

FROM THE DESK OF:

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CAN'T BE DONE

<u>Introduction:</u> There are several areas that we know about, but we seldom pause to examine them. What I am speaking of are those things that just can't be done. Let us consider a few of those things.

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FIRST: CONSIDER WHAT GOD CANNOT DO. TITUS 1:2

1. *Heb. 6:18* → Cannot lie.

2. *Mark 6:5-6* → Cannot work in the presence of unbelief.

3. *II Tim.* 2:13 → Cannot deny Himself.

It seems a strange thing that unbelief can tie the hands of God, but He has chosen that to be true. In Mark chapter 6:5-6 we discover that Jesus wanted to do so much more but their unbelief shut the operation of God like shutting a door.

SECOND: CONSIDER WHAT AN UNBELIEVER CANNOT DO. JOHN 3:19

Romans 8:8 → Cannot please God.
 Job 40:1-4 → Cannot save self.

3. **Hebrews 9:22** → Cannot be saved without the shed blood.

4. **John 14:17** → Cannot receive the Holy Spirit.

5. *I Corinthians 2:14* → Cannot understand the Scriptures.

The believer is totally separated from the unbeliever. The Spirit of the world and the spirit of God are completely opposed to one another. Therefore, the lost cannot receive the Spirit of truth, because the lost do not see and do not know Him.

Without trusting that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again the third day the lost will never comprehend.

THIRD: CONSIDER WHAT A BELIEVER CANNOT DO. JOHN 15:5

1. **Matthew 6:24** → Cannot serve God and the Devil.

2. I John 2:15-17 → Cannot Love God and the world.

3. Luke 14:26-27 → Cannot love others more than Christ.

4. **Galatians 5:16** \rightarrow Cannot walk in the flesh and the Spirit at the same time.

If the connection between the branch and the vine is severed then there can be no involvement or fellowship with Christ. "Without me ye can do

Panic



Here we find a common occurrence from those who run. Ruth 1:1 says, "Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land." The first truth we find is that there was panic instead of prayer. The Bible tells us there was a great famine in the land. There was a lack of food which is a very serious situation. There was real cause for concern. In this serious situation we find panic, but no prayer.

Dr. Greg Neal

We live in a day when there is much about which to be concerned. If we watch the news or read the newspaper, all we hear about is the lack of jobs, the struggling' economy, and the housing crisis. We hear many people talking about

the problems

and we see many people panicking; yet, to be completely honest, we do not hear of many people praying. We hear much complaining, but we hear no praying. The politicians stand up and give their little speeches about what we need to do to solve a problem. Have we not noticed that the more the Congress does the worse it gets for all of us? What Congress needs to do is get on their face, get right with God, and petition the Almighty God for His blessings and intervention. What God's people need to do is quit complaining about everything and get on their knees and ask God for His leading and mercy.

We are in a panic today, but there is no prayer. Many Christians are going to make decisions that will alter their futures and the futures of their families all because they panic in a tough situation instead of going to the One Who controls everything and Who has the answer to everything. There is no prayer in the life of the Christian who runs.

ONE SHOP OWNER ASKED ANOTHER, "HAVE YOU HAD ANY RESPONSES TO YOUR AD ABOUT HIRING A NIGHT GUARD?". "YEAH," THE OTHER REPLIED. "WE GOT ROBBED LAST NIGHT."



"I DON'T THINK HE LIKES THE NEW INVISIBLE FENCE."

Nobody is perfect. I am nobody. Therefore, I am perfect.







"I THINK EVERYONE IS PAYING WAY TOO MUCH ATTENTION TO THE ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM."



nothing."

FOURTH: CONSIDER WHAT SATAN CANNOT DO.

JAMES 4:7

- 1. *I Cor.* 10:13 → Cannot tempt you above what you are able to resist.
- 2. **John 10:29** → Cannot take you out of God's hand.

God does not say that we will not be tempted, but He promises that He will not allow the Devil, or his cohorts to tempt us beyond what we cannot have victory over.

God expects His children to walk uprightly. He has given them salvation and the power to overcome. There is no logical reason for saying, "The devil made me do it."

<u>Conclusion:</u> Those who come to God must come by way of the Lord Jesus Christ. They must by their own free will accept and receive the gift that God has offered them. The only reason people sin and enter into an eternal hell is because they simply will not come to Christ. Please do not make that same horrible choice. *John 5:40, "And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life."*

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 MAN WALKED INTO A COUNTRY STORE AND NOTICED A SIGN WARNING, "DANGER! BEWARE OF DOG!"
INSIDE, HE SAW A HARMLESS OLD HOUND DOG ASLEEP ON THE FLOOR BESIDE THE CASH REGISTER.
"IS THAT THE DOG FOLKS ARE SUPPOSED TO BEWARE OF?" HE ASKED THE OWNER.
"YEP, THAT'S HIM," CAME THE REPLY. "HE CERTAINLY DOESN'T LOOK DANGEROUS TO ME."
"BEFORE I POSTED THAT SIGN, PEOPLE KEPT TRIPPING OVER HIM."



Jim Hawkins

School Days

Raised in the hills of Kentucky, Riley's and Ruth's grandfather, James Riley Hawkins, was born in 1884. School was much different then.

Most hill folk didn't go to school regularly, make it to high school levels, or even graduate.

Mr. Williams rang the bell. All the kids rushed to their seats, obedient and ready to learn. The teacher had just began to speak when the Langston boys moseyed in and sat in the back of the room.

These brothers were older boys and had never consistently attended school. It was obvious they had shown up for entertainment purposes.

The Langston boys mocked and poked fun at the teacher, who responded. "Sit down, or I will remove you at once!" The rest of the students sat still and didn't move, they knew Mr. Williams was serious.

"You'll be sorry you said that!" The elder boy stood up and charged down the aisle between the desks at the teacher.

Mr. Williams calmly reached into his desk drawer, pulled out a .38 Special and shot the boy in the arm.

"Now," he said to the younger, "You may take your brother home and never come back. Or I may give you a bullet to match."

The two boys stumbled out and class resumed to normal.

Upon arriving home the parents began to tend to their son. Hearing about his sons' actions the father promptly turned the elder over his knee and spanked him. After that, he proceeded to take him to the town doctor to get the bullet taken out.

In closing: This is just one of the wonderful stories as told by Jim Hawkins, the father of Mrs. Berezne.

Principles To Live By



Over 48 years ago, I told God I would live the rest of my life by five principles:

Money will never be an issue in my preaching. Nobody will ever meddle with my preaching.

I'll make my decisions on the basis of right and wrong and not expediency.

Dr. Jack Hyles

I'll be a friend to my friends.

I will not give my loyalty to institutions.

I will give my loyalty to principles and support the institutions that embrace those principles. I've been saying that for over 48 years. Don't be surprised because I've dropped my loyalty to some institutions. The old preachers like Bob Jones, Sr., John R. Rice, G. B. Vick, J. Frank Norris, and Bob Ketchum are gone. A new generation of young whippersnappers who didn't fight the war have come on the scene. They are peace time soldiers who are trying to change the Word of God. To me that is like teenagers rebelling against their parents to have their own thinking and not embracing what is handed down to them by somebody else.

A POLICE OFFICER FOUND A PERFECT HIDING PLACE TO WATCH FOR SPEEDING MOTORISTS. ONE DAY, HE WAS SUSPICIOUS WHEN EVERYONE WAS DRIVING UNDER THE SPEED LIMIT, SO HE INVESTIGATED AND FOUND THE PROBLEM.

A BOY WAS STANDING ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD WITH A HUGE HAND-PAINTED SIGN: "RADAR TRAP AHEAD." GOING FURTHER, THE OFFICER DISCOVERED ANOTHER BOY ABOUT 500 YARDS BEYOND THE RADAR TRAP WITH A SIGN READING "TIPS" AND A BUCKET FULL OF CHANGE.

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I am following the path God laid for me. I took His hand when I heard Him call. I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. I found that peace at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss Ah, these things I, too, will miss. Be not burdened with time of sorrow, I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief. Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Light up your heart and share with me. God wanted me now; He set me free.



Ruth Lois Robinson 1935—2019



Baby Shower for Elizabeth Myers and Hudson Thomas Myers on Thursday, October 3rd at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall.



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
 Kevin McClain
- 7. Harold Cooper
- 8. Linda Sigstad

THEY SAY MONEY DOESN'T BRING YOU HAPPINESS. BUT IT'S BETTER TO VERIFY THINGS FOR YOURSELF.



We rejoice in the birth of Israel James Frick.

1. Fishermens' Club

2. Phoster Club

3. Bus Ministry

6. Bookstore

4. Sunday School

5. Welcome Wagon

7. Music Ministry



Pastor had the honor of baptizing Addilyn Collingsworth, his granddaughter.



COMPROMISE: AN AMIABLE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN HUSBAND AND WIFE WHEREBY THEY BOTH

AGREE TO LET HER HAVE HER OWN WAY.

DIPLOMAT: A MAN WHO CAN CONVINCE HIS WIFE THAT SHE WOULD LOOK TOO FAT IN A FUR COAT.

Our Church Ministries

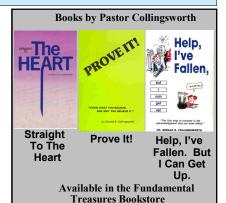
- 8. Counseling Ministry
- 9. Grounds and Maintenance
- 10. Heritage Baptist Academy
- 11. Nursery
- 12. Boys Bible Club
- 13. Girls Highlander Club
- 14. Cleaning Ministry

- 15. Teen Club
- 16. Junior Church
- 17. Ladies' WMS Ministry
- 18. Ushers
- 19. Altar Workers
- 20. Greeters

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FINANCIALLY, I'M SET FOR LIFE. PROVIDED I DIE NEXT WEDNESDAY.

Even when your life ias turned sideways, you can still pray.



Some food for thought ...or...

Seed From The Silol

China Removes "Bible," "God," "Christ" From Children's Classics

In efforts to bring Christianity further under government control, authorities in China have erased the words Bible, God, and Christ from classic children's stories, including Robinson Crusoe.

China's Ministry of Education recently introduced a new school textbook to help fifth-grade students "understand other cultures," according to Asia News. Included in the textbook are four popular stories by foreign writers, including Robinson Crusoe.... However, each story is censored to remove any religious reference.

In Daniel Defoe's 18th-century classic novel, castaway Robinson Crusoe discovers three Bibles inside a shipwreck which he then uses as his moral compass while stranded on the island. However, the Chinese version eliminates the word Bible, instead noting that Crusoe happened upon "a few books."

Leah MarieAnn Klett. christianpost.com

Abortion Business Marie Stopes International Makes Over \$361 Million Killing Babies in Abortions Worldwide

Marie Stopes International, a British-based abortion chain...made more than \$361 million killing unborn babies last year across the world, according to its annual report.

Abortion is big business. Though Marie Stopes and Planned Parenthood identify as nonprofits, they reap in huge amounts of money every year from their deadly abortion work. Planned Parenthood reported a record \$1.66 billion in revenue in 2018 while providing fewer actual healthcare services and more abortions.

... According to Civil Society News, the British nonprofit [Marie Stopes] reported an income of £296.8 million (\$361 million) in 2018...

Marie Stopes ... in 2018 ... provided 4.8 million abortions ...

Marie Stopes operates almost 500 facilities in 37 countries, providing abortions, contraception and other services. lifenews.com

What Kind Of Seed Are You Sowing?

A JUDGE ENTERED THE COURTROOM AND STARTED THE PROCEEDINGS. "BEFORE THIS PROCESS STARTS IN EARNEST, THERE IS ONE THING I HAVE TO CLEAR UP," HE SAID. "THE PLAINTIFF GAVE ME \$10,000 SO I WOULD RULE IN HIS FAVOR. THE DEFENDANT GAVE ME \$12.000 SO I WOULD RULE IN HIS FAVOR. TO MAKE THIS CASE A FAIR ONE, I AM HEREBY RETURNING \$2,000 TO THE DEFENDANT."



John R. Rice

It's Not A Show I Timothy 3:1-7

The Gospel is blood and fire and iron. We need more than a vaudeville show in the pulpit. We need more than child prodigies and boy preachers and women evangelists in the pulpit if the church is to take its rightful place in society and if the Gospel is to be heard with respect and conviction by ungodly sinners. God bless our good women; He has a blessed place of influence and soul winning for them, but it is not in the pulpit. The pulpit is a place for the strongest men that we have. The preacher in the pulpit should speak with an authority that is absolutely forbidden a woman to exercise.

Oh, for a new passion in the churches to do things exactly God's way! Then, no doubt, there will be the smile of Heaven upon us and a mighty revival will break out in the land wherever people make Christ the Lord and set out to please 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

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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