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PRESS ON

Introduction: We just celebrated Mother's Day and now Father's Day is before us. With that being said, allow me to share a few thoughts concerning being a man, a father and someone who realizes that most die leaving many tasks unfinished.

Notice: *Philippians 3:12-14*, "*Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect...this one thing I do...I press toward the mark...*"

FIRST: THE BITTER TRUTH I SEE. ECCLESIAES 1:14

No matter how hard we work, nor how much we accomplish when it all comes to an end, we all leave behind regrets.

A man said to me, "Hey, I've lived the life I've chosen and when I die, I will die without regret." I thought about it and came to this conclusion. First, I did not believe him about having no regrets. Second, I believe that I will have many regrets at the end of my life. Regrets because of the things I could have accomplished, regrets over those I could have led to Christ, but I did not.

Illustration: When Raphael, the famous artist died at the age of 37, when the funeral service proceeded to the grave, one of the mourners held a canvass in his arms. It was the last work Raphael did and it was unfinished.

SECOND: THE BADGE OF HONOR SO MANY HAVE CLAIMED. JER. 6:14

I remember when President Barack Obama was given the Nobel Peace Prize. I kept asking myself over and over, "For what?"

Many times world leaders have tried to force Israel to surrender her borders to radicals. Every time some outsider comes in and accomplishes nothing, they give him the Nobel Peace Prize. I loved what one Israeli official said, "Just give him the Nobel Peace Prize and send him home."

Think with me. We fought a war to end all wars. But within 25 years we were about to be destroyed in WWII. Then Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan, and many others. Ask the people who live in those countries, or the men and women who are fighting and dying, "How near are we to peace?"

Whatever the problems are—world peace, social equality, liberty, economic prosperity—we see item after item on our list marked with the word "unfinished."

What about our church? The church is to be presented to the Lord, "*...Not having spot, or wrinkle....holy and without blemish.*"

Those who are closest to the church, and involved in its work, know the answer is, "The church is an unfinished business."

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Dr. Jack Hyles

The Word

Publishers have tried to destroy the Bible by publishing so-called new Bibles, but the old King James Bible is healthier today than it ever has been. Seminaries, so-called Christian colleges, and Bible institutes have tried to pervert, add to, take away, change, and destroy the Bible; yet the Bible lives on.

The Bible is the only eternal Book in the entire world. There never was a time when the Bible did not exist, just like there never was a time when Jesus did not exist. John, the beloved said, ***"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God."***

There never was a time when there was no Heavenly Father; there never was a time when there was no Holy Spirit; and there never was a time when God's eternal Book did not exist. It always has been. ***Matthew 24:35 says, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."***

I Peter 1:23 says, "...the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever." Mark 13:31 says, "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away." I Peter 1:25 says, "But the word of the LORD endureth for ever...." Isaiah 40:8 says, "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever." Matthew 5:18, "...One jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law..." Luke 21:33 says, "...my words shall not pass away."



A walkout of children you won't be seeing.

I WENT TO BANK OF AMERICA TO DEPOSIT A CHECK, AND THEY ASKED ME FOR ID. I SAID, "ARE YOU TELLING ME OTHER PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO PUT MONEY INTO MY ACCOUNT AND YOU'RE TELLING THEM NO?"

COMEDIAN RICH VOS WALL STREET JOURNAL



"YES, HE ATTEMPTED TO EAT HER. THAT'S NOT IN DISPUTE. BUT I INTEND TO PROVE THAT MS. RIDING HOOD—BY MOCKING MY CLIENT'S EYES, EARS, AND TEETH—PROVOKED HIM!"

Lemon Raspberry Panna Cotta



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| 2 cups heavy cream | 1 (1/4 oz.) envelope unflavored gelatin |
| 1 cup whole milk | 2 tsp. cold water |
| 1/2 cup granulated sugar | 1 cup small fresh raspberries |
| 3 (3-inch) lemon peel strips | |

1. Combine the cream, milk, sugar, and lemon peel strips in a medium saucepan; bring just to a simmer over medium-high, stirring occasionally to dissolve the sugar. Remove from the heat, and let steep for 10 minutes, stirring

occasionally.

2. Meanwhile, sprinkle the gelatin over the cold water in a small saucepan; let stand for 2 minutes. Cook over low just until the gelatin dissolves, about 2 minutes. Remove from the heat.
3. Stir the gelatin mixture into the cream mixture. Remove and discard the lemon peel strips. Divide the mixture among 8 (6-ounce) ramekins or custard cups. Cover and chill until set, at least 8 hours.
4. Dip the ramekins into a bowl of very hot water for about 5 seconds; run a thin knife or offset spatula around the outside of the custards, and invert onto serving plates. Top with the raspberries.

Variation: For variety, you can make this as a simple vanilla panna cotta, going heavier with the vanilla extract or vanilla bean paste instead of the lemon. You could also take advantage of seasonal fruit, such as peaches or nectarines, and add a few slices to the side of the plate as a garnish.

THIRD: THE BEST COUNSEL THAT CAN BE GIVEN. PHILIPPIANS 3:14

Paul, the Apostle gives us the best counsel you will find in writing, “...I will follow after...” *“I press toward the mark...”*

Here we find that Paul knew his business was unfinished. I heard a great man say, “If what you did yesterday looks big to you, you haven’t done much today.” He went on to say, “To grow is to outgrow.”

The Old Testament is filled with stories of people reaching toward the horizon, but never quite reaching it. But, they always claimed something on their way.

Abraham never reached the goal he sought, but he captured a sense of destiny.

Moses never entered the Promised Land, but he enjoyed the view of what he could see.

Oh listen! God is not so much interested in developing a landscape as he is developing a good man. The sun, moon, stars, hills, trees, storms, flowers are just part of His handiwork, but the main theme of God is “A better man.”

Conclusion: There are many tasks unfinished, so many dreams unfulfilled, so many letters unwritten, so many people we could have helped, so many prayers unprayed, so many lessons unlearned and so many hours just simply wasted.

We should, as Christians more than any others, know that we were made to grow. That has always been God’s way for man. That is why we should, “Press on.”

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)

A PARK RANGER IS WARNING SOME HIKERS ABOUT BEARS. “BROWN BEARS ARE USUALLY HARMLESS,” HE SAYS. “THEY AVOID CONTACT WITH HUMANS, SO WE SUGGEST YOU ATTACH SMALL BELLS TO YOUR BACKPACKS AND GIVE THE BEARS TIME TO GET OUT OF YOUR WAY. HOWEVER, GRIZZLY BEARS ARE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS. IF YOU SEE ANY GRIZZLY-BEAR DROPPINGS, LEAVE THE AREA IMMEDIATELY.” “HOW DO WE KNOW WHETHER THEY’RE GRIZZLY-BEAR DROPPINGS?” ASKS A HIKER. “EASY,” REPLIES THE RANGER. “THEY’RE FULL OF SMALL BELLS.”

Mercy And Grace

Dr. Bob Gray

I owed a debt I had not paid, and He paid a debt He did not owe! Jesus puts His payment against our account if we accept Him as payment. That satisfies the justice of Almighty God. Joining a church, being baptized, or taking communion does not satisfy the justice of an Almighty God. He, who paid a debt He did not owe, and I, who owed a debt I could not pay, were brought together by faith. Jesus transferred His account to our account and my account to His account, and justice was satisfied.

The average preacher who stands behind a pulpit in America knows nothing about salvation. God’s salvation is based on God’s justice being satisfied at Calvary. This means that foundationally Christ did not die for me, but for God. Christ died so that God will take me back if I trust Christ as the only payment for my sins. Jesus died so that God could offer me a way back because God loved me more than I love Him. God wants mankind back more than mankind wants to come back! Calvary satisfies the justice of God.

The fact that God’s justice was satisfied enables God to give to His children two things, mercy and grace!

Something to 'CROW' about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church has had someone saved and baptized every week for the last thirteen (13) years in a row! Wow!
2. The buses are still rolling!
3. They are back! Dr. Bob Gray, Dr. Tom Neal & Dr. Greg Neal will be here on June 24th—26th.



Praise the Lord! On our Pastor's 28th anniversary, we paid off our entire church loan. We are debt free!!!



Old-Time Religion Conference



Dr.
Tom Neal



Dr.
Greg Neal



Dr.
Bob Gray

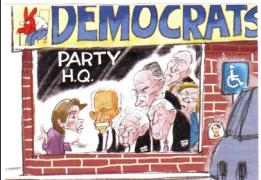
June 24th—June 26th

<u>Sunday, June 24th</u>	11:00 AM 7:00 PM
<u>Monday, June 25th</u>	7:00 PM
<u>Tuesday June 26th</u>	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:00 PM
<i>Pastors' Luncheon</i>	
<u>Tuesday Evening</u>	

HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT THE NEW RESTAURANT CALLED KARMA? THERE'S NO MENU - YOU GET WHAT YOU DESERVE.

From Our Church Prayer List

1. Judy Kurpan
2. Ed Hosey
3. Paul Snyder
4. Anita Miller
5. Michelle Lemons
6. Kevin McClain



"IT'S SIMPLE—WE JUST HAVE TO APPEAL TO THE YOUTH VOTE."

MOWING THE GRASS WILL KEEP OUR BORDERS SAFE???

"Let's talk about where a more serious structure might be necessary, where fencing will do or mowing the grass so people can't be smuggled through the grass." *-House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, 2/22/2018, suggesting mowing the grass in some border areas is better than building a wall. A mind is a terrible thing to waste, but in her case it seems that a mind is a terrible thing.*

Stuck In The Mud



Mrs. Francie
Taylor

1. Check your heart. Is there any unconfessed sin or an unforgiving spirit that you have been harboring? Confessing and forsaking things that are wrong in our lives lifts off a burden and leaves us feeling relieved.
2. Check your health. Sometimes, we have something wrong with us physically that is dragging us down emotionally. From chemical imbalances to hormones, women have a laundry list of things that can push us out of balance. When was the last time you went to the doctor?
3. Pray for direction. Sometimes we may examine ourselves and still not figure out what's wrong. That's when we need the Great Physician to come in and "search us" for things we may have missed.



Dr. Tom Neal

Does God Hear You?

1 John 11:41 states, "Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me."

Jesus said, ***"Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me."***

What a wonderful and exciting thing it is to know that God is listening! We know that He heard Jesus, but the important question is, does He hear you?

I have posed a question from the beginning of this book that, if God answers prayer and so many people are praying, why are we in such a mess? Why are our homes in such a mess? Why are so many lives in such a mess? The answer is simple. Prayers are not being answered because most people are not truly praying. They go through religious exercises that mean absolutely nothing.

AN IRATE WOMAN BURST INTO THE BAKER'S SHOP AND SAID, "I SENT MY SON IN TO BUY TWO POUNDS OF COOKIES THIS MORNING, BUT WHEN I WEIGHED THEM THERE WAS ONLY ONE POUND. I SUGGEST YOU CHECK YOUR SCALES."

THE BAKER LOOKED AT HER CALMLY FOR A MOMENT AND REPLIED, "MA'AM, I SUGGEST YOU WEIGH YOUR SON."

Sacrifice



Dr. Greg Neal

The third trait that we find in a reputation of righteousness is sacrifice. Notice in ***Ruth 2:11*** it says, ***"... and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother and the land of thy nativity."*** People noticed this fact. Ruth lived in Moab. When her husband died at the age she was, it would have been custom for her to go back to her father and mother. We know that she left her father and mother in the land that she knew as home. She left it all to go back with Naomi. I believe Boaz was saying, "What is shown to me is your willingness to sacrifice." A willingness to sacrifice is missing in our country today. Sacrifice is also missing among God's people.

We say, "I will go to church. I will be glad to be a member; but just don't ask me to sacrifice." The Christian life is sacrifice. I believe it is the right thing to do for a dad and a mom to sacrifice and work hard so that they can provide for their children. I believe that it is not only the right thing to do, but also the Scriptural thing to do. I believe a husband should sacrifice for his wife. I believe that is Bible. I also believe that Christians should live lives of sacrifice for their God. A Christian should be willing to sacrifice. When God asks us to sacrifice, to give up things and to do without for Him, we have an opportunity to develop a reputation as someone who is serious about serving the Lord and who is willing to go all the way for Him.

DURING WORLD WAR II, MY FATHER OFTEN FOUND HIMSELF STUCK WITH KP DUTY. ONE DAY, CONVINCED HE COULD IMPROVE THINGS, HE TOLD THE HEAD COOK, "IF YOU GIVE ME A PARING KNIFE, I COULD PEEL THESE POTATOES FASTER."

*THE COOK TURNED SLOWLY TO MY FATHER AND SAID, "SON, YOU'RE IN THE ARMY. YOU HAVE PLENTY OF TIME."
JACK GIRARD, PLYMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS*



Heritage Highlanders June 2018 Schedule

Saturday June 2

Proverbs 31:19

Saturday June 16

Ephesians 6:1

Honoring Dads

Saturday June 9

Galatians 5:25

Saturday June 23

Romans 10:13

Fruit Of The Spirit

Soulwinning

*WHAT I REMEMBER MOST ABOUT MY DAD'S JOKES IS MY MOTHER'S REACTION. WHILE EVERYONE ELSE WAS HOWLING AT ONE OF HIS PUNCH LINES, MY MOM WOULD ALWAYS RESPOND, "BERNARD, NO ONE THINKS YOU'RE FUNNY."
NEDRA CRAWLEY, RIVERTON, NJ*

Some food for thought ...or...

Seed From The Silo!

Planned Parenthood Infiltrates Over Three Hundred Colleges and Universities With New Pro-Abortion Student Groups

Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion business in America, now has more than 300 clubs on college campuses that encourage students to advocate for abortion on demand, PJ Media reports.

While that number does not nearly match the 1,000-plus pro-life clubs affiliated with Students for Life of America, the abortion chain has millions of tax dollars on its side to promote its pro-abortion clubs.

Planned Parenthood created an arm called Generation Action in 2014 to push youth into abortion advocacy on campus, according to the report it's pro-abortion clubs urge students to fight for "reproductive freedom" and against abortion "stigma."

—lifefews.com

What Kind Of Seed Are You Sowing?

Students Stage Pro-Life Walkout

Life Legal was at the campus of Rocklin High School in northern California as students walked out of class to honor the lives of babies killed by abortion. Rocklin student Brandon Gillespie was inspired to organize the Pro-Life Walkout after one of his teachers was disciplined for questioning whether pro-life students would be afforded the same rights as students who participated in the National School Walkout for more stringent gun control.

History teacher Julianne Benzel was placed on leave after she asked her students whether schools allowing the walkouts would "give the same courtesy to another group of students who wanted to get up and walk out to protest other issues—like abortion?"...

Life Legal sent a letter to Rocklin High School principal Davis Stewart earlier—apprising him of his obligations to treat Brandon and his fellow students the same as the National School Walkout students.

—christiannewswire.ccsend.com

EDITOR'S COMMENTS: The Pro-Life Walkout in schools across the nation received almost no attention by the national media.

Our Church Ministries

1. Fishermens' Club
2. Phoster Club
3. Bus Ministry
4. Sunday School
5. Welcome Wagon
6. Bookstore
7. Music Ministry
8. Counseling Ministry
9. Grounds and Maintenance
10. Heritage Baptist Academy
11. Nursery
12. Boys Bible Club
13. Girls Highlander Club
14. Cleaning Ministry
15. Teen Club
16. Junior Church
17. Ladies' WMS Ministry
18. Ushers
19. Altar Workers
20. Greeters

Lest We Forget



Some of the most heart-wrenching stories of war involve that of a soldier dog literally giving his life for his friend. We dedicate this portion to remembering unsung heroes that are

honored at the War Dog Memorial in Hartsdale, NY.

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 premillennial 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

Immersed Church Membership

Soul-liberty

Two officers - Pastors and Deacons

Separation 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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