

FROM THE DESK OF:

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VIEWING YOUR FOUNDATION

<u>Introduction:</u> For instance, I am a Baptist Christian. Even on my military dog tags it says "Baptist." You may not agree with my beliefs or my stand, but I know the roots of my faith, and know what I believe, and why I believe it.

Please read carefully. You must not judge the Bible by what history says, but judge history by what the Bible says.

Gerald B. Collingsworth, Pastor

FIRST: THE BAPTIST.

ACTS 1:2

The name Baptist comes from John the Baptist because of the way in which he baptized his converts: by immersion. His title was given to him

by God. (Matthew 3:1)

The first local church was organized by Jesus Christ from those who listened and followed John the Baptist. (*John 1:35-40*) The name 'Anabaptist' is the name that stuck for hundreds of years between John the Baptist and the Reformation by Martin Luther.

'Anabaptist' merely means 'to rebaptize.' You see, if you have not been baptized properly, you are to be re-baptized. Sprinkling is not baptizing, and no babies were baptized in the Bible.

How do you identify the right kind of church today?

Ephesians 4:4-6, "One Lord, one faith, one baptism..."

God has made it abundantly clear that there is only one body, one faith, one baptism.

SECOND: THE SCIENTOLOGIST.

The Church of Scientology was started in the 1950's by a science fiction writer named L. Ron Hubbard. He wrote, "Writing for a penny a word is ridiculous. If a man really wants to make millions, the best way is to start his own religion." He then formed a method of psychotherapy which he named Dianetics. He then changed the name to Scientology. It was then further expanded to appear as a religion to gain tax benefits.



THIRD: ISLAM. GALATIANS 1:8-9

Islam is a monotheistic religion based upon the Koran which adherents believe was sent by God through Muhammad of Islam. They are known as Muslims and believe Muhammad is God's final and ultimate prophet. Using force to kill or enslave members of other religions is called 'Jihad' or 'Holy War'.



FOURTH: MORMONISM.

MATTHEW 7:15

The term Mormon was first used in modern times in the 1830's as a way to describe those who follow the teachings of Joseph Smith. He taught plural marriages, and claimed to be a prophet of God to bring forth The Book of Mormon. According to the Mormon Church, 'Mormon' refers to a prophet that lived in America (don't miss this!) in the 4th Century A.D.

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Cults And Scripture

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES, nor the power of God." [Matt. 22:29)

This is always the case with religious cults. They know the false doctrines of their religion ... but they err, in that they DO NOT KNOW THE SCRIPTURES. One reason they do not know the Scriptures is because they do not USE the Scriptures. The "J.W.s" use the corrupt New World Translation, which was translated from the perverted Wescott and Hort manuscript. The "Church of Christ" cult uses the equally corrupt New American Standard Version, which

was translated from the same Wescott and Hort manuscript. The Mormons use Joe Smith's Book of Mormon (which is about as inspired as Aesop's Fables). The "Christian (Ha!Ha!) Scientists (?)" use Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Glover Patterson Frye Eddy.

The reason the devil's crowd stays away from the AV 1611 King James, is because the devil knows it is the WORD OF GOD! The only way to know the Scriptures is to have the Scriptures, then read the Scriptures, then believe what you read.

A PASTOR COMMENTED AT A FUNERAL, "WE ARE GATHERED HERE TODAY TO PAY HOMAGE TO A GOOD MAN. HE WAS A KIND MAN. A MAN EVERYONE LOVED. AND A MAN WHO TREASURED HIS FAMILY AS MUCH AS HIS FAMILY TREASURED HIM."

THE WIDOW SUDDENLY LEANED OVER AND WHISPERED TO HER GRANDSON, "GO MAKE SURE THAT'S YOUR GRANDPA IN THE COFFIN."

ONE YOUNG WOMAN ASKED ANOTHER, "HOW DID YOU LIKE THE BALLET?" "IT WAS ALRIGHT." THE OTHER REPLIED. "BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND ALL THAT TOE DANCING. WHY DON'T THEY JUST GET TALLER PEOPLE?"

Our Church Ministries

- 1. Fishermens' Club
- 2. Phoster Club
- 3. Bus Ministry
- 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

Expecting New Arrivals



Jarrod and Crystal Collingsworth



Nick and Melissa Frick

Kim Kline's Fresh Strawberry Upside Down Cake



2 cups crushed fresh strawberries 18 oz. package yellow cake mix, batter 6 oz. package strawberry flavored Jell-O mix prepared as directed on package 3 cups miniature marshmallows

Preheat an oven to 350 degrees.

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.

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.

FIFTH: LUTHERANISM.

MATTHEW 15:9

Started by Martin Luther in the 16th century. He is the father of the 'Protestants,' or 'the protesters.' He said of the Baptist, "They should be drown in their own baptismal pools." He also said, "Drink beer, for beer makes you sleep. The more you sleep, the less you sin. Therefore, drink beer."

Even though he nailed the 95 Theses to the church door in Wittenberg, Germany, he still held to baptizing babies and the church mass.



SIXTH: THE JEHOVAH'S WITNESS.

II JOHN 7-11

The roots of the Jehovah's Witness can be traced to Charles Taze Russell. He was considered a con artist by most who knew him. The religion at its conception was known as "Bible students", then "Millennial Dawn", then "The Watchtower Society", and this evolved into the "Jehovah's Witness."

Their denials:

- 1. They deny the deity of Christ.
- 2. They deny the teaching of Hell.
- 3. They deny that more than 144,000 belong to God.

<u>Conclusion</u>: The whole point of this article is for you to examine your foundation. Are you building upon the rock, or will your life be revealed as one that had no true foundation?

Psalm 11:19, "If the foundations be destroyed ..."

Many talk about sincerity, but rarely will they sincerely check on the roots of their religion. Will you take the challenge? Will you sincerely check where your religion came from?

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 HUSBAND AND WIFE WERE READING A MAGAZINE AND NEWSPAPER WHEN SHE BURST OUT LAUGHING. "LISTEN TO THIS," SHE SAID. "THERE'S A CLASSIFIED AD HERE WHERE A GUY IS OFFERING TO SWAP HIS WIFE FOR A SEASON TICKET TO THE STADIUM." "HMM," HER HUSBAND REPLIED, NOT LOOKING UP FROM HIS MAGAZINE.

THE WIFE ASKED, "WOULD YOU SWAP ME FOR A SEASON TICKET?"
"NEVER." HE SAID. "THE SEASON'S MORE THAN HALF OVER."

A DOCTOR TOLD A DISCHARGED
PATIENT, "YOU'RE COMPLETELY CURED.
I MUST TELL YOU, IT WAS YOUR
INCREDIBLE WILL TO SURVIVE THAT
SAVED YOU."
"THANKS, DOC," THE PATIENT REPLIED.
"REMEMBER THAT WHEN YOU WRITE
UP MY BILL."

Heritage Highlanders February 2018 Schedule

Saturday February 3
Love and Friendship
Saturday February 10
Valentine's Day Love Notes

<u>I John 4:7-8</u> John 13:34

Saturday February 17
Our Forefathers
Saturday February 24
Soulwinning

Proverbs 1:5

John 3:16

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!
- They are back! Dr. Bob Gray, Dr. Tom Neal & Dr. Greg Neal will be here on June 24th— 26th.



This Year's Conference







Dr. Tom Neal

Dr. Greg Neal

Dr. Bob Gray

June 24th—June 26th

June 24th June 20th	
Sunday, June 24th	11:00 AM 7:00 PM
Monday, June 25th	7:00 PM
Tuesday June 26th	10:00 AM
Pastors' Lunch	11:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:00 PM

From Our Church Prayer List

- 1. Judy Kurpan
- 5. Michelle Lemons
- Ed Hosey
 Paul Snyder
- 6. Kevin McClain7. Harold Cooper
- 4 Anita Miller



Sunday, February 25th, 2018

I'M NOT ONE TO BRAG ABOUT MY FINANCES, BUT MY CREDIT-CARD COMPANY CALLS ME ALMOST EVERY DAY TO TELL ME MY BALANCE IS OUTSTANDING.



"WHAT DO YOU HAVE THAT DOESN'T TASTE LIKE ME?"

Beware of Familiarity



Mrs. Francie Taylor

If people in authority have allowed you to be an insider, it doesn't mean that you can take special liberties. It is important to remember that leaders should be treated with respect and appropriateness. For instance, unless you are instructed to do so, it would be inappropriate for you to call your pastor by his first name, even if you went to school together.

It is also hazardous for a woman to become too close to a man in authority, discussing things that are unrelated to the ministry or the job. Intimacy is first formed verbally, and is later consummated physically. Too many people are falling into the innocent-looking trap of becoming too close on the job. Avoid discussing personal matters by only talking about what relates to your business or ministry purpose. Occasionally, personal things

about what relates to your business or ministry purpose. Occasionally, personal things overlap with work-related issues. At those junctures, use discernment, being careful about how much you share.

I have many pastors' wives for friends. I also have many friends among the church staff throughout the country. I also realize my responsibility is to pray for them. What good is a friend who doesn't pray? God places us in the lives of others for reasons we may never fully understand on this side of Heaven. Make it a goal to be a beneficial friend, lifting their names up in prayer.

Deacons



Deacons were chosen carefully. There were strict qualifications placed upon them, similar to that of a pastor. They were set apart by the laying on of hands by the Apostles for the purpose of executing the duties of their offices. When these deacons were doing their jobs correctly, good things happened.

- · The church was free from conflict.
- The Apostles were free to focus on prayer and preaching.
- · The church was free to focus on spreading the Gospel.

Dr. Greg Neal

Any pastor will agree that good deacons are priceless in the work of a church. I am privileged to have many good men serving as deacons in my church. Likewise, I had the privilege of seeing many good deacons serve with my father when he was the pastor. These Spirit-filled men are vital to the work of the

church, even more so when the church is growing and reaching more lost people. Many times, churches have problems with deacons because they are not growing, and the deacons are not needed to assist the pastor with the needs of people; so they begin meddling with the business of the church. Many churches have been destroyed by deacons who did not fulfill their responsibilities of assisting the pastor and, instead, became detrimental to the work of the church.

We find in the book of Acts, through the life of Stephen, the example of what a deacon should be. Stephen was a dedicated man and was an important influence in the work of the church. The Bible says that there were some who began to stir up trouble within the church.

"Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen. (Acts 6:9) And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council, And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law: For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us." (Acts 6:12-14)

Remember, there is nothing new under the sun. There will always be those who are angry when a church is growing and reaching lost souls. Stephen was such a dedicated deacon that he became the object of their hatred. It is interesting to note that it was a deacon, not the pastor, who was under attack by this angry crowd. Obviously, he was being used of God in a way that stirred the enemies of God to anger.

One of the greatest signs of a godly deacon is that he does not run when times are tough. When people are stirring up trouble good deacons stand their ground for the sake of the work of God. Stephen refused to back down, leading to his eventual death by stoning. His influence was so great that when they laid down the clothing, they put it at the feet of Saul of Tarsus, whose goal was to crucify all Christians.

The banana loaf I was making was in the oven when my 16-year-old came into the kitchen.

"That bread smells about done don't you think, Mom?" he asked.

belief that religion is the foundation of civil society.

I told him I had set the timer and it still had five minutes.

A little later he repeated his suggestion. "Mom, I think that loaf is done. Maybe you should check it."

Always quick to come to my defense, my 13-year-old son said, "Eddie, Mom's been burning that banana bread for 20 years now. I think she knows when to take it out."



Edmund Burke

Conservatism further evolved with the intellectual contributions of Irish statesman, author, and political theorist Edmund Burke. Burke, an advocate of religion as the foundation of moral life, helped establish the ethical groundwork of conservatism.

Burke's political philosophy was heavily based on Christian morality and Biblical law, and his principles were grounded in the

"Whatever disunites man from God, also disunites man from man"

Burke emphasized Christianity as a vehicle of social progress, and believed that a good and moral society was one that valued the institutions of the family and the church. Burke also criticized atheism and deism, which he believed only lead to moral relativism and in turn, social degeneration.

Some food for thought ...or...

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Planned Parenthood—The Ugly Truth

By Cole P. Zail

matter of women's healthcare!"

But is it?

Origins

Founded in 1916, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Incorporated, otherwise known as Planned Parenthood, is a nonprofit organization that claims to provide reproductive health care. The organization was created by nurse and birth control activist Margaret Sanger, who originally called it the American Birth Control League.

Now with over 650 clinics throughout the country, celebrity donors, multi-million dollar

"This is about more than just abortions! It's a power. Whereas the organization previously prided itself on serving women in low-income communities, Planned Parenthood's marketing approach targets women with higher means of living. Planned Parenthood executives realized that by marketing to women with higher incomes, they could gain more funds and in turn, gain greater political influence amongst lawmakers.

> This began Planned Parenthood's mission to go from being known as "abortion clinic chain" to the image-conscious "women's health care provider." The first step in this undertaking was to get the general public to stop associating the

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Fetal brains	\$2,230
Human fetal tissue	\$595 each
Skull matched to upper and lower limbs	\$595



ad campaigns, and a nearly \$1 billion net worth, Planned Parenthood has grown into an influential force in the United States. In its messaging, the organization consistently claims to advocate for reproductive freedom, safe sex, bodily autonomy, and women's health.

But is this the reality of Planned Parenthood?

Not a Clean Record

For the past several decades, Planned Parenthood has dedicated their efforts towards cleaning up their public image and "going mainstream." This approach was a calculated one, stemming primarily from a desire for organization with abortion—a difficult task, considering this is what Planned Parenthood has always been most well-known for.

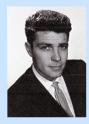
In order to create a well-crafted image to present to the public, Planned Parenthood has hired many a high-powered public relations firm to handle their branding. This "image overhaul" has been underway for the past several decades as the organization continues its shift away from the outright marketing of abortion services.

However, make no mistake: Planned Parenthood remains the leading provider of abortions in the United States.

What Kind Of Seed Are You Sowing?

WE CALLED BOTH OUR CATS SOCKS. WE HAD TWO, BUT WE LOST ONE IN THE DRYER.

Lest We Forget



Dale Robertson

Best known for his role as Jim Hardy in "Tales of Wells Fargo." Dale received Christ as his personal Saviour and became a deacon in a Baptist Church in Southern California. He was also a personal friend of Congressional Medal of Honor holder Carl Hatch, a Baptist preacher.

What many do not know about Dale Robertson is that he was an officer in the 322nd Combat Engineers during World War II. He saw combat in at least two actions. He received two Purple Hearts, the Bronze Star, and the Silver Star. He never bragged about his service, but was awarded twice for bravery in combat. While serving in the Army at San Luis Obispo, California, he decided to get his picture taken to send it home to his mother. The photographer placed a large photo of Robertson in his window to attract attention to his shop. An agent of Hollywood saw his picture and

asked him if he would be interested in acting. The rest is history. His wounds prevented him from doing what he loved to do, so he headed to Hollywood.

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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