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Must We Divide Over Every Issue?



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The Fifth Annual *Truth Magazine* Lecture series is scheduled to be conducted on June 23-26, 2008 in Bowling Green. They will be conducted at a different location than we have previously used, at the Carol Knicely Center on the campus of Western Kentucky University (corner of Campbell Lane and Nashville Road).

One of the unique features of the *Truth Magazine* Lecture series is its open forum. The lecture series opened in 2003 with a discussion of “mental divorce” which drew the largest attendance we have had. Brethren taking different points of view aired their differences and received questions from the audience. The discussion was conducted with the highest respect shown by the participants and most of us benefited from the experience.

A certain element among brethren seem bent on making every personal opinion they have on any subject a test of fellowship. When they label everyone who disagrees with them as believing and holding a false doctrine, they are logically compelled to identify those who disagree with them as false teachers who must be treated according to the instructions found in 2 John 9-11. These brethren appear to feel compelled to preach their views on these topics, exposing anyone who disagrees with them as a threat to the doctrinal purity of the church. Sometimes their acerbic rantings provoke a brother who disagrees with them but has said virtually nothing on the subject to reply. The brother's reply is considered *prima facie* evidence that he is on a campaign to convert everyone to his point of view. Those bent on making their opinion a test of fellowship seem oblivious to their own part in campaigning to persuade brethren to their own peculiar view.

There are some among us who want to make each of the following issues a test of fellowship among us:

- May an individually supported college teach the Bible or conduct a lecture program to teach the Bible?
- May a publishing company conduct a Bible lecture program?

- May a church conduct weddings and funerals in its church building?
- May a church offer the communion on Sunday evening to those who were unable to partake on Sunday morning?
- Does a person whose mate was guilty of adultery lose the right of remarriage if the guilty party initiates civil divorce proceedings against him/her?
- Must an innocent person whose mate was guilty of adultery, and who initiates civil divorce proceedings against him/her, counter sue in order to retain the right of remarriage?
- May a woman who is suffering physical abuse in a marriage obtain a civil divorce to protect herself?
- Must a person wear a veil in public worship?
- May a church have classes?
- May a church with elders have a full-time located preacher?
- May a woman teach a class of women and children?
- May a woman teach a class in which there are baptized boys?
- May a church use “uninspired” literature in its teaching program?
- May a Christian participate in carnal warfare?
- May a Christian serve as a policeman?

This list could be extended, and depending upon which part of the country in which one lives, these issues may be “hot topics” or irrelevant.

As we were planning the 2008 Lecture program, we thought that it would be profitable to have an open discussion of the subject of “Must we divide over every issue?” It appears to us that some are moving in that direction. There are churches and individuals that are drawing lines of fellowship on several of these issues.

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Creation: Necessary Biblical Inferences

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The points we bring to your attention in this article are in themselves clearly taught in Scripture. They are, however, also necessarily inferred or implied by the very fact of Divine Creation. When one by faith accepts that Almighty God created all things other than himself, the resulting "worldview" (or God-view) necessitates unequivocal basic convictions concerning material things, human beings, and human response to God (i.e., worship, service, and ethical responsibility). Understanding that, we are provided answers to many of today's great social issues which are addressed and resolved in the very first chapters of the Bible.

Again, for further consideration of this subject, I recommend that you read Jack Cottrell's chapter 4 in *God the Creator*, a major source (other than the Bible) for our study. In that chapter, Cottrell quotes Langdon Gilkey in *Maker of Heaven and Earth*: "...the idea that God is the Creator of all things is the indispensable foundation on which the other beliefs of the Christian faith are based. It affirms what the Christian believes about the status of God in the whole realm of reality: He is the Creator of everything else. On this affirmation logically depends all that Christians say about God, about the world they live in, and about their own history, destiny, and hope" (143).

Inferences Regarding the Material Universe

We begin by accepting through faith that God is truly the Creator. We believe in creation, not macro-evolution. That clearly declares that all matter and the natural processes which manage it were created by God. The fact that a good God made it implies that matter itself, with regard to its basic innate nature at least, is good. "And God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good" (Gen. 1:31). "For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with gratitude" (1 Tim. 4:4).

Many philosophical and religious systems have denied that matter is good. Plato acknowledged the reality of matter but regarded it as a hindrance to man. Early "Christian" philosophies such as gnosticism and Manichaeism contrasted matter with God. Modern metaphysical notions such as those held by Christian Science are similar in derivation. In Sankaran Hindu, the notion of *maya* says that matter is unreal...based on the concept that it is evil. New Testament Christians teach that matter is good as created by God.

The Bible nowhere teaches that anything God made is intrinsically evil. There is nothing evil, for instance, about the human body. When Paul talks about the "works of the flesh" (Gal. 5:16-21), he is not talking about the composition of physical flesh, but about the sinful dispositions of individuals who do not follow God's will in their lives. Even the desires and needs of the body (food and drink, sexual satisfaction, etc.) are not in themselves sinful. And things composed from the matter God created are not in themselves evil (television, computers, etc.). Their purposes may be evil (as with many instruments of either torture or pleasure), but their material elements are not evil. While we may say that computers are evil because one can view pornography there, the evil is found in the corrupt mind of the user, not in the machine.

God's creation was designed to glorify himself. "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament shows his handiwork" (Psa. 19:1). Therefore, his creation announces his greatness both in terms of power and goodness. Evil proceeds from man's corrupting what God has made, not from God's physical creation itself. Man should live in the world using what God has made to glorify the Creator.

We must realize that matter is finite and limited. Matter is not eternal. Only God is eternal. The very fact that it came from nothing by the powerful hand of the Creator argues that matter depends upon God for its existence. If it could be brought into existence by his Word, it can as readily be taken away and cease to exist.

While it exists, however, matter is generally reliable and predictable. We speak of the laws of nature which are also created and sustained by Almighty God. When a woman is impregnated by a man, she does not expect to give birth to a baby orangutan. We can depend on nature to act according to fixed patterns. While we admit to change within species, science itself argues against Darwinism by the very fact of predictable "laws" of nature.

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If matter and the material natural world as we know it evolved without rational planning and/or purpose, it would be capricious, unpredictable, and absurd. One could not depend on the fact that the atmosphere around him would sustain him from day to day. The recent predictable testing of RNA and DNA providing microbiological confirmations would be unreliable. When one accepts that God created from his rational, orderly, and reliable nature, he accepts that God's creation is also rational, orderly, and reliable. It is not random!

Inferences Regarding Man

If God created man, man owes every part of his existence to God. Not only did God create our bodies, but our spirits as well. "Know that the Lord Himself is God; it is He who has made us and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture" (Psa. 100:3). We are, therefore, totally dependent upon God for our being. We did not come into being on our own and we are not sustained by our own power or effort.

Likewise, being created by God argues that we have meaning and purpose. Only human beings are made in the image of God. That implies that we also are good and not evil by nature. The fact that we are in the flesh does not argue that we must sin. I do not like to hear brethren pray, "Lord, we are only human. Please forgive us," as if that somehow justifies our sinfulness and weakness. Our obligation is to commit to righteousness and glorifying God in our bodies. We should be praying that our existence on earth be dedicated to the fulfillment of God's purposes in creating us. "What" I am explains "why" I am and provides understanding as to "who" I am.

That forces me to conclude that animals are not equivalent to man. Man is made in the image of God. Adam had animals but he had no comparable helper until God made Eve. It is politically correct in our society to place the protection of animals on a par with safeguarding the well-being of humans. While I am happy that we severely punish people who grossly abuse and sadistically torture and slaughter both domesticated dogs and wild cats, animals

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are not human beings. Further, I must conclude from the creation that I do not have the choice to kill innocent human beings. Man may not with impunity interrupt the continuum of human life for his own selfish purposes once it has begun in the womb. Animal rights and abortion are two more issues at least fundamentally answered in the first two chapters of Genesis.

In light of these implications, I owe God my submission. I want to be in fellowship with him and in harmony with his will. I can in fact do nothing less in light of my debt to my Creator. That leads to three other points: worship, service, and morality.

Inferences Regarding Man's Responsibility

Worship. The fact that we have been created evokes our worship. We worship because we owe it and because we are driven to it by the sheer awesome realization that the Being who brought us into existence is far above ourselves. "By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and by the breath of His mouth all their host. He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deeps in storehouses. Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast" (Psa. 33:6-9). "Come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker" (Psa. 95:6). "Worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of water" (Rev. 14:7). "Worthy art Thou, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for thou didst create all things" (Rev. 4:11).

The fact of creation also makes God the one and only object of our worship. Nothing else in our existence is worthy to be worshipped. Everything other than God is created. He alone is infinite and above all things made. Paul says that one is a fool who "exchanges the truth of God for a lie and worships and serves the creature rather than the Creator" (Rom. 1:22-25).

Service. Creation gives the true meaning to service and the concept of stewardship. All things belong to God ultimately. "For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know every bird of the mountains, and everything that moves in the field is Mine" (Psa. 50:10-11). The fact that God made all things provides his right to claim all things as his own. Because he made all things from

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nothing for his own purposes, they are his. A steward, by definition, is one who cares for by properly using that which belongs to another. All that we think of as ours is only ours to use for a time. When we pass, it is placed in the hands of others. We must remember, it always belongs to God.

Look at the clear statements of scriptural argumentation on this point: “The earth is the Lord’s and all it contains, the world, and those who dwell in it. For He has founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the rivers” (Psa. 24:1-2). “The heavens are Thine, the earth also is Thine, the world and all it contains, thou hast founded them” (Psa. 89:11; 95:4-5; 100:3). “You are blessed, Lord God of Israel, our Father, forever and ever. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and You are exalted as head over all, both riches and honor come from You and you reign over all. In your hand is power and might; in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. Now therefore, our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious name. But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly as this? For all things come from You, and of Your own we have given You. For we are aliens and pilgrims before You, as were all our fathers; our days on earth are as a shadow, and without hope. O Lord our God, all this abundance that we have prepared to build You a house for Your holy name is from Your hand, and is all Your own” (1 Chron. 29:10-16).

Morality. What gives anyone the right to tell others what to do? What gives one the authority to set the standards and make rules of behavior for everyone? On what basis will everyone respect the wishes of one above another? Ultimately, in a world without God, there is no inherent reason for anyone to demand that others obey. Only God knows all mankind sufficiently to know what every person can or should accept as behavioral responsibility. Only God has the wisdom to set those rules.

The answer to the ethical questions, “What ought I to do?” and “Why ought I to do it?” is founded upon the truth that God is the Creator with the inherent right to set ethical standards. It is upon that basis that God gave the Ten Commandments: “I am the Lord thy God.” Enough said. If that is not good enough, all ethical and moral responsibility is relative and subjective.

If you want happiness, you ought to do what God says. If you want certain relationships, you ought to listen to the moral Governor of the universe. If you want to extend life, you ought to follow guidelines recorded in God’s word.

When God says, “Listen to My voice” (Jer. 11:7), why should we? When Jesus says, “Keep my commandments” (John 14:15), why should we? When men read, “You should diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and His testimonies and

His statutes which He has commanded you” (Deut. 6:17), men ask, “Who says?” The God who made you said! God has the absolute right... not just the power but the moral right and we have an absolute obligation to obey Him. Whether we acknowledge it or not, we owe it to God to obey him and it is rebellion to refuse.

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That moral responsibility speaks volumes to the thoughtful person in today’s world. First, God did not intend to create a unisex society. He created human beings male and female. God made men and women equal in personhood but different in roles and the gender qualities to support those roles. That argues, second, that God did not intend for man to practice homosexuality. That kind of deviant lifestyle is strictly forbidden by God as opposed to nature; that is, to the way in which man was created (Rom. 1:22-27; 1 Cor. 6:9-10). Third, God created male and female to come together in unity which would produce progeny. He governed that so that one man and one woman would live together for life. That prohibits promiscuity (pre-marital or extra-marital) and infers God’s answer to divorce and remarriage. It also speaks to the establishment of the family as God’s domestic relationship in which a male and female are responsible in their roles to provide for their children. All these social issues are addressed and resolved early in the very first book of the Bible. Jesus appealed to this exact concept when he said, “Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning made them male and female?” (Matt. 19:4). On all of these issues, we might also say, “Have you not read” about the wonderful Creator and his masterful work?

Salvation By Grace

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Many times, in talking to people about God's terms of salvation (Heb. 5:9; Mark 16:16), the argument is offered that we are "saved by grace" (Eph. 2:8), not by some kind of "plan" we "must do." Yet the very same passage goes on to say we are saved "by grace *through faith*." And since faith comes by hearing the word of God (Rom. 10:17), we are back to the same point: "What does Christ demand of us?" (Matt. 7:21-23). After all, Christ is not going to give us two different plans! He is not the God of confusion (1 Cor. 14:33).

But since we want to talk about "grace," let us note another passage that also talks about our salvation by grace. "The grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present age" (Tit. 2:11-12). Now, let us pause here and ask a few questions: Are there two sources of salvation? After all, the "grace of God" is also "teaching us" and making some requirements on how we live. Where is this "teaching" revealed? Does that mean we don't need the New Testament any more, or is it found in the New Testament? And, if there are two sources, are these two "sources" compatible? How do we know? When Barnabas urged the church in Antioch to "continue in the grace of God" (Acts 13:43), was he saying that the New Testament was not important, just the "grace of God"; or did he mean for them to abide in the teachings of Christ (John 8:31)? And how do we harmonize all this with Acts 15 (which says they were to abide in the apostles' doctrine) and Rom. 1:16 (which says the gospel is God's means of salvation)?

The truth is that unless we wish to affirm God has two different sources of revelation (one known only to a few

people) and two different plans of salvation (making him a respecter of persons), something is wrong with our interpretation of the "grace of God." And since God does not teach two different "faiths" (Eph. 4:4-6), we need to take a close look at what Titus 2:11-12 is also teaching us. It goes on to say in v. 14 that Christ redeemed us from "every lawless deed." So, we still come back to the law of Christ (Gal. 6:2), by which we will all be judged (Jas. 2:12; 2 Cor. 5:10).

So what does Titus 2:11-12 tell us about the "grace of God"? It *does* show we are saved by God's grace (Eph. 2:8). But what is God's grace? God's grace is mercy extended to those who don't deserve it (see Rom. 5:8-10). But it still has the right to have terms—"teaching us" how to live properly in this present age (Tit. 2:11). Christ died for us—that was his grace in offering us salvation. He then gave us the New Testament, his law, so we could have that salvation (Heb. 5:9). That too was part of his grace (as he didn't need to offer us anything at all). If we obey what he instructs, we can have that salvation "through faith," which is still part of his grace in even offering it. So "grace" is Christ dying and giving us the New Testament. When we obey its terms, we can have the salvation it offers. Truly the "grace of God" is a wonderful gift! But, if we don't obey it, we reject God's grace and are lost (2 Thess. 1:8). So, read his terms (Matt. 7:21-23; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Rom. 10:9-10)! Will you reject the "grace of God" that he has offered you (Rom. 6:23)? If you do not heed its "teaching," he cannot give you the salvation he wanted you to have!

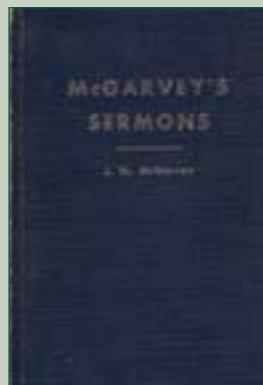
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Things Baptism Will Not Do

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According to Jesus Christ, all nations should be baptized. To that end, the Lord instructed his apostles following his resurrection from the dead, saying, “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age” (Matt. 28:19-20).

The rest of the New Testament explains the Lord’s desire for all nations to obey his word in baptism. The need for baptism is based on the teaching of Jesus and the apostles who connected it with salvation (Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 3:21), remission of sins (Acts 2:38), the washing away of sins (Acts 22:16), entrance into a relationship with Christ (Gal. 3:26-27), and the beginning of a new life (Rom. 6:3-7; cf. John 3:3-5). Baptism consistently marks the completion of the process of conversion to Christ displayed throughout the various cases recorded in the book of Acts (see Acts 2:41; 8:12-13, 36-39; 9:18; 10:47-48; 16:14-15, 30-33; 18:8; 19:1-5).

However, while baptism is absolutely essential in meeting the Lord’s terms for forgiveness of sins and salvation, it is also important to understand that there are some things that baptism cannot do and was not intended to do. According to the Scriptures, baptism, as presented in the Bible, simply will not accomplish certain things. For example:

1. Baptism will not keep one from sinning. It would be most unfortunate for one who is practicing sin to get baptized with the thought in mind that baptism will stop him from sinning further. If one is a habitual liar before being baptized, baptism alone will not change his habit of lying. For the one who needs to cease practicing sin repentance is what is needed. Repentance involves a change of mind and determination to turn away from sin. Therefore, one must repent first, and then be baptized in order to have remission of sins (Acts 2:38). But even those who have been baptized are susceptible to temptation and sin. The apostle John wrote to those who had already been baptized, saying, “My little children, these things I write to you, that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous” (1 John 2:1). When Simon, who had been baptized, sinned, Peter rebuked him, saying, “Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray

God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you” (Acts 8:22). Repentance is what is needed in the life of one who intends to stop sinning.

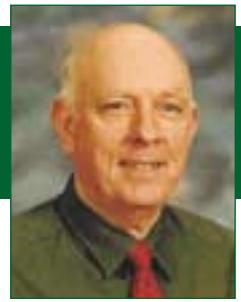
2. Baptism will not save a person who does not believe or repent. Jesus made belief in the gospel a prerequisite to baptism and salvation when he gave his apostles the following instruction: “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned” (Mark 16:15-16). Likewise, one must repent in order to truly be converted to Christ and receive forgiveness of past sins (Acts 3:19). In light of what the Bible teaches on the subject, it should be obvious that the baptism of infants, who are incapable of faith and repentance, is a different baptism than the one the Scriptures describe.

3. Baptism will not get only a small portion of one’s body wet. While many religious groups will “baptize” a person by sprinkling or pouring a small amount of water on his head, the Bible demonstrates that more is required. The apostle Paul wrote of baptism as a burial in water, saying, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life” (Rom. 6:3-6; cf. Col. 2:12). Baptism is consistently portrayed as a situation in which one must go “down into the water” and come “up out of the water” (Acts 8:38-39). Furthermore, the very definition of the word itself demands the immersion of one’s entire body in water. The definition of the Greek word *baptizo*, which is translated into English as “baptize” is, “to dip...to immerse, to submerge” (Thayer’s *Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament*), or, “to dip in, or underneath water” (Liddell & Scott, *An Intermediate Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament*).

4. Baptism will not wash away one’s marriage bond. While baptism will result in the washing away of the past sins of a penitent believer in Christ (Acts 22:16), it will not erase one’s relationship to his mate. With regard to divorce and remarriage Jesus said, “And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced commits adultery” (Matt. 19:9). One who

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question & answer



BOBBY L. GRAHAM

Question: What is the Lamb's book of life? How does one get his name in the Lamb's book of life?

Answer: This register or list of the saved, thus designated because of the sacrifice of the Lamb making it possible and the life secured thereby (2 Tim. 1:10; Jn. 14:6; 2 Pet. 1:19), comprehends all redeemed from all covenants, because the sacrifice of Jesus Christ was designed to effect the redemption of faithful saints under all economies (Heb. 9:15; 11:39-40). A similar book of remembrance was mentioned by the prophet in connection with God's people in whom he delighted (Mal. 3:16-17).

An examination of this register reveals the following features:

1. **Select:** Christians have their names entered in the Book of Life (Phil. 4:3; Heb. 12:23). None others have such a promise.
2. **Restrictive:** Some are definitely and specifically excluded from this list (Rev. 13:8). One would expect this in that the promise of salvation is received upon conditions established in the gospel of Christ, not unconditionally, universally, or automatically.

3. **Promising:** Those whose names have been entered in this register enjoy the promise of entering heaven and enjoying eternal life (Rev. 21:27).
4. **Changeable:** This list of names is subject to change (Rev. 3:5; 22:19). In the first passage those who are victorious in Christ receive the assurance that their names will not be removed, while the later passage says that those tampering with the revelation from God by subtracting something therefrom will have their names removed. People can fall from divine grace (Gal. 5:4).
5. **Final:** The Bible also teaches that God's list of redeemed people is the final list (Rev. 20:12, 15). Judgment will be based on what is written in the books, and those without their names in the Book of Life will enter into the lake of fire, which is the second death (21:8). No one will be able to gainsay what the Book of Life reflects.

Friend, now that you know about the Book of Life, why not submit to the will of Christ so that you can benefit from the sacrifice of the Lamb slain for the sins of all? You can enjoy the promise of eternal life.

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carelessly puts away his lawful mate and marries another should not think that by being baptized he will be freed from the bond God put in place with respect to his original spouse, nor should he think that baptism will change the fact that he is committing adultery with his new spouse (Matt. 19:6-9; Rom. 7:2-3). Baptism is designed to result in the forgiveness of one who has repented of his sins, rather than being designed to justify the sins of the one who is currently living in sin.

Conclusion

Many wonderful spiritual blessings are connected with baptism in the New Testament. However, we must be careful that we don't fall into the trap of believing that baptism will accomplish those things that the Lord never intended it to accomplish.

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Phrased Notation (PART 3)

In 1855, Henry Ward Beecher, preacher for the Plymouth Congregational Church in New York City, wrote in the preface to his new hymnal, “It is hoped that a book which shall present both the hymns and the music will contribute to the development of Congregational Singing, by providing the materials for it.” This hymnal (*Plymouth Collection of Hymns and Tunes; for the Use of Christian Congregations*. A. S. Barnes and Co., New York) was noteworthy because it included music.

Hymns and Tunes

In the quote above, Beecher referred to “both the hymns and the music” and included “Collection of Hymns and Tunes” in the title of his hymnal. To clarify what was commonly understood in Beecher’s time, a “hymn” is the words, while the “tune” is the music.

Hymnals and Music

For many years, hymnals did not contain music. Worshipers simply memorized the tunes and referred to the hymnbook for the words. Though other songbooks containing spiritual songs included music before 1855, Beecher is usually credited with producing the first mainstream hymnal with music.

Another excerpt from Beecher’s preface reveals just how novel it was to include music in a hymnal in his day: “It is desirable that every pew in the church should contain one or more copies of the Hymn and Tune Book. The Hymns have, however, been printed without the music, at a cheaper rate, for the use of those who wish only hymns.” Indeed, it seems that even Beecher (or perhaps the publisher) was unsure of the marketability of a hymnal with music.

The Effect of Music on Hymns

Of course, the idea of including music in hymnals eventually caught on—so much so that an early hymnal is not commonly recognized as a hymnal today and might be considered by many to be a sort of spiritual poetry book.

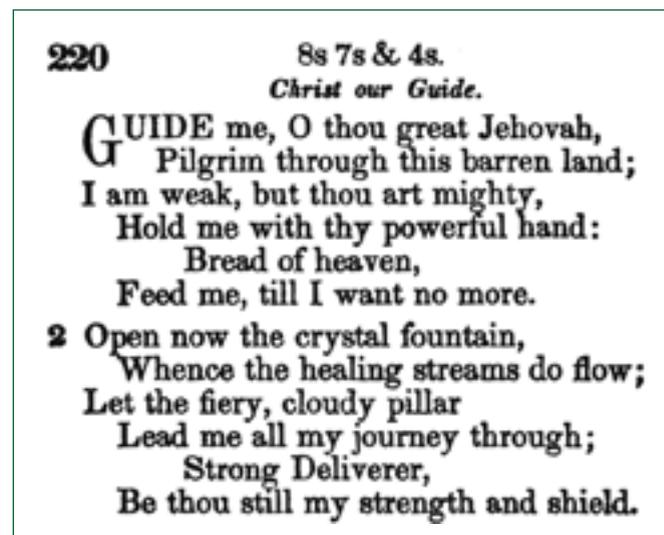
Beecher’s reason for including music was noble: He wanted to encourage congregational singing. In describing his

hymnal at the beginning of the preface, he wrote, “The work is the result of a conviction that Congregational Singing best answers the end of worship by means of song. A choir should not sing for the congregation, but incite them to sing, and lead the way.”

Aside from the reference to choirs, we would agree with Beecher’s intent. Song worship is not accomplished by employing trained singers, but by congregational singing. Unfortunately, however, the introduction of music into hymnals had an immediate negative effect—proper phrasing of the hymns was sacrificed.

Examples

The first scan is from a Presbyterian hymnal published in 1843 (*Psalms and Hymns Adapted to Social, Private, and Public Worship in the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America*. Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia). It demonstrates the common layout of a familiar hymn before the introduction of music.



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GUIDE me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand:
Bread of heaven,
Feed me, till I want no more.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing streams do flow;
Let the fiery, cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong Deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield.

The second scan is from Beecher’s hymnal. Aside from the fact that only one verse is set within the musical staves (the other verses were printed below the music in a format just like in the first scan) and it includes repeated phrases, it is the same hymn as in the first example. The

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words, capitalization, and punctuation (with a few inconsequential differences) are the same. The difference is in phrasing.

The hymn in the scan without music is phrased correctly—the beginning of each line is capitalized, and each line is comprised of a complete phrase, which also includes a complete thought. As we discussed in the previous two articles, this is the logical way to lay out poetry, which includes hymns. Proper layout helps the reader, or the singer, to comprehend what is printed.

In the scan from Beecher's hymnal, logical line breaks are sacrificed because of music. Where the lines break is determined by how many notes with corresponding words fit across the page rather than by the structure of the hymn itself. What is evident is that the first time it appeared in a hymnal, the music immediately affected the way hymns were phrased.

Phrased Notation

Perhaps the most interesting thing about all of this is that the precedent set by Beecher has continued seemingly unquestioned until now. The characteristic that will make the new hymnal being produced by *Sumphonia* and published by Guardian of Truth Foundation unique is Phrased Notation. Phrased Notation is accomplished by wrapping the music around the hymn, instead of allowing the music to affect the phrasing.

As this series of articles continues, we will examine how Phrased Notation can help worshipers sing with understanding.

The hymnal is scheduled to be in print later this year. You may read about its progress at www.sumphonia.com.

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278 CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE.

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1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pilgrim thro' this bar - ren land: I am weak, but thou art
might - y, Hold me with thy powerful hand; Bread of hea - ven, Bread of hea - ven, Feed me
till I want no more. Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Christian Experience' by Ludovick Nicolson. The score is in 3/4 time and G major. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line, with line breaks that correspond to the musical phrasing. The first system starts with '1. Guide me, O Thou great Je - ho - vah, Pilgrim thro' this bar - ren land: I am weak, but thou art'. The second system continues with 'might - y, Hold me with thy powerful hand; Bread of hea - ven, Bread of hea - ven, Feed me'. The third system ends with 'till I want no more. Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more'. The score is presented in a way that demonstrates phrased notation, where the music is written around the words to maintain their natural phrasing.

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Idea of “wearing” the name of the Lord is deeply rooted in Scripture

In Revelation 3:10 the Lord speaks through John and says, “He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. And I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name.”

This may seem strange to a modern reader and conjure up images of someone taking a poster board marker and writing on someone or of tattooing him. But like so much in the book of Revelation, the writing of a name upon someone, and particularly a “new name,” has roots in many other portions of Scripture and history.

It would appear the name involved is related to Jesus. Whether the name is “Jesus” or “Christ” or “Lord” or some other variation, isn’t absolutely certain. It might be as simple as “Christian” (Acts 11:26). But he says in the text that he will write “my new name” upon the one who overcomes.

An emphasis is placed on it being a “new” name. God’s people in earlier times (Israel) had borne several names, but never one associated with the Christ.

He had said to the church in Pergamos (Rev. 2:17), “And I will give him (the one who overcomes) a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives it.”

In Revelation 22:3-4 it mentions the Lamb’s servants having “his name...on their foreheads.”

Now all this seems very mysterious at first. The book of Revelation is apocalyptic literature, written in a highly symbolic style and relying upon Old Testament types and images.

Let’s see if we can simplify. A name is an identifier. My name distinguishes me from others, connects me to my parents and often is tied to my character. Thus, a man may have a good name or a bad one.

In the text, then, we see that the one who overcomes evil will be identified with Christ, with the family of God, and

will bear a good name—one above every other (Phil. 2:9).

Consider also that Revelation commonly uses the figure of Christ as the bridegroom and his people or church as the bride. When a bride is married, she traditionally takes her husband’s name, reflecting the unity of the new relationship (see Rev. 19:7-13).

Part of the figure of the new name being written upon the Lord’s servant may be drawn from the Old Testament practice of the high priest wearing the name of Jehovah.

Look at Exodus 28:36-38. There, directions are given for a nameplate in gold to be worn by the high priest on his mitre (headdress) in a fashion so that on his forehead the plate read “Holy to Jehovah” or “Holy to the Lord.”

In the Revelation we have a similar picture. God’s servants will be given a new name and they will wear it upon their foreheads.

The giving of “new names” also has several precedents in Scripture. Remember that Abram was given the new name of Abraham by God, when he entered a new relationship with the Lord. Jacob was renamed Israel. Likewise, Simon was re-nominated Peter by Jesus and the ardent persecutor Saul was called Paul after his conversion. Again, we must understand that a name is associated with character, relationships, and identification.

The giving of a new name is rooted in Old Testament prophecy. Isaiah had the two-fold task of spelling out the doom of idolatrous Israel and of holding out hope for a new kingdom of God, which Revelation terms the “New Jerusalem.”

In Isaiah 62:2 it reads, “The Gentiles shall see your righteousness, and all kings your glory. You shall be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord will name.”

Then, in Isaiah 65:15, it is written of Israel, “You shall leave your name as a curse to my chosen for the Lord God will slay you, and call his servants by another name.”

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You Can Still Find the Church of the Bible

G.K. WALLACE (1903-1988)

In 1942 when I was in Kansas City, someone stole my car. I had a new 1942 model NASH automobile. My car was gone! I did not know which way to turn. So I called the police. When they came they began to ask questions. They asked, "What kind of car is it? What is the name of the car?"

Suppose I said, "It doesn't make any difference about a name. Just go find me a car." They asked, "What model is it? When was it made?" Suppose I said, "It doesn't make any difference when it was made. Just get me a car. The model is immaterial." Suppose that they had come back with an old 1914 model. I would have decided it did make a difference, would I not? I suspect that if I had talked to those

policemen like that, they would have said, "He is drunk; we had better lock him up." Yet I can talk to the world about the church and say, "It does not make any difference about the name, makes no difference when it was started, no difference what it does," and the world says I'm a scholar. If I had talked that way to the police, they would have said I was a drunk!

Yes, they have destroyed every identification mark of the church. But let me tell you, you can find the church that Jesus built, if you will get out and look for it in as sensible a manner as those police looked for my car (quoted from *Fulton County Gospel News*, Nov. 2007, p. 3).

A New Name Written...

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God would ultimately destroy the old Jerusalem and its temple and the genealogical records (names) of his people Israel. This was done in A.D. 70 with the help of the Roman legions under Titus.

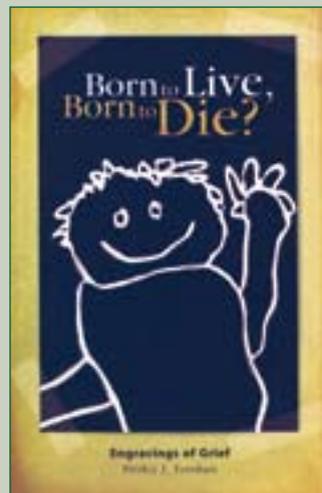
But God promises in Revelation 3:12 to make those who overcome "a pillar in the temple of my God," and to "write on him the name of my God and the city of my God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven...and I will write on him my new name."

Ancient Israel defamed God's name by their rebellion and

idolatry and ultimate rejection of Jesus. So, God created a new Israel, a New Jerusalem, a new people, inviting Gentiles into the new kingdom or church. The old was prophesied for destruction.

Notice also that God's servants aren't the only ones labeled or given identifying marks. In Revelation 20:4 it speaks of the identifying mark in the foreheads of those who served the Beast.

Thus the final point: We all are identified, spiritually, with the one we serve, whether Christ or Satan.



Born to Live, Born to Die?

Engravings of Grief

by Shirley J. Earnhart

In this book the author has provided an extremely generous and valuable tool for those who grieve the loss of a loved one. Few are willing or able to articulate such "other-worldly" thoughts in the genuine and readable style she has employed. One will find a friend in this book, as the reader relates to the stages of grief experienced by this loving mother. This book is also a good resource for those who counsel the grieving. If one is anticipating a loss of a child, the author includes unique and meaningful ideas for how to sensitively involve all family members in the process of saying good-bye. 203 pages, paperback.

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Basic Bible Study Principles

JOHNNIE EDWARDS

A failure to observe some basic “Bible Study Principles,” has caused many to wrongly divide the Word of God! Yet, we are commanded to “study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (2 Tim. 2:15). It is the design of this study to help us have some basic principles of Bible study, which will assist us in our understanding of the Bible:

Establishing A Rule. When a truth has been established on a given subject, that truth is implied when that subject is mentioned elsewhere. For an example: When the Bible once teaches that baptism, today, is “for the remission of sins” (Acts 2:38), every other time that baptism, for today, is mentioned, it is understood that the purpose of baptism is for the remission of sins, whether it is stated or not. On this same basis, when it is once established that the Holy Spirit influences us today through the medium of the Word of God, that medium is implied wherever the Spirit’s influence upon a Christian is mentioned, whether it is mentioned or not. When the design of the Lord’s Supper has been established that its in memory of Christ (1 Cor. 11:24), that purpose is understood whenever the communion is mentioned.

Have A Desire To Obey. You may never come to a knowledge of the truth unless you have a desire to obey, when you learn it. Jesus said, “If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself” (John 7:17). Not everyone studies the Bible to obey it. How about you?

Realize The Bible Can Be Understood. Some are being told that they cannot understand the Bible; but that the experts, whoever they are, must tell them what it means! This is simply not so. Do you think God would give us a book to read, believe, and obey and then make it so difficult that we could not understand it? Paul commanded, “Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is” (Eph. 5:17). He further penned, “Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ (Eph. 5:4). Much misunderstanding come from a lack of reading and studying.

Know Who Is Being Spoken To. Sometimes the Bible speaks to the Israelites when they were under the law. “And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgment which I speak in your ears this

day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do them” (Deut. 5:1). This covenant of the Law was “not made with our father, but with us, even us, who are all of us here alive this day” (Deut. 5:2-3). If one tries to apply the law of Moses to others than these folks, he is misapplying it. Often the Bible addresses a married man: “husbands love your wives...” (Eph. 5:25); or the “wife see that she reverence her husband” (Eph. 5:33). Children might be taught some lessons (Eph. 6:1-3). Some things are addressed to a “father” (Eph. 6:4). The Lord might give some instructions to a man who is an elder in the local church (1 Pet. 5:1-3). An individual Christian might be taught to take care of a widow, so “the church want be charged” (1 Tim. 5:16), or to an apostle (Luke 24:46-53) and on it goes.

Be Familiar With The Context. A context is “the part of a text or statement that surrounds a particular word or passage and determines its meaning” (*The American Heritage College Dictionary*). Reading the verses before and after a verse is often necessary to learn what is being taught. Let’s take a look at a passage that is often misused: “For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Rom. 10:17). There is no telling the number of folks who have been told that all they need to do, to be saved, is just say, “Lord, save me.”

Read the context and it is apparent that calling on the name of the Lord involves hearing, believing, and obeying the gospel (Rom. 10:14-17). The failure to observe this principle may be the major cause of Bible misunderstandings. So, apply this rule every time you read.

Read and Study the Sum on a Given Subject. Often, not all the truth, on a subject is taught in one verse of Scripture. The Psalmist wrote, “Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever” (Ps. 119:160). Later it is said, “How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! How great is the sum of them” (Ps.139:17). It takes the sum, or all that the Bible says to have the truth on a subject. I like to read everything that has been said on a subject, then I have the truth on that subject in a nutshell!

Respect the Silence of the Scriptures. Sometimes the Bible teaches a thing by just not saying anything. If the Bible is silent, on a subject, we must be silent on that subject. We must realize that where there is “no such commandment,”

Three Sundays Ago

JESSE FLOWERS

I worshiped with a church that had perfect attendance. I'm quite sure this was the first time I had experienced such. I understand it is a regular occurrence at this congregation. They had 170 in attendance for Sunday Bible class, Sunday worship, and 170 in attendance on Wednesday. This sort of thing is unheard of in the majority of churches. The norm is that your biggest crowd will be there for Sunday morning worship service. Then the numbers taper off quite significantly on Sunday evening, and even more so on Wednesday evening. But this group of Christians proved that every member, every family in a local church, can be present consistently for every service assembly. Finally I came across a church of God's people that practices the instruction given in Hebrews 10:24-25. "And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." To all the members and families of this local church let us be resolved to be present for every service. And remember the words of Jesus himself: "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them" (Matt. 18:20).

I saw teenage boys participate in the activities of worship. I was so impressed to see and hear these young men help out with the worship services in various ways. One helped out with the serving of the Lord's Supper. Another made the announcements. Also one young man led the congregation in songs of praise to God. Each of them did an outstanding job. I am always encouraged when I see young Christian men take an active part in the work of the local church. We are blessed here with some young men who serve in various ways. Let us be sure to take the time to encourage them as they serve, and even challenge them to expand their service for their King. Let us all be mindful

of how we can "stand in the gap" (Ezek. 22:30) and better serve the needs of this local congregation. As the apostle Paul wrote to the saints in Ephesus: "from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love" (Eph. 4:16).

I witnessed a man publicly confess shortcomings in his life. Now, it's not as if I have not personally witnessed and aided brethren coming forward during a service to publicly acknowledge sin and wrongdoing in their lives. But the things this particular man repented of, I must admit I had not witnessed in the past. This man went before his brethren to confess that, since his initial zeal following his conversion to Christ, he no longer tries as hard to teach others the truth of the gospel. He also admitted a lack of Bible study in his personal life. And so it was these two key areas that he sought the forgiveness of God and his brothers and sisters in Christ. My wife and I were both greatly impressed and at the same time felt a sense of shame. We realized we too could have easily gone forward to acknowledge the very same shortcomings in our lives. Could it not be said by Christ to many of us "that you have left your first love" (Rev. 2:4)? If that is the case, then let us be sure to "repent and do the first works" (v. 5). At times we too need to humbly acknowledge our shortcomings before God and our brethren (Jas. 5:16). At times we need our faith revitalized, reenergized, and refocused. Let us look inward to examine our own faith (2 Cor. 13:5; Jas. 1:25), and discover areas where we need improvement. And then may God strengthen us to possess the love, faith, humility, and courage to make those positive changes!

Three Sundays ago I learned some invaluable lessons.

Basic Bible Study Principles (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 14)

we have no authority to teach or act (Acts 15:24). Peter said it well, "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God" (1 Pet. 4:11). This principle of Bible study will settle a multitude of problems!

Know the Purpose of a Statement. Paul said he was thankful "that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius" (1 Cor. 1:14). Why did Paul say that? "Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name" (1 Cor. 1:15).

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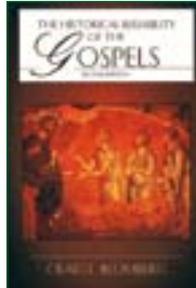
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The Historical Reliability of the Gospels

Craig L. Blomberg

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Can we trust that what we read in the Bible, and the gospels in particular, is reliable? Did the miracles of Jesus really happen and are they actually possible? Were the four gospel writers in agreement in their record of Jesus' life? Many scholars today would answer these questions with a resounding, "No!" According to these scholars, the gospels are simply legends written full of fiction and set forth as fact. Craig L. Blomberg, on the other hand, argues very convincingly for the historical reliability of the gospels. After surveying the different methods of gospel study, Blomberg addresses the possibility and reasonability of miracles. He then proceeds to answer the alleged contradictions among the synoptics, proposes solutions to the problems raised in John's gospel, and surveys the literature about Jesus (including extra-Biblical sources) not found in the gospels. Blomberg's conclusion is that the four gospels are not lies or legends; they are historically reliable documents of truth. Blomberg's work closes with two appendices covering archaeology and the gospels and textual criticism and the gospels. *The Historical Reliability of the Gospels* will reinforce the readers' confidence in the trustworthiness of the gospels in an age where many skeptics and scholars seek to destroy and deconstruct the Bible.

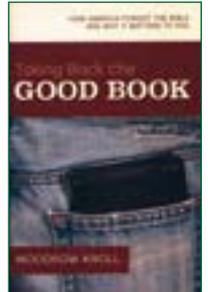
debate. These notes in book form contain answers to over 100 materialist affirmative and negative arguments, many word studies, and answers to common Jehovah's Witness questions about the soul of man. This book is highly recommended and helpful in answering any materialist (including the atheist) who does not believe in the immortal soul of man. *The Handbook on Materialism* is one of many reprinted books in an ongoing project of the Guardian of Truth Foundation to keep good debate books and classic works in print from the last century.

Taking Back the Good Book

Woodrow Kroll

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America is facing a spiritual crisis! The very book — the Bible — that played an integral role in developing and forming our great country is now the same book that few Americans read or understand. Biblical illiteracy is racing across this nation at an enormous speed. More and more young people are going through life with little or no knowledge of God's word. Many Americans have developed an apathetic — sometimes hostile — attitude toward the Bible. In *Taking Back the Good Book*, Woodrow Kroll, president of Back to the Bible, documents the present famine of God's word and offers a hope for recovery. Kroll discusses the importance of the Bible itself, the historic influence the Bible has had on America, the Bible's declining influence in our present day, and the negative impact of biblical illiteracy upon everyone. Kroll closes his book with a message of hope. He offers practical suggestions and encouragement to anyone wishing to recover Bible reading and study again. One special feature of this book is the appendix containing numerous suggestions for online internet Bible reading and study. *Taking Back the Good Book* is highly recommended. It will encourage anyone to get his Bible out and read it!

Handbook on Materialism

Roy J. Hearn

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When we think of "materialism", we think of greed, covetousness, material possessions, or money. But, "material" also refers to the physical body of man. Does man have a material body only, or does he also have an immortal spirit? During a four-night debate in July of 1950, Roy J. Hearn debated this question with a Jehovah's Witness named

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toward a deeper devotion to God



GARY HENRY

Thinking Rightly About “Reminders”

There are some important things that we would probably forget if we were left to ourselves, and so God often provides “reminders” to jog our memories and clarify our thinking. Consider two examples in the Scriptures.

In Deuteronomy 8:3, Moses said to Israel that God “humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord.” In the wilderness, God had provided manna to keep the people from starving to death, but the manna was not enough to take away their hunger completely. God wanted them to experience hunger as a reminder of their need for something more important than physical food: the truth that they could get only from him.

In 2 Corinthians 12:7, Paul wrote, “Lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.” Whatever Paul’s “thorn” may have been, it was something that was to serve as a reminder to him to remain humble. Every time he felt the pain

of the thorn, he would have been reminded of the reason for which it was given, and his pride would have been held in check accordingly.

All of us have something in our lives akin to Israel’s hunger or Paul’s thorn in the flesh. The

pain or the unfulfilled need may vary from person to person, but God allows nearly all of us to suffer some kind of serious deprivation. He allows us to experience significant sorrow and yearning in some key area of our lives to remind us that what we really need is...him! If we had everything we wanted in this life and never knew what it was like to yearn, we would soon forget him, and he loves us too much to leave us without the help we need in remembering him.

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But here is the point: *reminders are not automatic in their effect.* When something happens that should remind us of our need for God, we are not reminded unless we consciously make the connection between the event and the principle that it was meant to remind us of. And frankly, we often fail to make the connection. We lose the benefit of potentially valuable reminders by our unwillingness to be reminded.

Too much of the time, we see pain as nothing more than pain. We begrudge its presence in our lives and wish that it would go away as soon as possible. In our worst moments, we even become resentful, as if life had treated us unfairly. If our pain causes us to remember anything at all, it is nothing more than the “good old days” before our pain appeared.

But how much better if we allowed our reminders to remind us of greater things. To take an example that all of us can relate to, when we experience the grief of losing a loved one, wouldn’t it be wonderful if we allowed that grief to remind us that what we really yearn for, beneath the surface symptoms of our immediate groaning, is full, unending, face-to-face fellowship with our God? If we would consciously make the connection between earthly sorrow and eternal joy, wouldn’t we be stronger spiritually?

So when your heart is hurting, here is what I recommend to you. No matter what the specific thing may be that you have lost or are having to do without, every time the pangs of that sorrow stab your heart, teach yourself to stop and think: *I am hurting at this moment because there is something in this life that I need but do not have. Much more than I need that thing, however, I need God. The greater void in my heart is one that only he can fill, and the lesser void that I now feel should simply be a reminder of what my real need is. I will accept this pain, therefore, and let it remind me to yearn more greatly for God. I will see this hurt as nothing more than homesickness for heaven, and I will relish the thought of that day — it may be soon! — when God will fully fill my heart forever.*

We have to learn to think this way about our sufferings; it does not come naturally. So let’s *choose*, let’s *determine*, and let’s *resolve* that we will think rightly about the “reminders” in each of our lives.

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Report on India 2007

JOE R. PRICE

During October 23-November 19, 2007 I joined Bobby Holmes, Dan Torres, Justin Monts, and LeRoy Klice on a trip to preach the gospel in India. Our journey has been safely completed, for which we thank the Lord.

Our plan was to teach two weeks of preacher-training classes in the city of Kurnool, India, followed by a gospel meeting in the city of Bangalore. With the Lord's help, these objectives were met.

We set a goal of 200 preachers to attend the training classes. We did not quite reach that goal, but we had a total of 167 preachers attend the classes. Some were not able to come due to illness and other family situations. Still, we were pleased with this increase from 100 students who attended classes last year.

Basics Class

The first week was the BASICS classes, consisting of 88 students. The sponsoring church arrangement has funded preachers in India for decades. Along with this unscriptural organization have come abuses of power, control, and money. These men are at various stages of learning and growth concerning this and other errors of liberalism in churches of Christ. Some of these students have already left liberalism, some are in the process of leaving it, and we pray these classes helped more to have the conviction to fully leave the false doctrines of liberalism and "*hold fast the pattern of sound words*" concerning the organization and the work of the local church (2 Tim. 1:13; Col. 3:17).

The BASICS class studies emphasized how to establish and apply Bible authority, answering the errors of liberalism, fellowship, and the work of the evangelist. Brother Torres taught lessons each week on the Stewardship of Money and Time Management and Diligence. His lessons were much needed and well received.

Advanced Class

The second week was for the ADVANCED classes, which had a total of 79 students. These men had attended last year's classes, and so had already been taught the BASICS class lessons. Still, there was a need to review with them the basics of establishing and applying Bible authority. The classes I taught in the ADVANCED classes included the silence of the Scriptures, fellowship, boldness, and the second coming of Christ. Justin Monts taught classes on

1 and 2 Timothy, and LeRoy Klice taught several lessons, including "Buy the Truth." Brother Holmes taught classes that included material on bold preaching, fellowship, and the second coming of Christ.

Each week began with a session of all students in which brother Holmes presented an overview of the class objectives and our expectations from the students. One of the things he repeatedly emphasized was that we bring no money with us from America! We came only with the gospel; therefore, if any man was attending these classes with the expectation of obtaining financial support as a result, he was there for the wrong reason! Such an expectation would not be fulfilled. Some in liberal churches have accused us of attracting preachers away from liberalism with money; such is a lie.

After brother Holmes' introductory remarks each week, I addressed some questions and concerns that had come to our attention since last year's classes:

1. **Can fellowship continue with liberal churches once the truth has been revealed to them?**
2. **Do you have a responsibility to preach to a liberal church if given the opportunity?**
3. **Are schools of preaching right or wrong according to scripture?**
4. **Encouraged more details when sending reports to supporting churches or individuals.**
5. **The need for humility and always avoiding pride and jealousy.**

Following these things (which took the first morning of each week), we divided the students into two groups, allowing for smaller classes and for greater use of teachers.

Every preacher attending the classes was given two lesson books (Bobby's lessons and Joe's lessons, containing about 18 lessons per book) and six Bibles (which had been donated by churches and individuals). Each was very thankful to receive the material and the Bibles. (Our thanks to all who helped supply the Bibles!)

Opposition Arises

It is not surprising that with the spread of sound doctrine comes corresponding opposition. Just as we were traveling

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to India in October, an open letter was sent throughout India by a preacher named Jacob Chukka, in which he accuses Bobby Holmes and his “American team” with “*bringing divisions in well established churches in India.*” (His open letter and our reply are available at <http://www.bibleanswer.com/india2007>—then follow the links at the bottom of the page.)

Mr. Chukka and others are feeling the pressure of divine truth as Indian preachers abandon liberalism and his control over them. Mr. Chukka, who preaches in Bangalore, is the director of a school of preaching that is supported by a liberal church in America. In addition, he directs a secular school, a children’s home, and he distributes support money from a sponsoring church in America to many preachers in south India. This work includes telling men where to preach and telling churches who will preach for them. Some preachers, who were previously been supported through Mr. Chukka, have now rejected this support and their fellowship with him and liberalism. In addition, brethren are learning and accepting the truth about liberalism. So, Mr. Chukka feels compelled to charge that “Anti Church of Christ people are coming and troubling us to divide the members from the congregation by offering financial support” (Report to Saturn Road church of Christ, March-May, 07). He says that we and faithful Indian brethren are dividing churches and “grabbing” preachers, converts, church buildings, and properties. The record shows that it is he and other liberally-minded brethren who are controlling preachers and churches with money and unscriptural oversight.

On the final day of classes I presented Mr. Chukka’s entire letter along with a point by point response to it from God’s word and the record of our labor in India (this PowerPoint lesson is also available; follow the “An Open Response...” link on the page above). This reply was also sent to Mr. Chukka and to the church that supports him. He responded to our reply with more misrepresentations and attempts to intimidate faithful brethren. He has been marked for his false doctrine and practices, and our counsel is that of inspired Scripture: avoid him (Rom. 16:17). Like Alexander the coppersmith, the Lord will repay him according to his works; “*you also must beware of him*” (2 Tim. 4:14-15).

Gospel Meeting in Bangalore

Brother Torres returned home after the classes in Kurnool while the rest of us went back to Bangalore to preach a gospel meeting (Nov. 13-16). Several denominational people attend the meetings, as well as our driver Prasad, who is Hindu. Brother Holmes, who started talking with Prasad last year about the gospel, gave him a Bible to read. Prasad visited three of the meetings and promised he would read the Bible (he has already started reading Luke). He

heard me preach a lesson on “The Unknown God” in which I contrasted the true God with idols. (Hinduism honors literally thousands of gods.) He also heard a great lesson on heaven by brother Monts and on Lost Religious People from brother Holmes. We pray he will continue to learn the truth and have the courage to obey Jesus in spite of the clear obstacles that face him.

My thanks to everyone who helped make this work successful. Whether it was with financial support, your prayers or your expressions of interest, all your encouragement is greatly appreciated. Brother Holmes’ health will prevent him from returning to India in the foreseeable future, but the Lord willing, more trips will occur; planning has already begun. Please pray for our Indian brethren and for the spread of the gospel in India.

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A Clash of Cultures

The June/July issues of Truth Magazine will be combined into a special issue entitled “A Clash of Cultures.” This special issue is designed to address the conflicting cultural values in American society. Many of us were reared at a time when the Christian value system was primarily that which was accepted by our culture. That is no longer true and, to that degree, we are living in a post-Christian society. As Christians we need to address the issues that are affecting the culture. We surely have not included all of the issues affecting our conflict in the thirteen topics listed below, but perhaps we have addressed enough of them to make this special issue especially relevant. Given below are the topics that will be addressed.



Introduction: Connie W. Adams

Lesson 1: A Clash About God: Gary Henry

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Lesson 13: A Clash About Death and Funerals: Mark Mayberry

This is excellent material and some of our readers may want to purchase extra copies to give to their friends.

Introduction

Recently, the Pope partially affirmed a biblical truth, but did so in such a distorted manner that his affirmation was devoid of truth. According to a July 10, 2007 news report on MSNBC.com:

Pope Benedict XVI has reasserted the universal primacy of the Roman Catholic Church, approving a document released Tuesday that says Orthodox churches were defective and that other Christian denominations were not true churches....It restates key sections of a 2000 document the pope wrote when he was prefect of the congregation, "Dominus Iesus," which set off a firestorm of criticism among Protestant and other Christian denominations because it said they were not true churches but merely ecclesial communities and therefore did not have the "means of salvation." In the new document and an accompanying commentary, which were released as the pope vacations here in Italy's Dolomite mountains, the Vatican repeated that position. "Christ 'established here on earth' only one church," the document said. The other communities "cannot be called 'churches' in the proper sense" because they do not have apostolic succession—the ability to trace their bishops back to Christ's original apostles.

Is Authenticity Based Upon Apostolic Succession?

According to the *Columbia Electronic Encyclopedia*, "Apostolic succession, in Christian theology, the doctrine asserting that the chosen successors of the apostles enjoyed through God's grace the same authority, power, and responsibility as was conferred upon the apostles by Jesus. Therefore present-day bishops, as the successors of previous bishops, going back to the apostles, have this power by virtue of this unbroken chain. For the Orthodox, Roman Catholic, and Anglican churches, this link with the apostles is what guarantees for them their authority in matters of faith, morals, and the valid administration of sacraments. Essential to maintaining the apostolic succession is the right consecration of bishops. Apostolic succession is to be distinguished from the Petrine supremacy (see papacy). Protestants (other than Anglican) see the authority given to the apostles as unique, proper to them alone, and hence reject any doctrine of a succession of their power.

The Protestant view of ecclesiastical authority differs accordingly. See "orders, holy; church."

Apostolic authority, properly understood, involves the revelation of previously established divine truths (Matt. 16:13-20; John 14:25-26; 16:12-13; 20:19-23). Possessing the baptismal measure of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:1-8; 2:1-4), thus empowered to reveal and confirm

the truth, the apostles performed a foundational work (Eph. 2:19-23; Rev. 21:10-14). The concept of "apostolic succession" is unknown in Holy Scripture. Instead, the gospel is spread as faithful believers preach the word (Acts 8:1-4; Col. 1:3-8; 2:1-5; 2 Tim. 2:2; 4:1-2).

Is Authenticity Based Upon Fidelity to the Pattern?

Belief in an unbroken succession of faithful leaders is unrealistic and unnecessary. Consider the example of Josiah, king of Judah, as recorded in 2 Kings 22-23. Preceded by wicked Amon, who forsook the Lord and served idols, Josiah was eight years old when he became king, and he reigned thirty-one years. He did right in the sight of the Lord and walked in all the way of his father David, nor did he turn aside to the right or to the left.

In the eighteenth year of his reign, a copy of the book of the Law was discovered in the house of the Lord. When Josiah heard it read, he tore his garments, realizing the consequences of Judah's longstanding apostasy. Humbling himself before the Lord, the king instituted extensive reforms, reinstating the worship and service of Jehovah according to the biblical pattern. As a result, he was counted as righteous.

Our duty is similar. We must search the Scriptures to see if the things that are taught are consistent with revealed truth (Acts 17:10-12; 1 John 4:1-2). God's word is divinely inspired (2 Tim. 3:16-17) and supremely powerful (Rom. 1:16-17), being able to build us up and to give us an inheritance among all those who are sanctified (Acts 20:32).

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The One True Church

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Conclusion

Yes, the church of Christ is singular and unique (Matt. 16:16-18; Rom. 16:16). There is, indeed, one body of baptized believers (Acts 2:38-47; 1 Cor. 12:12-13). That body is large enough to include male and female, slave and freeman, Jew and Gentile (Gal. 3:27-29; Eph. 2:14-16). That body is the church (Eph. 1:22-23; 4:4-6). However, our identification with the one body is not based upon an unbroken chain of apostolic succession, but rooted in our fidelity to the inspired message (John 8:31-32; Acts 2:42).

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What I Want You to Know About Your Bible (Part 3)

HEATH ROGERS

The Bible Is All You Need

We know that the Bible is the inspired Word of God and that it is relevant to our lives today. Now we will consider the all-sufficiency of the Bible. “Sufficient” means “as much as is needed or required, enough.” Is the Bible enough, or do we need something in addition to it to know and understand God’s will? Please consider the following passages.

“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work” (2 Tim. 3:16-17). “All Scripture” is all that man needs to make him complete and thoroughly equipped for every good work. What more could we need?

“As His divine power has given to us *all things* that pertain to life and godliness...” (2 Pet. 1:3). God’s word gives us everything we need to know. There isn’t anything else that we need.

“And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name” (John 20:30-31). The gospels never claim to be an exhaustive record of the life of Jesus. John did not record everything that Jesus said and did, but what John did record was enough to produce belief.

“Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith

which was once for all delivered to the saints” (Jude 3). In the original language, the phrase “once for all” means “of perpetual validity, not requiring repetition” (Thayer). This means that it was given once, and that is enough. It doesn’t need to be repeated. We don’t need to meet periodically to reconsider its validity.

“If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from

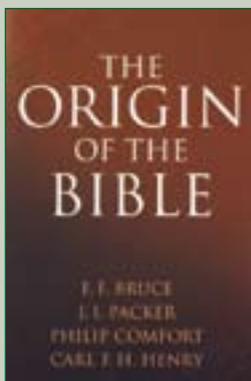
the things which are written in this book” (Rev. 22:18-19; see also Deut. 4:2; Prov. 30:5-6). God’s word is complete. Anything

more is too much, anything less is not enough. We must be content with the Bible the way it is.

“For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth, and make it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it” (Isa. 55:10-11). The Bible may not accomplish everything we think it should, but it accomplishes everything God wants it to accomplish. It is capable of doing everything God intends for it to do.

One may be surprised at the number of people who deny the all sufficiency of the Bible. Most denominations have a written creed. Why does a church need a written creed if the Bible is all-sufficient? The very existence of creed books denies the all sufficiency of the Bible. Some people insist that things like tradition and personal experience are just as weighty and authoritative as the Word of God. Others believe God has given us additional revelation that must be followed. The Bible alone is equal to the purpose that God intended for it. It is all that you need to live a life that pleases God and to secure eternal salvation.

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Our Worship

DAVID FLATT

Christ's blood was necessary to purchase the church and offer humanity salvation (Eph. 1:7). Consequently, Christ is the head of the divine organization which he purchased (Eph. 1:18-23). The terms of entrance into the church were given by Christ. Also, Christ determined the way in which humanity is to approach him in worship.

When we worship God, we must remember that he is the object of our worship. God is the one to whom we offer worship. Consider the words of Christ: "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in *spirit* and in *truth*" (John 4:24). In this passage, spirit or sincerity and truth are placed under consideration. Most parishioners of God are sincere. Questioning someone's sincerity is nearly impossible. Only God knows our hearts (Matt. 9:4). However, truth can be determined, evaluated, and judged (John 8:32; 12:48).

How truthful is our worship? Can our worship be acceptable if it is sincere but not truthful? Christ taught worship must be done in all sincerity and truthfulness. These two elements cannot exist alone; they must coexist to offer acceptable worship to God. What is truthful, acceptable worship? Consider what the New Testament termed as sincere and truthful worship.

First, sincere and truthful worship must incorporate prayer. When Paul and Silas were imprisoned for teaching the gospel, they offered prayers: "And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed" (Acts 16:25a). Jesus taught, ". . . men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 18:1). Paul exhorted, "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thess. 5:17). When the church was established, Christians continued together in prayer (Acts 2:42). When we gather for worship, prayers are offered to give praise and honor to God, the object of our worship.

Next, sincere and truthful worship must include singing. How should we sing? Some use choirs. Others enjoy listening to solos, duets, quartets, etc. Some even like to listen to bands play music in worship. Which are sincere and truthful? The Holy Spirit revealed the mind of God to the apostle Paul when he penned, "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord" (Eph. 5:19). Paul also wrote, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord" (Col. 3:16).

The above passages prescribe the methods we are to use when singing praises to God in worship. We are to vocally sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. The instrument of music is the heart. This eliminates all other methods of singing. Worshiping with choirs, quartets, or bands may be done sincerely; however, these methods are not truthful, according to God's word.

Another part of worshiping God in sincerity and truth is done by observing the Lord's Supper. This is done on each first day of the week (Acts 20:7). Unleavened bread signifies the body of Christ, while grape juice represents his blood (Matt. 26:26-29). When done in sincerity and truth, this observance takes place once each week with the proper emblems.

The church also takes up a monetary collection when it worships. This, much like the Lord's supper, is only to be done on the first day of the week. Many religious organizations take up collections sporadically, whenever they deem convenient. Paul taught, "Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come" (1 Cor. 16:1-2).

The final act of worship is teaching and preaching. The church in the first century was busy preaching and teaching the word in public assemblies: ". . . And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people" (Acts 11:26). Paul preached to a gathering of the church (Acts 20:7). He also told Timothy to "preach the word" (2 Tim. 4:2a). Preaching and teaching of God's word is critically important. This is why the word is taught when the church assembles.

The above acts of worship are the methods the church in the first century used to worship God. The methods were done in sincerity and truth. Why not continue to follow the perfect pattern set for us in the New Testament? Using New Testament principles to guide us in worship will ensure our worship will be accepted God.

This article may have seemed simple and fundamental. Some might feel its content "goes without saying." Unfortunately, truth has gone without being said for far too long and worship to God has become corrupt in many religious circles. We must listen to God's word and guard our worship from becoming vain before God.

How Are You Doing With Those “Resolutions”?

LEWIS WILLIS

At the start of a new year, many people make resolutions to change some of the things in their lives. Well, we are now well into the new year, and I thought it might be profitable to examine how that process is progressing.

Did you make any New Year’s Resolutions? What were you resolved to change this year? Was it a plan to lose weight? Exercise more? Sleep more? Spend more time with your family and friends? Spend less time watching TV? Spend more time reading? What was it you resolved to do?

Were there any spiritual or religious resolutions you intend to keep during 2008? Read the Bible more? Pray more? Do better in attending worship? Visit the sick? Encourage the weak? Did you plan to do more of these kinds of things than you have done in the past? Well, as I said at the outset of this brief article, this is now well into the new year, **so how are you doing with those “resolutions?”**

Obviously, time is passing, so whatever we have planned to do, we had better get on with the process. I’m not focusing on physical activities now, but I am seeking to draw our attention to our spiritual lives in 2008.

The apostle Paul was not writing to Christians living in America in 2008, but some of his words are particularly appropriate as we reflect upon changes we **know** we need to make in our lives. In the long ago, Paul wrote the following words to brethren in Rome, which are just as applicable to us today as it was to those first century Christians.

And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof (Rom. 13:11-14).



The focus of the apostle was not the passing days of a new year, but, instead, his focus was the impending end of one’s life. We are all going to die one day, following which will come a judgment of our lives by Almighty God (Heb. 9:27). Whether we wish to acknowledge this fact or not, we are now one day closer to *death* than we were yesterday! Notice the things which Paul said should be ever on our minds and in our lives.

We must all be “*awake*” to the reality that we are not going to live forever.

“*Our salvation*” is nearer today, than ever before. Also, so is could condemnation, if that turns out to be our destiny.

“*The day is at hand*” when we will leave this old world which consumes so much of our time and energy, and we will stand before the Judgment Seat to hear our eternal fate.

We must “*cast off the works of darkness*” which hinder our attempts to live godly lives.

We must “*put on the armour of light.*” How many lessons have you heard contrasting the difference between spiritual darkness and light? We might be advised to secure a copy of one of those sermons and listen to it again. Critical, eternal consequences are associated with our resolve to do what God says.

We must then walk “*honestly*” or “*properly*” (NKJV) with

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regard to those commandments of God if we are to walk in the light (1 John 1:7).

“Not in rioting” or “revelry.” Christians are not to live an unruly life, but their lives are to be self-controlled.

“Drunkenness” is inappropriate in a Christian’s life. Drunkenness is a process that begins the minute we consume the first swallow of alcohol (Eph. 5:18).

A Christian cannot engage in “chambering” or “lewdness,” which is sexual misbehavior.

Christians are not to be participants in “wantonness” or “lust.” They must not have an unrestrained desire for luxury. The meaning here is that they do not have a spirit that requires them to satisfy all their desires for “things.”

Christian living prohibits “strife,” whether it be striving with God regarding the things he requires, or strife with brethren, family or friends. We see too much of that in the world. There is no way we can believe such behavior is appropriate for God’s people.

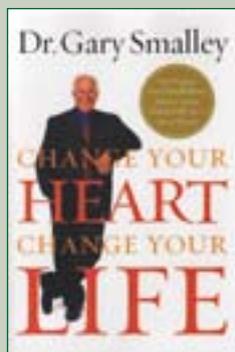
“Envy” or “jealousy” is not to be found in the lives of God’s people! Such thoughts only reflect that the Christian is acting as the world acts, instead of following the Lord and his teachings.

We are required to “put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ,” but what does that mean? Paul once wrote, “let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus” (Phil. 2:5). Thayer writes of putting on or clothing one’s self, saying “to become so possessed of the mind of Christ as in thought, feeling, and action to resemble him and, as it were, reproduce the life that he lived” (214).

Finally, “make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.” The Christian must not make plans to satisfy every fleshly desire, or want. His focus is on meeting the needs of his soul. He does not love worldly things (1 John 2:15-17). His aim is to produce the fruits of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23).

Yes, the child of God needs to analyze his efforts in living as God instructs. Furthermore, if he has failed to live the proper kind of life in the past, he needs to change his ways. Tradition suggests doing this at the beginning of a new year. Though this is a good time to start changing our lives, it is not the **only** time such can be done. In fact, if you haven’t already resolved to do better as a Christian, **today is an excellent time to begin!**

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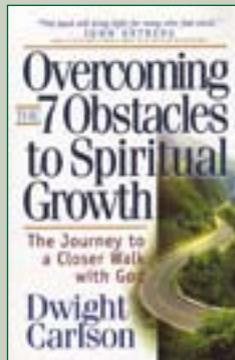


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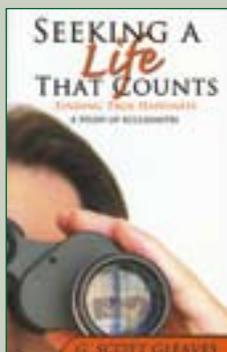


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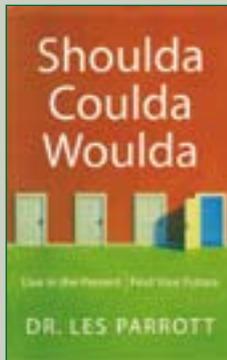


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All in the Life of a Preacher: Paul and the Judaizers

STEVE WALLACE

Paul the apostle is known for his work of spreading the gospel to far countries and especially for his work among the Gentiles. One of the main purposes for his being called by God was so that he would preach God's word among the non-Jewish peoples (Acts 9:15; 21:19; Gal. 1:16). That the gospel would go to the Gentiles was a point of controversy among the Jews and Christians of Jewish background (Acts 22:21-22; 11:1-3). With this in mind, we would like to study a related obstacle Paul faced in his life's work, that of Judaizing teachers. It is instructive to note the precious time this evangelistically-minded apostle spent in fighting these advocates of the Law of Moses

The Judaizer's Message

We first read of these men coming to Antioch. "And certain men came down from Judaea and taught the brethren, saying, Except ye be circumcised after the custom of Moses, ye cannot be saved" (Acts 15:1). It is useful to set this verse in its historical context. The church in Antioch was made up of a large number of former Gentiles (Acts 11:19-21). Further, this church had supported Paul and Barnabas on the first missionary journey during which many Gentiles were converted (Acts 14:27; 15:3). A summation of the message they took to the Gentiles with reference to the Law of Moses is found in Paul's sermon in the synagogue at Antioch of Pisidia: "Be it known unto you therefore, brethren, that through this man is proclaimed unto you remission of sins: and by him every one that believeth is justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses" (Acts 13:38-39). One need only compare this teaching to Acts 15:1 to see how completely opposed was the Judaizer's teaching to the gospel Paul preached.

Paul's Response to the Judaizers

He and Barnabas first "had no small dissension and questioning with them" (Acts 15:2). The church at Antioch then decided that he and Barnabas should go up to Jerusalem, the claimed source of this teaching, to speak with the apostles and elders there about it (Acts 15:2, 24). Their subsequent visit to Jerusalem resulted in the meeting recorded in Acts 15. In this gathering the speakers appealed to direct statement, approved apostolic example, and necessary inference in drawing their conclusions regarding

God's will on the matter (vv. 7-21). Their study resulted in a letter to Gentile converts being drafted which refuted the teaching of the Judaizers (vv. 23-29).

Some Lessons for Us

1. **The all-sufficiency of the gospel in salvation.** We speak of both salvation from past sins and final salvation in heaven (Mark 16:16; 1 Pet. 1:9). Acts 15:3 mentions "the conversion of the Gentiles." In contrast to the teaching of the Judaizers in Acts 15:1, those who had turned to God from among the Gentiles had needed only the gospel for their conversion. Our next point is a logical outgrowth of this one.
2. **Much of Paul's work in preaching involved him in discussion and debate.** What took place at Antioch in Acts 15:2 was a microcosm of what was played out in countless synagogues (Acts 13:44-49; 14:1-3; 18:4-6; 19:8-10). We cannot improve on Paul's methods today. False and contrary views must be refuted and rooted out. The truth must be clearly taught and understood in order for people to act on it (Acts 2:21-41; 18:8). The following point grows out of these first two.

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3. **It matters what message is taught to both the lost and to brethren.** This is what Paul's controversy with the Judaizers was about! In the mid-1990s an American family from a liberal background briefly visited the assemblies of the church in Kaunas, Lithuania. The man of the family was disturbed by some of the truth he heard. He later told me that we needed to put our differences with the denominations aside and join with them in trying to reach the lost. I asked him, "What are we going to teach people regarding what they need to do to be saved?" At all stages, from first principles to the meat of the word, people need to hear Christ's teaching (John 10:27; Rom. 1:16; 1 Cor. 15:1-2; Heb. 5:11-14). Paul could do no better than this and neither can we today.

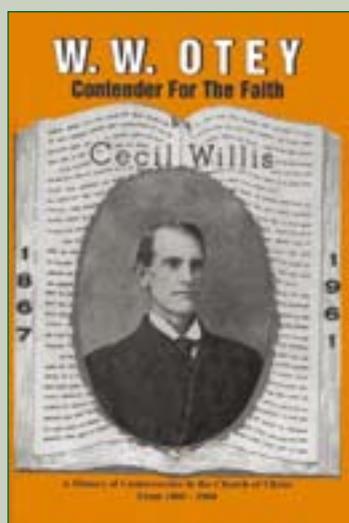
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4. **Discussion causes truth to shine brightly in contrast to error.** Though the discussion at Jerusalem began with some dissenting, it ended in unity of belief (cf. Acts 15:5, 22-29). There is fertile ground in many mission fields today because of the work of our liberal brethren and of denominational groups. Experience has shown that people will come out of almost any conceivable erroneous background if the truth is given a fair hearing. Discussion and debate allows such a hearing.
5. **Ignoring error imperils souls.** One need only look at the havoc the error of Acts 15:1 later wrought among the churches of Galatia to see the truthfulness of this point (Gal. 1:6-9; 5:4). We cannot do better, for the lost or for our brethren, than did the apostle Paul. Let us all learn from the clear and powerful example he has set for us (Phil. 4:9).

Conclusion

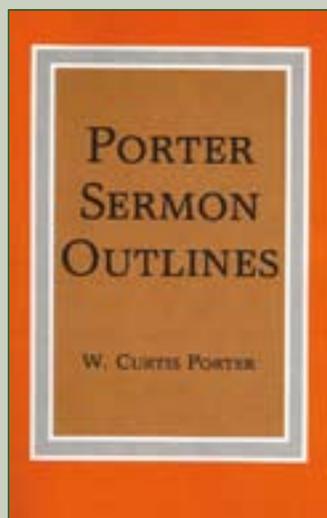
Christ said that his followers were to take *the gospel* into all the world, to every creature, and that those who responded were to be further taught all things, whatsoever he has commanded (Mark 16:15; Matt. 28:20). Paul and his inspired brethren's reaction to the teaching of the Judaizers adds emphasis to the words of Jesus. The great truth that lies behind their work is salvation by faith (Eph. 2:8-9). Without the death of Christ there is no possibility of salvation from sin (John 1:29; Matt. 26:28). Without the doctrine of Christ there is no possibility of acting by faith in him (Rom. 10:17; 2 John 9-11). The joy of seeing someone respond to the gospel must be followed by active concern that such a one continue to respond to the gospel (Phil. 1:27; 2:12-15). Paul's life and writing are examples of such concern.



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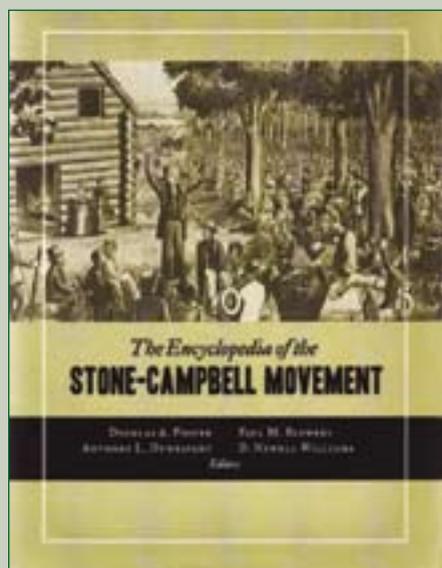


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But a few _____ did “_____ in the sight of the _____ and walked in the ways of _____”
(2 Kings 13:2; 22:2).

1 Chronicles: David said, “It was in my mind to build an _____ unto the name of the _____,” but
God said for Solomon to do it (1 Chron. 22:7).

2 Chronicles: Judah “mocked the messengers of _____...until the _____ of the Lord arose against his
_____, till there was no _____” (2 Chron. 36:16).

Ezra: (King Cyrus of Persia said:) “Go up to Jerusalem...and build the house of the Lord God of
Israel” (Ezra 1:2-3).

Nehemiah: (Nehemiah said,) “Come, and let us build up the _____ of _____” (Neh. 2:17).

Esther: (Mordecai told Esther:) “Who knoweth whether thou art come to the _____ for such a
_____ as this?” (Esth. 4:14).

Important events in these books of history:

- God united the nation of Israel under good King David. God told David’s son, King Solomon, to build the temple of God in Jerusalem so that Israel could worship the one true God in this place.
- When Solomon died, his bad son Rehoboam was a cruel leader and this caused the nation to break into two divisions: Israel (ten tribes in the north) and Judah (two tribes in the south).
- Most kings of Israel were wicked and led the people to worship idols and commit many sins. The prophets of God told them to repent, but they did not listen. God brought a nation named Assyria to punish and destroy Israel.
- Judah had a few good kings, but most of them were bad and they led Judah to worship idols and to sin against God. The prophets of God told them to repent, but they did not listen. God brought a nation named Babylon to punish Judah and take the people as slaves for seventy years.
- After seventy years of punishment in Babylon (which had a new name, Persia), God allowed his people to return to the land of Judah. They rebuilt the city, the walls, and the temple of God.
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Failing to Be Involved

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“Ye take too much upon you.” These words were hurled at Moses and Aaron by Korah and those who stood with him (Exod. 16). This thought was the springboard for the things faithful preachers confront today when they preach the truth, without addition or subtraction. Some people accuse brethren of taking too much authority and, on occasions, this could be so. We need to be careful and not give others this impression. On the other hand, things must be done and someone must do the work, if such things are accomplished. The love for brethren and the spirit of Christ should govern our views in such matters and eliminate any possible ill will. However, while some might feel that some brethren take too much upon themselves, there are others who could care less. As long as they do not have to do the work, they are not overly concerned with what is done or who does it. This is a poor attitude and it exists too often. God’s people should always want to be involved in the most glorious work available to men. Indifference can be tragic and will defeat most any project. The news media often speaks of crimes committed and people victimized because others did not want to become involved. This spirit can prevail within congregations and it certainly can be detrimental to what the Lord desires.

What Accounts for Brethren Failing to Be Involved in the Lord’s Work?

Lack of Faith. “So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom. 10:17). God’s word would have us to appreciate his work and be involved in it. Participants are what the Lord desires rather than spectators. When we really believe in God and what he would have us to be and do, there is no problem in being involved. Men deny this and accredit other sources for their behavior, but the lack of faith is the core of their problems. There is no sin more devastating than the sin of unbelief. Faith overcomes! “For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith” (1 John 5:4). As our faith increases, our involvement in the work of the Lord will not fail, but be more active. It would appear that the brethren at Thessalonica were involved as they should be. Paul wrote of

them: “Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope to our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father” (1 Thess. 1:3).

Feeling Unimportant. To an extent, every member is important in the Lord’s design for his church. Abilities may vary with individuals, but there is need for every member. We have no right to feel that we have no importance. There are things that one individual can do that others do not possess the ability to perform. The parable of the talents conveys that thought. The one talent man was condemned for not using his ability or for not becoming involved. What about Romans 12:4-5? “For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office, So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.” Truly we are members one of another in the respected congregations and we need to encourage one another regarding our importance and need to be involved in the work of glory.

Fear. There are those who are evidently afraid to participate or really be involved. When the one talent man was called to answer for his failure, he admitted, “I was afraid” (Matt. 25:25). In Revelation, John speaks of those who will not overcome and inherit all things. He heads the list by saying: “But the fearful . . . shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death” (Rev. 21:8). Fear of responsibility and fear of failure can certainly affect involvement, but fear of God should cause us to defeat some fears and do what is expected of us. We readily acknowledge that different definitions of fear exist, but Solomon wrote: “Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man” (Eccl. 12:13).

Resentment. Though it is childish and very contrary to the Spirit of Christ, brethren, in their resentment of other brethren, have been known to deny involvement. “Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love: in honour preferring one another” (Rom. 12:10). With pure hearts and practicing what we preach, there is no place for our failing to be involved. “Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might” (Eccl. 9:10). Indifference and lack of zeal are certainly condemned in the Scriptures and will keep us out of heaven.

Participants are what the Lord desires rather than spectators.

Stability in a Congregation

RICHARD BARTHOLOMEW

“For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself” (Phil. 3:20, 21).

Paul’s letter to the church at Philippi is one of joy and encouragement in the midst of adverse circumstances. A central theme of this epistle is unity and Christians are told that only with Christ as our model of humility and service can true oneness of purpose, attitude, labor, and joy be achieved. As Paul begins to conclude his letter in chapter 4, he summarizes how a congregation of believers must act in order to be pleasing to God and his Son.

“Therefore, my beloved brethren whom I long to see, my joy and crown, so stand firm in the Lord, my beloved” (Phil. 4:1). The word therefore refers back to a statement previously made and could be translated “because of.” So, because of what Paul had stated in Philippians 3:20,21, Christian congregations are to “stand firm in the Lord,” meaning we must know Christ’s teachings, be confident in our faith and never compromise the truth. That is the first requirement for congregational stability.

“I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord. Indeed, true comrade, I ask you also to help these women who have shared my struggle in the cause of the gospel, together with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life” (Phil. 4:2, 3). The second charge to the congregation at Philippi is that there must be peace, harmony, and love among the members. Paul doesn’t talk about the riff between Euodia and Syntyche because the details of their differences really don’t matter. If we are to spread the gospel and bring others to Christ, we have to show them a better life than the one we are suggesting they leave. There is no place in a body of Christians for emotional outbursts, demonstrations of selfishness and pride, hurtful or inconsiderate words, gossip, slander, or divisive behavior. Such actions and attitudes are detrimental to the cause of the gospel and will undermine whatever good works are being done.

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say rejoice” (Phil. 4:4). The third characteristic of a stable congregation is that we demonstrate lives of happiness. Members of the Lord’s body should be filled with joy in their relationship with God as well as with one another. Who would want to associate themselves with a group of people who don’t enjoy their lives as Christians, both individually and collectively?

“Let your forbearing spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near” (Phil. 4:5). Even in times of stress, frustration and disagreement, the people of the Lord are to display sincere gentleness and humility. Jesus washed the feet of his disciples, knowing that one would betray him, another would deny him, and the rest would run away. We cannot confront people with arrogance and a superior attitude. Pride is a dangerous emotion and if a congregation is to grow in the way the Bible commands, this fourth characteristic has to come to the forefront in our dealings with all people, both within the local congregation as well as those outside.

“Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God” (Phil. 4:6). Stable congregations have a confident faith that allows them to not worry about decisions that have to be made. Why? Because they are grateful for the spiritual blessings that have been provided, they seek God’s counsel on a regular basis and trust in his guiding hand. If we are putting God first in our decision-making, are truly thankful for what he has done for us, personally and as a group, then we can rest assured that all is well.

If congregations would apply these principals in a conscientious manner, we are promised that *“...the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Phil. 4:7).* Many congregations of the Lord’s people have split, some more than once. Others are rife with in-fighting and men or families who dominate all the decisions made. And then they wonder why some leave, some lose their zeal and their numbers don’t increase. I submit that when a congregation follows the advice given by Paul to the Philippian church, such problems will be avoided. Let us strive to be a positive light for the kingdom of God.

Islam or Christianity?

JEREMY SWEETS

Islam is the second largest religion in the world, next only to Christianity. There are approximately 1.5 billion adherents, called Muslims, who make up about a fifth of the world's population. It claims the same history as Judaism and Christianity. Whereas Christianity considers Jesus Christ as the final and complete revelation, Muslims believe that additional revelation was given by the angel Gabriel to the prophet Mohammed in the 7th century A.D. Mohammed received divine revelation over a period of twenty-three years, and his message was written down and became known as the Quran, the holy scriptures of Islam. Muslims adhere to the five pillars of Islam which consist of belief in Allah as the only God and Mohammed as his prophet, ritual prayer five times a day, religious financial offering, a month long annual fast, and a pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in a lifetime. Islam and Christianity share many common moral values, but they differ greatly over the person of Jesus Christ and the need for further revelation.

The Quran and Jesus

The name of Jesus is mentioned twenty-five times in the Quran. Often, the Quran reflects the teachings of the Bible. Jesus was born of a virgin, named Mary (Quran 3:47). He lived a sinless and righteous life (Quran 6:85), and he performed miracles and proclaimed God's word (Quran 2:87; 3:49; 19:30). However, the Quran does not proclaim the same Jesus as the Bible, contradicting several vital aspects of his character. The Quran affirms that he was merely a man and not the Son of God, rejecting his deity and eternal nature (Quran 3:59; 5:18, 75; 9:30; 17:111). His atoning death by crucifixion is also refuted (Quran 4:157).

Jesus' Claims for Himself

Jesus claimed to be the Son of God, making himself equal with God (Mark 14:61-62; John 8:58; 10:30). Jesus allowed others to worship him, recognizing that only God is worthy of worship (Matt. 4:10; 8:2; 14:33; John 9:35-39; 20:27-29). Jesus considered himself to be God, and he proclaimed that message to others. If his claim to deity were false, as claimed by Islam, he was either mentally disturbed or he was a cold-blooded liar. He could not have been a prophet of God carrying a false message. The only alternative is that Jesus was the Son of God, as declared elsewhere in the New Testament (Rom. 9:5; Phil. 2:6-11; Col. 1:15-17; 2:9).

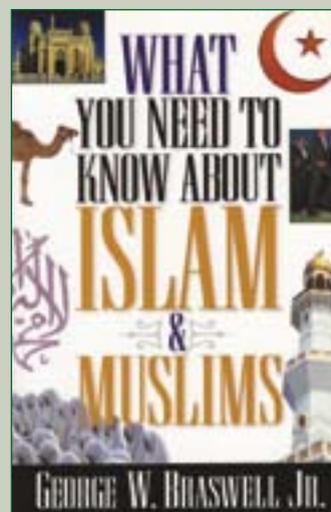
Salvation in Christ

The Quran also contradicts the Bible concerning the crucifixion of Jesus as an atoning death. Jesus came to bring salvation to all men (Matt. 1:21; Luke 1:66-79; 19:10). This was accomplished when he died on the cross (John 10:7-18; Heb. 2:9). He was a perfect and sinless sacrifice, offered once for all time (2 Cor. 5:20-21; Heb. 9:27-28). Because of Jesus' sacrificial death, he provides exclusive access to the Father (John 14:6). There is no other way to God except through Jesus Christ (Acts 4:12).

Completed Revelation

The revelation of Jesus Christ came in the "fullness of time" and the "last days" (Acts 2:14-21; Gal. 4:4-5; Heb. 1:1). His sacrifice is the culmination of God's administration or plan for man's salvation (Eph. 1:9-10). The teachings of Christ and his apostles represent the final revelation from God and any further revelation that contradicts the teachings of the Bible are to be rejected (Jude 3; Gal. 1:6-9).

Christianity and Islam share many moral teachings and claim a similar history, but their teachings are incompatible with one another. Christianity teaches that Christ is the only source of salvation. Islam denies his atoning death and divine nature, and it claims further revelation was given to Mohammad. The teachings of these two religions are mutually exclusive, hinging on the truth of Jesus Christ. Examine the evidence and make a decision. It is the most important decision you will ever make.



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Must We Divide Over Every Issue?

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So, the Guardian of Truth Foundation decided it would be relevant to air our differences—to see how far apart or how close together we really are. We decided to invite some of those who have been vocal about some of these issues to participate in the open forum. The Brown Street church in Akron, Ohio has been very vocal about its position that they cannot have financial fellowship with anyone who speaks at the *Truth Magazine* lecture program (several brethren have lost their support because they chose to speak at the lecture program). Our association with the Brown Street church has been long and pleasant. My brother Cecil preached there in the 1960s while he was editing *Truth Magazine* and during which time he spoke at the lectures at Florida College; our associate editor, Connie W. Adams, worked with Cecil in a two preacher arrangement and he also spoke at the Florida College lectures. My brother Lewis spent over twenty years working with this good church and I have been blessed to conduct two gospel meetings there, during which I was treated with the utmost kindness and respect. I love the brethren at Brown Street.

However, this new doctrine that they have developed is creating dissension among brethren and division. We know that their position on collectivities does not extend to those who participate in the Florida College lectures, because their local preacher has spoken at the Florida College lectures, participated in its camp programs, etc. If either the elders or the preacher have repented of having preached at the Florida College lectures or supported those who did, I have never heard of that. So, we invited one of the elders at Brown Street, brother Ron Mayfield, to address the issue at our open forum. He refused to participate. Inasmuch as their preacher, Bob Dickey, had spoken on this subject in a sermon that has been widely circulated, we invited brother Dickey to participate. Brother Dickey has been a friend for over thirty years and has conducted himself as a gentleman throughout our association together. But brother Dickey likewise refused to participate.

Our good brother Tim Haile has also been a very vocal critic of the *Truth Magazine* lectures. Tim has been a friend through the years and he and I have never had an unkind word with each other. His wife formerly worked at the Truth Bookstore and we have previously invited Tim to participate in our lecture program. So, when Tim became a vocal critic of *Truth Magazine* having a lecture program,

we invited him to participate in this open forum to discuss “must we divide over every issue?” Tim also refused to participate.

So, we are going to have a discussion anyway. It may be that those who want to stand on the sidelines and complain refuse to participate. That is their choice. However, honest brethren want to listen to each other, to hear the concerns expressed by both sides. There is no one who holds a position on any of the issues mentioned above who does not recognize the danger of a factional spirit unnecessarily dividing brethren. He just does not believe that his issue is a matter that can be placed in the category of Romans 14, allowing brethren latitude to work with one another in spite of their disagreements. On the other issues, he can see clearly that many (if not all) of them fall into the Romans 14 category and brethren should not divide over those issues. But, his (pet) issue is a matter of “the faith,” and must be treated according to the instructions of 2 John 9-11.

If everyone among us has the same right to press his “pet” issue to the point of division, we will be forced to divide on every subject on which we disagree and be reduced to a group of warring brethren guilty of internecine strife. Brother Ron Halbrook will be addressing this subject in his lecture on “Works of the Flesh: Sins Against Brethren” (Wednesday, June 25th, 10:00 a.m.) and the subject will be discussed in the Open Forum on Tuesday, June 24th, 2:00-4:00 p.m. We hope that brethren who are seriously wrestling with some of the issues listed above will come with an open Bible and an open mind with the attitude of searching to see how we might attain and maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. It is an open forum, so you will have opportunity to interact with other brethren.

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ (Eph. 4:1-7).

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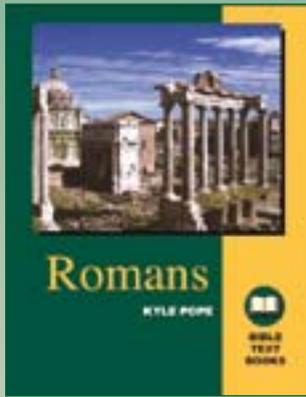
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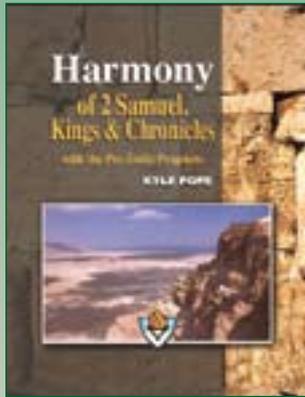
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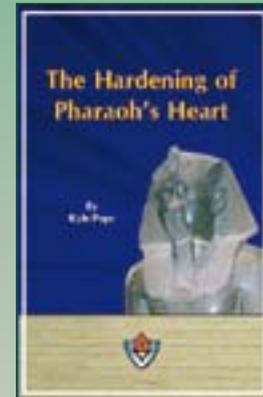
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