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The Sent Ones

John 20:21, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

<u>Introduction:</u> A man sat in the heat of the day under a walnut tree looking at his pumpkin vines. There, after a while, he began to muse: "How foolish God is! Here He put a great heavy pumpkin on a tiny vine without any strength to do anything but live on the ground. Yet God made trees and put little tiny nuts hanging from large branches. If I were God, I could do better than that!"

Suddenly, a breeze swept by and dislodged a walnut from the tree and it fell on his head. It hurt! He then realized that if it had been a pumpkin in the tree, he would have been seriously injured. He came to the realization

that he was not as smart as he thought he was.

Many cannot seem to understand why God chose soul winning to reach a lost and dying world. If they were God, they would do something different. What they fail to see is that God is smarter than all of us put together. Notice with me:

FIRST: THE MESSAGE IS THE SAME.

JOHN 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

This is God's world. He made it, and man, and every living creature. When looking upon His creations in the Genesis account, He called it good.

Man, to be sure, has corrupted, spoiled, and marred this world in almost every single way, yet it has not caused God to forsake what He created. We must never allow the world's bad to weaken our faith in the belief that, "... God so loved ..."

SECOND: THE METHOD IS TO BE THE SAME.

JOHN 17:18

"As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world."

Church-going should never be an end. No matter how large the building gets, or how beautiful the rituals, or how inspiring the music, or how motivating the sermon is, or how satisfying the fellowship seems to be, the end of every church service should lead to individual Christian service. "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." God's method of the reaching a lost and dying world is still the same. God still sends his disciples into the world to share the Gospel message. This message is the only message, when believed, that can change the eternal destiny of the person who receive it. If you received Christ, then you are to be a sent one.

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"These stories about my intellectual capacity really get under my skin. You know, for a while I even thought my staff believed it. There on my schedule—first thing every morning—it said Intelligence Briefing."

George W. Bush, at the 2001 Gridiron Club dinner

"When they call the roll in the Senate, the senators do not know whether to answer 'present' or 'not guilty."' Teddy Roosevelt

THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES BRANCH WAS PACKED. AFTER WAITING IN LINE NEARLY AN HOUR, ONE MAN FINALLY GOT HIS

HE INSPECTED HIS PHOTO AND SAID TO THE CLERK. "I STOOD IN LINE SO LONG THAT I ENDED UP LOOKING PRETTY GROUCHY IN THIS PICTURE." "IT'S OK," THE CLERK SAID. "THAT'S HOW YOU'LL LOOK WHEN THE COPS PULL YOU OVER ANYWAY."



"THE POLITICIAN'S LUNCH IS A PORK SANDWICH AND WE SEND THE BILL TO YOUR GRANDCHILDREN."

One day, First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt visited a penitentiary. When FDR asked where she was, he was told, "She's in prison." "I'm not surprised," Roosevelt responded. "But what for?"

1 (1 pound) sweet potato 1/2 cup butter, softened 1 cup white sugar

1/2 cup milk 2 eggs

1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg

Kim Kline's Sweet Potato Pie 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon 1 tsp. vanilla extract 19" unbaked pie crust

- Boil sweet potato whole in skin for 40 to 50 minutes, or until done. Run cold water over the sweet potato, and remove the skin.
- 2. Break apart sweet potato in a bowl. Add butter, and mix well with mixer. Stir in sugar, milk, eggs, nutmeg, cinnamon and vanilla.
- 3. Beat on medium speed until mixture is smooth. Pour filling into an unbaked pie crust.
- 4. Bake at 350 degrees for 55 to 60 minutes, or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Pie will puff up like a souffle, and then will sink down as it cools.



Heritage Highlanders November 2012 Schedule

Acts 9:39 <u>Saturday November 3</u> <u>Saturday November 17</u> Pro. 31:14-15 Sewing: "Owl Sock Friends" Baking: Impossible Pumpkin Pie

<u>Saturday November 10</u> I Thess. 5:18 <u>Saturday November 24</u> Col. 3:17 Thanksgiving Craft "Turkey Pins" Lesson on Being Thankful

I TAUGHT A CLASS ON HUMAN RELATIONS TO BASIC TRAINEES, WHERE WE DISCUSSED HOW EVERYONE DESERVES RESPECT. AT THE END OF ONE CLASS. THEIR TRAINING INSTRUCTOR STUCK HIS HEAD IN AND SHOUTED, "OK, YOU BABIES, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE. WE HAVE PLACES TO GO!"

AS HE PASSED ME, AN AIRMAN MUMBLED, "NOW BACK TO REALITY." PAT FERRY, MESA, ARIZONA A MOTHER WATCHED HER TWO SONS OUT THE WINDOW PLAYING IN THE SNOW. SHE CALLED THE OLDER BOY TO COME INSIDE.

"I'VE TOLD YOU TO SHARE THE SLED WITH YOUR LITTLE BROTHER," SHE SAID.

"I AM SHARING," HE PROTESTED. "I USE IT GOING DOWN HILL, AND HE USES IT UP HILL."

Local Churches

The happiest churches in America have strong leaders for pastors. Whether you like it or not, God said we are to submit ourselves to those who have authority over us.

The disgruntled church members are those who do not obey Scripture concerning their relationship with their pastor. Those who constantly run down their pastor are the disgruntled members. Those who strengthen their pastor are the happy members. When you think you know more than the pastor does, or when you think you are stronger than the pastor is, you are about to embark on a dangerous path. Just because you feel you know more and are

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stronger, this does not change the fact that you are not the pastor. If you strengthen the pastor, he in turn gives you security. The pastor may not be the best Christian in the church, but he is still the pastor. Only the Judgment Seat of Christ will reveal who is the best Christian in your church. Until then, someone must be in charge. It just so happens you have a pastor who is in charge. As a result, you can have security as a church member.

Again, let me reiterate that when doctrinal errors are born because of a bad relationship with the Scriptures, it is the responsibility of every member to explore and ask questions with a meek and humble spirit.

THIRD: THE MOTIVE SHOULD BE THE SAME.

LIOHN 4:17

"Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world."

Reaching the world seems like an impossible task. But if we would reach out with a heart of love right where we live, it would make all the difference needed.

The motive for the mission should be love. When our motive is because we finally get a glimpse of what it really means to love, then our mission at home, at work, in politics, or in the operating room, or from behind a pulpit, will be to reach out with a broken heart full of love for those lost without Christ and without hope for eternity.

<u>Conclusion:</u> God's love is deep enough and broad enough to reach out into every area, and into every condition of the human heart. But someone must take the message. Dr. Jack Hyles said, "The best way to send out an idea is to wrap it up in the body of a person." That's exactly what God did when He sent Jesus into this dark and sinful world.

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)



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



Something to 'CROW' about!

- 1. In 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011 we at Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved and baptized every—single—week. That makes 6 years in a row!
- 2. Our Annual Father & Son Turkey Shoot and Chili Supper turned out great in spite of a storm that God held off until we finished the shoot!



Results—18th Annual Turkey Shoot





1st Place: Pastor Gerald B. Collingsworth

Total Wins: Four - 1st Place Two - 2nd Place



2nd Place: Ken Watson, Deacon <u>Total Wins:</u> Two - 1st Place

Three - 2nd Place

Results—18th Annual Chili Supper



1st Place Chili Contest

Vida Collingsworth



2nd Place Chili Contest

Angela Berezne

Son's Competition 1st Place—Logan Medsker 2nd Place—Michael Hagan

Over breakfast, a woman told her husband, "I'll bet you don't know what day this is."

"Of course I do," he answered, as if offended, and left for the office.

At 10 a.m., a dozen red roses arrived at the house. At 1 p.m., an enormous box of chocolates was delivered. A designer dress arrived at 3 p.m.

When her husband got home, the woman threw her arms around his neck, saying, "I've never had a more wonderful Groundhog Day!"

A DOCTOR confided in an attorney friend. "I have a problem." he said. "Whenever I'm at a social gathering, people tell me about their medical problems. I don't mind giving advice, but I feel like they're taking advantage of me. Would it be legal or ethical for me to bill them?"

"Absolutely." the attorney replied. "That'll be \$200."

A WIFE SUGGESTED HER HUSBAND TRY HIS HAND AT

CHANGING DIAPERS. "I'LL DO THE NEXT ONE," HE SAID.

LATER, SHE ASKED FOR HIS HELP. "I DIDN'T MEAN THE

NEXT DIAPER," HE REPLIED. "I MEANT THE NEXT BABY."

The Beauty of Purity



Mrs. Francie Taylor

God designed us to be chaste, so when we live within the bounds of this design, we radiate a beauty that can only stem from godly purity. A pure and clean heart has a wonderful effect on not only our own spirits but also on the spirits of those around us.

You can't hide a hard, impure heart under layers of makeup. Either you are living a chaste life in the Lord, or you are simply a great pretender. Just as Moses' face had a shine to it from the time that he spent with the Lord on Mount Sinai (Exod. 34:29), purity has a glow to it. God said that we are to "examine ourselves" (Il Cor. 13:5), so put yourself on trial and be tough about it! We know in our hearts when we are off track. It's just that sometimes we become comfortable in the "off

track" life and don't want to give it up.

If I could convince you of one thing, I would want it to be this: God's way is always better than any of our substitutes. Why settle for the bottom of the barrel when you could have a premium quality life? If God said that we are to be chaste, then anything less would be low-standard living.

Are you living a chaste, pure Christian life? If you are then be thankful that the Lord has showed you how to achieve this high standard of living. If you re not living a chaste life, it will become increasingly difficult for you to see things God's way. Why not confess any impure areas to God and repent and start fresh with a chaste lifestyle? Your heart will be blessed by the difference, and your life will be a blessing to others with the impact of your consecrated, sanctified living.





Isaiah 53:6 says, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way..." What does that verse mean? It means that whatever my mind can comprehend is to me, the final authority.

Some self-styled intellectuals will say, "I just don't believe that a just God would send any-body to burn forever in Hell, so there is no Hell," or "It doesn't make sense to me that God would regenerate anybody, so there's no such thing as regeneration. What I can't conceive, I won't believe. What I can't understand, I won't accept." He is a humanist! He's playing God! He is his own idol.

Dr. Jack and Beverly Hyles

Enter the charismatic who says, "I have a word of knowledge." Nothing in this world is as rotten to the core as the charismatic movement. One of those rascals on the television says, "I have a word of knowledge. I see a lady out there with a goiter on her neck," or "Someone out there has a pimple on his gall bladder," or "I had a vision." That practice is as rotten as liber-

alism! They are saying that their heart is their final authority. That is heresy. They are saying, "God is speaking to me." God has already spoken to them!

This could also include any Baptist who says, "I'm going to move to another area because the Lord is leading me." Of course, there's no red-hot church in that area, but he is getting a raise in pay. No one ever says, "God is leading me to take a cut in pay and move somewhere else." We've got charismatic thinking in our Baptist churches.



Bev Rice's Creamy Garden Soup

4 cups milk 6-8 red unpeeled potatoes 2 sticks butter boiled or microwaved 1 whole onion diced 2 large yellow squash 3 stems celery diced 2 tosp. parsley 2 cans celery soup 3 small carrots cubed 3-4 bratwurst sliced, grilled or fried 1 tsp. pepper 2 chicken breast, grilled or fried 1 can peas

1 can peas 1 can green beans

Mix milk, butter, pepper, celery, carrots, squash in a pot. Boil for 15 minutes on medium. Remove from heat. Fry onions and bratwurst. Then mix all ingredients with the soup and boil for 20 minutes or until the carrots are soft. Serve with flaky biscuits or Italian Bread. Great on a chilly day!

If the soup gets thick after it sits for a while, add milk or a little butter.

"He can compress the most words into the smallest ideas better than any man I ever met."

Abraham Lincoln, referring to a lawyer

"I don't know whether it's the finest public housing in America or the crown jewel of the American penal system." *Bill Clinton, on the White House*

"I SEE THESE PROTESTERS IN COUNTRIES LIKE EGYPT, AFGHANISTAN, TUNISIA. THEY'RE BURNING AMERICAN FLAGS. WHERE DO THEY GET THEM ALL? IF YOU HATE US SO MUCH, HOW DO YOU HAVE A LARGE SUPPLY OF FLAGS ON HAND?"

Tidbits Of History—The Pledge Of Allegiance

The original Pledge of Allegiance was written by Francis Bellamy. It was first given wide publicity through the official program of the National Public Schools Celebration of Columbus Day which was printed in The Youth's Companion of September 8, 1892, and at the same time sent out in leaflet form to schools throughout the country. School children first recited the Pledge of Allegiance this way:

"I pledge allegiance to my Flag and to the Republic for which it stands one Nation indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all."

"The flag of the United States" replaced the words "my Flag" in 1923 because some foreign-born people might have in mind the flag of the country of their birth instead of the United States flag. A year later, "of America" was added after "United States."

No form of the Pledge received official recognition by Congress until June 22, 1942, when the Pledge was formally included in the U.S. Flag Code. The official name of The Pledge of Allegiance was adopted in 1945. The last change in language came on Flag Day 1954, when Congress passed a law, which added the words "under God" after "one nation."

Originally, the pledge was said with the right hand in the so-called "Bellamy Salute," with the right hand resting first outward from the chest, then the arm extending out from the body. Once Hitler came to power in Europe, some Americans were concerned that this position of the arm and hand resembled the Nazi or Fascist salute. In 1942 Congress also established the current practice of rendering the pledge with the right hand over the heart.

The Flag Code specifies that any future changes to the pledge would have to be with the consent of the President.

Stories From The Nursery

Arriving at church Sunday morning I had no idea that I was about to experience a nursery duty like no other in my 12 years as a nursery worker.

Upon arriving, I witnessed a teenage boy changing the diaper of a crying baby on the ledge of the nursery's half door. No worries, though. It was a home economics project for school and the baby was just a robot baby. (I guess shop class was full.) The "baby's" daddy wore a wristband that was used to guiet the baby and asked us to page him if "he" started crying again.

After 2 minutes the baby started crying again. There was no way going I was going to interrupt the preaching or listen to that loud crying robot baby for 45 minutes. So I did what anyone would do: I put a quilt over his face and tucked in the sides so as to block out the noise. But that didn't work very well. I wanted to put him in the furnace room, which is on the other side of the women's bathroom that is next to the nursery. My nursery partner talked me out of that. It's a good thing she did because a young girl came to the restroom and would have heard the crying baby in the furnace room. Who knows where that would have gone? Who would ever have guessed the public schools would have a course of "Caring For Babies" using an actual robot baby. (Our hard earned tax dollars at work) We've come a long way, baby!

Submitted by: Karen Wilcox, Nursery Worker

Dr. Tom Neal

P.S. Had this been an actual baby I would not have used the "guilt over the Face" method to quiet the child; I would have fed him cough syrup like any good mother. (Ha! Ha! Just kidding.)





Upcoming Events 2013!







President Berean Baptist College Fleming Island, Florida

June 2013



Dr. Bob Grav

Longview Baptist Temple Longview, Texas July 2013



Mrs. Kelli Campbell

Ladies Retreat Treasured Trials Ministries August 2013



Dr. Greg Neal

Pastor Berean Baptist Church Fleming Island, Florida October 2013



Bible Correctors

It is amazing to me that men who claim to be saved and washed in the blood of the Lamb cannot seem to see that Satan is out to put doubts in people's minds as to God's veracity when He said He would preserve EVERY WORD forever ... and to make us wonder as to His capability to do so. I have listened to debates on the King James Bible issue, and I have been in countless confrontations with Bible correctors. NEVER have I

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heard them say or intimate that there is a devil who is out to discredit the Word of God ... NEVER! NOT ONE TIME have I ever heard a Bible corrector even mention Satan in connection with the confusion that is being caused by all the "versions" on the market. They seem utterly BLIND to the fact that Satan's very first approach to the human race was to discredit the Word of God ... to put in question what God had said.

Paul told us in II Corinthians 2:11 that we are not ignorant of Satan's devices... but I'm afraid the Bible correctors are TOTALLY ignorant of Satan's devices. They cannot see the devil's hand in this conflict over the King James Bible versus all the perversions. They are absolutely oblivious to Satan's devices. The only "devils" they see are those of us who believe that God HAS preserved every word like He said He would do ... and that He was ABLE to get it into the English language.

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

- A utonomy of the Local Church
- P riesthood of ALL Believers
- T wo ordinances Baptism & Communion
- I mmersed Church Membership
- S oul-liberty
- T wo 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 1638 in Providence, Rhode Island
- John Bunyan (1628-1688), Baptist preacher who wrote Pilgrim's Progress
- John Newton (1725-1807), Baptist preacher that wrote *Amazing Grace*
- 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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