

“Vision 2020”



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Pastor & Mrs. C
“Old-Fashioned
Sunday”

Where are the Monuments Men?

Isaiah 3:1-5

Introduction: In the last couple of weeks I have been appalled at what has been happening to our national and historic monuments. The monuments have been painted over, torn down, and even their heads cut off. While observing these riots, “In the summer of love,” I have wondered, “Where are the Monuments Men?”

FIRST: WHO WERE THE MONUMENTS MEN?

The Monuments Men were 400 service members that were assigned to the civil affairs section of the allied armies in 1943 during WWII.

Their assignment: To find, secure and safeguard historic and cultural arts and monuments that had been stolen by the Nazis.

SECOND: WHY WERE THEY SO DRIVEN?

The Monuments Men believed that by stealing and removing national arts that this would rob the world of history itself and deprive untold millions the opportunity to learn by observation and study why monuments and art was so valuable for each generation.

So valuable to the Monuments Men were the precious paintings and statues stolen from their rightful owners, museums, and countries that two of the Monuments Men literally gave their lives to regain the monuments and art.

The Nazis had stolen so much art that in one location the Altaussee Salt Mines contained 12,000 pieces of art.

THIRD: WHAT WERE THE MOTIVES OF THE NAZIS?

1. Pure Greed! What was valuable they intended to split up and use for their own selfish goals after the war.
2. To Destroy the History of a People. When they began to steal, and confiscate the property of the Jews, the Nazis wanted to remove all evidence that the Jewish people ever existed. Even paintings that had passed down five generations were destroyed by the Nazis because they revealed the long and historic presence of a people known as the Hebrews.

FOURTH: WHERE ARE THE MONUMENTS MEN TODAY?

Where are those that claim art is precious and that we should be willing to die to preserve the history and culture of a people for the entire world to learn from their contributions?

All across this nation known as “America” you have rioting radicals destroying the art and the memory of great people even though they were flawed.

Statues of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, Francis Scott Key, and dozens of others. Yes, imperfect, but still great in what they accomplished in our national history. Great! Yes, they were flawed, but nevertheless great!

FIFTH: THE REAL DANGER

“The Lord...doth take away...the mighty man...the judge, the prudent, and the ancient...babes shall rule over them...oppressed by one another...the child against the ancient...the base against the honourable.”

Think with me of some of the paintings and statues that the radical, social Communists want to remove from history.

Continued



John R. Rice

Sinner, Take Warning!

Matthew 25:1-13

Let the unsaved readers observe the note of solemn warning in all these passages where Jesus spoke of His coming. Every time He mentions that we should watch because He might return any hour of any day there is a thrill of joy for the Christian, and yet there is a solemn and fearful thought for: the unsaved.

“As the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be,” Jesus said. And remember that all the world, except eight souls, perished in that terrible flood because of their wickedness of which they did not repent!

And when Jesus spoke of the return of a master to call his servants to account after a long absence, He warned of the fearful punishment that would befall the unfaithful servant who began to eat and drink with the drunken and to beat the other servants, etc. The coming of Christ for His saints will be a sad day for every unsaved soul. .

His coming is likened unto a thief in the night, and like the householder who, being not ready, has his home broken up and his goods stolen, so every sinner who has not trusted Christ will find himself bereft of the most precious things in this world—his loved ones who are Christians. Many a man will have mother, father, wife, babies or dear friends taken away in an instant, and he be left to face a world gone mad in sin with every single Christian removed at one stroke!

Tuscan Salad

Cut or tear 1/2 pound rustic crust-on bread into 1.5-inch pieces. Arrange in single layer on a rimmed baking sheet and toast in a 325°F oven, turning occasionally, until dried and crispy throughout. In a large salad bowl, toss bread with 1.5 pounds diced tomatoes and their juices (use any kind except fleshy sauce tomatoes, such as plum), tablespoons red or white wine vinegar, 2 cups extra-virgin olive oil, a handful of torn basil leaves, and half of a medium red onion, thinly sliced. If desired, add peeled and sliced cucumbers. Season with salt and pepper.

Let's Make
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OUR BEST YEAR EVER

Sunday School Is Important



We want to give a special “well done” and hearty thank you to our Sunday School teachers!



America is Better than it's Media

You can get deathly sick at heart, reading any issue of any newspaper—mob violence if the mob doesn't happen to like something; rape, stabbings, murders; cowards screaming that they won't fight for their country; courts pampering criminals; teen-age animals.

As a nation, as a community, we should be desperately ashamed. But let's not lose sight of some of the things we can still be proud of too:

- Church and Sunday School are still changing lives.
 - Nurses' aides and Red Cross workers doing exceptional work when they could be having a good time.
 - The finest fighting men in the world, proud to wear their U.S. uniforms, proud to represent us well, around the globe.
 - Individuals and business contributing more to charity and education than ever before and more per capita than any other nation dreams of.
 - Millions of mothers doing the unglamorous job of running a home economically and raising their children to be decent citizens.
 - Millions of men working long hours at not very interesting jobs but doing them the best they know how, and cutting down on lunches, perhaps, to save money to pay Junior's way to college—and not demonstrating for “rights” or something “free.”
 - And these same Americans hoping their politicians will wake up to the fact these are the true Americans who want what's best for their country, not what will get the most votes come November.
- Yes, the screaming headlines are sickening, but the silence which is America going about its business quietly that's pretty wonderful.

By A Patriot.



Saturday July 4
July 4th Picnic!
Saturday July 11
Honesty

Heritage Highlanders July 2020 Schedule

2 Timothy 2:3
Proverbs 12:22

Saturday July 18
Crafts and Ice Cream
Saturday July 25
Soulwinning

Ecclesiastes 9:10
Romans 6:23

1. The statues and portraits of Robert E. Lee and Thomas Jackson.

This portrait is entitled, "The General and His Chaplain." A staff officer recalled that Jackson invited Pastor Lacy to spend the night and, prior to retiring, they knelt and prayed together. Lacy became the chaplain of the 2nd Corps. Revival spread throughout the armies. Thousands were converted. It was called "The Great Revival of 1863."

By the way, Lee and Jackson both opposed slavery.

2. The statues and portraits of George Washington and Thomas Jefferson.

Think. Removing the Father of our Nation, George Washington.

Think. Removing from our nation, the Author of the Declaration of Independence.

Both imperfect, yet great men. They both became promoters of doing away with slavery.

3. The statues and portraits of Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses Grant.

Grant was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio. When Grant was nominated to West Point Military Academy, a local congressman mistakenly called him Ulysses S. Grant. It stuck and he became known as U.S. Grant.

By the way, as a young officer in the war with Mexico, Grant was brevetted twice and was promoted twice for bravery in action.

Conclusion: What are the conclusions for our current crisis in America?

1. Our secular education system is nothing but an indoctrination center to ruin our national heritage.
2. Our political leaders are willing to sell us out in order to keep their power.

The only solution to this horrible situation is still in the Person of the only Saviour, The Lord Jesus Christ.

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 was lost in the desert, moving slowly and barely able to stay on his feet. Suddenly, at the top of the hill, another man on a camel appeared with a number of ties draped over his arm. "Water!" the man cried. "I don't have any water," the other man replied. "But I can sell you a nice tie for \$15. Or two for \$25."

"No ties!" the wanderer exclaimed. "Just tell me where I can find some water."

"Oh, all right. Go in the direction I came from. Soon, you'll see a palm tree. About 50 yards past the tree, you'll find your water." The camel walked off.

He followed the directions and eventually found himself facing another man. "Do you have water?" he croaked. "Plenty," the new man replied. "But we don't serve if they're not wearing a tie."



"The propitious smiles of Heaven can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right which Heaven itself has ordained."

George Washington

"But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious Hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own."

Abraham Lincoln



"Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"

Patrick Henry

"After my conversion to Christianity, I loved all of mankind, slaveholder not excepted. I saw the world in a new light... I gathered scattered pages of the Bible... that in moments of leisure I might get a word or two of wisdom from them."

Frederick Douglass



"Why, then, should we who believe in Christ be so surprised at what God can do with a willing man in a laboratory? Some things must be baffling to the critic who has never been born again."

George Washington Carver

"I believe the next half century will determine if we will advance the cause of Christian civilization or revert back to the horrors of brutal paganism."

Theodore Roosevelt



"If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

Ronald Reagan





Even reproductions remove
"One nation, under God"

Lest We Forget



Billy Collingsworth,
US Army Special Forces.
Brother of our Pastor.



David Thomas,
US Marine Corps.
Father of Vida Collingsworth.



Ken Crowe,
US Air Corps.
Husband of Peggy Crowe.



Eric Campfield,
US Navy.
Father of Eve Oswald.

*We have lost these for a short period
of time. For now, let us remember
what they have meant to us.*

Our Church Ministries

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

**A MAN GOES ICE FISHING FOR THE FIRST TIME. ALL OF A SUDDEN, HE
HEARS A LOUD VOICE: "THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE!"
HE IGNORES IT AND MOVES TO ANOTHER AREA, CUTS A HOLE, AND TOSSES
HIS LINE IN. AGAIN, HE HEARS THE BOOMING VOICE:
"THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE!"
THE MAN LOOKS UP NERVOUSLY AND ASKS, "LORD? IS THAT YOU?"
"NO, THIS IS THE RINK MANAGER!"**

**WHEN YOU'RE DRESSED ALL IN BLACK
AND SOME WISE GUY ASKS YOU WHO
DIED, LOOK AROUND THE ROOM AND SAY,
"I HAVEN'T DECIDED YET."**



*Crystal
Collingsworth*

Offer Them Dessert

Have you ever been to a restaurant and the waiter or waitress offered you dessert? Were you offended? Of course not. But, why not? You weren't offended, because it's their job to offer it to you. You already expected it to happen. Either you wanted it or you didn't, or maybe the offer made you at least think about it. Did you know that a waitress doesn't pick and choose who she offers dessert to? She's not interested in your race or religion, your physical appearance or political associations. She merely offers dessert to everyone.

Let's say the waitress offers you dessert, but you told the waitress no. Do you think she was offended? Of course not. But, why not? She wasn't offended, because it's only her job to offer you dessert. She's not responsible for your response. If you want it great, but if not, no hurt feelings. She doesn't go in the back and cry, nor does she stop offering it to other customers.

Now, let's turn this into a spiritual application.

God has commanded us to go and tell a lost world about what His Son did on the old, rugged cross; to let them know that through His shed blood, they can have remission from their sins and an eternal home in Heaven. Whether or not they receive Christ as Saviour is out of our job description. We must simply offer them dessert.

Like a waitress, we must get in the habit of offering everyone dessert. As soul-winners, we must not allow ourselves to pick and choose who we think is "worthy" of the gospel, and/or who will be receptive to it. Everyone is "worthy" of the offer. No, everyone will not be receptive to it, but that's not for us to worry about. We just have to offer it to them.

If people decide to reject the salvation that we offer them, we must not allow ourselves to be offended. When someone rejects an offer for dessert, they're not rejecting the waitress offering the dessert, but the dessert itself. If someone rejects salvation, they're not rejecting us, but the salvation we're offering. Like a waitress, we shouldn't be offended by the rejection, nor should we allow it to keep us from offering it to others.

On the flip side, people would be less likely to be offended by us offering them salvation if they expected that we were going to offer it to them. People should expect that if they meet a Christian, that Christian is going to offer them salvation. There are so few Christians that actually offer salvation that the majority of people are offended when we offer it. They don't expect it, so they see us as being fanatical and intrusive.

It's so sad and convicting to me that waitresses are more faithful to offer dessert than Christians are to offer salvation. If we would just get in the mindset that soul-winning is merely offering someone dessert, then I believe we would be more faithful to do it, and more successful at it. If we would just bear in mind that we're not responsible for the reception or rejection of it, perhaps we would be just as faithful as the waitress. So, from now on, I hope you will take every opportunity to just offer them dessert.

Faith

James 2:14-20



Dr. Greg
Neal

INTRODUCTION: The theme of this study is based upon *Acts 1:8*, “*But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*” However, our focus will center around *Hebrews 11 and 12* which deal with faith leading to action. In introducing this theme, we will discover that faith always leads to action. The purpose of faith is not merely to have faith. The purpose of faith is to bring us to action. In our memory verse for this study, we see James, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, pointing out the fact that faith is always followed by works. This can bring confusion into the minds of some Christians. The difference between Christianity and all other religions is the fact that there are

no works of our own involved in our salvation. Faith and works always go hand in hand. There are three truths taught in this passage regarding faith and action.

FIRST: FAITH WITHOUT WORKS HAS NO PROFIT.

James 2:14-16 explains that there is no profit to faith if that faith does not lead to works. James uses the illustration of a person’s physical needs to teach this lesson. If someone comes to us without clothes, food, or other things needful to his body and we do not provide those to him, then our faith has no profit or value. Faith brings value. It brings value to the lives of others, not necessarily to ourselves. Much is said in our day and age by prosperity teachers that faith leads to us getting all the things we want and need. However, that is not what the Bible teaches. The Bible teaches that faith brings profit or value to others. The faith of God’s children only has value if that faith adds value with works by providing the needs of others. Selfish “faith” is not faith at all.

SECOND: FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD.

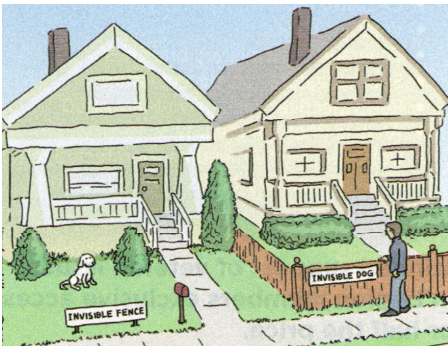
In verses 17-20, James isolates faith from works. He stands faith all by itself and when it is examined without the accompanying works, James says that...it...is dead, being alone. It is interesting that he refers to Satan as one who has faith in God. What kind of faith does Satan possess? He possesses the faith of knowledge. He knows that there is only one God. All the demons and devils in Hell believe there is one God, and it causes them to tremble. Yet, they do not act upon that faith with trust in that one God. We see that the result is a faith that has no life to it. Works brings faith to life. The purpose of strengthening our faith is to allow us to increase our works. Where faith is growing stronger, works are being performed more abundantly. Faith without action leads to pride and self-edification.

Conclusion: Remember, throughout history, Christians of faith were people of action.

From Our Church Prayer List

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| 1. Judy Kurpan | 6. Kevin McClain |
| 2. Ed Hosey | 7. Harold Cooper |
| 3. Sheila Spencer | 8. Linda Sigstad |
| 4. Anita Miller | 9. Carolyn Grindel |
| 5. Michele Lemons | 10. Roland Robinson |

***IF YOU KEEP YOUR FEET FIRMLY ON THE GROUND,
YOU'LL HAVE TROUBLE PUTTING ON YOUR PANTS.***



Lest We Forget

Memories of a Combat Vet

Ugo Giannini

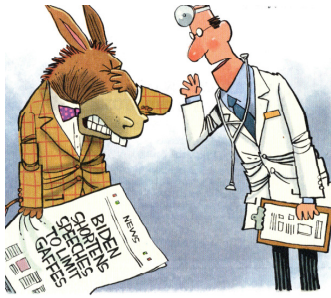


Combat had taken residence in his paintings. He had mentioned that one day he would like to do a book about his time in the war, but that day did not come while he was living. Other than passing references by day and nightmares he could not shake at

night, the war stayed inside him.

“What I remember was this terrible nightmare where he was screaming. There is actually a picture of it in the book (*“Drawing D-Day: An Artist’s Journey Through War”* Dover, 2019) where he was on patrol at night in Germany ... and found the decapitated head of his friend who had gone out earlier in the day. That was an excruciating memory for him, all of his life. One of his nightmares was the landing. Every day I went to the hospital the last month of his life, he was landing on Omaha Beach, and screaming, ‘Get away from that! Get away from that obstacle! You’re going to get hit! You’re going to get shot!’”

Some food for thought ...or... Seed From The Silo!



"DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE..."

WHAT OFFICE ARE YOU RUNNING FOR AGAIN?

"My name's Joe Biden. I'm a Democratic candidate for the United States Senate. Look me over. If you like what you see, help out. If not, vote for the other Biden. Give me a look though, OK?" - Joe Biden, 2/24/2020, to supporters in South Carolina forgetting he's running for president and not the U.S. Senate.

WHAT THE WHAT?!

"We have this notion that somehow if you're poor, you cannot do it. Poor kids are just as bright and just as talented as white kids." - Joe Biden, 8/19/2019.

WRONG AGAIN

"150 million people have been killed since 2007 when Bernie voted to exempt the gun manufacturers from liability. More than all the wars including Vietnam from that point on." - Joe Biden, 2/25/2020, incorrectly claiming that approximately one half of the U.S. population has been killed by gun violence since 2007.

YOU'RE TALKING CRAZY, JOE

"The first thing I would do is make sure that we defeat Donald Trump." - Joe Biden, 6/27/2019, giving a delusional answer when asked during a Democrat debate what his top priority would be upon becoming president.

DECLARATION OF YOU KNOW NOTHING, JOE

"We hold these truths to be self-evident. All men and women are created, by the, you know, you know the thing." - Joe Biden, 3/2/2020, botching the Declaration of Independence. The actual line is, *"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."*

What Kind Of Seed Are **You** Sowing?

AN INTERVIEWER SAID TO AN ACTOR, "SO YOU MOVED FROM BROADWAY TO HOLLYWOOD HOPING TO FURTHER YOUR CAREER. DID YOU GAIN ANYTHING FROM THE MOVE?"
"THREE HOURS. BUT THAT WAS GOOD ONLY FOR THE FIRST DAY."



Dr. Bob Gray

How to Honor Your Parents

Ephesians 6:1-2, *"Children ... Honour thy father and mother ..."*

If we were to get down to the nitty-gritty, we must admit that we know that we are commanded to honor our parents. What exactly does that mean? What can adult children do to bring honor to their parents? To answer those questions, we must look at the commandment from the perspective of ways we honor God. Many of the same methods of honoring God are ones we should use to honor our parents.

1. We can honor our parents with our giving. We honor God by bringing our first fruits to Him in the form of tithes and offerings. I do not recommend that we bring our tithes to our parents. I do, however, believe that we should regularly make sacrifices financially for the sake of our parents whether they need it or not. If they need money, honor them by helping them financially. If they need nothing, then honor them by buying them things that perhaps they would not buy for themselves. God does not need our money. God has chosen to allow us to honor Him with our finances. Likewise, our parents may not need our money, but we should honor our parents financially.

2. We can honor our parents with our good works. The Bible tells us that we are to let people see our good works so that they can glorify our Father in Heaven. Our good works in life should be a reflection of our parents' goodness to us. People should know that the good we do is the result of what our parents made possible. They may not have taught us to do the good that we are doing now, but they made it possible for us to be in a position where we could do good for others. We must not take all of the credit for the good we do. We should give credit to our parents. At the age of eighty-six, Mrs. Beverly Hyles was asked why she was so blessed in her life. She replied, "I had a mom and dad who taught me to do right." She honored her parents with that response.

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, 1 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.

1 Corinthians 15:3-4, 1 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 Franklin Norris** (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- **Jack Frasure Hyles** (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year

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