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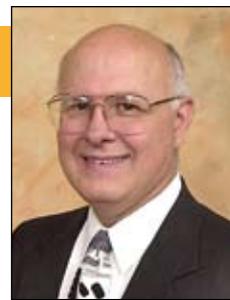
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# The Church at Corinth: A Case Study of Division in the Local Church (1)

MIKE WILLIS

Churches of Christ have a propensity to divide. Sometimes the issues which divide us are doctrinal and cannot be avoided, but more often the issues are problems that could and should be worked through in order to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3). Because factionalism, schism, and divisiveness are sinful, gospel preachers need to be addressing division and its causes. This I propose to do in a series of articles examining the causes of division in the church at Corinth.

Ironically, the restoration movement in America was a call to unity. Gospel preachers of the nineteenth century called upon those who believed in Jesus in the various denominational sects to forsake their creeds and unite on the common ground of that which is authorized in Scripture. Thousands threw aside their creed books and united in Christ, resolving to “speak where the Bible speaks and be silent where the Bible is silent.” I still believe that unity can be attained by those who resolve to restore the New Testament church. However, we have left a poor example for others to follow, looking at our heritage of division within our own ranks. Who can deny our need to restudy the issue of unity within the local church?

What were the causes of division within the local church at Corinth?

## I. ESTEEMING MEN ABOVE SCRIPTURE

The book of 1 Corinthians opens with Paul rebuking the Corinthians for their divisions. He writes:

Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. Now I say this, that each of you says, “I am of Paul,” or “I am of Apollos,” or “I am of Cephas,” or “I am of Christ.” Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. Yes, I also baptized the household

of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect (1 Cor. 1:10-17).

The church at Corinth was divided, with various groups professing loyalty to different men. The men involved were not Paul, Apollos, Cephas, or Christ Jesus. Paul later said, “Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other” (1 Cor. 4:6). To spare them the embarrassment of specifically mentioning the names of the individuals at Corinth who were involved, Paul substituted the names of Paul, Apollos, Cephas, and Christ.

We begin to get the picture of what was happening at Corinth. There were prominent men who had gathered around them factions within the local church. The various factions were identifiable, not merely undercurrents, and based on loyalty to different men. Paul's reply to this situation further helps us to understand its causes, as will be perceived later in this article.

First of all, however, we notice that Paul did not propose a “unity-in-diversity” approach to their problems—where everyone was free to believe and teach whatever he pleased. Rather, he besought them to “speak the same thing,” to be “perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.” The Lord's church should not be a cacophony of warring, jarring, and conflicting sounds of doctrine. There should be harmony of teaching, allowing the hearts of the believers to be knit together through their common faith in Christ. Schisms are abnormal and sinful. They never should be tolerated.

The social background in Greek society that influenced this division in Corinth was its itinerant philosophers. In Greek culture, there were many prominent philosophers who had their own loyal supporters. Perhaps the Corinthians looked upon their prominent leaders through eyes influenced by their culture

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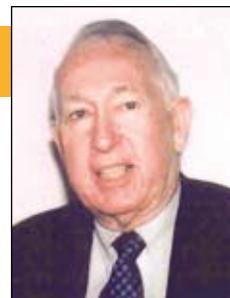
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# The Negative Effect of All Negative Preaching

**W**e have written about the “Positive Effects of Negative Preaching,” “The Negative Effects of All Positive Preaching,” and yet there is another angle of this matter to be considered. *There are negative effects of all negative preaching.* As we have pointed out, gospel preaching requires a balance. There are things we must be *for* and some we must be *against*.

When Barnabas, who was said to be “a good man,” came to Antioch and “saw the grace of God” at work among them, he was “glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord” (Acts 11:23). That preacher’s very name meant “son of encouragement.” We need preachers who can encourage and motivate Christians to serve the Lord. When Paul reviewed his work at Ephesus when he met with the elders whom he summoned to meet him at Troas, he said they knew “how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have showed you, and taught you publicly, and from house to house.” Later he said, “. . . for I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God” (Acts 20:20, 27). Paul was not a one topic preacher. He had no axe to grind or hobby to ride.

## **THERE ARE MANY THINGS BRETHREN NEED TO KNOW**

Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another; not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you; bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to, men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Repense to no man evil

for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, live peacefully with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good (Rom. 12:9-21).

## **ALL NEGATIVE PREACHING CANNOT ACCOMPLISH MUCH OF WHAT IS FOUND IN THIS PASSAGE**

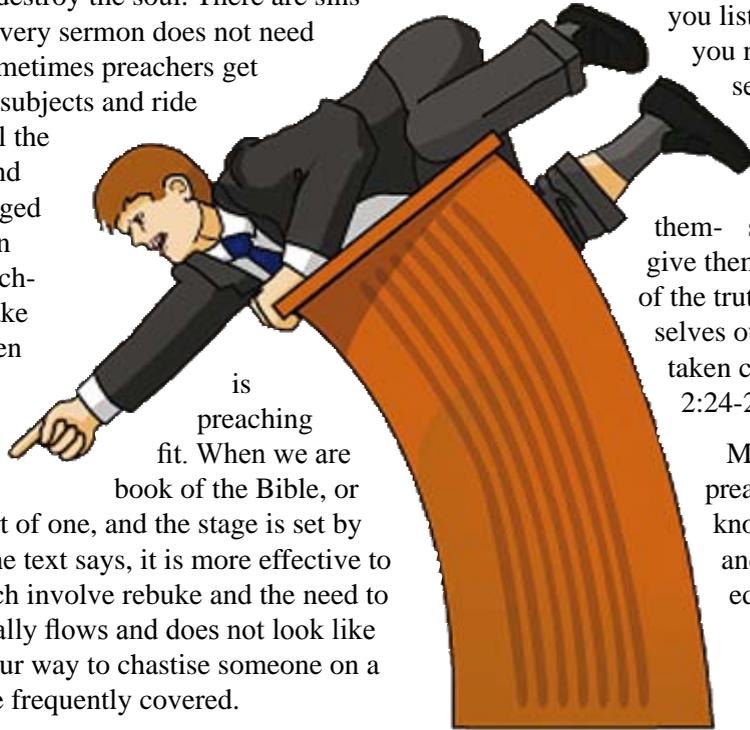
Paul charged the Corinthians to “let all things be done unto edifying” (1 Cor. 14:26). He also taught that the gifts (functions) which God gave the church were “for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ” (Eph. 4:12). He said, “But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ” and that when each member contributes his part in the Lord’s work, it “maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love” (Eph. 4:15-16). To “edify” means to “build up, to strengthen, to cause to grow.”

After dealing with those negative works of the flesh which will cause us to be lost, Paul then said, “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law” (Gal. 5:22-23). At Thessalonica Paul said, “. . . we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children” and “As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children” (1 Thess. 2:7, 11).

I have heard Christians say, “Well, if the preacher did not step on my toes, he did not do his job.” Are there times when that must be done? Absolutely. But are there other

things a preacher should do? Yes, the very things found in the passages we have cited need to be explained and people must be exhorted to develop these qualities in their lives. Sometimes our hearers must be comforted. We need to preach sermons which are simply instructive. People must be taught how to accurately handle the word of truth.

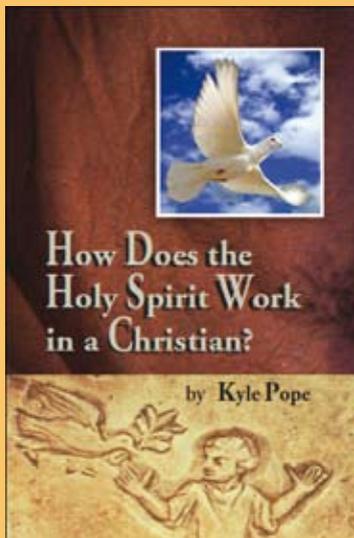
Preachers must not take a fiendish delight in “skinning” the audience. If you need to tell them they are going to hell, don’t act like you are glad. There is a time and place for exposing error and warning of the consequences of following after what will destroy the soul. There are sins aplenty to attack. But every sermon does not need to be of that nature. Sometimes preachers get hung up on one or two subjects and ride them unmercifully until the audience is worn out and the people are discouraged and beaten down. When there is balance in preaching, an audience will take rebuke more easily when it is necessary. That is why expository preaching is of such great benefit. When we are preaching through a book of the Bible, or a chapter, or even a part of one, and the stage is set by a knowledge of what the text says, it is more effective to make applications which involve rebuke and the need to make changes. It naturally flows and does not look like you just went out of your way to chastise someone on a subject which you have frequently covered.



In the last chapter he ever wrote, Paul admonished Timothy to “preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine” (2 Tim. 4:2). Sometimes doctrinal error or sinful practices have been long established with some who hear us. It may take more than one sermon to correct such. It may take different approaches to get the point across and bring about the needed correction. The teaching must be administered with “longsuffering” and not with impatience. You may be tempted to take someone by the throat and give him a good shaking while shouting, “Why, why, why won’t you listen?” But that will not do. Have you not read the following: “And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those who oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; and that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will” (2 Tim. 2:24-26).

May the Lord help us to faithfully preach His word, all of it, and may we know when to reprove and rebuke, and when to comfort, strengthen and edify.

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## How Does the Holy Spirit Work in a Christian

Kyle Pope

The views which many in the religious world hold regarding the work of the Holy Spirit color all aspects of their understanding of Biblical topics. These denominational concepts far too often find their way into the church in the language we use, and unscriptural notions we gradually adopt. This study is an attempt to carefully “weed out” concepts which are rooted in the theories and theologies of men in order to isolate the pure revelation of God on this most important question. The reader should test all things presented in the pages which follow by the infallible standard of God’s word, accepting only what is found to be true to the Holy Spirit revealed oracles of God.

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# The Nature of Angels

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**T**he majority of mankind is both fascinated and intrigued by the concept of angels and spiritual beings. Why the current fascination with angels? It's rooted in the fact that we human beings are aware of a spiritual realm which lies beside and beyond our own. It isn't necessary to speculate or wonder about angels and demons. The Bible contains solid information about both the bright and the dark beings. We hope to explore everything the Bible says about angels and demons, so that our curiosity will be satisfied and our faith will be strengthened.

## WHAT IS AN ANGEL?

The root word translated "angel," in both the Old and New Testaments, means "*messenger*." The Hebrew word, *mal'ak*, emphasizes the fact that angels are God's agents who represent the One who sends them. Similarly the Greek word, *angelos*, represents angels as divine messengers, ambassadors sent by God. Faithful angels are obedient servants of God. The importance of both the Hebrew word *mal'ak* and the Greek word is that both terms describe the function or duty of angels rather than their nature. These words describe an *office* rather than a nature; they tell us what angels *do* rather than what they *are*. The Word of God presents angels as a company or host of heavenly beings who are subordinate to God and who share His company and reflect His glory and majesty. "The LORD has established His throne in the heavens; And His sovereignty rules over all. Bless the LORD, you His angels, Mighty in strength, who perform His word, Obeying the voice of His word! Bless the LORD, all you His hosts, You who serve Him, doing His will" (Psa. 103:19-21, NASB).

Angels are the *elect* ambassadors or emissaries of God. "I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of His chosen angels, to maintain these principles without bias, doing nothing in a spirit of partiality" (1 Tim. 5:21, NASB).

Angels are presented and discussed only in relation to their function as dutiful servants of the sovereign God. Angels direct our attention to God and not to themselves.

The Book of Revelation tells of the Apostle John's attempt to offer worship to an angel. "I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said to me, 'Do not do that!; I am a fellow servant of yours and your brethren who hold the testimony of Jesus; worship God!'" (Rev. 19:10, NASB). Worship is never directed toward an angel in the Word of God. Worship and thanksgiving must always be given to God the Father and Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 1:13-14 tells us that these spiritual beings were created by God to serve as ministers to us, the heirs of God's salvation. "But to which of the angels has He ever said: 'Sit at My right hand, till I make your enemies your footstool'? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?" (Heb. 1:13-14, NKJV). The variety of functions of these spiritual beings can be summarized in their title as found in Hebrews 1:14, i.e. "ministering spirits."

## WHAT IS THE FUNCTION OF ANGELS?

In general, angels simply do God's bidding, whatever that may be. Angels are not bound by natural laws that limit humans, and they symbolize God's active involvement in the lives of mankind.

## WHAT DO ANGELS DO?

Angels are helpers and protectors to God's people in need (Psa. 34:7; 91:11).

Angels come to reassure God's people and to offer hope (Jesus—Matt. 4:11).

Angels come to give God's people guidance and direction (The Law of Moses—Gal. 3:19).

Angels come to call men to special missions (Moses—The Burning Bush—Exod. 3:2)

Angels come to rescue God's people from some great danger (Lot—Gen. 19).

Angels, as intermediaries between God and man, bridge the gap between the unseen world of God and the created

world inhabited by man, in order to communicate God's word and will to mankind. "For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him" (Heb. 2:2-3, NKJV). "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must shortly take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John" (Rev. 1:1, NASB).

- Angels have been involved in the world's most important events.
- Angels were involved in the miracles that won Israel's release from slavery in Egypt (Psa. 78:43-51).
- Angels observed the giving of the Law at Mount Sinai (Acts 7:38, 53).
- Angels administered Old Testament Law (Gal. 3:19; Heb. 2:2).
- Angels announced the Savior's birth (Luke 1:5-25).
- Angels ministered to Jesus Christ at Gethsemane the night before His crucifixion (Luke 22:43).
- Angels rolled the stone away from the empty tomb where Jesus had been buried (Matt. 28:1-2).
- Angels announced Christ's resurrection to the women who came to minister to the body of Jesus Christ (Luke 24:1-10).

The function of angels is not limited to earthly activities; they lead all creation in their praise and worship of God. Nowhere is their service to God more perfectly rendered than in their prostration and worship before the divine throne. "All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: 'Amen! Blessing and glory and

wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen'" (Rev. 7:11-12, NKJV).

## THE NATURE OF ANGELS

Angels, as inhabitants of the kingdom of heaven, are *spiritual beings*, but they are able to manifest themselves as active and effecting agents in the material world. Angels appear at times as radiant *spiritual beings*. The primary description of angels in Scripture is that of "*spiritual messengers*" or "*servants of fiery flame.*" "Who makes His angels spirits, His ministers a flame of fire" (Psa. 104:4, NKJV). "But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him." And of the angels He says: "Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire" (Heb. 1:6-7, NKJV).

When Luke describes the angelic announcement of the birth of the Savior to the shepherds in the field, he speaks of glory and light surrounding the angelic visit. "Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid" (Luke 2:8-9, NKJV). The light in which angels make their appearance is not their own raiment, but their clothing from God. The Scriptures attest to angels as visible light and visible glory, although not always in the same form. "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory" (Matt. 25:31, NKJV). The spiritual nature of angels is the glory of angels.

While at times angels appear as radiant beings, very often angels come in the guise of ordinary men. Sometimes angels

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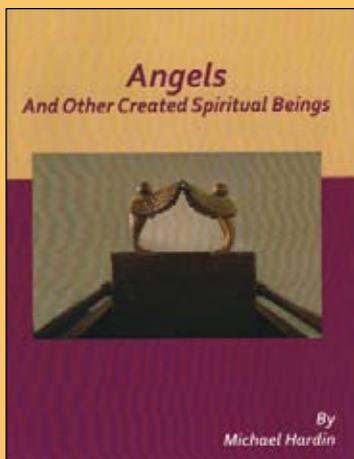
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# The Nature of Angels

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have an extraordinary likeness to humanity, whether for the purpose of testing those to whom they appear or in order to ensure that their message and purpose will not be impeded by their radiant appearance. It was as ordinary men that the two angels visited Lot and Sodom before its destruction. Lot greeted the angels with customary hospitality, seemingly unaware that they were not ordinary men (Gen. 19).

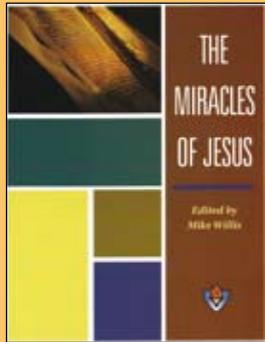
It was as an ordinary man that the angel of the Lord visited Gideon to commission him to deliver God's people (Judg. 6).

Angels have appeared to humanity in various natural forms:

- Moses in the form of a burning bush (Exod. 3:2, Acts 7:30, 35).

- The angel of the Lord conducted the Israelites through the wilderness by means of a cloud (Exod. 14:19).
- Angels can make their appearance in dreams, as to Joseph prior to the birth of Jesus (Matt. 1:20, 24).
- Angels can appear in visions, as to Cornelius (Acts 10:3).

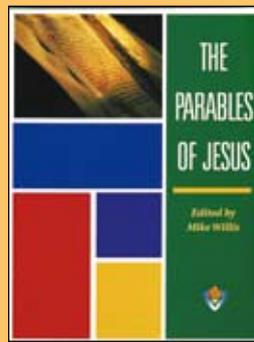
Angels are splendid creatures, encompassed with magnificence and glory; a God-given source of strength, inspiration, and encouragement to the faithful of God. As divine ambassadors, angels are clearly placed in the intermediate realm between God and humanity. Angels are wonderful and marvelous creatures whose glory consists in their unique serviceability to the divine will of God.



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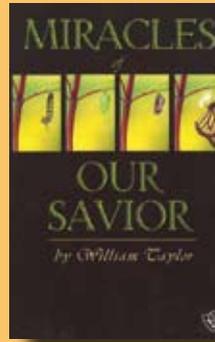
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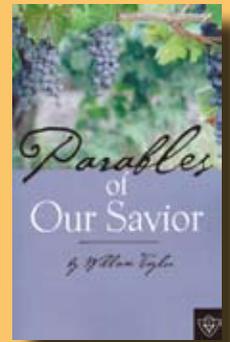
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# Church Contributions and the IRS

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Apparently there is some confusion in the minds of brethren about the changes in tax law put into effect concerning charitable contributions beginning in 2007. IRS Publication 526, which is readily available on the Internet at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) should answer the confusion.

Contrary to what some are saying, there is absolutely no reason for churches to tabulate or document the weekly contributions of all of their members. However, there is a response that may be requested from a congregation by a member primarily if (1) the single contribution given at one time is \$250 or more AND (2) the donor wishes to claim the amount of the contribution as deductible on his income tax return.

Beginning with the 2007 tax returns, *every* cash contribution must have a written verification or “paper trail” in order to be allowed as a deduction. Cash contributions include payments made by currency, check, credit card, electronic funds transfer, and payroll deduction. Virtually all of the contributions made by members of churches of Christ are by currency or by check.

The written record may be a canceled check, a bank or credit card statement that shows the name of the organization and the date and the amount of the contribution, a payroll deduction record, or a receipt from the charitable organization. But please note that contributions in currency (dollar bills) do not create a written record. To be deductible, all contributions in currency now must have a receipt.

Since so many taxpayers currently choose the minimum standard deduction on their tax returns, the need for a written verification will not materialize for most members. But tax code changes that have been proposed include allowing charitable deductions to appear directly on Form 1040 instead of Schedule A. If that change occurs, then more members will need the written records.

Remember that all contributions, in order to be deductible, must be justified by a written record or a receipt. Currency donations do not qualify as deductible unless a written receipt is produced. And if a member gives \$250

or more in a single gift, including any gift made by check, and that member wishes to use the value of that gift as a charitable deduction, a written record or receipt containing certain added information must be provided by the charitable organization or church.

The written record provided to the donor for gifts of \$250 or more must include the name of the organization; the amount of the gift; whether the organization gave the giver any goods or services as a result of the contribution (other than membership benefits); and a statement that the only benefit received was an intangible religious benefit. This statement is good practice as language on all receipts provided by churches.

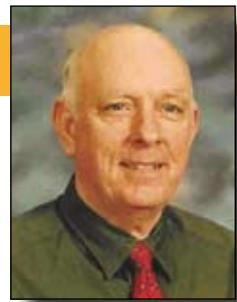
The regulations are clear that weekly gifts that total \$250 or more in a calendar year do *not* have to be added together to determine whether the receipt is needed. A single gift or contribution must be \$250 or more in order for the requirement to be in force. The receipt must be in possession of the taxpayer by the time he submits his tax return (usually April 15).

Nothing in the regulations suggests that the value of workbooks, bulletins, tracts, or study guides received from a congregation is considered to be a tangible religious benefit. The receipt of those workbooks, etc., by a member is not conditioned upon the receipt of a contribution from the member.

There are additional regulations covering the gift of goods or merchandise to a church. See the IRS Publication 526 for guidance.

Churches of Christ will have very little difficulty complying with the requests of its members who make sizable cash donations. The churches which will have a paperwork burden are those who provide banquets, trips, and other social events which have an obvious non-religious value.

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**Question:**

**What is the difference between the soul and the spirit? Why do some teach that man has no soul?**

**Answer:**

The Bible teaches that human beings have both an outer, physical man, which is seen, and an inner, spiritual man, which is unseen (2 Cor. 4:16). In the next chapter, 2 Corinthians 5, Paul speaks of the outer as “the earthly house of our tabernacle” and the inner as “we” who groan to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, who groan being burdened, and who are at home in the body but absent from the Lord (vv. 1, 2, 4, 6). He also anticipates a change from the state of the mortal to that of the immortal, willing rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord (vv. 4, 8). Though the Bible does identify three parts of man’s nature—body, soul, and spirit—in some verses (1 Thess. 5:23), the usual pattern is to focus on the physical and the spiritual, the outer and the inner.

That there is a distinction between “soul” and “spirit” should be obvious from the statement of the Hebrews writer in 4:12, where he clearly drew a line between the two. Of course, the materialist (including Jehovah’s Witnesses, Adventists, and Christadelphians) denies the spiritual nature of man and alleges that death terminates his existence, there being nothing to survive the death of the body. One might ask such a person, “What separates at death if there is no spiritual nature and death makes us all like Rover, dead all over?” The Witness sometimes alleges that man does not have a soul but is a soul, using Genesis 2:7 as his text. He then joins it to Ezekiel 18:20, which says that the soul dies, to make his point that man is entirely mortal. What does the Bible say about such matters—the soul, the spirit, and the difference between the two?

While “spirit” (Hebrew *ruach*, Greek *pneuma*) sometimes means something else (like wind or breath), there is not a doubt that it does refer to man’s inner part, made in

God’s image/likeness. It designates the human entity, the real person. That spiritual part of the human is not subject to death but survives the dissolution of the human body (Eccl. 12:7; Acts 15:7). It is not a product of human generation but comes directly from God (Zech. 12:1; Heb. 12:9). It was in reference to our inner nature and person that Moses spoke in Psalms 90:10, “we fly away.”

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“Soul” is sometimes a synonym for the person (Ezek. 18:20; Acts 2:47; 1 Pet. 3:21). Bible writers used the principal part of the human being in such passages to designate the whole person—a figure of speech known as synecdoche.

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“Soul” also sometimes refers to one’s animal/physical life, which man possess in common with the beasts (Gen. 1:30; 2:7; 7:22). Such use appears in Matthew 2:2 and 16:26. In an interesting description of punishment inflicted upon the Egyptians during the Exodus in Psalms 78:50, Asaph apparently refers to their physical life saying, “He spared not their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence.” “Soul” and “life” are used interchangeably in this case of Hebrew parallelism. What the psalmist is saying is that they lost their physical existence as they died; nothing here refers to the spiritual nature, the spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:14 evidently refers to man’s intellectual nature, contrasted to his higher spiritual nature and his lower physical nature, by its description of some persons as “natural” (Greek *psuchicos*, meaning natural). In this context Paul is showing that all must rely upon the divine revelation provided by the Spirit through the apostles and prophets, not upon the usual, natural means used by humans for learning from the natural realm—the seeing of the eye, the hearing of the ear, and the

operation of the intellect—as one would learn of agriculture, astronomy, or biology (2:9-13). He thus refers to the *man of natural means*, one using natural means to learn the things of God, which actually can be learned only from divine revelation.

Finally, “soul” is also a synonym for man’s immortal spirit in passages like Matthew 10:28 and Acts 2:27. In the former passage only God can render the soul devoid of its welfare (the meaning is not annihilate), and in the latter Jesus’ soul was in the hades realm for that period between His death and resurrection.

In Genesis 35:18, where Moses was recording the death of Rachel in giving birth to Benjamin, we learn that Rachel died when her soul departed. James 2:26 shows that death takes place when the spirit leaves the body. In view of what we learn elsewhere, the soul (spirit) then returns to God who gave it (Eccl. 12:7). The Lord even gave us an example of that happening in the case of Stephen’s spirit (Acts 7:57).

(This writer appreciates the good work of others in this knotty and difficult area. Men like Clinton Hamilton, Guy N. Woods, and possibly others have helped me much through their writings concerning these matters.)

# The United Church of Christ



**S**ome people might wonder, “Is the church of Christ connected with the United Church of Christ (UCC)?” The answer is “no.” Let me show you a few reasons why.

**1. The UCC claims to be a denomination.** Denominationalism, by its nature, embraces division and thus opposes the unity for which Jesus prayed (John 17:20-21).

**2. The UCC has a president.** Where did God give churches permission to have a president? Scripture teaches that Jesus is the head of His church and each local church has qualified men

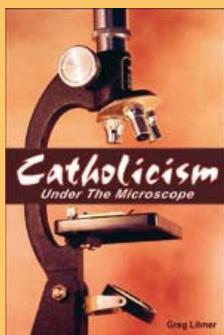
working as elders [overseers, bishops, pastors] (Eph. 1:22-23; Acts 14:23; 1 Tim. 3:1ff).



**3. The UCC teaches that baptism comes after the remission of sins.** Jesus said, “He that believes and is baptized shall be saved” (Mark 16:16), but the UCC teaches that those who are already saved should be baptized.

While it is important for churches to identify themselves with Christ, that alone is not enough.

“But why do you call Me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and do not do the things which I say?” (Luke 6:46).



## Catholicism Under The Microscope

Greg Litmer

As a small child growing up Roman Catholic, Greg Litmer spent every weekday morning of the school year attending eight o’clock mass at Saint John’s the Evangelist, a parish in Cincinnati, Ohio. He states about the content of this book, “I am often asked why I left the Catholic Church. That is a good question. After leaving the Church of my youth, my study of it actually deepened. Much of what I found, you will find in this book.”

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# American Idols



DICK BLACKFORD

**W**hatever one puts first in his life is his god. If he puts the God of heaven first, then all will be well. But if he puts himself first, down goes his spiritual and moral well-being.

There are a number of things that appear to be getting first place in the lives of Americans. This applies as much to this writer me as to any of the readers. An idol may not be something tangible, like a golden calf. “For stubbornness (arrogance, *NIV*) is as . . . idolatry” (1 Sam. 15:22). “. . . evil desires and greed (covetousness, *KJV*), which is idolatry” (Col. 3:5). “. . . whose god is their belly . . . who mind earthly things” (Phil. 3:19). Do we live to eat, or eat to live? These attitudes are saying, “My way is better than God’s.”

## GAMBLING, ALCOHOL, AND DRUGS

Americans have found a loophole around illegal gambling. Put it on a riverboat or in the gulf and have a floating gambling den. “For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil: which some reaching after have been led astray from the faith, and have pierced themselves through with many sorrows” (1 Tim. 6:10). That this idolatry extends beyond graven images is seen when Paul said, “covetousness is idolatry.”

There are very few sins that cannot in some way be connected with the love of money. Two of those are alcohol and drugs. These will warp your judgment, silence your conscience, and tranquilize your guilt. When that happens, you become a dangerous person to be around. Impairment of the mind (altering it) is the sin, regardless of the means used. And the one who is drinking or using drugs is least qualified to determine when that has occurred. Notice the foolish and

dangerous behavior of the drunk man in Proverbs 23:29-35; 31:4, 5.

The buyer falls in love with money because it will get him more drugs and alcohol. That the seller would violate God’s law and the law of the land shows that he is motivated by the love of money also. The idolater lives for these things.

## SPORTS, HOBBIES, AND VACATIONS

A thing doesn’t have to be wrong in and of itself to become an object of worship. When you know all the players and their statistics but can’t quote much of what the Bible says, look out.

Some athletes make multi-millions of dollars annually. Every year some athlete sets a new record for salary. Billions are made from clothing, sports paraphernalia, broadcasts, etc. They wouldn’t make these salaries if fans weren’t paying for it.

More and more we hear of riots and violence at sporting events, players going into the stands after an irate fan, hitting people with chairs, cursing the officials, and the like. Some athletes feel so much pressure to excel that they push their bodies beyond their capabilities and die a premature death. Sports have definitely become more brutal and bloody, and are now on prime time. Edward Gibbon, in his *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*, listed this as a major factor in the fall of Rome.

Do you miss worship services because of your involvement with sports or allow your children to do so? Are you caving in to the pressure to conform to the rest of the world when it comes to sports, hobbies, and vacations? How much money and time do you spend on these compared to money

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and time you give to the Lord in worship and work? Some hobbies and vacations end up costing a fortune. Sports, hobbies, and vacations are not wrong in themselves, but we are comparing them to your spiritual life. They can become obsessions so easily without even realizing it. Which of these comes first in your life will determine which is your god.

## SEX

“In sex we trust.” Pornography has become a multi-billion dollar business. The subject saturates the music, movie, and advertising industries. It is used to advertise everything from toothpaste to pizza and is available on the internet and cell phones. We are confronted in TV commercials, billboards, and at the grocery check out. Wardrobes and dates are selected on the basis of whether they’re “sexy.” Again, these businesses wouldn’t be making billions of dollars if someone wasn’t paying for it. With the growth of pornography, the rape rate has also increased.

The devil is winning some battles. We can’t afford to let him win the war. This too, can become idolatry. In the Old Testament, fornication and idolatry often went together as twins (Rev. 21:8).

## MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT

Music and entertainment can be used for good, like David who soothed Saul with his music. Music is also used to worship God and we teach and admonish with it.

If one is really into music it can easily take a wrong turn. We can be tempted to sing lyrics that compromise what the Christian should stand for, play music in places where Christians should not go and in which they may encourage reveling, lasciviousness, and drinking. Or we may be tempted to add musical instruments to the worship thereby rendering our worship vain (Matt. 15:9) and dividing brethren in the process. When music has become that important it has become an idol to its devotees.

Do you feel that you have to have the latest in TVs, Stereos, CDs, DVDs, Video games, I-pods, cell phones, etc.? Be careful.

## EDUCATION

Education is good only as it helps us better serve God, meet our responsibilities, and benefit mankind. This is to be encouraged. Education must begin at the right place. “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. . .” (Psa. 111:10). “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. . .” (Prov. 1:7). Without this foundation, education can be dangerous. Is all learning good? It depends on what is learned. As Mark Twain observed, we can accumulate a lot of ignorance over a course of a lifetime. And a lot of it is passed off as education.

The basics that we need to function in life (the three R’s) have been “dumbed down” by schools spreading themselves too thin by getting involved in all kinds of social and cultural issues that are not their responsibility. A look at the curriculum of some of the larger schools will bear this out. Much of it is humanistic in nature, such as: evolution, values clarification, birth control, abortion counseling, sex education (minus morality), social acceptance of alternative lifestyles, etc.

Some of the best memories of this writer’s childhood come from attending gospel meetings (we would attend meetings within a 100 mile radius, with a few exceptions). Many people would attend meetings and debates. *Yes, kids had homework back then and also needed to get in bed, but somehow they survived!* Today, meetings, generally, are not

well attended and a lot of times it’s because the kids have homework and they need to get in bed. Believe me, they will survive once or twice a year during gospel meetings, even if you take them to meetings at other congregations, as well. Remember this: *You are building for the future!* When you invest in your children’s spiritual education you are laying up treasures in heaven. Don’t expect your children to grow up seeking the kingdom first if you didn’t do so by your example of making them think secular education (which pertains to this world) was more important than these spiritual opportunities. Are we preparing the next generation (Exod. 13:14; Deut. 6:20f)?



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# American Idols

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Secular education is good when kept in its place but it also has the potential to become an idol every bit as real as Baal. To the highly educated philosophers of Athens, Paul spoke to them about their ignorance (Acts 17). Not only was it a city wholly given to idolatry, they had made an idol out of their much learning.

## JOBS AND CAREERS

These often go together with love of money and prestige. Years ago I heard a high compliment paid toward a brother who went to his state university to work on his doctorate. The preacher told me, "We've had a lot of people come here to work on their advanced degrees. Most of them we rarely saw. But I don't think he ever missed a service the whole time he was here unless it was to go home on the week end." Putting our jobs or careers before the Lord is often motivated by love for possessions.

Don't allow your career to overtake your true vocation. It won't sustain you in the eternal realm.

## OUR HOMES AND CARS

It is said that a preacher once looked at the low contribution that was posted and he asked, "Where are the rich?" He then went out and looked at the expensive cars, pickups, and SUVs in the parking lot and asked, "Where are the poor?"

Judah was rebuked for neglecting the house of God while building their own houses (Hag. 1). We are building the

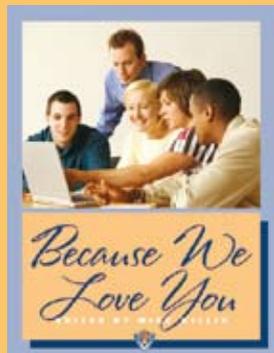
spiritual house of God. Have you become a slave to your house and has it become your master? Are you more devoted to your houses and vehicles than to the Lord's work? Do you neglect hospitality because you don't want your house messed up (Heb. 13:2)? On God's day of judgment, your car or your house won't save you and you can't take them with you. You cannot serve two masters.

The Bible is abundantly clear that idolaters will have their part in the lake of fire and brimstone (Rev. 21:8). Be not deceived! We can become as devoted to these (*and deceived by them!*) as Israel to her golden calves. No significant difference.

## CONCLUSION

We live in a time of affluence and material prosperity. History shows that men usually turn away from God in such times. They erect their own idols. Since a dead idol can say nothing or require one to live a certain way, then, through deception, the person has really made a god of himself and is engaged in self-worship. Idolatry is alive and well in our nation. If we are extraordinarily devoted to any of these things it may be time for a reality check. "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all nations that forget God" (Psa. 9:17).

"My little children, guard yourselves from idols" (1 John 5:21).

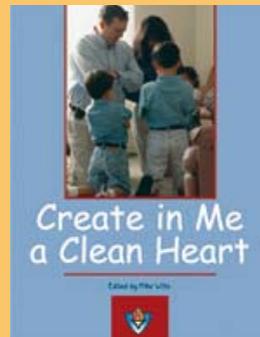


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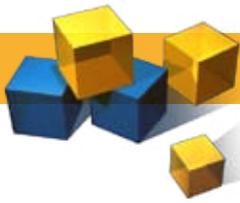


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# Using the Wrong Passage

Often false religious teachers use a passage of Scripture to teach salvation at the point of faith, or by grace alone, which does not touch top, side or bottom of their doctrine! We take a look at a couple:

**1. John 1:11-12.** *“He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.”* This passage is used to teach that folks are saved when they believe. This passage teaches no such thing. Look at it. It says that the believer has the “right” or “power” to “become the sons of God.” According to this reference the believer is not a son of God, but has the right to become a child of God! This means that at the point of believing, one is in the position of exercising the right to become or not become a child of God. In case you don’t think so; please take note of a couple of believers who did not exercise their right to become a child of God.

*“Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God”* (John 12:42-43).

Here were believers, who, because they loved the praise of men, more than that of God, did not confess him. Surely, we know that such were not saved, even though they were believers (Matt. 10:32-33; Mark 8:38)!

*“King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest. Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian”* (Acts 26:26-28).

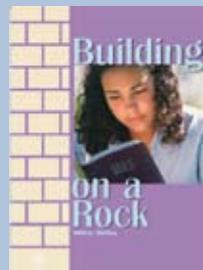
Agrippa is said to be a believer, but he did not exercise his “power,” or right to become a Christian (Acts 11:26; 1 Pet. 4:16). Was this believer saved?

Now notice an example of believers who exercised their right and became sons of God:

**Acts 2:** Gospel preaching pricked the hearts of Jews on the day of Pentecost. Being convicted of sin, they asked, “What shall we do?” They were told to “repent and be baptized for the remission of sins” (Acts 2:37-38). As believers (Acts 2:36), they exercised the right to become sons of God. When? “Then

they that gladly received the word were baptized” (Ac.2 41). The obedient believers were saved and “added” to the Lord’s church (Acts 2:47)!

**2. Ephesians 2:8-9.** *“For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.”* It is common to hear this passage quoted to teach that salvation is by grace alone, without any works. It’s the wrong passage. Grace, being God’s favor, is His gift. Faith is not the gift, for “faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom. 10:17). It is true that some works do not save, like the boastful works of Ephesians 2:8-9. A reading of Ephesians 2:10 will quickly teach that works play a part in man’s salvation: “For we are his *workmanship*, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.” Sometimes we are told that, if a thing is a “gift,” there is nothing to do to receive the gift. That won’t fly either! God told Joshua, “I have *given* into thine hand Jericho . . .” (Josh. 6:1). A gift, yes; but notice, He commanded that the city be circled thirteen times, blow ram’s horns, and for the people to shout (Josh. 6:3-5). Gifts often contain conditions as in this case. A reading of James 2:14-26 and Hebrews 11 will teach us that God has always required works on the part of His people as evidence of their faith.



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# “Meat for All This People”



STEVE WALLACE

**T**he account of Jesus’ feeding the 5,000 is the only miracle to be recorded in all four of the Gospels. Luke’s account of this miracle reads as follows:

And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida. And the people, when they knew it, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing. And when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge, and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place. But he said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they said, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes except we should go and buy *meat for all this people*. For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, Make them sit down by fifties in a company. And they did so, and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude. And they did eat, and were all filled: and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets (my emphasis, sw).

The apostles saw the multitude and saw their need. Jesus abundantly filled the needs of these people. He gave “meat for all this people.” Let us first understand the purpose of this miracle and then we will draw some pertinent lessons on foreign evangelism from the words which make up the title for this article.

## THE PURPOSE OF THIS MIRACLE

Because there has been some misunderstanding with regards to the ends Jesus was aiming at in working this miracle, it is necessary that we first spend some time on this point. There are several objects Jesus was evidently aiming at in feeding the 5,000. We offer the following:

1. *To teach the apostles that He could provide for them while they were with Him during His earthly ministry.* Later, in Matthew 16, when seeking to teach about the leaven of Pharisees and Sadducees, Jesus shows He expected the apostles to learn from His past miraculous multiplications of loaves and fishes

(Matt. 16:6-11). Jesus expected them to draw the inference from His miracles that He was able to supply their physical needs.

2. *To reinforce His teaching concerning giving priority to the kingdom.* Jesus had earlier taught, “But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” (Matt. 6:33). Immediately prior to this miracle, Jesus had been speaking to the multitudes about the kingdom of God (Luke 9:11), and they had clearly given priority to hearing His teaching. His feeding them at this time during His ministry would underline His earlier words from the Sermon on the Mount. Likewise today, we should learn the lesson this miracle teaches: Put God’s kingdom first, and trust Him for the rest.

3. *To teach that He was abundantly able to meet the spiritual needs of those who came to Him.* What Jesus provided in the physical realm was meant to teach spiritual lessons. Following this miracle and in connection with it, Jesus taught, “I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. . . . he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever” (John 6:48-51, 58). In Romans 5, Paul taught that Jesus *more* than answered the spiritual problems of man (please see the words “much more” in vv. 12-21). The riches of Christ are characterized as “unsearchable” by him in Ephesians 3:8 and, in Ephesians 3:20, he says that Jesus “is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.” As R.C. Trench wrote,

Thus He . . . did in this miracle proclaim Himself the true bread of the world, the unexhausted and inexhaustible upholder of all life, in whom there should be enough and to spare for the spiritual needs of all hungering souls of all ages.<sup>1</sup>

Miraculous multiplications like the loaves and fishes powerfully emphasize that Jesus is able to “save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him” (Heb. 7:25). Jesus would later send His disciples out with a message meet to the spiritual needs of all people (Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15-16). It was important that they as well as their hearers have complete

confidence in His ability to meet these needs. This leads us to our next point.

## **JESUS: FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY SOUL**

John chapter 6 contains the lesson that Jesus wanted the people to learn from His miraculous multiplication of the loaves and fishes. His miracles had a definite purpose. It was for people to recognize Him as the Messiah (v. 26; Acts 2:22, 36). Some people, while misunderstanding Jesus' mission, had understood the message that His miraculous feeding of the 5,000 communicated (vv. 14-15). Jesus taught that He is the bread of life (v. 48). After He ascended back to heaven, His words would be spiritual food for their souls which would endure unto eternal life (vv. 62-63, 27, 68). Without the words revealed in God's word no man can come to Him (vv. 44-45). All professed Christians believe Christ is the Savior. However, what separates so many from Jesus is their neglecting to note the essentiality of His word in conversion. He said, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). It is His gospel that is "the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth" (Rom. 1:16). Jesus has given Himself as the bread of life for the hungry soul. He is the word incarnate (John 1:1-2, 14). Without His word I have nothing unique to offer the lost – both at home and abroad. In light of this, those who go forth to preach the gospel in foreign fields should be grounded in the faith and ready to faithfully proclaim the word of God regardless of the circumstances (2 Tim. 2:2, 15, 24-26; 1 Tim. 1:3; 5:20-21; 2 Tim. 4:2-4). In foreign countries in which I have preached, we have been careful to tell people that we are not there to talk about politics, America, to do social work, etc. Some have not learned this lesson.

## **OFFERING "MEAT" OF HUMAN ORIGIN**

This writer lived overseas for many years and, hence, was away from the American scene. Upon returning to the U.S. for a couple years at the turn of the century, it was interesting to read some of the requests from some of our institutional brethren that came to the church where I labored in Montgomery, Alabama. Faulkner University, a "Christian" college, is located there and a number of requests came from brethren connected with it. Please notice the kind of mission work some brethren are doing. One brother writes,

As a member of the Washington St. Mission Brigade I helped plant seeds into the hearts of many. We take a group of doctors that will help in the James Moody Adams Clinic, which is a free clinic for those who are sick but can't afford a doctor. While the patients are at the clinic there are ministers there to cure their spiritual ailments. . . . The rest of our team, including me, goes out into a small village where the true poverty appears, and we build houses for those who don't have them. . . . The medicine, clothes, food, and houses that we give our Honduran brothers and sisters cost them nothing. . . . We always come back with more than we had when we went down there, because they always give us the biggest, most beautiful smiles.<sup>2</sup>

Our institutional brethren have long since embraced the concept of "medical missionaries" and mission work that emphasizes social work. While the above example is extreme, it helps us to forcefully emphasize the uniqueness of the mission Jesus gave to His faithful in Mark 16:15-16. Anyone can do the work mentioned in the above quote. However, only a gospel preacher can carry out the great commission. Please notice the following story from brother Robert Turner which emphasizes this truth:

During World War II a Chicago radio station aired an interview with three well-known denominational preachers, on "What the Church Can do in These Grave Times." The three so-called "Reverends" suggested bandage making, meeting troop trains with coffee, gathering books for the U.S.O., and the like. When the time was about up, the man interviewing said something to this effect: "I am not a religious man, but I thought the Church was and had something special to offer. Civic Clubs, school children, and others can do the things you have mentioned. But I am disappointed in not hearing of some function peculiar to the Church."<sup>3</sup>

Anyone can go to a foreign country and do social work, counsel people using human psychology, use human reasoning in an attempt to change people, teach people the English language, etc. However, Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:16). We must follow His teaching in doing mission work. *Only Jesus is food for the hungry soul.* Let none of us think we can do better in reaching people than He did.

## **CONCLUSION**

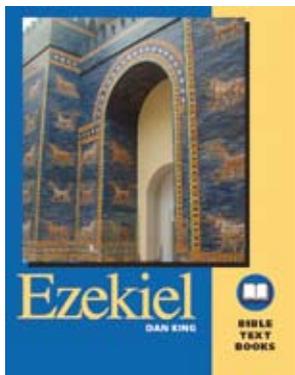
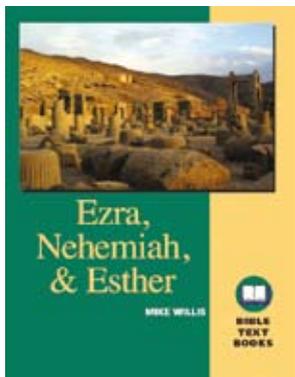
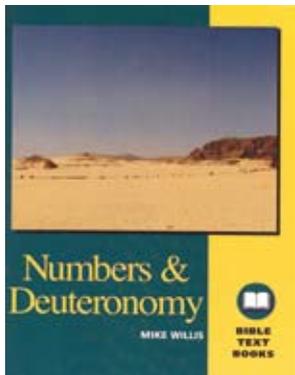
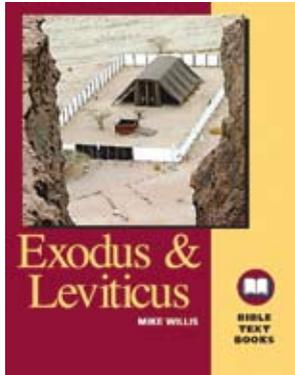
As we seek to convert the lost today, both at home and abroad, let us learn the lesson Jesus taught so long ago. He is the source of "meat for all this people." In preaching His word, we preach the message He ordained. In so doing, we use the one method He ordained for calling men to Him (John 6:44-45; 18:37). The spiritual needs of man are as great today as ever (Rom. 3:23). Let us go forth seeking to meet those needs with the bread of life the Father has given us (John 6:48-51).

### **Endnotes**

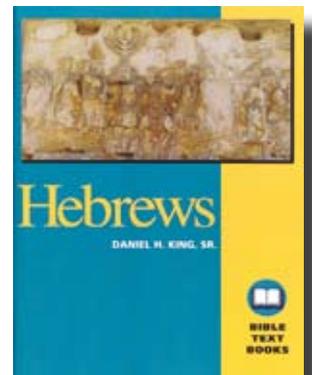
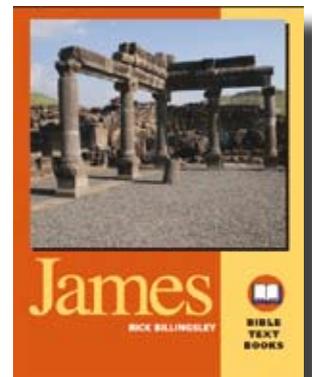
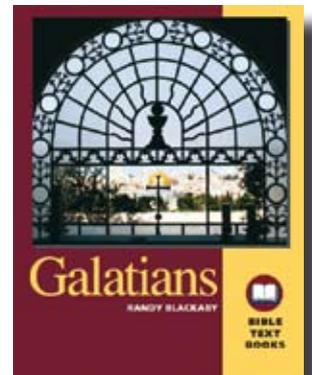
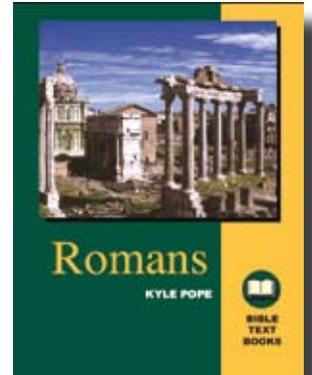
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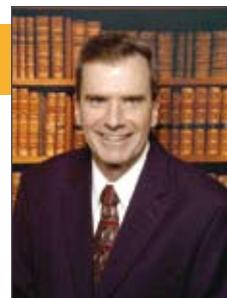
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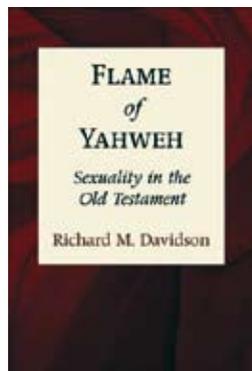


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*Flame of Yahweh: Sexuality in the Old Testament.* Richard M. Davidson. Hendrickson Publishers, 2007. 844 pages, soft back. \$29.95



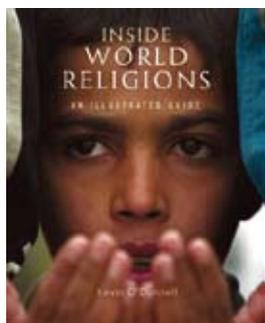
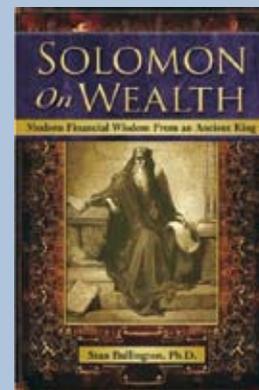
God made mankind as sexual beings. After the Fall in the Garden, mankind corrupted his own sexuality. In *Flame of Yaweh*, Richard M. Davidson examines God's ideals for sexuality and man's corruption of those ideals. Davidson begins by studying God's divine and lofty design for sexuality and marriage in Genesis 1-3 (heterosexuality, monogamy, permanence, etc.). He then moves on to look at the distorted sexuality of mankind found outside the Garden in the rest of the Old Testament (pagan sexuality, homosexuality, polygamy, denigration of women, prostitution, adultery, divorce, etc.). Davidson returns to God's design at the end of his book. The divine ideals for sexuality, Davidson believes, are illustrated in the love between a man and woman found in the Song of Solomon. Hence, the title of Davidson's book is, *Flame of Yahweh*, taken from Song of Solomon 8:6. Davidson closes his work by tying together the Old and New Testament teaching on sexuality. The *Flame of Yahweh* is an enormous work. The author attempts to cover every passage

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in the Old Testament dealing with sexuality and the bibliography alone covers 142 pages! While the reader may not agree with every conclusion, many lines of conservative thought are advanced throughout the book. Such thoughts are rare today in our culture of liberal thinking on sexuality. *Flame of Yahweh* is highly recommend to any Bible student doing serious background study on the topic of human sexuality in general and the Song of Solomon in particular.

*Solomon on Wealth.* Stan Bullington. Bully Pulpit Press, 2008. 158 pages, soft back. \$12.95

Every year, thousands of families including Christians are torn down and torn apart by financial problems and debt. How do we avoid these problems? Do we continue to let them spiral out of control or do we seek a biblical solution? In *Solomon on Wealth*, Stan Bullington, a member of the church and professor of economic analysis for engineers, offers modern financial wisdom from the ancient King Solomon. Bullington's book is most helpful because he goes back to the source, the Bible, to find out what God has to say about wealth and money matters. Many points of wisdom are brought out of the books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes. Three helpful appendices are also found in the back of the book. Here, the author discusses Proverbs 30 and 31 as it relates to wealth (Appendix 1), provides a list of good books on wealth from a biblical perspective (Appendix 2), and offers some practical steps one can take to manage his money and get out of debt (Appendix 3). *Solomon on Wealth* offers sound advice and wisdom on money matters to everyone living in a debt-saturated society. Best of all, much of this advice and wisdom comes from God Himself.



*Inside World Religions.* Kevin O'Donnell. Fortress Press, 2007. 192 pages, hardback. \$24.00

What, if anything, sets Christianity apart from other religions? Are all religions the same? There was a time when most religious people around us in this country were "Christian," but that is not the case anymore. We now have neighbors, coworkers, and friends who are Hindu, Buddhists, Jews, or Muslim. What do these people believe and practice? In a recent book by Kevin O'Donnell called *Inside World Religions*, you will find all the basic facts and information you need to understand and communicate effectively with your religious neighbors. This book is an illustrative guide so there are many charts and pictures associated with each world religion evaluated. Nine different world religions are covered by O'Donnell. A "Fact Finder" glossary of key religious terms is also included. *Inside World Religions* is very informative.

# Excursion to Israel and Egypt (7)



MIKE WILLIS



*The view from the Mount of Olives allows one to see the Temple mount where the Dome of the Rock stands on the same location as the First Temple and Second Temple.*

**T**his morning we awakened in the city of Jerusalem. There is just so much to see in Jerusalem that there is no way to cover it all in one trip, unless perhaps one stayed an entire week in the city. We first went to the Mount of Olives for an overview of the city of Jerusalem. From prominent points one gets a good view of the Hinnom Valley and the Kidron Valley, as well as the Temple Mount.

After seeing the view from the Mount of Olives, we walked down the mount to the Garden of Gethsemane. I always enjoy walking down this mount because it gives one a perspective of the distance

involved when Jesus traveled from the Garden of Gethsemane to Caiaphas' house on the night of His betrayal.

The Mount of Olives is a preferred place for burial for both Jews and Christians because of the millennial speculations about the apocalyptic language in both the Old and New Testaments. The expectation that Jesus will return to the Mount of Olives, just as He ascended from there makes Christians want to be buried on the Mount, so that they can be present when He comes again. The Old Testament prophecy in Zechariah 14:4 provides the basis for Jewish speculation.



*The Mount of Olives is covered in graves, as this view shows.*

## DOMINUS FLEVIT

Walking down the Mount, we stopped at the Dominus Flevit, which translates from Latin as “The Cry of the Lord” or “The Lord Wept.” The church was fashioned in the shape of a teardrop to symbolize the tears of Christ. Here Jesus, becomes overwhelmed by the beauty of the Second Temple and predicting its future destruction and the diaspora of the Jewish people, weeps openly (Luke 19:37-42). This is one of the newest churches in Jerusalem. One does not know positively where Jesus was when He cried over the city of Jerusalem, but it was within eyesight.

There are two important things that I like about this place. First, it has a marvelous view of the Temple Mount through a stained glass window in the church. This is the view that is our cover photo for this



*Ossuaries preserved at Domius Flevit on the Mount of Olives.*

issue. Second, there are several first-century ossuaries which are preserved there. Ossuaries are bone boxes for secondary burial. Bodies were buried in a primary place to allow decomposition to occur (sometimes in a sarcophagus [literally, a flesh eater]). After the flesh was rotted, the bones were collected and placed in an ossuary, a smaller box. The ossuary of Caiaphas, the high priest before whom Jesus was tried has been found. More recently, a small furor in biblical archaeology has occurred about the ossuary of James, the brother of Jesus. The ossuary is admittedly first century, but Dr. Yuval Goren, from Tel Aviv University, asserted that the inscription was a forgery. The owner of the ossuary, Obed Golan, was arrested for forgery, but subsequently all charges were dropped, although scholars still are divided about whether or not the

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*Church of All Nations on the Mount of Olives which was built to commemorate Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane.*



# Excursion to Israel and Egypt (7)

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*Olive grove on the Mount of Olives.*

inscription on the ossuary is a forgery. The *Biblical Archaeology Review* has come down in favor of the inscription.

## **GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE**

We came to the Garden of Gethsemane where is located the Church of All Nations built in commemoration of the Lord praying in the Garden of Gethsemane. The basilica was built on the same location as a twelfth century crusader chapel and a fourth century basilica that was destroyed by an earthquake in 746. There is no archaeological importance to the location and no one knows exactly where on the Mount of Olives Jesus lifted His prayer to God. The atmosphere at the Church of All Nations does not lend itself to meditation because of the number of people passing through. We were fortunate to be able to go into a quiet place near the Church of

All Nations where we had a short devotional in which we remembered our Lord's agony among the olive trees.

Since they were nearby, we walked down to the tombs of Absalom and Zacharias. The Tomb of Absalom is on the east side of the Kidron Valley, on the lower (western) slope of the Mount of Olives. Despite its name, this tomb is not from the days of David's son Absalom. Experts believe that it comes from some time during the first century B.C. The nearby "tomb of Zacharias" has nothing to do with the father of John the Baptist. Though the tombs are quite ornate, they have nothing to do with the biblical characters whose names they bear.



*The tombs of Absalom and Zacharias have no tie to the biblical characters whose name they bear.*

# What would Paul Observe Today?

NATHAN L. MORRISON

**T**he life of the Christian is one of sacrifice and commitment. It is more than just a profession of faith but the way we live our lives. One can tell a great deal about what is important in our lives by observing our priorities and what we surround ourselves with.

Paul was able to know a lot about the people of Athens by observing their devotions (objects of worship). In Acts 17 Paul is sent to Athens to await his friends and while there he observed “the city full of idols” (Acts 17:16). It prompted him to speak to them concerning what he “observed.” He preached to them about their “Unknown God,” and let them know He is the Creator, the Great Judge, and that all men everywhere are to repent, as God does not excuse ignorance. He made a statement in Acts 17:23 saying, “As I passed by, I beheld your devotions” (KJV). He then went on to explain to them that they needed to worship God. Paul wasn’t just fascinated by the great number of idols, altars, and temples, but was provoked by the spiritual poverty he witnessed in the city. He was dismayed and perplexed. They had erected idols to various gods, and so as not to offend, even erected an idol “To an Unknown God,” just to cover any oversight on their part. Paul was able to tell a lot about the people, especially their great need to hear the gospel.

What would Paul observe as our “devotions” today? Would he see a need to learn the basics again, the need to repent, or make other changes in our lives? What we hold as important can be seen by others.

**What would Paul observe about your literature, music, and language?** Would he see cheap paperbacks and magazines which extol worldly pleasure and cater to the carnal mind? Would he see you have no money left or room for wholesome books, or magazines that edify, and for material that is more profitable for study and for your soul? Would he find music that glorifies the flesh and preys on the emotions to justify sinful acts and relationships? Would he hear coarse language and conversations devoid of spiritual topics? Paul told the Ephesians in Ephesians 5:3-5 that no immoral or impure person will enter into Heaven.

**What would Paul observe about your devotions to materialism?** Would he observe you had to have the latest and most modern of everything, from furniture, cars, to the latest fashions in sexy and provocative clothing? Would he see that you *choose* to work overtime when you don’t have to, and miss services, to get the double-time pay? Are you money-minded?

No amount of riches can atone for poverty of character. Jesus told His disciples not to lay up treasures on earth where they can be stolen or destroyed, but store up treasures in Heaven (Matt. 6:19-21). Jesus also said the riches of the world aren’t worth losing one’s soul over in Matthew 6:26. Where are our hearts today?

**What would Paul observe about your devotions to sports?** Would he see you miss some services to watch or attend a game as your favorite teams compete? Some spend fortunes to not miss a game of their favorite sports team(s). Some even miss services for sporting events. Would he see you can quote all the latest sports stats, but can’t remember a single passage from the Bible, or when it comes to learning Scriptures, you have a “bad memory”? The Hebrews writer said not to forsake the assembly (10:25). We cannot encourage one another if no one shows up.

**What would Paul observe about your devotions or objects of worship?** Would Paul observe a difference in your life and that of the unbelievers around you? Can others tell the difference between us and them by our entertainment, how we dress, how we talk, the music we listen to, what we spend on possessions, what we spend our time on, and what subjects interest us? There better be a difference between the body of Christ and the world around us! Peter told his audience in 1 Peter 4:1-5 the time is past for the lusts of the flesh, and the world ought to be surprised at our conduct. Does the world see a difference or do they regard you as just “one of them”?

**What would Paul observe about the devotions of the church?** Would he observe that the church of Christ places emphasis on impressing men? Would he observe an emphasis on drawing in crowds but a lack of spiritual growth? Would he see church-sponsored recreation and congregations competing to see who can offer the most in entertainment? There are churches with worship services hardly distinguishable from entertainment programs: bands and sports figures, anything to draw a crowd. Would he observe a church bent on filling its pews with an emphasis on numbers (quantity), not Spirit and Truth (quality) as Jesus said we must do in John 4:24?

Yes, a lot can be known by what one observes as our “devotions.” To be lights to the world our lives must reflect Christ in all that we say and do. What do others observe as your devotions?

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# The Temptations of Satan

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In tempting Jesus in the wilderness (Matt. 4:1-11), Satan's approach was consistent with his earlier Edenic enticements (Gen. 3:1-7) and also his present persistent persuasions: the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life (1 John 2:15-17).

However, let us consider Satanic temptations in a different light. After the wilderness testing, the devil left Jesus, until an opportune time (Matt. 4:11; Luke 4:13). He continued to oppose Christ, making his final assault during the Lord's passion and crucifixion (John 14:29-31; Luke 22:52-53). Satan appeals through the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. However, it is also instructive to realize that temptations come from what we need, what we want, and what we fear.

## NEEDS

Satan entices us in the things we need. However, even legitimate needs must be satisfied in a proper manner. After Jesus had fasted forty days and was hungry, the tempter came and said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." Our Lord answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God'" (Matt. 4:1-4). Food is both good and necessary (Gen. 1:29-31; 9:1-4; 1 Tim. 4:1-5). However, the improper acquisition of food must be avoided (Prov. 30:7-9; 1 Cor. 6:9-11; Eph. 4:28).

In like manner, the need for marital companionship is natural (Gen. 2:18-24; Prov. 18:22; Heb. 13:4). However, God's hatred of divorce (Mal. 2:13-16) and His law regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage must be acknowledged (Matt. 19:3-12).

## DESIRES

Satan tempts us in the things we desire. However, even legitimate desires must be fulfilled in a proper manner. In

the second and third temptations, Satan appealed to Jesus' desire for rule and respect (Matt. 4:5-10). Christ properly desired to rule over mankind (Ps. 2:1-9; Luke 1:31-33; Rev. 11:15). Christ properly desired the respect due His name (Ps. 2:10-12; John 5:22-23; Rom. 1:3-4). Nevertheless, these proper desires could not be rightfully fulfilled in an improper manner (Matt. 4:5-10).

In like manner, we desire a warm, loving, open relationship with fellow Christians. Fellowship is a wonderful blessing (Ps. 133:1-3; Heb. 13:1; 1 Pet. 3:8-9). However, it cannot be maintained at the expense of truth (1 Cor. 1:10; Eph. 4:1-6; Phil. 2:1-2).

## FEARS

Satan tempts us in the things we fear. However, even legitimate fears must be faced in a proper manner. The cross represented agony, suffering, and death (Isa. 53:1-12; Gal. 3:13-14; 1 Pet. 2:21-25). However, Jesus did not let fear of the cross keep Him from His purpose (John 12:27-33; Matt. 16:21-23; 26:36-46).

Persecution is also the lot of the faithful (Matt. 5:10-12; 2 Tim. 3:10-17; 1 Pet. 4:12-19). Yet, we must not allow fear to keep us back from full obedience (Acts 26:9-11; Gal. 5:7-12; 1 Pet. 2:4-8).

## CONCLUSION

As Satan twisted Scripture to justify his ends, so also do sinful men distort the Scriptures, to their own deception and destruction (1 Tim. 1:3-7; 6:3-5; 2 Pet. 3:14-18). However, we must faithfully hold to the faithful word, recognizing that knowledge of the truth and proper application of the same is the key to overcoming Satan's devices.

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# Stand in Awe

DANNY LINDEN

**O**ur God is a God who deserves our reverence, honor, and praise. Psalm 89:7 reads, “God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him.” Unfortunately, many Christians do not have the proper fear and reverence for God that they should. This idea of reverence involves more than just a feeling. There are things that we must do, and others that we must not do if we are to show reverence toward God.

First, God makes it clear that His name should not be taken in vain. Exodus 20:7 says, “Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.” When we use the name of God flippantly or casually, that is taking His name in vain. However, there are a number of euphemisms that are commonly used to substitute God’s name with another word. These are just as sinful, because they mean the same. It still shows an improper lack of respect for God.

Second, reverence for God means that we will obey Him. “Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still” (Psa. 4:4). The Bible makes a direct connection between our attitude toward God and our willingness to obey His commandments. If we truly “stand in awe” and “greatly fear” Jehovah God, we will realize that to not follow His commands would be a

direct insult to the perfect, all-powerful nature of God. The next time you are tempted to sin, remember that you are not merely breaking some obsolete principle written down thousands of years ago. You are telling the King of Kings that you have a better way to live your life than what He says. Hopefully, this will deter you from disobeying God.

Third, if we revere God, we will take seriously the worship services offered to Him. When we assemble to praise and worship God, we need to give Him our full attention. We ought not to be focusing on anything else, because this is a time to show our devotion to God. But we also need to think carefully about how we show up to services. If we consistently show up late, what does that show others (not to mention God) about our attitude toward our God? Likewise, if we come wearing a T-shirt and a pair of old, ripped jeans, do we really think that we portray an attitude of reverence? We should have enough respect for God that we can ensure that we are at the assembly on time, cleaned up, and ready to worship. We would do the same for any important appointment.

The Bible is very clear when it tells us that God deserves our esteem and reverence. If we do not have this attitude toward Him, then we cannot be pleasing in His sight—and that is not a condition that we want to be in. Let’s all strive to be more reverential in our speech, conduct, and worship to God.



## Choosing A Mate Letters to Singles

by Nancy Reaves

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# I Read It on Their Sign

LEWIS WILLIS

**I** admit it! I often see things that others do not notice. And I saw a couple of church signs recently about which I want to share some thoughts.

## SIGN 1

A church in Rootstown, OH had a message on their sign that informed everyone of two important facts. Fact 1 was: “**There is only one God.**” I don’t have a problem with that point at all.

In truth, the Bible could not be clearer about that part of the message. When the apostle Paul wrote to the church at Ephesus, among other things, he declares: “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” (Eph. 4:4-6).

Hear Paul again on this subject: “. . . we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one. For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) but to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him” (1 Cor. 8:4-6).

When Paul went to Athens, in Acts 17, it is estimated that the people of that city worshipped 30,000 different gods that they had created with their own imaginations. Paul, in that climate, made the following declaration: “Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious. For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you” (Acts 17:22-23).

Furthermore, David said, “The fool hath said in his heart There is no God” (Psa 14:1). We dare not make the mistake the atheist makes.

Yes, it is critical that we acknowledge fact#1: There is only one God. But this is only part of the message on the sign. Fact

2 states, “You are not Him.” This is certainly an important consideration. Too many people want to step into the role of God and make laws and rules which He has not made. They wish to assert themselves into the position of God, authorizing actions that God has not authorized, and deleting duties and actions that God has commanded.

In fact, the very church on whose sign board the message appeared wears a name (Methodist) which God has not authorized the church to wear. They worship in a way (using instruments of music) which God has not appointed for worship. As a church, they engage in practices (games and parties) which the God of glory has forbidden. If anyone ever needed to heed the message of their sign, that church needs to do so. 1. There is only one God, and 2. You are not Him. That church needs to adjust its practices accordingly.

## SIGN 2

A Ravenna church has been displaying a sign which says, “Never mistake motion for action.” This is certainly good advice. All of my life I have heard of people who “are only going through the motions” of this or that. No real emotion was attached; they were only “acting” a part.

This “motion” was one problem that Jesus encountered. He described the motions which the “hypocrites” of His day performed. “Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. . . . And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. . . . Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward” (Matt. 6:1, 5, 16).

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# The Blood of Sprinkling

MARC W. GIBSON

Peter begins his first epistle with the following words:

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the pilgrims of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied (1 Pet. 1:1-2).

Let's take a closer look at the phrase "sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ." The concept of "sprinkling the blood" comes from the sacrifices of the Law of Moses. Consider what happened at the dedication of the Mosaic Covenant:

And Moses took half the blood and put it in basins, and half the blood he sprinkled on the altar. Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. . . .And Moses took the blood, sprinkled it on the people, and said, "Behold, the blood of the covenant which the Lord has made with you according to all these words" (Exod. 24:6-8).

This occasion is remembered by the writer of the book of Hebrews when he describes how Moses "sprinkled both the book itself and all the people," and then adds that "he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry" (9:19, 21).

Blood was sprinkled on the altar by Moses and Aaron (Lev. 8:24; 9:18). Later, when King Hezekiah restored true temple worship, the priests sprinkled blood on the altar (2 Chron. 29:22). Anyone familiar with the Law of Moses would immediately understand a reference to the "sprinkling of blood."

In the book of Hebrews, a clear and unmistakable distinction is drawn between the sprinkling of the blood of animals under the first covenant and the superior blessings offered through the blood of Christ:

For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? (9:13-14).

The blood of Jesus was offered in the superior sacrifice accomplished on the cross at Calvary. This blood was shed so that Jesus, as our High Priest, could enter Heaven, "the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption"

(Heb. 9:12). By this means He "put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself" (v. 26).

Because of these things, it comes as no surprise to see the blood of Jesus referred to as the "blood of sprinkling":

...to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel (Heb. 12:24).

It should also interest us that the blood that was placed on the lintel and doorposts on the first Passover in Egypt to protect Israel's firstborn from the plague of death (Exod. 12:21-23), is referred to as the "sprinkling of blood" (Heb. 11:28). Jesus is our Passover who was sacrificed for us (1 Cor. 5:7b), and it is His "sprinkling of blood" that can protect our souls from the death of sin (cf. Rom. 6:23).

If the blood of Jesus is to benefit us by the sanctification and cleansing from sin, we must have a faith that obeys:

Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus...let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water (Heb. 10:19, 22).

The "sprinkling" from an evil conscience is accomplished by the blood of Jesus and is applied by God when one is baptized in water. This is why Saul of Tarsus was commanded to "arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord" (Acts 22:16). It is there that we meet the blood of Jesus that washes us from our sins (Rev. 1:5). Our sins and our evil conscience are washed away by the blood of Jesus when we are baptized into Christ. This is the combining of man's faith and God's grace to procure salvation from sin.

We now can understand why Peter combined the concepts of election, sanctification, obedience, and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ (1 Pet. 1:2). God has provided everything necessary to save our souls from sin. We need only to believe and obey His commandments. The blood of Jesus has been made available for you, dear friend. Have you come to this "blood of sprinkling" to be sanctified and cleansed?

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# Who is the Antichrist?

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With a term of endearment (“*little children*”) that is a favorite of John’s, he warns them about a problem that was very real in his day (1 John 2:18). John is the only writer of the New Testament who uses the term “antichrist,” and he uses the term just five times (1 John 2:18, twice; 2:22; 4:3; 2 John 7).

The Greek word from which our English word “antichrist” is translated is very simple to understand. We use the same compound word every day. We have people who are “anti-smoking,” “anti-hunting,” “anti-Semitic,” or “anti-abortion.” There really is no big mystery as to what the word means: “antichrist” is anyone who opposes Christ.

It is interesting to note that in some sense the antichrist was already present, but unfortunately John’s words have been taken to suggest that an individual “Antichrist” was yet to appear. The term is commonly used today by Premillennialists to refer to one individual who is supposed to appear near the end of time. Connections between the “Antichrist” and the “*man of sin*” in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-11 are often made with the visions of Daniel concerning the “*king of the South*” (Dan. 11:36-45) and the “*beast of the sea*” (Rev. 13:1-9). Premillennialists believe that Daniel foresaw a human leader, satanically energized, who would come to Jerusalem, enforce his will, exalt himself above all other people and gods, and wreak havoc and slaughter. They claim he will be so convincing as an ally and deliverer that Israel will sign a pact with him to be her protector. He will then turn against the nation and occupy the throne in the sanctuary of the rebuilt temple, which for Israel will still symbolize the presence of God, and blasphemously present himself to the world as if he were God.

There have been many who have been suggested as the “Antichrist.” Chrysostom held that he was the resurrected Nero. Some Catholics held that he would be an apostate priest or even the Pope. Speculations about who the “Antichrist” is have included about every U.S. President and

world leader (such as Napoleon Bonaparte, Benito Mussolini, and Adolf Hitler). Ever since the election, there have been people make the case to me that Barack Obama is the “Antichrist”! Some have even argued that the “Antichrist” will be a demon-possessed, super intelligent, human clone!

However, because John said there were “*many antichrists*” that were “*already . . . in the world*,” this has led others to conclude that the “antichrist” is an attitude reflected in both individuals and systems. John certainly applied the term that way to the Gnostics of his day (2 John 7). As we will see, the evidence for a single adversary is simply not as strong as many believe. It is very evident that John was more concerned about the “*antichrists*” that had already come, so it will be good for us to study how can we avoid being misled by “*antichrists*” today (whether it be one or many).

## WHO WERE THE ANTICHRISTS?

There are several characteristics of “*antichrists*.” First, they refuse to follow apostolic authority. In John’s day, they were individuals who had associated with the apostles and other Christians. They had gone out on their own and were no longer in fellowship with them. Thus it became manifest that they were not “*of us*” (approved by the apostles). Later, John describes the “*spirit of antichrist*” as those who do not hear the apostles (i.e., respect apostolic authority). In our day, “*antichrists*” behave the same way. They may start out acting like they respect apostolic authority and seek to be with Christians. But eventually their true nature comes out and they will not want to be with those who respect authority very long. Those who reject the apostles, reject Christ Himself, and are thus “*antichrist*” (cf. John 13:20).

Second, they deny Jesus is the Christ. Many Gnostics alleged that Jesus and Christ were two different persons. Cerinthus, who was alive during the first century, envisioned a “Christ spirit,” an ethereal but powerful supernatural being that descended on a man named Jesus at His baptism and left Him just before His death. Thus the “Christ spirit” was

not fully human, but only temporarily indwelt a man through whom that spirit, before departing, demonstrated remarkable power and wisdom. This is this denial that Jesus Christ came in the flesh that John identifies as the “*spirit of antichrist*” (1 John 4:3-4).

Third, they deny the Father and the Son. By denying that Jesus is the Christ, they were denying the Son—He who was “*begotten of the Father*” and who became flesh (cf. John 1:14). By denying the Son, they were in essence also denying the Father. When John wrote his book, there were many “*antichrists*” in the world. This directly contradicts modern teachers who say that one “*Antichrist*” will arise in the future. Today, an “*antichrist*” would be one who denies Jesus to be the Messiah, or who denies the nature of Jesus (that He was fully God and fully man).

### GUARDING AGAINST THE ANTICHRISTS

John’s readers were reminded of their “*unction*.” This “*unction* (anointing) *from the Holy One*” enabled them to “*know all things*” and it enabled them “*not to need that anyone teach you*.” The false teachers who threatened John’s readers employed the terms for knowledge and anointing to describe their religious experience. They saw themselves as possessing an elevated and mysterious form of divine knowledge, and as the recipients of a special, secret, transcendent anointing. That led them to believe that they had a special truth that the uneducated lacked. John’s response, which was both a rebuttal to the “*antichrists*” and a reassurance to the Christians, was to assert that they had an “*unction*” of the Holy Spirit.

The “*anointing*” is a “conveying of a supernatural blessing” (cf. Luke 4:18), referring to the gifts of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 12:8-10): wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, tongues, and the interpretation of tongues. They provided both revelation and confirmation of the truth for the early church (Mark 16:17-20; Heb. 2:1-4).

These Christians could have identified the “*antichrists*” without John’s help. Despite having this “*anointing*,” they needed to be encouraged to continue in what they had learned from the Spirit. Having the gifts of the Spirit did not keep them from sinning or being misled (1 John 2:26). Only by heeding what they had heard from the beginning would they continue to abide in the Son and in the Father, and receive the promise of eternal life.

Christians today do not have the “*anointing*” like John’s readers. Many people today misapply this verse to teach that we can have some direct “*anointing*” from God. But if we did, then we would not need the Scriptures, and only the self-deceived would make such a claim (1 John 2:20, 27)!

However, we have something just as good. We have the word of God, which is the “*sword of the Spirit*” (Eph. 6:17). We have “*the faith once delivered unto the saints*” (Jude 3). We have an objective standard by which we can know the truth, and avoid being misled by subjective feelings that can be mistaken for some sort of inner prompting of the Holy Spirit (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

But like John’s readers, we need encouragement to continue in what we have learned from the Spirit-given word. Having the word of God does not guarantee doctrinal safety (cf. Gal. 1:7; 2 Cor. 11:4). Unless we study and apply the word, we are open to deceptions by modern-day “*antichrists*”! Therefore, “*antichrists*” can still be a very real problem for us. While there may not be many professing Christians who deny that Jesus is the Christ, or that He came in the flesh, there are many who reject the authority of the apostles by rejecting the scriptures!

Are you an “*antichrist*”? Do you actively teach or simply believe that Jesus Christ never walked the earth, but was a mythological figure? Do you actively teach or simply believe there was a man named Jesus Christ, but He did not actually rise from the dead? Do you actively speak out against or simply believe that the gospel is a false religion? Are you an atheist or agnostic who is indifferent and non-religious? Then you too are an “*antichrist*”!

The “*antichrist*” does not have horns or red, glowing eyes. Neither is the “*antichrist*” some demon-possessed, super intelligent human clone. He is also not necessarily a political candidate, unless that candidate denies that Jesus is the Christ. Rather, the “*antichrist*” is that sweet, elderly lady living next door who openly teaches the neighborhood kids that Jesus was just a myth. We must “*continue in the Son, and in the Father*” (1 John 2:24). Remember, we are living in the last hour, and Christ may come at any time and judge us for our unbelief!

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# I Read It On Their Sign

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Certainly this describes the Jews of Christ's day as just "going through the motions." Jesus declared such people to be nothing more than "hypocrites." They were playing at their religion. Remember, these were "God's people" to whom Jesus referred! Is it remotely possible that He might refer to many of us today in the same language, if He were here observing our service to Him?

What would He say about our service in the kingdom? Are we just going through the motions, or are we acting as He appointed us to act? Do we mean what we sing in our hymns, or are we just going through the motion of worship? Do we mean

what we say in our prayers? Do we accompany them with action, or is it just motion? Are our hearts set upon Jesus in the Lord's Supper, or are we just going through the motions? Do we following the teaching of the sermons we hear with action, or are we just going through the motions? Do we really care about one another, or are we just going through motions that would cause others to think we really care about one another?

Even Christians would be well-advised to remember the message of the denominational church sign-board: "Never mistake motion for action."

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and began to fragment around loyalty to these men. Paul responds to the Corinthian division in such a way as to leave this impression.

He begins by telling the Corinthians that the gospel is different from the wisdom of this world. The gospel that is preached is not the product of especially learned and wise men who have devised a means of salvation based on their own wisdom. An examination of its message shows that is not the case. Who would ever have dreamed of preaching salvation through a crucified Savior? (Much like saying, who would every have dreamed of preaching salvation through someone who was put to death in the electric chair?) Paul wrote,

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent." Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe (1 Cor. 1:18-21).

It has pleased God to bring men to salvation through the gospel, a message that was esteemed as foolishness to the Gentile world. Consequently, the gospel did not appeal to the elitist learned men in their society. "For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many

mighty, not many noble, are called" (1 Cor. 1:26).

In his own efforts to preach the gospel in the Corinthians society, Paul made a studied effort to avoid men's loyalty being given to him instead of to the crucified Christ.

And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God (1 Cor. 2:1-5).

The Corinthian's loyalty should be to Christ and not to Paul, or any other gospel preacher. To the degree that preachers create a following loyal to themselves, they have not exalted the crucified Christ.

To further emphasize this point, Paul affirmed that the gospel was received by revelation from Jesus Christ, not by human wisdom. He said, "However, we speak wisdom among those who are mature, yet not the wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are coming to nothing. But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory" (1 Cor. 2:6-7). His point should not be lost. He is still discussing the divisions in Corinth brought about by an undue loyalty to men. He emphasizes that

the gospel is not something smart men invented, but came to ordinary men by revelation of God through the Holy Spirit. There is, therefore, no reason to think too highly of the men who preach it. They are God's messengers, not originators of the faith.

The divisions in Corinth manifested the worldliness that still existed in the church at Corinth. Paul affirms that the very existence of these divisions shows their carnality.

And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able; for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men? For when one says, "I am of Paul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not carnal? (1 Cor. 3:1-4).

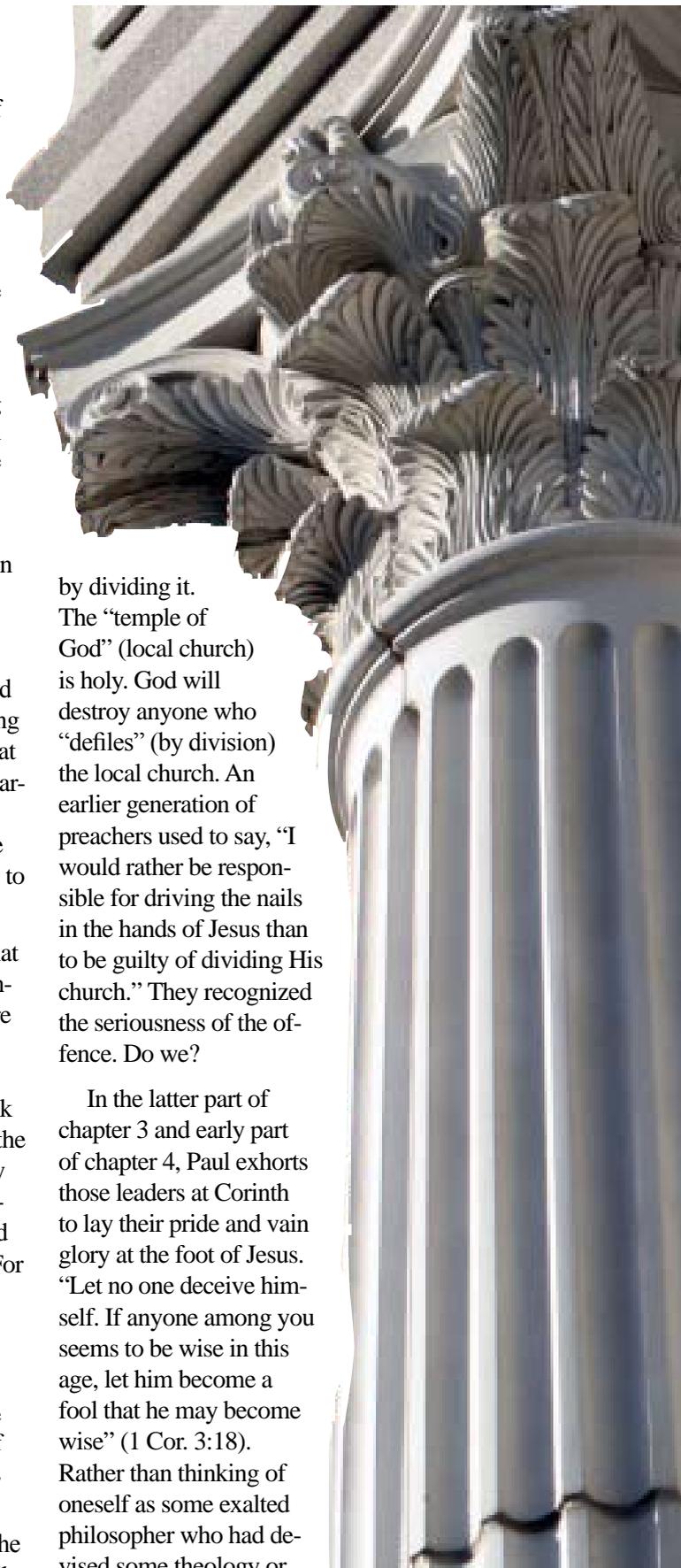
Have you heard someone complain about how bad things are in a given church? Sometimes they relate that the situation was so bad that, because of their love for Christ, they had no choice but to divide the church and start a new congregation. Sometimes such a group starts a new congregation in a city that already has fifteen to twenty churches. Is the need created because the other congregations around are so full and running over that a new church needs to "swarm"? Most generally that is not the case. In many cases, the division leaves every appearance of being an undue loyalty to men, the same problem as existed in Corinth. The situation creates and leaves a heritage of animosity between different groups that may take decades to overcome, if it ever does.

Paul's response to this loyalty to men is to remind them that Paul, Apollos, and Cephas are not in competition with one another, but are working together. Paul, Apollos, and Cephas are all ministers (servants) of Christ. One plants, another waters, but God gives the increase (1 Cor. 3:6). That is, one should not think too highly of the man planting or watering, but think highly of God who gives the increase. The one planting and the one watering are not in competition with one another, so why should those who profess loyalty to these men be in competition with one another? Each laborer in God's vineyard should use his abilities as best he can in service to the same Lord. "For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building" (1 Cor. 3:9).

Dividing a local church is a serious offence. Paul writes,

Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are (1 Cor. 3:16-17).

Paul has not shifted in this context to speak of "defiling" the human body (this he does in 1 Cor. 6:19); rather, he is still talking about the defiling of the "temple of God," the local church



by dividing it. The "temple of God" (local church) is holy. God will destroy anyone who "defiles" (by division) the local church. An earlier generation of preachers used to say, "I would rather be responsible for driving the nails in the hands of Jesus than to be guilty of dividing His church." They recognized the seriousness of the offence. Do we?

In the latter part of chapter 3 and early part of chapter 4, Paul exhorts those leaders at Corinth to lay their pride and vain glory at the foot of Jesus. "Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you seems to be wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise" (1 Cor. 3:18). Rather than thinking of oneself as some exalted philosopher who had devised some theology or philosophy that no other

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had ever understood so well as he had, he should accept that he is the Lord's servant to whom God has entrusted a stewardship. What is required of stewards is that they be "faithful" (1 Cor. 4:2). He brings his argument to a crescendo when he writes,

Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other. For who makes you differ from another? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive it, why do you boast as if you had not received it? (1 Cor. 4:6-7).

Never think so highly of men as to hold them or their words of more importance or authoritative than the revealed gospel!

## MODERN CORINTH?

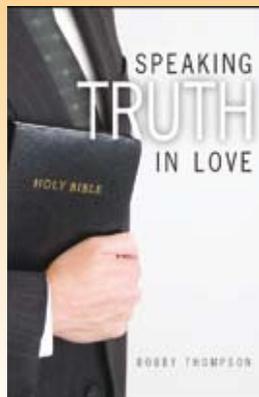
Do we have any churches that might resemble ancient Corinth, that might be troubled by men who look at the local church as their own fiefdom? Are there churches which have been torn apart by dominant men getting crossed with each other and the members aligning themselves based on their loyalty, not to Christ, but to the men involved?

Sometimes as a church grows, new members come into the local church who want to serve in whatever capacity as they can. They bring new ideas, new suggestions for executing the Lord's work. They have no desire to introduce a different gospel or to lead the church toward apostasy. But, their background has enabled them to introduce some things the local church was not used to before. They may sing some songs that are "new" to the local church; they may suggest that a little more time be used in discussing the Lord's sacrifice when serving at the Lord's table; they may want to offer a prayer to thank the Lord for our material blessings before taking up the

collection; they may see the need for a PowerPoint projector for the auditorium and/or classrooms; etc. An older group in the church may have been perfectly content with the way things were and oppose every suggestion that these new members present. After all, if it is not their idea, it isn't worth having. Each side has its representative leader and men began to line up behind the respective leaders. This situation poses a potential danger to the unity of the local church. A spirit of "them" and "us" can soon develop, which spirit is the incipient form of the schisms and division in a local church.

Sometimes the preacher becomes the focal point in the conflict within the local church. The preacher is the only "disposable" member in a local church. When he has been there several years, some get tired of hearing him and decide that it is time to change preachers. It is not that the preacher has preached anything wrong or is not doing good work; everyone will admit he is a good man doing a good work. The problem is that some want him to leave so that they can listen to someone else (for a few years before they also send him packing). Each side has its spokesman. One group campaigns to get the preacher to move; another group campaigns to give him a raise. This situation poses a potential danger to the unity of the local church. A spirit of "them" and "us" develops and the unity of the local church is threatened.

How will this play out? Unfortunately, too often it plays out by one group pressing its way to such extent that the others feel they cannot stay and worship together. They members may flee to area churches or start another church in the area. But, let's make no bones about it. Such divisions manifest a carnality in the local church just as certainly as it did at Corinth. Christ expects His children to do better than this!



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<p><b>BRUNSDIDGE, AL</b> Church of Christ 437 Clayton St (at US 231) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Paul Carter (334) 397-4684 Billy Carter: (334) 566-3205 pcarter@graceba.net billyc@troycable.net</p>	<p><b>MOBILE, AL</b> West Mobile Church of Christ 129 Hillcrest Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (251) 342-4144 or 342-2041</p>	<p><b>SCOTTSBORO, AL</b> Eastside Church of Christ John T. Reid Pkwy. (Hwy. 72, 2 mi. E. of Hwy. 35) Worship 9:00 A.M. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Wayne Chappell, Sr. (256) 574-1603 or 575-2664</p>	<p><b>CLINTON, AR</b> Mt. Zion Church of Christ 1202 Hwy. 16 West Clinton, AR 72031 (1.2 miles W of US 65) Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bill Dodd Bldg: (501) 745-2572</p>	<p><b>MARSHALL, AR</b> Marshall Church of Christ (North Central, AR) Hwy. 27 N, 1 Mi. from 65 Jct. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Randy Seairight (870) 448-2055</p>	<p><b>CANOGA PARK, CA</b> (San Fernando Valley) Church of Christ 7054 Winnetka Ave. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Afternoon 2:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Minister: Bruce Evans (818)348-2193 Spanish congregation (818)701-0112</p>
<p><b>HELP VACATIONING CHRISTIANS FIND YOUR PLACE OF WORSHIP</b></p>	<p><b>MONTGOMERY, AL</b> Church of Christ 800 Perry Hill Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jeff Henderson 244-1675, 277-9155, 271-4679</p>	<p><b>FAIRBANKS, AK</b> Chena Small Tracts Road Church of Christ 5033 Chena Small Tracts Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (907) 479-8918</p>	<p><b>CONWAY, AR</b> Hwy. 65 Church of Christ 217 Highway 65 Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bruce Reeves Bldg: (501) 336-0052</p>	<p><b>PINE BLUFF, AR</b> Church of Christ 4700 W. 28th St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:35 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Clarence W. Fell (870) 879-2097</p>	<p><b>DUBLIN, CA</b> Tri-Valley Church of Christ 11873 Dublin Blvd. Dublin, CA 94568 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Joshua Higgins (925) 828-8747</p>
<p><b>FLORENCE, AL</b> College View Church of Christ 851 N. Pine St. (Next to University Campus) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:15 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelists: Mark White</p>	<p><b>MONTGOMERY, AL</b> Eastbrook Church of Christ 650 Coliseum Blvd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:00 P.M. Bldg: (334) 272-4232 Evangelist: Brian Moore 279-1077 Carroll Puckett 288-1461; Charles Martin 283-2983; Bob Smith 334-277-1904</p>	<p><b>GLENDALE, AZ</b> Church of Christ 6801 N. 60th Ave. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:40 A.M. Bible Study 5:00 P.M. Evening 5:40 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Steven Harper</p>	<p><b>CONWAY, AR</b> Prince Street Church of Christ 2655 Prince St. (Hwy. 60) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (501) 339-6917</p>	<p><b>ROGERS, AR</b> Central Church of Christ P.O. Box 763 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Ricky Manes (479) 636-7484 (479) 631-0288</p>	<p><b>EL CAJON, CA</b> Church of Christ 523 S. Johnson Ave El Cajon, CA 92020 Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (619) 444-6106 (619) 922-0395</p>
<p><b>HUNTSVILLE, AL</b> Chapman Acres Church of Christ 2137 Penhall Dr., NE (I-565, Exit 21, left on Maysville Rd., left on Chapman Ave., right on Penhall Dr.) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Roger Blackwelder (256) 536-5296 or 617-2848</p>	<p><b>NORTHPORT, AL</b> Northwood Church of Christ 4601 Northwood Estates Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: David Hartselle</p>	<p><b>TUCSON, AZ</b> Church of Christ 145 N. Country Club Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Hugh Delong 326-3634 or 722-3179</p>	<p><b>FT. SMITH, AR</b> South 46th St. Church of Christ 2323 South 46th St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: John Hagenbuch (479) 478-6108 or 782-0588</p>	<p><b>TEXARKANA, AR</b> Church of Christ 2301 Franklin Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:15 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Marc R. Hinds</p>	<p><b>FOLSOM, CA</b> Church of Christ 900 E. Natomas St. P.O. Box 492 Worship 9:30 A.M. Bible Study 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: David Posey (530) 676-9514 or (916) 608-4866 www.folsomchurch.com</p>

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<p><b>HEMET, CA</b> Church of Christ 203 W. Acacia Ave. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (951)925-1991</p>	<p><b>PAGOSA SPRINGS, CO</b> Church of Christ Community Center 451 Hot Springs Blvd. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 11:00 A.M. No Evening Worship No Wednesday Bible Study Evangelist: Eddie Campbell (970) 264-4236</p>	<p><b>FORT MYERS, FL</b> Church of Christ 200 Pine Island Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:15 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Vernon E. Ford (239) 567-0819</p>	<p><b>KISSIMMEE, FL</b> Church of Christ 2431 Fortune Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Mark Copeland (407) 931-1725 or 348-0300</p>	<p><b>PALATKA, FL</b> Palatka Church of Christ 505 Third Ave. (Third Ave. intersects Hwy. 19 one block south of Hwy. 20) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Robert Skomp (386) 326-3952 or 546-5689</p>	<p><b>SEFFNER, FL</b> Church of Christ 621 E. Wheeler Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Bobby Witherington (813) 684-1297 www.seffnercc.org</p>
<p><b>LONG BEACH, CA</b> Church of Christ 3433 Studebaker Rd. Bible Study 9:50 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Lonnice Fritz (562) 420-2363 Mark Reeves (562) 420-9577 (562) 377-1674</p>	<p><b>DOVER, DE</b> Kent-Sussex Church of Christ 2041 South DuPont Hwy Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (302) 672-7087 www.delawarebiblestudies.com</p>	<p><b>FORT MYERS, FL</b> Southside Church of Christ 13641 Learning Ct. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: David P. Schmidt 433-2838 or 482-2158</p>	<p><b>LAKELAND, FL</b> Lakeland Hills Blvd. Church of Christ 2510 Lakeland Hills Blvd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelists: Marc W. Gibson Don Hastings (863) 688-4336</p>	<p><b>PALMETTO, FL</b> Palmetto Church of Christ 1575 14th Avenue W. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: David Beck (941) 722-1307, or (941) 803-8084 www.palmettochurchofchrist.com</p>	<p><b>TAMPA, FL</b> Central Church of Christ 2701 E. Fowler Ave (in the Clarion) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. John Lockaby (813) 833-5786 John Trimble (813) 914-0546 Tom O'Neal (813) 625-5651</p>
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<p><b>ARVADA, CO</b> (Denver) Northgate Church of Christ (Lincoln Academy Charter School) 6980 Pierce Street Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Afternoon Class/ Worship 1:30 P.M. (303) 456-4895</p>	<p><b>BRONSON, FL</b> Church of Christ 894 E. Hathaway (Hwy. 27A) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Thursday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: John Zellner (352) 528-3058</p>	<p><b>FROSTPROOF, FL</b> Church of Christ 40 W. "A" St. Frostproof, FL 33483 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mike Freese (863) 635-2607 or 635-4278</p>	<p><b>MIAMI, FL</b> Flagler Grove Church of Christ (Nearest to Airport) 500 N.W. 53rd Ave. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: John Buttrick (305) 634-5924</p>	<p><b>PANAMA CITY, FL</b> Church of Christ 3339 Florida Ave. (Between Baldwin Rd. &amp; Hwy. 390) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Marvin Hudson (850) 265-6539</p>	<p><b>CENTERVILLE, GA</b> Centerville Church of Christ 250 Collins Ave. (Near Robins AFB) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: J. Wiley Adams (478) 922-1128</p>
<p><b>COLORADO SPRINGS, CO</b> Northeast Church of Christ 6660 Galley Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (719) 597-6661</p>	<p><b>BROOKSVILLE, FL</b> Church of Christ 604 W. Fort Dade Ave. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: V.C. McCormick (352) 796-9803</p>	<p><b>GENEVA, FL</b> Geneva Church of Christ Ave. C and 2nd St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. (407) 349-9998</p>	<p><b>MIAMI, FL</b> Church of Christ 12780 Quail Roost Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Clark Pace (305) 233-9590 or (954) 430-1437</p>	<p><b>PENSACOLA, FL</b> East Hill Church of Christ 2078 E. Nine Mile Rd. at Camberwell Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Stan Adams 479-2130 or 994-7749</p>	<p><b>CONYERS, GA</b> Rockdale Church of Christ East Metro Atlanta, 705 Smyrna Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Forrest Bacon, elder (770) 918-1932; Wendell Holland, elder (770) 761-6987; Bob Tuten, elder (678) 475-7212; Building (770) 929-3973</p>
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<p><b>GRAND JUNCTION, CO</b> Valley Church of Christ 491 Sparrn Road P.O. Box 40531 Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bill Bohannon www.ValleyChurchofChrist.net</p>	<p><b>DELAND, FL</b> North Blvd. Church of Christ 823 N. Woodland Blvd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jack Owen (386) 734-6907 or 734-4311</p>	<p><b>JACKSONVILLE, FL</b> Julington Creek Church of Christ 1630 State Rd 13N Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (904) 230-3332 (Bldg.) or 268-9638 (Wendell Bowman) jimbell007@netzero.net www.jccoc.com</p>	<p><b>ORLANDO, FL</b> Pine Hills Church of Christ 890 Hastings St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Ray West (407) 293-2851 or 290-8650</p>	<p><b>PUNTA GORDA, FL</b> Church of Christ 2300 Taylor Road PO Box 511069 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening (Nov.-Mar.) 4:00 P.M. Evening (Apr.-Oct.) 5:00 P.M. Evangelist: Paul Branch (239) 458-3566</p>	<p><b>PINE MTN. VALLEY, GA</b> Church of Christ Route 116 (near Callaway Gardens) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Tommy W. Thomas (706) 628-5117 or 628-5229</p>
<p><b>IGNACIO, CO</b> Church of Christ 295 Burns Ave. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 1:00 P.M. (970) 563-9418</p>	<p><b>DESTIN, FL</b> South Walton Church of Christ 64 Casting Lake Rd. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (850) 632-3817 www.southwaltonchurchofchrist.com</p>	<p><b>JACKSONVILLE, FL</b> Marietta Church of Christ 8150 Driggers St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jamie Rhoden Elders: Jamie Rhoden &amp; Steve Frazier (904) 781-5704 or 693-0432 www.mariettacoc.com</p>	<p><b>ORLANDO, FL</b> Azalea Park Church of Christ 6800 Lake Underhill Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: James P. Needham (407) 277-7931 or 628-2995</p>	<p><b>ST. PETERSBURG, FL</b> Church of Christ 901 49th St. South Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Doug Barlar (813) 321-2721</p>	<p><b>SAVANNAH, GA</b> Coastal Church of Christ 7201 Johnny Mercer Blvd Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Ron Nelson ronnelson@embarqmail.com (912) 306-4631 www.coastalchurchofchrist.com</p>

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<p><b>VALDOSTA, GA</b> Church of Christ 4313 North Valdosta Rd. (Located 1 mile E. of Exit 22 off I-75) Worship 9:00 A.M. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. (No evening worship) Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (229) 244-8630</p>	<p><b>PALATINE, IL</b> Church of Christ (N.W. Chicago Suburb) 1050 N. Deer Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (847) 967-9667</p>	<p><b>MUNCIE, IN</b> Church of Christ 301 N. Calvert Ave. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Kevin Sulc (765) 284-5299 or 286-5488</p>	<p><b>LENEXA, KS</b> Lenexa Church of Christ 7845 Cottonwood Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jim Stauffer (913) 631-6519 or 764-9170</p>	<p><b>CANEYVILLE, KY</b> Caneyville Church of Christ 103 N. Main St. (near the 4 way stop) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Dale Barnes (270) 879-6152 or 274-3065</p>	<p><b>BATON ROUGE, LA</b> Park Forest Church of Christ 9923 Sunny Cline Dr. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Bill Crews 275-4684 or 273-1105</p>
<p><b>BLACKFOOT, ID</b> Church of Christ 370 N. Shilling P.O. Box 158-83221 Bible Study 1:30 P.M. Worship 2:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (208) 785-6168 or 681-1552</p>	<p><b>CLARKSVILLE, IN</b> Clarksville Church of Christ 407 Lewis and Clark Pkw. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Kipp Campbell (812) 941-0747 or 944-2305 KCampbell@earthlink.net Elders: 944-1878 or 948-9917</p>	<p><b>OOLETIC, IN</b> Church of Christ 400 Lafayette Ave. P.O. Box 34 Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (812) 279-4332</p>	<p><b>TOPEKA, KS</b> 17th Street Church of Christ 5600 SW 17th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (785) 235-8687 or 273-7977 www.17thstreetchurchofchrist.org</p>	<p><b>DANVILLE, KY</b> 385 E. Lexington Ave. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 11:15 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Scott Vifquain (859) 236-4204 or 238-0860</p>	<p><b>BOSSIER CITY, LA</b> Bossier Church of Christ 2917 Foster Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (318) 747-4308 or 742-4557</p>
<p><b>ABINGDON, IL</b> Abingdon Church of Christ 209 N. Main Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 4:00 P.M. Evangelist: John B. Wilson (309) 462-5368</p>	<p><b>ELETTSVILLE, IN</b> Church of Christ 303 W. Temperance St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Johnie Edwards Evangelist: John Isaac Edwards (812) 876-2285 or 336-4630</p>	<p><b>PEKIN, IN</b> Church of Christ (First St. &amp; Karnes Ct.) Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: John Henry 967-3437 or 967-3520</p>	<p><b>WICHITA, KS</b> Ridge Road Church of Christ 7001 W. 21st St., North Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. (316) 722-6622 or 744-1841</p>	<p><b>FRANKLIN, KY</b> 31-W North Church of Christ 1733 Bowling Green Road Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Monts (270) 586-3978 www.franklinchurch.com</p>	<p><b>LAKE CHARLES, LA</b> Southside Church of Christ 3919 Auburn St. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (337) 474-9122 or 436-0477</p>
<p><b>BENTON, IL</b> Church of Christ 203 N. Central St. P.O. Box 12 (west of Wal-Mart) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Greg King (618) 438-2911 or 435-2981</p>	<p><b>HAMMOND, IN</b> Woodmar Church of Christ 2133 169th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (219) 845-8942</p>	<p><b>RICHMOND, IN</b> Gaar Road Church of Christ 1835 Gaar Rd. (1 mi. S. of I-70 off Hwy. 227) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Douglas R. Clark (765) 935-2911</p>	<p><b>WICHITA, KS</b> Westside Church of Christ 3500 S. Meridian Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mike O'Neal (316) 729-9302 or 942-1649 www.cocwestside.com</p>	<p><b>GLASGOW, KY</b> East Main St. Church of Christ 106 Carnation Dr. (across from Gorin Park) Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Doug Lancaster (270) 678-2847 or 651-7141</p>	<p><b>LEESVILLE, LA</b> White Park Church of Christ 17801 Nolan Trace; 20 mi. from Fort Polk (5 mi. W. of Leesville) Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:35 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (337) 239-4614 www.whiteparkchurchofchrist.org</p>
<p><b>CHICAGO, IL</b> Northside Church of Christ 2543 W. Division St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: James R. Davis, Jr. (312) 961-2150</p>	<p><b>HOBART, IN</b> Church of Christ 300 N. Liberty St. Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Keith Welch (219) 942-2663</p>	<p><b>SALEM, IN</b> Westside Church of Christ 2000 West State Rd. 56 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Evan Casey (812) 883-2033 www.westsidechurchofchrist.info</p>	<p><b>BEAVER DAM, KY</b> Church of Christ 1235 Williams St. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study After Worship Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mike Thomas (270) 274-4451 or 274-4486</p>	<p><b>LEITCHFIELD, KY</b> Mill St. Church of Christ Highway 62 E. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:55 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Joey Cooper (270) 259-4968</p>	<p><b>MANY, LA</b> Lakeside Church of Christ 12095 Texas Hwy. (Hwy. 6 W.) 12 miles west of Many Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (318) 256-9396</p>
<p><b>CHICAGO, IL</b> Church of Christ 1514 West 74th Street Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: James E. Scott Bldg. (773) 224-9279 (708) 339-6126</p>	<p><b>INDIANAPOLIS, IN</b> Castleton Church of Christ 7701 East 86th St., 46256 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (317) 842-3613 Eric Spencer (317) 750-5939</p>	<p><b>TRAFALGAR, IN</b> Spearsville Rd. Church of Christ, 6244 S. 500W. (1.2 mi. S. of Hwy. 135) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: David R. Dodd (317) 878-5969 or (317) 439-3252 spearsvilleroadmessenger@gmail.com</p>	<p><b>BOWLING GREEN, KY</b> Eastside Church of Christ 1706 Smallhouse Rd Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:25 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wed. 10:00 A.M. &amp; 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Gary Kerr (270) 843-9925 www.mightytisthelord.com</p>	<p><b>LOUISVILLE, KY</b> Valley Station Church of Christ 1803 Dixie Garden Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Dudley Ross Spears (502) 937-2822</p>	<p><b>STONEWALL, LA</b> N. DeSoto Church of Christ 2071 Highway 171 (South of Shreveport) Worship 9:00 A.M. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Bobbitt (318) 925-2733</p>
<p><b>DOWNERS GROVE, IL</b> Church of Christ 1236 63rd St. (1 and 1/2 mile E. of I355) Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:55 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. (630) 968-0760 • www.dgcoc.org</p>	<p><b>JAMESTOWN, IN</b> Church of Christ (1 Mi. south of I-74) Cor. Darlington &amp; Mill Sts. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:25 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Denver Niemeier (765) 676-6404 or (317) 892-6285</p>	<p><b>DES MOINES, IA</b> Church of Christ 1310 N.E. 54th Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:40 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (515) 262-6799</p>	<p><b>BOWLING GREEN, KY</b> West End Church of Christ 300 Blue Level Rd., 42101 Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelists: Todd Chandler &amp; Lowell Sallee (270) 842-7880 www.westendchurch.com</p>	<p><b>LOUISVILLE, KY</b> Church of Christ 4401 West Broad St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Donald Wright, Jr. (502) 772-3026 or 491-9372</p>	<p><b>WEBSTER, MA</b> Church of Christ Webster 168 Main St. Sunday Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Sunday Worship 10:30 A.M. Wed Bible Study Call for details (508) 765-6067 Preacher: Peter Capoccia</p>
<p><b>GLEN ELLYN, IL</b> Church of Christ 796 Prairie, 60137 Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Joseph T. Novak (630-529-2149) (630) 858-2290</p>	<p><b>KOKOMO, IN</b> Church of Christ 1217 S. Courtland Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 10:30 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Joshua Welch (765) 453-2356</p>	<p><b>GRINNELL, IA</b> Church of Christ 1402 Third Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (641) 236-1955 (641) 793-2989</p>	<p><b>BRANDENBURG, KY</b> Brandenburg Church of Christ 612 Broadway Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Charles J. White (270) 422-3878</p>	<p><b>OWENSBORO, KY</b> Southside Church of Christ 2920 New Hartford Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Jarrod Jacobs (270) 683-5386 or 264-7869</p>	<p><b>PORTLAND, ME</b> Church of Christ 856 Brighton Ave. (Breakwater School) Leave Maine Turnpike at Exit 48 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Second service immediately following morning worship. Mid-week Bible Study—Please call for times &amp; places (207) 839-3075 or 839-8409</p>
<p><b>MATTOON, IL</b> Southside Church of Christ 1100 S. 17th St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (217) 234-3702</p>	<p><b>MARION, IN</b> South Marion Church of Christ 3629 S. Washington St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Alan Jones (765) 922-7602</p>	<p><b>EL DORADO, KS</b> Emporia St. Church of Christ 1154 S. Emporia Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (316) 321-1025</p>	<p><b>CAMPBELLSVILLE, KY</b> Sunny Hill Dr. Church of Christ (near the Dairy Queen) Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Steve Lee stevelee4510@windstream.net (270) 789-1651</p>	<p><b>REGINA, KY</b> Road Creek Church of Christ 7 miles west of Elkhorn City on Route 460 &amp; Route 80 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (606) 754-9883, 754-8642 or 754-5398</p>	<p><b>ARBUTUS, MD</b> Arbutus Church of Christ 5205 East Dr., Suite D (East Drive Shopping Center) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Church phone: (410) 247-1396, (410) 590-2852</p>

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	<p><b>SEVERN, MD</b> Southwest Church of Christ 805 Meadow Rd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Brandon Trout (410) 969-1420 or (410) 551-6549 <a href="http://www.swcofchrist.com">www.swcofchrist.com</a></p>	<p><b>COLUMBUS, MS</b> Woodlawn Church of Christ 359 Sanders Mills Rd. Steen Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 9:45 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Willis Logan (601) 356-6629</p>	<p><b>FAIR GROVE, MO</b> Church of Christ 217 N. Orchard Blvd. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Walter Myers (417) 830-8972 or (417) 736-2663</p>	<p><b>ST. JOSEPH, MO</b> County Line Church of Christ 2727 County Line Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 4:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (816) 279-4737 <a href="http://www.countylinechurchofchrist.com">www.countylinechurchofchrist.com</a></p>	<p><b>ALBUQUERQUE, NM</b> Albuquerque Church of Christ 1908 Sunshine Terrace SE Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (call to confirm time) 764-9277</p>
<p><b>RIVERDALE, MD</b> (Washington, D.C. area) Wildercroft Church of Christ 6330 Auburn Ave. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Evangelist: Mike Thomley (301) 474-7460 or 446-1912</p>	<p><b>GULFPORT, MS</b> Morris Rd. Church of Christ 1 blk. N. of Dedeaux Rd. &amp; 3 Rivers Rd. on Morris Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Don Davis (228) 832-5529</p>	<p><b>KANSAS CITY, MO</b> Nashua Church of Christ 11425 N. Main St. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:20 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Mark Broyles (816) 532-4270 or 734-4142</p>	<p><b>ST. JOSEPH, MO</b> Prairie Hills Church of Christ 14273 County Rd. 307 (.7 mi. E of Intersection I-29 &amp; Hwy. 169) Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:50 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (816) 233-6485 Evangelist: Erik Smith</p>	<p><b>ALBUQUERQUE, NM</b> Heights Church of Christ 7801 Zuni Road, S.E. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:30 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Darrel Yontz (505) 266-7577 <a href="http://www.heightschurchofchrist.com">www.heightschurchofchrist.com</a></p>	<p><b>MARION, NC</b> Hwy. 70 Church of Christ 18 Peachtree St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 4:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: T.J. Elliott (828) 652-7504 or 652-2584</p>
<p><b>CEDAR SPRINGS, MI</b> Grand Rapids Area W. Michigan Church of Christ Sr. Citizen Center, 44 Park St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. David Waldron (231) 832-2189 Michael Sewell (616) 361-8795</p>	<p><b>MERIDIAN, MS</b> Grandview Church of Christ 2820 Grandview Ave. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. Evangelist: Danny Gardner (601) 681-4505 or 482-9543 <a href="mailto:dg1969@bellsouth.net">dg1969@bellsouth.net</a></p>	<p><b>KANSAS CITY, MO</b> Vivion Road Church of Christ 2026 N.E. Vivion Rd. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:15 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Tom Kinzel (816) 453-6157</p>	<p><b>BEATRICE, NE</b> Church of Christ 7th and Bell Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 6:30 P.M. 233-4102 or 228-3827 <a href="http://www.churchofchrist7bell.com">www.churchofchrist7bell.com</a></p>	<p><b>ALBUQUERQUE, NM</b> Sandia Church of Christ 3939 San Pedro N.E., Building D-2 Bible Study 9:45 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Derek Chambers (505) 830-2086 <a href="http://www.sandiachurchofchrist.com">www.sandiachurchofchrist.com</a></p>	<p><b>BEAVERCREEK, OH</b> Knollwood Church of Christ 1031 Welford Dr. Bible Study 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:15 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:30 P.M. Keith Greer (937) 426-1422</p>
<p><b>DULUTH, MN</b> Church of Christ 318 N. 18th Ave. E. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Bible Study 5:30 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Nick Krumrei (218) 728-3233</p>	<p><b>MERIDIAN, MS</b> 7th St. Church of Christ 2914 7th St. Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 5:00 P.M. Wednesday 6:30 P.M. (601) 483-3101</p>	<p><b>KENNETT, MO</b> Church of Christ 703 Harrison St. Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (573) 888-6778</p>	<p><b>LAS VEGAS, NV</b> Vegas Dr. Church of Christ 3816 Vegas Drive Bible Study 9:00 A.M. Worship 10:00 A.M. Evening 4:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. (702) 648-4827</p>	<p><b>BUFFALO, NY</b> Greater Buffalo Church of Christ 3578 Walden Ave Lancaster, NY 14086 Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:15 A.M. Tuesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Daniel Bailey (716) 870-3259</p>	<p><b>CINCINNATI, OH</b> Blue Ash Church of Christ Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 10:45 A.M. Evening 6:00 P.M. Wednesday 7:00 P.M. Evangelist: Russell Dunaway, Jr. 891-3174</p>
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