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#### PALM SUNDAY



Introduction: The event that I am teaching on in this article occurred on Palm Sunday, the day in which Jesus descended down the Mount of Olives going toward Jerusalem, riding upon a colt.

In Luke 19:28-41, Jesus gives an unusual command to two of the disciples. "Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never a man sat; loose him, and bring him hither."

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#### FIRST: PROPHECY FULFILLED.

**ZECHARIAH 9:9** 

"...behold, thy king cometh...upon a colt...."

It was preached throughout the centuries that the true king of Israel would one day enter Jerusalem riding upon a colt never ridden by another.

The donkey in Israel was not the "beast of burden" that is in many countries, but was considered a noble animal.

When a king in Israel would go into battle he would ride a horse, but when coming in peace he would ride a donkey. Jesus was delivering a message of peace and not war.

This colt was special, just like the mother of Jesus, and the tomb where His body was placed. Mary was a virgin that never knew a man. The tomb was never used for the dead, and the colt had never been ridden by another.

#### SECOND: PORTRAIT REVEALED.

**EXODUS 13:13** 

"Every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb..."

When we look at this colt, or donkey, it's the same thing, we see a beautiful portrait of the people who have placed their trust in Jesus Christ as Saviour.

Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb. *Exodus* 13:13

Released for service. John 8:32, "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

III. Ruled by its master. Romans 6:13

This little donkey did not hesitate to yield and serve Christ.

#### THIRD: PREPARED FOR A PURPOSE.

**LUKE 19:31** 

"And if any man ask you , why do ye loose him? Thus shall ye say unto him, because the Lord hath need of him."

Just as Jesus has prepared you for His service, the Lord had prepared this donkey for a specific purpose.

- The whale in Jonah was prepared for a specific purpose
- The fish with a coin in its mouth was prepared for a specific purpose
- The snake that bit the Apostle Paul on Malta was prepared for a specific purpose

You were prepared for a specific purpose. Make up your mind to serve the Lord. You are here for a reason.

"The Lord hath need of him," was all the owner had to hear. There was no arguing, he

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#### The Prayerless Person

There is no joy or triumph in the life of a prayerless person. When a person is not what he should be, it is because of prayerlessness. Sometimes we look at a person and say, "That is the result of being with the wrong person at the wrong place." Actually, it is the result of being somebody who does not spend time with God, who does not walk and fellowship with God, who does not call upon God, and who does not depend upon God. That is the reason we sin. That is the reason we fail. If we have no spiritual walk with God, we have no strength. When a person is not what he should be, it is most often because of prayerlessness. That person is doing an injustice to himself, to God, and to those

around him who need his help. There are people who need your help but who will never get it because you do not pray. Buy all the toys and games you want. Go on all the vacations you want, but if you cannot pray for your family, you are not doing anything for them. Oh, how sad that the fury of God is blowing through our houses and lives only because we refuse to have the prayer life that we are supposed to have with God!



A cross hangs on the wall behind our baptistry and draped over it is a US flag and a crown of thorns. The flag was donated by Joshua Searls, who served in Iraq. This flag flew over his company's headquarters there.

When we see this flag, we pray for the safety of our troops who are in harm's way, and we are reminded of those who gave their "last full measure of devotion."

AT A JOB INTERVIEW, THE MANAGER TOLD ME HE WAS LOOKING FOR SOMEBODY RESPONSIBLE. "I'M YOUR GUY," I RESPONDED. "WHENEVER THERE WAS A PROBLEM AT MY LAST JOB, THEY ALWAYS SAID I WAS RESPONSIBLE."







"THIS MEDAL IS FOR HAVING THE MOST MEDALS."

#### Mom's Favorite Sayings

- 1. What part of no don't you understand?
- 2. I don't care who started it.
- 3. Money doesn't grow on trees.
- 4. Your face is going to freeze like that.
- 5. Your hands aren't broken.
- 6. Beds are made for sleeping, not jumping.
- 7. No one said life is fair.
- 8. Eat your vegetables.
- 9. "I don't know" is not an answer.
- 10. Because I said so, that's why.

AS I WATCHED THE DOG CHASING HIS TAIL, I THOUGHT "DOGS ARE EASILY AMUSED."
THEN I REALIZED I WAS WATCHING THE DOG CHASING HIS TAIL.

### **Lest We Forget**



Starting this year, the Army will begin issuing the new service dress uniforms – to recruiters first, with a full rollout in 2020. The new "Army greens" are historically accurate representations of the "pink and greens" – so called due to the pinkish hue the pants could assume after laundering - worn by iconic World War II officers like Army Chief of Staff Gen. George C. Marshall.

Dailey wore a prototype of the throwback uniform at the Army-Navy football game in December. "I'm one of the guys who gets to walk onto the field with the president, so the

cameras were there," Dailey said. "I didn't have to tell anybody what it was. I didn't have to remind anybody. I was immediately recognized as, 'You look like a soldier.' That was the intent."

simply surrendered to the Lord's request.

The fact the Lord needs you should be all that you need to know.

#### FOURTH: POSSESSIONS SURRENDERED.

LUKE 19:35-36

"And they brought him to Jesus; and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon. And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way."

The colt was covered with the garments of those giving praise to the Lord their king. Then as Jesus journeyed toward Jerusalem, the people spread their clothes, their other cloaks upon the road for the donkey that carried the King. This pictured that what God has redeemed should walk separated from the filth of this world. The donkey was redeemed and belonged to the Lord Christ. What belongs to Christ is to walk a godly, separated life.

The question for you is this, Do you think so much of your possessions that you would not use what you have to help those redeemed separate from the world?

<u>Conclusion</u>: Right now could be the turning point of your life. If you are not saved, put your faith and trust in the Christ Who shed His blood for your sins right now. If you are not serving Him, then that means you have less sense than a donkey. Why not dedicate yourself to know and follow Christ right now?

#### **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)



# Heritage Highlanders April 2019 Schedule Naturday April 6 Proverbs 15:13 Saturday April 20

Saturday April 6 Pro
Having the Right Spirit

3 <u>Saturday April 20</u> Resurrection Rolls Luke 24:6-7

Saturday April 13
Gardening

Proverbs 31:16

Saturday April 27
Soulwinning

Romans 10:13

#### PEOPLE WHO THINK THAT TIME HEALS EVERYTHING HAVEN'T SAT IT OUT IN A DOCTOR'S WAITING ROOM.



#### **The Question of Women Preachers**

The question of women preachers is settled by the Bible. First, it is the uniform practice of both the Old and the New Testament that God did not call women preachers. There were no women apostles, no women pastors, no women evangelists in the Bible. And second, the Scripture expressly teaches: "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak" (I Cor. 14:34). And again, "Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence" (I Tim. 2:11, 12).

John R. Rice We "moderns" feel that we know so many ways to do the Lord's business that are better than His ways. But when Nadab and Abihu went into the tabernacle,

are better than His Ways. But when Nadab and Abinu went into the tabernacie, carrying strange fire, not the appointed fire, they were stricken dead by an angry God (*Lev.* 10:1, 2). When David brought the ark up to Jerusalem on an oxcart instead of the Lord's way, he had trouble, and death struck the man who touched the ark (*II Sam.* 6:6, 7). And even when the good king Uzziah went into the temple to offer sacrifice, where it was forbidden for anybody but the priest, God struck him with leprosy (*II Chron.* 26:16-21). And when Miriam the prophetess wanted to usurp authority in religious work, wanted to take a place of leadership like some men had, God struck her with leprosy for her sin (*Num.* 12:10). And so today there is a curse, a plague of an angry God on churches because we do things our own way instead of the way of God.

May God help us to bring the Lord back into His churches and put Him first. May we take women out of the pulpits. May we take worldliness out of the pew. May God give us grace to take cowardice out of the preachers. And may God give us a heart to put Him first.

# Something to 'CROW' about!

- 1. Heritage Baptist Church has had someone saved and baptized every week for the last fourteen (14) years in a row! Wow!
- 2. The buses are still rolling!
- 3. For our "Old-Time Religion" Conference.
- 4. A Clear Title—We have paid off our church property!



#### From Our Church Prayer List

- 1. Judy Kurpan
- 2. Ed Hosey
- 3. Paul Snyder
- 4. Anita Miller Michelle Lemons
- 6. Kevin McClain
- 7. Harold Cooper
- 8 John Grindel



### Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Just For The Ladies Friday, July 26th, 2019 7:00 PM

All Ladies Event with Mrs. Francie Taylor

#### **Upcoming Events**

March 17<sup>th</sup> Spring Program starts with Dr Bob

Gray

May 12th Last Day of Spring Program.

Mothers' Day Memorial Day Service.

May 26th June 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Old Time Religion Conference. July 26th Francie Taylor, Ladies Meeting.

One hunting season, a state trooper walked up to a man and his son and said, "That's a nice buck you have on top of your car." The surprised man couldn't say anything, so his son answered for

him, "That's nothing! You should see the one we have in the trunk!"



### **Our Church Ministries**

- 1. Fishermens' Club
- 2. Phoster Club
- 3. Bus Ministry
- 4. Sunday School
- 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



#### Mrs. Francie Taylor

#### Me First Proverbs 18:17

It is human nature to want things to go our way. We're fine with people as long as they follow our plan and stick to the script as we've outlined it. The problem is this: none of us are in charge of how life presents itself from day to day.

We are not in charge. We just think we are.

Avoiding relationship wreckers is a good goal to add to the daily to-do list. One thing that quickly causes strife and increases conflict is adopting a "me first" attitude. We can force this on some people, but

many will resent it.

How can we tell if we're "Me First" people? We will race another car for that front parking spot, and we're not going to allow the car on the entrance ramp to merge into that lane in front of us.

We simply must have the last word in any disagreement.

The other person "has issues," but we're just fine. And we didn't start the argument either.

It's a daily exercise to put ourselves in the sacrificial position, but it becomes an act of worship with practice. "And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23).

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#### **Dreams Upon A Lie**

God reminds us in *Jeremiah* 23:23-24, that He is God. He is omnipresent. He sees all. He knows all. Then God speaks again in verse 25. In the last part of that verse, He tells of prophets who are prophesying lies in His name. We need to be reminded that there are people who say that they are speaking in the name of God, but God says that those same people are lying. In verse 32, He says that He did not send them. There are some that say God sent them, but He did not send them. He says of them in verse 25, "prophesy lies in my name that those same people saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed." Who are we listening to?

In this passage of Scripture, God points out that there are some who say that they are speaking in the name of God, who are prophesying in the name of God. We can know who they are because they say, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed." Today, neither the world nor our nation is in good spiritual condition. The spiritual condition of a group of people is always determined by the leadership that they follow and to which they listen. It has always been that way. In this period of time in the book of Jeremiah, God's people, the

neither the world nor our nation is in good spiritual condition. The spiritual condition of a group of people is always determined by the leadership that they follow and to which they listen. It has always been that way. In this period of time in the book of Jeremiah, God's people, the people of Israel, were listening to these whom God says He did not send. They are spiritually destitute. They are not anywhere close to where God would have them to be. God is going to pour out His wrath upon them. He is going to send His judgment. It all can be traced back to when they turned from God. We are told they were listening to those whom God called "dreamers."



"Didn't I tell you to limber up before you started channel surfing?"

IT WAS BASIC TRAINING, AND I WAS SEATED IN THE BARBER CHAIR BEMOANING THE IMPENDING LOSS OF MY HAIR WHEN THE BARBER ASKED, "WHERE ARE YOU FROM?"

"ST. LOUIS," I GRUMBLED.

"HEY, I'M FROM ST. LOUIS!" HE THEN ASKED CONSPIRATORIALLY, "DO YOU WANT TO KEEP YOUR SIDEBURNS?"

I PERKED UP. "SURE!" WITH THAT, HE REVVED UP THE RAZOR, CLIPPED OFF MY SIDEBURNS, AND GAVE THEM TO ME. AS I LEFT THE BARBERSHOP, I HEARD HIM ASK HIS NEXT VICTIM, "WHERE ARE YOU FROM?" "CHICAGO." "HEY. I'M FROM CHICAGO TOO!"

IT LOOKS LIKE I'M DOING NOTHING, BUT AT THE CELLULAR LEVEL I'M QUITE BUSY.

Some people won't suffer in silence. That would take the fun out of it.

#### A Request To All Immigrants

You came here from there because you didn't like there, and now you want to change here to be like there. We are not racist, phobic, or anti whatever-you-are. We simply like here the way it is, and most of us actually came here because it is not like there, wherever there was. You are welcome here, but please stop trying to make here like there. If you want here to be like there, you should have not left there to come here, and you are invited to leave here and go back there at your earliest convenience.





Pastor's Fellowship Tuesday June 25th after the Morning Service

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#### Some food for thought ...or...

#### California Attorney General Wants to Hide Videos

The California Attorney General Xavier Becerra is asking the Superior Court of San Francisco to seal and hide from the public all of the undercover videos that reveal Planned Parenthood's unethical and potentially illegal conduct involving the sale of baby body parts, even though these are the same videos now being used by the state to criminally prosecute Sandra "Susan" Merritt and David Daleiden.

Attorney General Becerra has also asked "that any monitor displaying the videos be screened from or directed away from the public gallery," to prohibit any public viewing. In addition, he seeks the continued sealing of all the complaining witnesses' names.

At the two-week evidentiary preliminary hearing, scheduled for February 19 to March 1, 2019, the attorney general is required to demonstrate that he has probable cause to...charge Merritt and Daleiden with 15 felonies for their undercover journalistic investigation, which exposed Planned Parenthood's unconscionable practices. Statutory and constitutional law clearly entitles Merritt and Daleiden to be tried in a public proceeding, including a preliminary hearing that is open to the public. -LIBERTY COUNSEL

<u>Disney Theme Park to Host Its First "Magical Pride" LGBT Parade</u> Disney will be sponsoring its first LGBT pride parade this year at its Paris theme park.

The function will be called "Magical Pride" and will take place on June 1, 2019, at Disneyland Paris....

"Gav Davs" at Walt Disney World in central Florida have been held the first Saturday in June since 1991, but the company has never officially sanctioned the event.... This year marks the first time the park is endorsing and organizing the parade. Jeannie Law, christianpost.com

What Kind Of Seed Are You Sowing?

#### Make It Right



We are destined to be offended sooner or later. Your feelings will get hurt eventually. There will be divisions and strife. It is going to happen, and we cannot stop it, but we can correct it! You cannot keep little differences from occurring, but God Almighty has given us a plan to keep us from holding grudges against each other. It is a very simple Bible principle; that is, for the stronger person to go to the weaker person.

By the way, there is no such thing in the Bible as a universal church. You Dr. Bob Gray only have local churches in the Scriptures. I shudder when I hear preachers refer to the body of Christ, as if there were some mystical body or universal

body. There is no such thing in the Scriptures. We must realize this is a Catholic teaching, not a Bible teaching.

I mention this because there is a difference between the words unity and union. No two local churches are alike, and God planned it that way. Be careful when someone cries for a synthetic union. There is supposed to be unity in the local church without a union of local churches. The only pastor a church member should have is the pastor of the church to which

The attempt to get everyone in fundamentalism on the same page is a losing endeavor and a dangerous endeavor. If we are not careful, independents will become a denomination, just as the Bible Baptist Fellowship did after years of declaring their independence locally. That is exactly what the Southern Baptist Churches claim, as they suspend their autonomy once a year in Nashville. Thus, these principles are for the local church.

Now, back to the ranch! When conflict occurs within a local church, the relationship is important. It is more important than making things right. In order to salvage the relationship, the person who has been wronged must make things right with the person who wronged him.

## **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**

### **B**iblical 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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