

“God is a Spirit” in John 4:24. Man is a spirit in Ecclesiastes 12:7: “the spirit shall return unto God.” Now, in another context, spirit can also refer to the life of an animal, not because his spirit will never die but because of the application of the basic meaning “invisible” – we cannot see the life of the animal. For instance, Solomon wrote in Ecclesiastes 3:21, “Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth?” Both man and animal may thus be said to have a spirit, but it is not the same kind of spirit – only the spirit of man is made in the image of God and goes upward at death in returning to God, not downward to the earth like the animal which no longer exists.

The so-called Jehovah’s Witnesses try to use such passages as Ecclesiastes 3:21 to teach the false doctrine that the spirits of men and of animals are exactly the same – therefore, when man dies his spirit does not survive to live anymore, but he is only like the dead animal. They make the same false claim regarding the word soul because the Bible applies the Hebrew term to both man and beast. The Jehovah’s Witnesses do not understand how to study a word according to its context.

The Hebrew word translated “soul” is *nephesh*. This term is translated as “living creature” in reference to animals in Genesis 1:24 (God created “the living creature”), Genesis 2:19 (Adam named “every living creature”), and Leviticus 11:46 (“every living creature” was distinguished as clean or unclean). Yet, in other passages such as Leviticus 4:2 the Bible speaks of man as “a soul” meaning a person or a living creature who commits sin. Therefore, it is

clear *nephesh* or “soul” in that verse refers to man and not to animals.

Because God Himself is a living being, the term soul (*nephesh*) is occasionally used in reference to God. Looking forward to the time when He would send His Son as His servant, God said, “Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles” (Isa. 42:1). In this prophecy of the coming of Christ, God the Father calls Him “mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth.” In Jeremiah 6:8 God said, “Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.” If the Jews refused to repent, God warned “my soul” will depart from them, in which case they will have no protection from God but will be destroyed by Babylon. God speaks as a living soul in these passages.

Here is the bottom line regarding the terms soul and spirit. Soul and spirit are synonyms which may refer to animals in some passages, to man in some passages, and even to God in some passages. When the two words apply to animals, this is because animals have life and that life is invisible to the eyes. Thus, “life” (“soul”) and also the invisible part (“spirit”) may apply to animals. Now, we understand well that this kind of soul or spirit is *not* made in God’s image. Only the soul or spirit of man is made in God’s image as is clear in Genesis chapter 1, especially verses 26-27. Since man has “life” he is a soul. Since our life is “invisible” we are spirits. *And*, this life (soul) or invisible nature (spirit) is made in God’s image – thus the soul or spirit of man will never die.

The meaning of soul and spirit must be determined in part by the basic meaning of each

term and in part by the context in which the term is used.

## CONCLUSION: ARE YOU READY?

Does the nature of man include body, soul, and spirit? Yes, with some slight distinction between soul simply as life and spirit simply as the invisible nature in God’s image. Are soul and spirit often synonyms? Yes, because man is uniquely created in God’s image as a living creature, which like God Himself, is invisible to our eyes. As a living creature, man is a soul. As a living creature whose inner nature is invisible, man is a spirit. In this regard soul and spirit are synonyms.

Why do we need this information? It helps us prepare for our future existence in a future world. Man as a soul or spirit lives in a body of flesh but can exist apart from the fleshly body at death. While the body waits in the grave, the soul or spirit of man waits in the hades world for the great and final resurrection day. On that day, the body will be raised and changed never to die again, and it will be reunited with the soul or spirit for eternity. On that day, we will enter our final home in heaven with God or in hell with Satan. A beautiful song entitled “There’s A Great Day Coming” challenges each one of us to prepare for that last great day:

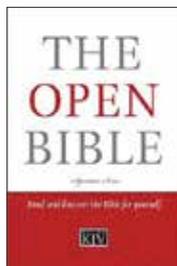
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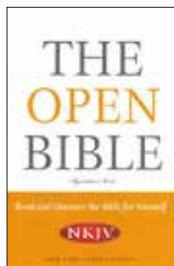
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by Ethan Longhenry

# The Assembly and Our Lives

The Hebrew author demonstrates for us the importance of the assembly in Hebrews 10:25; it is something we should not forsake. When there is a desire to demonstrate why we must assemble, Hebrews 10:25 is always cited.

It is very important for Christians to come together in the assemblies. The assemblies represent an opportunity for believers to thank God and make petitions to God in prayer (1 Cor. 14:15-17), to speak to and teach one another through psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16), to remember the Lord's death in His supper (Acts 20:7, 1 Cor. 11:23-26), to give as we have desire and ability (1 Cor. 16:1-3; 2 Cor. 9:6-11), and to hear the Word of God preached (Acts 20:7; 2 Tim. 4:1-2). Yet why do we come together? For what greater purposes do the assemblies serve?

Hebrews 10:25 was not written in a vacuum. Instead, Hebrews 10:25 represents an opportunity for believers to accomplish what the Hebrew author encourages them to do in Hebrews 10:24: we are to consider one another and how we can provoke one another to love and good works. Part of the way we fulfill this is by assembling together.

This intention is consistent with the purpose for the assembly that

Paul establishes in 1 Corinthians 14:26, that everything to be done in the assembly is to build one another up. We can see that the assembly involves stirring up one another to love and good works, encouraging one another, and building one another up.

Yet to what end? Why do we need to encourage one another, build one another up, or stir each other up to love and good works? All of these things are necessary because they represent the role of the assembly in the life of the Christian; it is to be the time of refreshment and renewal in the midst of living the Christian life!

All believers are to reflect Christ in their lives (1 Cor. 11:1; 1 John 2:6). Thus, they must serve others just as Christ did (Matt. 20:25-28; John 13:13-17). At work they must provide proper service to their employers and customers (Eph. 6:5-9). At home they must sacrifice for and serve their spouses and children (Eph. 5:22-6:4). They must promote the truth of God in Jesus Christ in word and deed (Matt. 5:13-16; 28:18-20; Rom. 1:16). When they are maligned or slandered, they must still love their fellow man and not do him harm

(Luke 6:27-36; Rom. 12:21). **When given the opportunity, they are to do good for all men (Gal. 6:10), and look for opportunities to show the love, mercy, and compassion of God to others.**

These are very challenging responsibilities, and Christians require constant strengthening to continue in them. A good portion of that strengthening is to happen within the assembly. The acts of the assembly are not to be mechanical rituals but opportunities for encouragement to strengthen one another and remind all of us who we are and what we are trying to accomplish through song, prayer, lessons, and the Lord's supper!

**Yet Christianity is much, much more than the assembly. Christianity must be a way of life, and the assembly must play its part in the whole.** The assembly is really the easy part; it is where we are built up and refreshed. The challenge of Christianity lies in the rest of life: reflecting the love of God in Christ to a sinful, rebellious, and tempting world (Eph. 6:10-18). Let us assemble and build each other up so that we may have the strength necessary to advance the Kingdom of God in our lives!

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# “Born,” “Begotten,” And “Begot”

by Ward Hogland



Many Greek words have more than one meaning. For example our word *kardia* can mean the physical heart or the spiritual heart. The word *gennaō* can mean “born,” “begotten,” or “begot.” Baptist preachers have capitalized upon the dual meaning of this word and have espoused false doctrine.

For example, they go to 1 Corinthians 4:15 where Paul says, “I have *begotten* you through the gospel.” They tell us this word “begotten” comes from the same word as “born”; therefore, Paul “born” all of the Corinthians. Next they go to 1 Corinthians 1:14 where Paul says he did not baptize all of the Corinthians; therefore baptism

is not essential to salvation because Paul did not baptize all of them!

One does not have to be astute to see that such verbal gymnastics are false. **In order to sustain this doctrine they substitute the word “born” for the word “begotten.”** These two words do not mean the same. W.E. Vine says on page 109, “In Matt. 1:20 it is used of conception that which was conceived in her.” Greek scholars know there is a difference in a conception

and a birth. In order to have a birth, seed must be sown; there must be a conception, a blood contact, and then a delivery. One can have a conception or begetting without a birth!

In this text Paul is not discussing the conversion of the Corinthians; rather he was the first to preach the gospel in Corinth. He did not say he had “born again” all of the Corinthians. The word *all* has been added by the false teacher just as the word *only* is added to faith.

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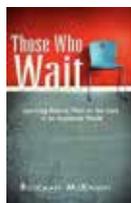
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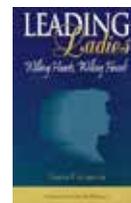
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by Bobby Graham

# Q & A

## Question:

Should a person go ahead and say what he thinks, since he has already thought it?

## Answer:

This question involves Biblical teaching about two different matters: (1) the harm produced by saying everything thought and (2) the wrong of thinking something, apart from the wrong of saying it. **To answer the question fully, we must deal with the two aspects here delineated.**

The first aspect of the question requires that we speak about the doing of great harm by speaking whatever comes to one's mind. While we reserve until later any comment on the sin committed in just thinking what one ought not to think, it is imperative to remember that words unwisely spoken often kindle a great fire and spew deadly poison (Jas. 3:1-12). Words spoken in anger, without proper thought, from selfish motive, with no love for one's neighbor, or in violation of numerous other conditions which the Lord says have a bearing on our speech, soon unleash a vicious cycle of words and events so destructive that James described the tongue as "a world of iniquity," capable of defiling the whole body and setting on fire the course of life. After all, it has been set on fire by hell. We must learn to control this unruly evil. It is possible to speak (or

to write) in such a manner as to do irreparable harm to others, to oneself, to the Lord's work, and to one's own influence. Far better is it to restrain one's words than to send them into situations where their use will be determined by others. It is for these very reasons that the Lord warns us about our words in the following verses in the Book of Proverbs:

Wisdom is found on the lips of him who has understanding, But a rod is for the back of him who is devoid of understanding (10:13).

In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, But he who restrains his lips is wise (10:19).

The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable, But the mouth of the wicked what is perverse (10:32).

A talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter (11:13).

The principles of discernment (understanding), restraint, propriety, and trustworthiness must control our speech/writing. Those who write for the instruction and edification of others must do a better job of observing these principles.

**These passages and principles are certainly not exhaustive, but they do stress that we must**

**not speak or write all that comes to our minds.**

We now deal with the second aspect of sin's presence when we think what we ought not. Sin is possible in mind, in speech, and in action. The guarding of one's mind is first in importance, if one keeps himself in the fear of God and in the way of Christ, because all else in one's life results from the thinking of the mind/heart (Prov. 4:23). Thinking motivated by selfishness, anger, carelessness, recklessness, bitterness, or hatred is sinful because it violates God's will. The question that we must confront is whether we should add one sin to another sin by speaking what our minds think. Are two sins better than one sin? Of course, not! Learn to keep your unholy thoughts to yourself instead of venting them to the ruin of relationships, reputations, and influence. Before you pick up that pen or use that computer, think about the effect of what you write.

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sports, so also, God has roles for men and women to fulfill while on earth.

The role or work of women was stated early in the Bible, beginning in Genesis 3:6-27. Following the sin in the Garden, we see that the woman (and by extension all women) was addressed and told what will befall her because she had

sinned. Among other things we find that she was to be “ruled” by her husband, and her desire would be toward him. Some may say they do not like that verse, but this is what God set in place. God, through the apostle Paul, says women are not to usurp authority or teach over the man (1 Tim. 2:11-12). The reasons for such a statement are given in 1 Timothy 2:13-14. This does not mean she can never teach under any circumstance, else it violates her duties as a mother, as well as violates the statements in Titus 2:3-5. Too, this does not mean she does not have anything “worthwhile” to say or offer to a spiritual conversation. She can very much add to a spiritual conversation, and can instruct others. She is limited, though, to not usurping authority when she acts. This is all. What we see is that God has a role or work for the woman to perform, and she needs to be about doing it! Let her be on her guard against teaching over the man or usurping authority over him (1 Cor. 11:3)! It is serious business!

We see a similar thing being taught when we look at the roles of husbands and wives in Ephesians 5:22-33. Though the point Paul is making concerns Christ and the church (v. 32), we see it illustrated through the work and function of husbands

and wives. Again, there is a need for submission in this function (v. 22). Yet, this is not to “belittle” the woman, but to remind us all of our roles before God. Just as a baseball team does not function well with nine pitchers on the mound, or a football team with eleven quarterbacks on the field, so a family cannot function well with two heads! There needs to be one, and God gave that responsibility to the husband (Eph. 5:23). Truly, the beauty of God’s plan is seen in those who respect what the Lord has said.

### **MAN HAS NO RIGHT CHANGING GOD’S PLAN**

Christ has all authority in Heaven and earth (Matt. 28:18). Thus, when the apostles spoke and wrote down the words of Christ (1 Cor. 14:37; 2 Pet. 3:2; John 16:13), those words carry the same authority from Christ. Therefore, when we see women and men today wishing to change and rearrange God’s plan, we need to understand that they have no Scriptural right to do so. They will answer to God for changing this aspect of God’s will.

How have folks tried to circumvent and change God’s plan and role for the woman?

#### *1. By allowing women to hold positions of leadership and allowing them to teach over the men in certain churches.*

Denominational groups, like the Methodists and Pentecostals, allow women to be preachers. I also have seen where certain among the Christian Churches allow women to be elders, deacons, preachers, etc. (How do such groups “explain away” passages like 1 Timothy 3:1-2 and 12 that specifically say elders and deacons are to be the husband of

one wife?) Sadly, even among those identifying themselves as a “church of Christ,” I have known of women serving at the Lord’s Table. One man argued for women leading songs in the worship, since in his mind, the woman with a college music degree was more qualified than the “man in overalls” who was leading the songs! Friends, let us remember that God’s Word says that women are not to usurp the authority over the man (1 Tim. 2:11-12). Let me add that she cannot force her way into this position of authority. Even if a man “gives her permission,” she still has no right to claim something that God has not given her.

Though God does not allow a woman to teach or usurp authority over the man, this does not mean that a woman cannot instruct, teach, or otherwise impart her wisdom and experience to others (Titus 2:3-5;

etc.). Many times in my life I have been impressed with the wisdom of godly ladies in the Lord’s kingdom. Sister Opal Mullis will forever be in my heart, because she was one of my Bible class teachers at an early age. She taught Bible classes for at least fifty years, and imparted to me some wisdom I have held on to this day. I can’t sing the song, “We Shall See the King Some Day” without thinking of her, since we as children often sang it in her class. I think of the lessons my own mother taught me, and it very much has had an impact on my preaching and teaching. When I listen to some of my sisters in Christ discuss matters of faith, I have often thought, “I wish she could preach that!” However, I know that God has His plans for the woman’s role and I must respect that. At the

same time, that doesn't stop me from preaching what she said! If we respect God's word, we will respect what God has said concerning our roles and purpose and function in the church.

*2. By trying to "swap" husband and wife roles in the home.* Years ago, there was a movie called, "Mr. Mom." The plot was that the husband lost his job, so the wife decided to take a job outside the home, leaving her husband at home to "tend to the kids." There have been similar movies, TV shows, and the like, produced through the years where the wife wishes for "freedom," to "really live," and "get out from under the house and kids" and make it big in the world. Thus, the "comedy" of "switching roles" etc. is a popular theme.

Yet, there is something amazing about men and women that many do not wish to consider. That is that men and women are different! God made the genders different (Gen. 2:7, 18-25), and made us with abilities unique to our genders. There is a God-given reason why wives with careers tend to want to give them up and stay home when babies are born. There is nothing shameful about it. There is a God-given reason why husbands of those wives feel the urge to work longer hours or perhaps find a second job so as to provide for his family at home. This is nothing to criticize. It does not belittle or otherwise harm the genders to speak of the "strengths" and "weaknesses" each one has, for males and females possess both! However, it is not healthy from a spiritual standpoint, or otherwise, for spouses to "swap" their roles in

a family as many TV shows, movies, etc., suggest that we ought to do.

*3. By leaving a woman with the impression that she is unworthy, not smart, lazy, etc., for wanting to serve God in her role as wife and mother and not taking a job outside of the home.*

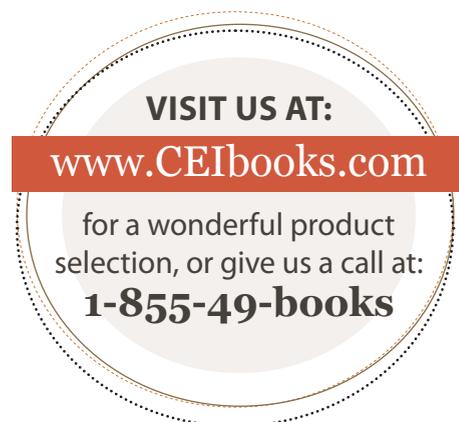
This reminds me of the question that has been around for decades where the wife is asked, "Do you work or stay at home?" Friends, we need to recognize that the "stay-at-home" wife and mother does work, and is very industrious. She just does not get a salary! I remember watching an a.m. news show years back where a woman was interviewed about being a mother who works outside the home as opposed to a "stay-at-home" mom. She proceeded to say how she would get so bored at home, and how she wanted a job to do because there was nothing else to do. How terrible! I think of women such as Dorcas who was full of good works and charity toward others (Acts 9:36-43). She wasn't bored! In truth, when one is a Christian, we see that there is too much to do in the Lord's work to ever be bored!

*4. By saying a woman can do everything a man can do.* Irina Dunn's statement, "A woman needs a man like a fish needs a bicycle" became the mantra of the "feminist movement" years ago. Whatever humor such an image might provoke in our minds, let us understand that this is just not the case. Men and women need one another. Just as men and women

are physical complements to one another, so are the roles that both men and women serve! We need one another to serve in our respective God-given roles. We need each other to pray for one another, to encourage one another, and help one another get to Heaven (1 Pet. 3:1-7). It is a tragedy that the majority of this world cannot see this or respect and honor the God-given place of our women in this world.

Do we respect the honor, dignity, and God-given roles men and women have in the Lord? It can be difficult at times in a world that wishes to throw away God's rules and plans. However, let us remember that God's way is always best, and that His ways are higher than our ways (Isa. 55:8-9). True happiness comes when we work the Lord's plan. He knows what is best for His creation.

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<p><b>LA MANY</b> 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><b>MO CAPE GIRARDEAU</b> North Cape Church of Christ 121 S. Broadview St. Suite 2 Cape Girardeau, MO 63703 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jerry Lee Westbrook (573)334-9673</p>	<p><b>MO ST. JOSEPH</b> County Line Church of Christ 2727 County Line Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:50 A.M. Evening 3:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (816) 279-4737 www.countylinechurchofchrist.com</p>	<p><b>NE BEATRICE</b> Church of Christ • 7th and Bell Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. 233-4102 or 228-3827 www.churchofchrist7bell.com</p>	<p><b>OH COLUMBUS</b> Laurel Canyon Church of Christ 409 McNaughton Rd. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (614) 868-1375 www.lccoc.net</p>	<p><b>OH NEW CARLISLE</b> Church of Christ 235 Funston Ave. (Near Wright-Patterson AFB) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Phone: (937) 845-8467 (bldg.)</p>
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<p><b>OH</b> <b>NEW RICHMOND</b> Church of Christ 550 Washington St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Contact: Dave Wylie (513) 553-6414 <a href="http://www.nrchurchofchrist.com">www.nrchurchofchrist.com</a></p>	<p><b>PA</b> <b>PHILADELPHIA</b> Church of Christ 7222 Germantown Ave., 19119 Bible Study 10:15 A.M. Worship 11:15 A.M. Tues. night 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: James H. Baker, Jr. (215) 248-2026 <a href="http://www.mtairychurchofchrist.org">www.mtairychurchofchrist.org</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>JACKSON</b> Sunset View Church of Christ 3618 Hwy 70 East (Exit 87 off I-40, 7mi. @ Spring Creek) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Wilkerson (731) 967-0590 or 968-9851</p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>NASHVILLE</b> Bell Road Church of Christ 1608 Bell Road Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Chris Pace (615) 833-4444</p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>ALVIN</b> Adoue St. Church of Christ 605 E. Adoue St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Mark Mayberry (281) 331-4953 or (832) 837-9038</p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>DUNCANVILLE</b> (South Dallas) Whispering Hills Church of Christ 2126 S. Main Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (972) 298-2522 <a href="mailto:info@whchurchofchrist.net">info@whchurchofchrist.net</a></p>
<p><b>OH</b> <b>NORTHWOOD</b> Frey Road Church of Christ 4110 Frey Rd. (Toledo Area) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Donald Jarabek (419) 893-3566, (419) 691-0688</p>	<p><b>SC</b> <b>BEAUFORT</b> Church of Christ 2107 King Street Parris Island: Call for times, services for recruits only. Sunday 10:00 A.M. Wed. Bible Study 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bryan Nash (843) 524-4400</p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>JOHNSON CITY</b> Brookmead Church of Christ 2428 Lakeview Drive Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Kevin Kay (423) 282-6251 or 426-1836</p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>NASHVILLE</b> Hillview Church of Christ 7471 Charlotte Pike Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (615) 952-5458 or (615) 356-7318 Evangelist: Lee Wildman</p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>AUSTIN</b> Schultz Lane Church of Christ Faber Rd. &amp; Schultz Ln. Pflugerville, TX 78660 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 2:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Ron Lehde</p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>EDNA</b> Church of Christ 301 Robinson St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (361) 782-5506 or 782-2844 Elders: R. Dunham, J. Mercer S. Mercer &amp; G. Nordin</p>
<p><b>OH</b> <b>UHRICHSVILLE</b> Church of Christ 638 Parrish Street Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Mid-week 6:30 P.M.</p>	<p><b>SC</b> <b>COLUMBIA</b> Lower Richland Church of Christ 3000 Trotter Rd. (Hopkins, SC) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (803) 730-0452 <a href="http://lowerrichlandchurch.org">http://lowerrichlandchurch.org</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>JONESBOROUGH</b> 11-E Church of Christ 240 Headtown Rd. Bible Study 10:30 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Evangelist: David Wheeler (423) 557-9119 or (423) 948-6464 <a href="http://www.christianadmonisher.jigsy.com">www.christianadmonisher.jigsy.com</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>NASHVILLE</b> Perry Heights Church of Christ 423 Donelson Pike Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:55 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Johnny Felker (615) 883-3118 <a href="http://perryheights.faithweb.com">http://perryheights.faithweb.com</a></p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>BAYTOWN</b> Church of Christ at Pruett &amp; Lobit 701 North Pruett St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:40 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jesse Flowers (281) 515-8939 Building: (281) 422-5926 Weldon: (713) 818-1321</p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>EL PASO</b> Eastridge Church of Christ 3277 Pendleton Road Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (915) 855-1524</p>
<p><b>OK</b> <b>MCALESTER</b> North A St. Church of Christ 2120 No. A St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Rob Lungstrum Office: (918) 423-3445 Cell: (918) 931-1362</p>	<p><b>SC</b> <b>ORANGEBURG</b> Southside Church of Christ 1502 Binnicker Bridge Rd. (Grange Building - Hwy 70) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evangelist: Fred England (803) 939-0672 <a href="http://www.southside-church.org">www.southside-church.org</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>KINGSTON SPRINGS</b> Kingston Springs Church of Christ 350 North Main St. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Walker <a href="http://www.kscoc.com">www.kscoc.com</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>PIGEON FORGE</b> King Branch Road Church of Christ 560 King Branch Road Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Roger Williams (865) 686-8510 <a href="http://www.KingBranchRoadChurchOfChrist.org">www.KingBranchRoadChurchOfChrist.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HELP VACATIONING CHRISTIANS FIND YOUR PLACE OF WORSHIP</b></p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>FORT WORTH</b> Woodmont Church of Christ 6417 Landview (at Altamesa) Worship 9:30 A.M. Bible Study 11:00 A.M. Afternoon 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Jeff S. Smith (817) 292-4908 or 426-2242 <a href="http://woodmontchurch.org">woodmontchurch.org</a></p>
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<p><b>OR</b> <b>MEDFORD</b> The Spring St. Church of Christ 1850 Spring St. (Roxy Ann Grange Hall) Corner of Spring/Valley View Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Thursday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Dean Blackwell (541) 773-2649</p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>COLUMBIA</b> Jackson Hts. Church of Christ 1200 Nashville Hwy., Hwy. 31N Bible Study 9:15 A.M. Worship 10:15 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Mid-week 7:00 P.M. Evangelists: Andrew Roberts &amp; Shawn Jeffries: (931) 388-6811 <a href="http://www.TheBibleWay.org">www.TheBibleWay.org</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>MEMPHIS</b> Rocky Pt. Road Church of Christ 516 E. Rocky Point Rd., Cordova Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. <a href="mailto:rockypointchurch@gmail.com">rockypointchurch@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://www.rockypointchurch.org">www.rockypointchurch.org</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"> <a href="http://www.CEIbooks.com">www.CEIbooks.com</a></p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>CLEVELAND</b> Church of Christ 310 E. Houston St. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Robert Davis (281) 592-5676 <a href="http://www.clevelandchurchofchrist.org">www.clevelandchurchofchrist.org</a></p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>HOUSTON</b> Fry Rd. Church of Christ 2510 Fry Road (77084) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Bob Pulliam: (281) 832-4633 <a href="http://www.fryroad.org">www.fryroad.org</a></p>
<p><b>OR</b> <b>SWEET HOME</b> Church of Christ 3702 E. Long St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Building: (541) 367-1599</p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>COLUMBIA</b> Mooresville Pike Church of Christ 417 Mooresville Pike (8 mi. N. of Hwy. 50/Jas. Campbell) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 3:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (931) 388-5828 or (931) 381-7898 <a href="http://www.mooresvillepikecoc.com">www.mooresvillepikecoc.com</a></p>	<p><b>TN</b> <b>MURFREESBORO</b> Cason Lane Church of Christ 1110 Cason Lane Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (615) 896-0090 (Building) <a href="http://www.casonlanechurch.org">www.casonlanechurch.org</a></p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>ALLEN</b> West Allen Church of Christ 1414 W. Exchange Blvd. (2 miles w. of Hwy. 75) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Jerry King (214) 504-0443 - (972) 727-5355 (bldg)</p>	<p><b>TX</b> <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b> Hwy. 9 Church of Christ Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 11:00 A.M. Worship 12:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Call for location: Keith Kalies (361) 776-2304 or Patrick Frazier (361) 235-1990</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TO MAKE CHANGES TO YOUR AD: <a href="mailto:tmmikewillis@gmail.com">tmmikewillis@gmail.com</a></b></p>
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<p><b>TX LUFKIN</b> Timberland Dr. Church of Christ 912 S. Timberland Dr. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelists: Harold Hancock &amp; Reagan McClenny (936) 634-7110 or 632-7070</p>	<p><b>TX SAN ANTONIO</b> Pecan Valley Church of Christ 268 Utopia Avenue (I-37 S.E. Exit Pecan Valley) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Clyde W. Carter (210) 337-6143</p>	<p><b>VA NEWPORT NEWS</b> Harpersville Rd. Church of Christ 315 Harpersville Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (757) 595-9564</p>	<p><b>WV CHARLESTON</b> Church of Christ 873 Oakwood Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Jonathan Chaffin (304) 342-5637 <a href="http://www.oakwoodroadchurchofchrist.com">www.oakwoodroadchurchofchrist.com</a></p>	<p><b>WV CLARKSBURG</b> Westside Church of Christ Davisson Run Road Sunday Morning 9:30 A.M. (304) 622-5433 <a href="http://www.westsidechurchofchristwv.net">www.westsidechurchofchristwv.net</a></p>	
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<p><b>TX NACOGDOCHES</b> Stallings Dr. Church of Christ 3831 N.E. Stallings Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelists: Randy Harshbarger &amp; Jay Taylor</p>	<p><b>TX WACO</b> Sun Valley Church of Christ 340 E. Warren St. (In Hewitt, a suburb of Waco) Bible Class 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Marc Smith (254) 666-1020 or 420-1484</p>	<p><b>VA RIDGEWAY</b> Church of Christ 2970 Old Leaksville Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jarred McCrary (276) 956-6049 <a href="http://www.churchofchristridgeway.com">www.churchofchristridgeway.com</a></p>	<p><b>VA ROANOKE</b> Blue Ridge Church of Christ 929 Indiana Ave. N.E. (5 min. from Roanoke Convention Center) 1st Lesson 9:15 A.M. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (540) 344-2755</p>	<p><b>WV MOUNDSVILLE</b> Church of Christ 210 Cedar St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Mid-week 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Tony Huntsman (304) 845-4940</p>	
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