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Explaining the Life I Have Chosen

One day, while presenting the Gospel to a mother of several children, I asked her, "Would you like to trust Christ as your Saviour?" She said, "I know that I should be more concerned, but I look at it this way: If there is a god, I'll have my day before him to defend myself and the life I have chosen." That dear mother did not get saved, and as I walked away from that door, I thought, "She is certainly right. She will have her day, and her children will follow mom's example."

I. A DAY TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH JESUS.

MATT, 19:22

Matthew 27:22, "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" Pilate had an opportunity that most men never have. He had the opportunity to personally meet Jesus, examine Him, and found Jesus to be exactly Who He claimed to be. His reaction was, "What shall I do then with Jesus..." He left the decision to others. Pilate will have his day.

II. A DAY TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH OUR WORDS. MATT. 27:42

Matt 12:36, "... every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment." The Great Commission says. "Go into all the world and preach the gospel." Sadly, many Christians just go into the world.

III. A DAY TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH OUR TIME. I KINGS 20:40

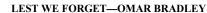
Psalm 90:12, "... teach us to number our days ..." We live in a time of fast-food restaurants. A time of 4 or 5 day work weeks. All of these new time saving ideas. Yet with all of the time we have free compared to 50 years ago, very few can find any time to give to God and His work.

IV. A DAY TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH OUR BIBLE. JOHN 12:48

Mark 8:38, "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." Illustration: Patrick Henry, when he was near death, picked up a Bible and said, "Here is a book, the Bible, worth more than all others that were ever printed; yet it is my misfortune never to have found the time to read it."

V. A DAY TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH OUR KNOWLEDGE. MATT. 25:26

Luke 12:48, "For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required ... " If you are strong and educated, that's wonderful. If you have





Omar Bradley led the American D-Day invasion, single-handedly planned the Normandy breakout, and engineered the Allied charge across Europe. But he never stood at the head of the parades through liberated towns, preferring to let his subordinates take the accolades. It was one of the ways he was able to get the most from his generals, from the brilliant but mercurial George S. Patton to the far less inspired Courtney Hodges.

Honored in the Army as a master tactician, Bradley is probably best known to the public as the "GI General." The nickname was coined by Ernie Pyle during the Sicily campaign, where Pyle recounted the general's humble ways and his concern for his troops, even as Bradley dodged bullets on the front line. That reputation was cemented by a two-year stint as head of the Veterans Administration. Bradley reshaped the scandal-ridden agency in two years, vastly improving its efficiency as well as its reputation.

Returning to the Army, Bradley became its chief, then the first head of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He remained active into the 1970s and is the last man to have held the five-star rank.

From revising doctrine and training to initiating the officers candidate program, Bradley left an indelible mark on the prewar Army. It was his intimate knowledge of that army, as well as his combat and strategic skills, that led to his successes during the war and helped ensure U.S. victory.



Kim Kline's Fresh Strawberry Upside Down Cake

2 cups crushed fresh strawberries 6 oz. package strawberry Jello mix 3 cups miniature marshmallows

18 oz. package yellow cake mix, batter prepared as directed on package

- 1. Preheat an oven to 350 degrees.
- 2. Spread crushed strawberries on the bottom of a 9x13 inch baking pan. Evenly sprinkle strawberries with the dry gelatin powder, and top with mini marshmallows.
- 3. Prepare the cake mix as directed on the package, and pour on top of the marshmallows. Bake in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean, about 40 to 50 minutes. Cool in the pan for 15 minutes. Run a knife around the pan to loosen the sides, and turn the cake out onto a serving tray. Store cake in the refrigerator.



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- Books by Dr. Jack Hyles, Dr. Al Lacy, Dr. Charles H. Spurgeon, Dr. Curtis Hutson, Dr. Bob Gray, Dr. Lee Roberson And scores more!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Upcoming Events!



Friday, August 11th, 7:00 PM Heritage Baptist Church Annual Ladies Retreat. Special Speaker: Mrs. Libby Robinson Myers of Waycross, GA



I'm not saying that Bryson Collingsworth is Batman. I'm just saving no one has ever seen Bryson and Batman in the same room.

DOES THIS TELL YOU SOMETHING?

- Einstein could not speak until he was four years old, and did not read until he was seven.
- Beethoven's music teacher said about him, "As a composer he is hopeless."
- When Thomas Edison was a young boy, his teachers said he was so stupid he could never learn anything.
- When F. W. Woolworth was 21, he got a job in a store, but was not allowed to wait on customers because he "didn't have enough sense."
- Walt Disney was once fired by a newspaper editor because he was thought to have "no good ideas."
- Caruso was told by one music teacher, "You can't sing. You have no voice at all."
- An editor told Louisa Mae Alcott that she was incapable of writing anything that would have popular appeal.



Saturday May 6 Basic Sewing Saturday May 13 **Honoring Mothers** Proverbs 31:13

Proverbs 31:22

Heritage Highlanders May 2017 Schedule Saturday May 20

Romans 10:13 Soulwinning Saturday May 27 Phil. 1:13

Remembering The Fallen

personality and a clear voice for speech, that's wonderful. The question is, what are you doing with the knowledge and abilities you have?

<u>Conclusion:</u> If Jesus were to come today, or if you were to die today, what kind of day would you have? *Matt 25:19, "After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them."*

Questions: What influence are you having in the lives of others? Can you defend the life you have chosen?

Prayer of Salvation

If you were to die today, are you 100% sure you would go to Heaven?
If not, would you be willing to pray this prayer with me?

"Dear Jesus, I'm asking you to come into my heart and forgive me of my sins. I'm trusting you, Jesus, as my Saviour.
Thank you for saving me. Amen." (Romans 10:9 and 10:13)



Prayer of Service

"Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" (Acts 9:6)



Dr. Bob Grav

Parents, Quit Blaming Authority for the Child's Rebellion

Rules do not make rebels. They merely expose the rebels. The hair issue in I Corinthians is a symbol God uses to stress a chain of command that is essential to having order in the home. The hair represents submission to a greater authority. Many parents have ruined their children by constantly defending them and running interference for them against the injustices in their lives. My friends, welcome to the real world of injustices. There is no such thing as pure justice. When my children complained about injustices in their lives, I told them, "Welcome to the real world!" Our philosophy was not "innocent until proven guilty"; rather, it was "guilty until proven innocent." Mrs. Gray and I never tore down the authorities in front of our children.

I GREETED MY BOSS THIS MORNING. AND HE TOLD ME TO HAVE A NICE DAY. SO I TURNED AROUND AND WENT HOME.

Our Forefathers were not "Deists"



The First Prayer in Congress, offered extemporaneously by Rev. Mr. Duche in Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, on September 7, 1774:

"Be Thou present a God of Wisdom and direct the counsel of this Honorable Assembly; enable them to settle all things on the best and surest foundations; that the scene of blood may be speedily closed; that Order, Harmony and Peace may be effectually restored, and the Truth and Justice, Religion and Piety, prevail and flourish among the people.

Jacob Duché

Preserve the health of their bodies, and the vigor of their minds, shower down on them, and the millions they here represent, such temporal Blessings as Thou seest expedient for them in this world, and crown them with everlasting Glory in the world to come. All this we ask in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, Thy Son and our Saviour, Amen."



Benjamin Franklin

I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth—that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid?

We have been assured, Sir, in the Sacred Writings, that, "Except the Lord build the House, they labor in vain that build it."



George Washington

Found in George Washington's personal writings in his own hand.

"Pardon I beseech thee, my sins, remove them far from thy presence, as far as the east is from the west, and accept for me for the merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ. ...I have called on thee for forgiveness of sins... let me live according to ... Thy Holy Word."

Continental Congress, March 16th, 1775:

The Congress ... Desirous...to have people of all ranks and degrees duly impressed with a solemn sense of God's superintending providence, and of their duty, devoutly to rely...on his aid and direction...

Do earnestly recommend Friday, the 17th day of May be observed by the colonies as a day of humiliation, fasting, and prayer; that we may, with united hearts, confess and bewail our manifold sins and transgressions, and, by sincere repentance and amendment of life, appease God's righteous displeasure, and, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, obtain this pardon and forgiveness.

Something to 'CROW' about!

- 1. Heritage Baptist Church has had someone saved and baptized every week for the last eleven (11) years in a row! Wow!
- 2. The buses are still rolling!
- We are hosting the Old-Fashioned, Real and Revisited, "I Love America" conference June 19th—20th, 2017.



Poor George Washington couldn't blame his troubles on the previous administration.



I Love America Conference

Monday, June 19th—Tuesday, June 20th, 2017
With highly decorated marine—Don Chitty
US Marine Corps



Tom Neal

From the Battlefield to the Mission Field

Our special speaker this year for our "I Love America Conference" will be Dr. Don Chitty, missionary to the Navajo Indian Nation, the "Windtalkers." As a young man, Don Chitty joined the United States Marine Corps. Before going to Vietnam, he trained with the Navy Seals and the Army Rangers. Promoted to Platoon Sergeant, he was sent to Vietnam and was part of the military's Black-Ops.

While in combat, he was wounded ten times in action. Besides ten Purple Hearts, he was awarded numerous other medals including the Presidential Citation and the Bronze Star.

"ACCORDING TO A NEW STUDY, CATS MAY HAVE MORE POTENTIAL THAN DOGS TO SNIFF OUT BOMBS. THEY JUST WON'T BOTHER TO TELL YOU."



From our Pastor's Wife ... Mrs. Vida Collingsworth Cherishing Mom

I love to hear the word Mom or Mother and now that I am a grandmother I love to hear the word grandma or "mawmaw" as my little granddaughter calls me. I have had the blessing of having loving and wonderful grandmothers and a wonderful mother. The older I get the more I cherish the memories of my grandmothers. My father's mother was a strong New England woman from Massachusetts. She raised dogs and I would love to go and visit her and to see and play with all the dogs! My mother's mother was a hard working Italian immigrant. She was a great cook and a great seamstress and she

loved to do for her grandchildren! She thought little of self and always thought of her family first. Then there is Mom. How does one describe their mother?? Though words can never measure up to the value of my mother I would begin by saying that she is loving, gentle, caring and gracious. I have fond memories of mom singing to me as she held me in her arms. I remember her cleaning my scrapes and cuts with loving care. I rejoice that she taught me to love history and books. My mom is stubborn and strong willed and she taught us to be that way about the right things. My mother is fun and witty. My sense of humor comes from mom. Mom taught me never to look down on anyone and not to hold anyone above another, but to keep everyone on an even plane. Not too long ago someone paid me a dear complement. They told me that I was a gracious person. I was deeply appreciative and held that complement most dear to me, but as I was thanking the Lord I was reminded to thank Him for my mother who is the shining example of graciousness.

Thank you mom for your example, for your teachings, for your patience, for your selfless love and care given to me throughout the years. I love you Mom!

The Bible



Dr. Al Lacy

When I went to the pulpit that Sunday morning and began to preach, I noticed the people of the church whispering among themselves while I was reading my text. Fairly soon I began to figure out what the problem was. None of them had the Bible from which I was reading. They all had "bibles" in their hands, but not a one of them had the King James from which I was reading and from which I was about to preach.

Of all things, my sermon that morning was one I call, "The Innocent Bible." The entire message is taken up in showing how the scoffers who despise the AV1611 King James Bible attempt to prove that it is guilty of errors, and I use the Book itself to shoot them down and prove it is innocent of any errors. Needless to say, for about thirty-five minutes, the pastor of the

"Conservative" side and all of his people appeared to have the proverbial ants in their "you-know-what"!

When I finished the message and gave the invitation, the pastor and people were glaring at me with blazing, vitriolic eyes. If looks could kill, my wife would have collected on my life insurance that week!

I walked to the vestibule while the pastor was giving a closing prayer. Immediately I had a circle of people around me like red-eyed hounds that had treed a coon. They were waving their various and sundry perverted "bibles" at me, demanding that I apologize for saying the King James was the only real Bible in the English language. I was not about to make such an apology and the debate got hot. The pastor stood aloof, gripping his New International Version while the controversy between his hounds and me proceeded.

While they were shaking seven or eleven different versions in my face and snarling viciously, two big, husky men crowded in, looking even more angry than the rest of the pack. They backed me up against a wall and informed me that I was a troublemaker, and it was men like me that were dividing Christians and hurting the cause of Christ by my bigoted view of the King James Bible. They informed me quite vehemently with their florid faces only inches from mine (Both of them could have used some Scope!) that there was no such thing as a perfect translation and that I was grossly ignorant to make such a bold statement.

Let me point out that these are not modernists or Buddhists. These are people who claim to be born again. They will tell you they are saved and on the road to Heaven. And I believe many of them are. But what is happening, here? Why are Bible-believing people like myself coming under such condemnation by those who claim to be born again, Heaven-bound Christians? Why are we who have a Bible in our hands that we know is the very Word of God looked on as troublemakers? Especially when those who shake their perversions in our face do not even claim that what they are shaking is the very Word of God!!!

The answer to these questions is found in three words I just stated... "in our hands." As Hamlet said, "Aye, there's the rub!"

Strange thing. That pastor put me in his car and drove me to the motel where I was staying without hardly a word. The motel did not have a restaurant, and there was not an eating place within reasonable walking distance in any direction. He pulled the car to a stop in front of the motel and gave me a cold look. I got out. He drove off. I went hungry.

Dr. Jack Hyles Psalm 12:7

We have either "preserved" words or no words. Somewhere in this world, there are words preserved from the time of the originals, or we have no preserved words, because we have no originals.

Since the Bible says that its words will be preserved, somewhere in this world there has to be a book that contains the very words of God.

Some food for thought ...or...

Seed From The Silo!

Fake News Round-Up

SHOT: LIBERAL MEDIA FAKE NEWS

"BREAKING: US Treasury Dept easing Obama admin sanctions to allow companies to do transactions with Russia's FSB, successor org to KGB."

> Tweet from NBC Correspondent Peter Alexander, 2/2/2017, that turned out to be fake news.

DOUBLE STANDARD, SENATOR?

"It is important that every aspect of his background be critically and closely scrutinized."

Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), 2/8/17, referring to Supreme Court nominee Neil Gorsuch and casually forgetting that he lied for years about fighting in the Vietnam War.

IT'S 2017, NANCY

"We've seen nothing where we can where where I can work with President Bush on..."

Nancy Pelosi, forgetting it is 2017 not 2001.

ANOTHER STAND-UP DEMOCRAT

"This is a bunch of scumbags. That's what they are."

Democrat Congresswoman Maxine Waters (CA-43), 2/21/2017, to MSNBC host Chris Hayes about the Trump Administration.

What Kind Of Seed Are You Sowing?

THE TOLERANT LEFT?

"The message has to be, we do not recognize the city government either. If you try to close us down we will look for your house, we will burn it. We will physically fight the police if they try to steal one of our places. We will go to war and you will lose."

Luke Kuhn, member of the D.C. Anti-Fascist Coalition, 1/16/2017, discussing the group's plans to disrupt events around President Trump's inauguration.

WE AGREE, JOE

"An absolute embarrassment to the Senate as an institution, our Democratic party, and the nation."

Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV), 11/11/16, referring to former Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid's reaction to Trump's victory.

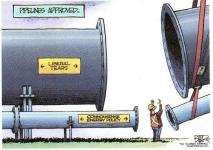
WHAT'S CHANGED, CHUCK?

"We're waiting for the briefing tomorrow, a pause [in the resettlement of Syrian refugees to the United States] may be necessary. We're going to look at it."

Senator Chuck Schumer (D-NY), 11/15/2015, making the case over a year ago for President Trump's recent executive order to temporarily halt the resettlement of refugees from Syria to the United States.









"HE ALWAYS HAS SUCH A FRIENDLY WAVE."



Our Statement of Faith

We accept the Holy Scriptures contained in the Old and New Testaments as being the verbally inspired Word of God and being perfectly preserved in the King James 1611 Bible. We do not believe it can be corrected or improved upon in any way. It is the final rule of faith and practice. *Psalm 12:6-7, I Peter 1:23*

We believe in the triune God, who is eternally in three persons-Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Matt.* 28:19-20

We believe in the deity of Christ- His virgin birth, His sinless life, His death for the sins of the world, His bodily resurrection, His exaltation at God's right hand, His personal, imminent, and premillenial return.

I Corinthians 15:3-4, I Timothy 3:16, Acts 1:11

We believe that all men are sinners and are guilty before God; in need of a Saviour. Romans 3:23

We believe that men are born again through faith in Jesus Christ; that they become the children of God, eternally saved; that the Holy Spirit dwells within every believer to guide and help him in his testimony and service.

Acts 16:30-31, Galatians 2:16, Ephesians 1:13, John 10:28

We believe in the bodily resurrection of the just and the unjust, the everlasting blessedness of the saved in Glory, and the everlasting conscious punishment of the lost in hell. We believe that all believers have a responsibility to get the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ into all the world. *John 5:28-29, Luke 16:22-23, Rev. 20:11-15*

We believe that Baptist churches were the first churches of Christianity and that Jesus founded a Baptist church. *John 1:35-37, Acts 1:22*

Baptist Beliefs

Biblical Authority

- Autonomy of the Local Church
- Priesthood of ALL Believers
- Two ordinances Baptism & Communion
- I mmersed Church Membership
- S oul-liberty
- Two officers Pastors and Deacons
- S eparation of Church and State

Baptist Heritage

- John the Baptist, Exalter of Christ
- Meno Simons (1496-1561), Dutch Anabaptist leader
- Roger Williams (1603-1683), Founded the first Baptist church in America in Providence, Rhode Island in 1638.
- John Clarke (1609-1676) was a Baptist preacher, medical doctor, and co-founder of the colony of Rhode Island. He was a driving force to get religious freedom into the charter of Rhode Island.
- **John Bunyan** (1628-1688), Baptist preacher who wrote *Pilgrim's Progress*
- Charles Spurgeon (1834-1892), might be the greatest Baptist pastor
- John Franklyn Norris (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- Jack Frasure Hyles (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year

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