

“A Race To BE WON IN 2021”



FROM THE DESK OF:

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PORTRAITS IN MEMORIAL

Introduction: If I could give any advice to a young person, it would be to trust Christ as their personal Saviour above all else.

The next thing I would do would be to encourage them to read about the founders of this great nation.

One of the reasons that our nation is in such turmoil today is that most people have never taken time to read about our forefathers.

History has always been an absolute in understanding any civilization.



**Pastor & Mrs. C
“Old-Fashioned
Sunday”**

FIRST: GEORGE WASHINGTON ————— “THE FATHER OF OUR NATION”

George Washington was the type of person that worked hard at whatever job he had to do. When he was a surveyor he spent weeks in the wilderness surveying land that he would one day take an army across.

Later, as an officer under the command of the British military, he learned military tactics that would one day make him a legend.

Throughout the Revolution, he managed to avoid losing an underfed, underpaid, and under-trained army to the greatest military force of that day, the British Empire.

After the Revolutionary war was over, he had accomplished so many impossible tasks with a ragtag army that it was said, “Words fail to tell all he has done.”

When he became President they tried to call him “His Highness.” He said, “No! Refer to my position as ‘Mr. President.’”

He was President from 1789-1797.

On taking the position as President of America, he stated, “My movements to the chair of government will be accompanied by feelings not unlike those of a culprit who is going to a place of his execution.”

SECOND: ABRAHAM LINCOLN ————— “HONEST ABE.”

Born in the state of Kentucky, Abraham Lincoln was a self-educated man. He had very little formal education, yet became a great lawyer just from reading and studying books.

What made Abraham Lincoln so successful in the political realm was his great sense of humor. He had such a way with words that it eventually led him into greatness.

Lincoln was the first to admit his shortcomings. During his famous debate with Stephen Douglas in 1858, Douglas accused him of being two-faced. “I leave it to my audience,” replied Lincoln, “If I had another face, do you think I would wear this one?”

He was President from 1861-1865.

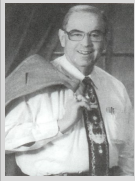
Concerning slavery, Lincoln said, “Whenever I hear anyone arguing for slavery, I feel a strong impulse to see it tried on him personally.”

THIRD: THEODORE ROOSEVELT ————— “THE ROUGH RIDER”

Roosevelt was an insatiable reader with a photographic memory. He read constantly every book that he could get his hands on. Not only a constant reader, but he wrote more than 40 books on everything from naval history to bird watching.



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Dr. Jack Hyles

Every Word

If we do not have the words of God, we cannot obey the commandments of God concerning those words. **Deuteronomy 4:10** says, "...make them (my people) hear my words...." If we don't have the words, we can't make the people hear the words.

Deuteronomy 17:19 says, "...keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them." If we don't have all the words, we can't keep them.

Deuteronomy 29:29 says, "...do all the words..." A child could figure out that in order to "do all the words," he must have all the words. Even a seminary professor should be able to figure that out after a few years!

Deuteronomy 31:12 says, "...observe to do all the words of this law." **Deuteronomy 32:46** says, "...set your hearts unto all the words...." **Deuteronomy 32:46** also says, "...command your children to observe to do, all the words of this law." If God commands us to teach our

children the very words of God and we don't have the very words, then we can't teach them to our children. He didn't say to teach our children the thoughts; He said to teach the very words of God to our children. How can we teach the words of God if we do not have the words of God?

Matthew 4:4 says, "... Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." The Bible says, "every word," not every thought, not every truth, but "every word!" You cannot live if you don't have "every word."

John 15:7 says, "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." The Bible says, "my words," not "my thoughts" or "my truths" or "my doctrine." No! It says, "my words." If the words of God must abide in you so that you can get your prayers answered, then the words of God must be somewhere. Would Jesus have told us to do something that was impossible to do?

In David's time there were no originals, but the Bible was pure. In Solomon's time there were no originals, but the Bible was pure. In Jesus' time there were no originals, but the Bible was pure. So, we know that God preserved His words from David's time and Solomon's time until the prophets' time because Jesus said that God did. Again, we know that God's words were preserved until the time of Jesus because that was a part of forever just as today is also a part of forever.

If you have to have all of the words of God to live and to get your prayers answered and to teach your children, I would start my search if I were you.



Pastor's Favorite—Oatmeal Raisin Cookies

1 cup raisins
1/4 tsp. salt
2 large eggs

1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. vanilla extract
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour

3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) butter, softened
1 1/2 cups rolled or quick-cooking oats
1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease 3 baking sheets. Combine flour, baking powder and salt in medium bowl. Place the brown sugar and butter in a large bowl. Beat with an electric mixer set on high speed until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs and vanilla until smooth. Gradually stir in the flour mixture with a wooden spoon until thoroughly combined. Stir in the oats and raisins until blended.

Drop the dough by rounded spoonfuls 1 1/2 inches apart on the prepared baking sheets. Flatten the dough slightly with a fork. Bake until golden brown, about 12 minutes. Cool on the baking sheets for 2 minutes, then transfer to wire racks. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes 32 cookies.

ONE DAY, REFRIGERATORS WILL TAKE THEIR REVENGE. THEY'LL BURST INTO YOUR BEDROOM IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, SWITCH ON THE LIGHT, STARE AT YOU FOR A FEW MINUTES AND LEAVE.



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.

WHY DO HURRICANES GET SUCH LAME NAMES? NAME THAT THING "HURRICANE DEATH MEGATRON 9000," AND I GUARANTEE FOLKS WILL EVACUATE.



Power Pair
The most remarkable couple since India Hicks and the Sultan a portrait ca. 1957).

In Memorial of Philip Mountbatten

Before he even became President, he held several different positions. He wore a Deputy Sheriff's badge in the Dakotas, was a State Senator in New York, the Police Commissioner of New York City, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, the Governor of New York, Colonel of the Rough Riders at San Juan Hill, as well as the Vice President of the United States.

He was President from 1901-1909.

On Valentine's Day in 1884, he was called back home to discover that both his wife and mother were terribly ill. They both died. He had never been so overwhelmed with grief.

Theodore loved his wife, Alice, more than life itself. After her death he would never mention her name because even to think of her would fill his eyes with tears and fresh grief.

Concerning an easy life he said, "I have never envied a human being who led an easy life."



FOURTH: RONALD REAGAN ————— "THE GREAT COMMUNICATOR."

Ronald Reagan graduated from Eureka College in Illinois. After graduating he became very well-known in the Midwest because of his radio program.

In the 1930s, Reagan tried his hand at making movies. He had 53 films to his credit before setting his focus toward politics. He ran for governor of California where he served two terms.

Reagan was criticized for being in politics as a movie star. His reply, "I do not know any politician that has never taken acting lessons. Most of them are such good actors that they have everyone else thinking they know what they are doing."

When asked if he was nervous about debating Jimmy Carter on stage, he replied, "No. Not at all. After all, I've been on stage with John Wayne."

Reagan was often made the butt of political jokes because he kept falling asleep after hours of working in world affairs. His reaction to the jokes, "I can't wait to get back home to California, I plan to lean back, kick my feet up and take a long nap. Come to think of it, things won't be that different after all."

Both Reagan and his wife, Nancy, loved acting and loved films. They watched their favorite films in the White House screening room. When the chief of staff, James Baker, noticed that the President was absent from an important briefing, he went to the White House to see if anything was wrong. "Mr. President, you missed the briefing this morning." Reagan's reply, "Well, Jim, the Sound of Music was on last night."

By the way, Reagan did join the army in WWII and held the rank of Captain promoting the war effort.

Someone asked him about his work ethic, what he believed. He said, "It's true that hard work never killed anyone, but I figure why take the chance?"

He served as President from 1981-1989.

On one occasion President Reagan was making a speech in California and mentioned a sign that the protestors were carrying, "Make love, not war." He said, "I doubt if they could do either."

To this day, Ronald Reagan is one of the most beloved Presidents of all American history.



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 GUY GOES DOOR TO DOOR LOOKING FOR WORK. ONE HOMEOWNER HANDS HIM A BRUSH AND A CAN OF PAINT AND OFFERS HIM \$150 TO PAINT HIS PORCH.

A FEW HOURS LATER, THE GUY COMES BACK TO THE HOMEOWNER AND SAYS, "I'M FINISHED. BUT YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT YOUR CAR'S A FERRARI, NOT A PORSCHE."

Communism is the Religion of Failures

Don't think the danger of communism in this country is past. Men and women who are failures will always try to tear you down to their level, and communism promises them the chance. They label themselves; here's who they are:

- Politicians who promote government ownership of the means of production—the never failing opening wedge of the communist state.
- Those who urge us not to "antagonize" Russia and her satellites, supporters and friends, but to "get along with them (which means giving in to them).
- The greedy who say "the state" should educate and feed them, guarantee them security without obligation.

The price of these noble-sounding ideas is loss of liberty bit by bit. And that is how communism always enters. America rewards with self-respect those who work. Communism rewards with petty power the failures who destroy. Watch for them.

Something to 'CROW' about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church has had someone saved every week in 2020.
2. The bus ministry is still active.
3. We are hosting the "Old-Time Religion" Conference in 2021.
4. Heritage Baptist Church never closed one time in 2020.



From Our Church Prayer List

1. Judy Kurpan
2. Sheila Spencer
3. Anita Miller
4. Michelle Lemons
5. Kevin McClain
6. Harold Cooper
7. Linda Sigstad
8. Carolyn Grindel

Where is HAPPINESS?

NOT IN MONEY... Jay Gould, the American millionaire, had an enormous fortune. When dying, he said, "I suppose I am the most miserable man on earth."

NOT IN PLEASURE ... Lord Byron lived a life of pleasure and ease. He wrote: "The worm, the canker and grief are mine alone."

NOT IN MILITARY GLORY ... Alexander the Great conquered the known world in his day. Then he wept, "There are no more worlds to conquer."

NOT IN POLITICAL POWER ... William Tweed became the brilliant boss of Tammany Hall and ruled New York City. He said: "My life has been a failure in everything."

NOT IN UNBELIEF ... Voltaire was an infidel of the most pronounced type. He wrote: "I wish I had never been born."

NOT IN POSITION AND FAME ... Lord Beaconsfield enjoyed more than his share of both. He wrote: "Youth is a mistake; manhood a struggle; old age a regret."

WHERE IS HAPPINESS? The answer is simple: In Christ alone. He said: *"Your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you."*

"Whoso trusteth in the Lord, happy is he." (Prov. 16:2)

Lest We Forget

'He's At Peace'



Not long after PFC Milton "Wayne" Kleckner's family learned he'd been killed in the Battle of the Bulge, letters started arriving from a couple caring for his grave at Henri-Chapelle in Belgium.



Kleckner's widow, with their 3-year-old son Thomas in tow, walked two blocks to the home of the high school French teacher, who translated the messages and helped her respond.

As years passed, the families fell out of touch, and Thomas asked about bringing his father back to Indiana for burial. "Mom said, 'He's at peace, let him be,'" he says.

He'd like to know who visits his father's grave today. When - Kathy McDermott contacted him on behalf of Fields of Honor, Thomas shared several cherished photos - including one of Kleckner's squad on Dec. 14, 1944, eight days before his death, and another of an Army chaplain kneeling at his original grave site, marked by a white wooden cross.

"The older I get, the more emotional I am about all this."

'I cried for the first time'

A cab pulled up with a telegram addressed to his mother. In rural Texas, young Larry Kilmer knew immediately what that meant.

His father, demolition specialist Sgt. Thomas Kilmer, was placing charges on a damaged bridge near Jena, Germany, when it collapsed, killing everyone on and under it.



"There was a choice at that time of bringing the body back to the States or having him buried overseas," Larry says. "I was 12 years old, and I can remember my mom asking me. We decided to leave him where he was."

In the two years since Carla Mans contacted him for a photo, he and the Dutch researcher have become close friends. She also helped put Larry in touch with descendants of the family who adopted Thomas Kilmer's grave in 1945.

"They grow flowers in their garden and cut them and take them to decorate it. We use Google Translator to talk to each other. When they said they'd been taking care of my father's grave all these years, I actually cried for the first time."



*Far away
From all they knew,
With hearts of pride
And courage true,*

*Vowed to serve
As freedom's light,
And through their strength
Our nation's might,*

*They gave all
Our brave defenders
Where poppies lie,
We will remember.*

Measuring Greatness



Dr. Bob Gray

The greatness of Lester Roloff was not seen when he preached to the crowds in the churches, but when he was in jail for obeying God and he formed a choir out of a bunch of jailbirds. The greatness of Charles Hadden Spurgeon was not evident when he rose to become the prince of preachers. It was evident when he kept on going, even though he was smitten with a serious illness and his wife was an invalid. His greatness was measured when his own preacher boys voted him out of the London Baptist Association. The greatness of Dr. John R. Rice was not found in his great citywide revivals. His greatness was measured when he was voted out of the Tarrant County Baptist Association for his stand against the teaching of evolution at Baylor University. It was found when he hit bottom and it looked like his ministry was gone. He was preaching to ten to twenty a night.

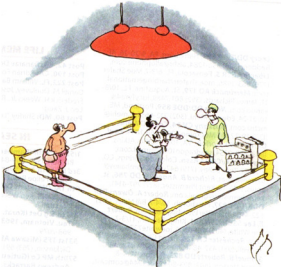
The greatness of Dr. Lee Roberson was not found when he was awarded for having the largest church in the world. No, greatness was found when his daughter Joy was taken. Greatness was found when he was voted out of the Hamilton County Baptist Association. God measured Lee Roberson in the valley.

The greatness of Dr. Jack Hyles could not be found on one of his Pentecost Sundays, when his church baptized over 6,000 converts in one day. It could not be found when he was awarded for having the world's largest Sunday school. His greatness was found when a church building was destroyed by fire and when his dad died without Christ. God measured Dr. Hyles in 1989 while he was being attacked by people who spread slanderous lies about him.

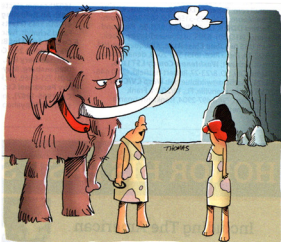
Dr. Jack Hyles said, "Every man needs a hard failure early in life." There exists no greatness of position without greatness of perseverance. No great man in history have ever escaped the valleys of life. Greatness does not exist without severe tests.

What do you do when you are down, when you are in the valley, when you fail, or when you are mistreated? God is measuring you! Show me what it takes to stop you, and that will measure you! You will not be measured by the number of victories, but by the number of times you rebound from defeat.

The real measure of a man is not shown when he is on top; it is shown in what he does while he is on bottom. Your greatness will not be evident in the number of mountains you climb, but in the number of valleys you endure.

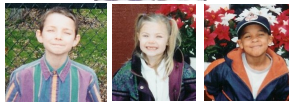


"AND IN THIS CORNER, WITH 240 KNOCKOUTS, BILL, 'THE ANESTHESIOLOGIST' SMITH!'"



"HE'S MY THERAPY ANIMAL."

Mr. Kevin McClain



Mr. Jarrod Collingsworth



Heritage Baptist Church Memories In The Bus Ministry

Mr. Don Tuck



Jeff and Summer Oswald



When they first introduced bottled water, I thought it was so funny. I was like, 'Ha ha, they're selling bottled water! I guess I'll try it. Ahh, this is good. This is more watery than water. Yeah, this has got a water kick to it.'"

Upcoming

1. Angela Berezne and Benjamin Tharp Wedding
Friday, May 28th.
2. Heritage Baptist Academy Graduation
Sunday June 13th 7:00 PM.
3. Old-Time Religion Conference,
Sunday—Tuesday June 20th—22nd.



Some food for thought ...or...

Seed From The Silo!

\$1.9 Trillion COVID Bill Has Biggest Expansion of Abortion Funding in a Decade

The \$1.9 trillion COVID bill...includes the biggest expansion of abortion funding in a decade. The bill forces Americans to fund abortions and the Planned Parenthood abortion business. It is the largest expansion of abortion funding since 2010, when Democrats passed Obamacare.

The vote was 220-211 with every single Democrat voting for the pro-abortion bill except for Representative Jared Golden (D-ME) and every single Republican voted no.

The COVID relief bill...will spend tens of millions, perhaps over | \$100 million, on funding abortions and the Planned Parenthood abortion corporation. lifeneews.com

EDITOR'S COMMENTS: With this so-called COVID relief bill now law, each American citizen now owes an additional \$5,700 in the ever ballooning national debt. Tragically, multiplied millions of those dollars will be a colossal windfall for the abortion industry.

AGs Support Sandra Merritt Case

Twenty state attorneys general...have filed amicus briefs at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in support of Sandra Merritt and her colleague, David Daleiden. Their briefs argue that the lower court's decision against Merritt and Daleiden will harm First Amendment journalism, which often uses undercover recordings to reveal crime and abuse.

Liberty Counsel represents Merritt in the multimillion-dollar civil lawsuit regarding her undercover investigation of Planned Parenthood's trafficking of human baby body parts.

In their brief, the attorneys general of Arizona, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Utah and West Virginia argue that the trial court erred in excluding the public policy defense, because the videos were used by law enforcement authorities - including some of these amici themselves-successfully to investigate and prosecute wrongdoers.

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

Mothers Make Preachers

When young Matthew Simpson broke the news to his widowed mother that he felt called to preach, which would necessitate his leaving the home, she exclaimed with tears of joy: "Oh, my son, I have prayed for this hour every day since you were born. At that time, we dedicated you to Christian ministry."

Campbell Morgan says: "My dedication to the preaching of the Word was maternal. Mother never told it to the baby or the boy, but waited. When but eight years old I preached to my little sister and to her dolls arrayed in orderly form before me. My sermons were Bible stories that I had first heard from my mother."

I COULDN'T WORK TODAY BECAUSE OF AN EYE PROBLEM. I JUST COULDN'T SEE MYSELF WORKING.

What's Wrong With Being Old-Fashioned?

In the America of yesterday you paid your debts as quickly as possible, and went without things, to do it. You disciplined your children, but disciplined yourself, first.

You spent less than you earned, and demanded your government do the same.

You went to church, your children to Sunday School, you held daily prayers and no court would have dared to interpose any law into your private religion.

You would have been horrified at (and quick to change) men in high places who made "deals."

You expected to prosper by individual initiative—by doing a better and better job.

You obeyed the law—but took active enough part in government to see that the laws were just. You "walked softly but carried a big stick."

And that was the character which brought this country victory in two world wars in your lifetime, built it back from a shattering depression, and fed and saved the civilized world.

If all this is "old hat," so be it. It needs resurrection.

Men Can Prevent Broken Homes

The man is to "*cleave to his wife.*" Hear the Saviour quoting from Genesis in *Matthew 19:5*: "*For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh.*" Husbands should have a pure and tender love for their wives; a love that passes over the wife's weaknesses without bitterness.

Husbands should love their wives as special gifts from God, helpmeets to make them happy, for "*Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the Lord*" (Prov. 18:22), and "*A prudent wife is from the Lord*" (Prov. 19:14). A husband should love his wife as the mother of his children, being with him, "*heirs together of the grace of life*" (1 Peter 3:7).

When a husband loves his wife even as himself, and as Christ loved the church, is not bitter against her and gives her honor as the weaker vessel, and leaving father and mother cleaves unto his wife, that home will very rarely be broken.



John R. Rice

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 premillennial 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

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 Franklyn Norris** (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- **Jack Frasure Hyles** (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year

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