

"A Race To BE WON IN 2021"



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**Pastor & Mrs. C
"Old-Fashioned
Sunday"**

VALLEY DWELLERS

Introduction: Here in *1 Kings 18:21*, Elijah is getting on to the people because of their apathetic, indecisive lifestyles. He is saying to them, "Make up your mind."

1 Kings 18:21, "...How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word."

For decades your pastor has been saying, "Know what you believe and why you believe it."

FIRST: IT IS A CRITICAL CHOICE.

I KINGS 18:21

The word, "halt," carries with it the teaching of having specific problems. For instance, it means to "waver," "sway from side to side," "to limp along." God's people were crippled because of their double-minded attitude. They acted like modern day politicians swayed by the wind. They wanted the best of both worlds. They were not sold out to false religion, but they were not sold out to God either.

By the way, where was Baal? He was the god of the rain and harvest. He was the god of the farmer, yet no rain and no harvest.

Their sin was expensive, as food and water were scarce. God's people were being crippled by their fence straddling! It was time to make up their mind.

If you want God's blessings, then get off the fence.

SECOND: IT IS THE CALL OF CHAMPIONS.

I SAMUEL 17:29

"Is there not a cause?"

When David came upon the battlefield, he could not believe what he was seeing. He saw two armies yet not one of his own people would consider the cause of battle.

1 Samuel 17:3, "And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the other side: and there was a valley between them."

Here are two opposing forces. If you noticed, there was a valley between them. That valley should always exist between right and wrong! It should be clearly seen. But, as you have noticed in society today, everyone wants to live in the valley.

Once a choice is made to be a valley dweller, then there will not be any obvious view of right and wrong. What will you see? Just the one view of the valley dwellers, that view is, "Can't we all just get along?"

Look at the argument of the valley dwellers:

1. We are tired of fighting.
2. We can reach more people by not choosing sides.
3. We know that separation just leads to more fighting, so we avoid Bible doctrine.
4. We have tried the valley living and find it is a more loving position.
5. We know the world will not listen to us if we are always fighting over

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Dr. and
Mrs. Hyles

Jack Hyles On Separation

Is it possible that we have forgotten that God was not looking for ten saved people in Sodom; He was looking for ten righteous people in Sodom. We face a peculiar kind of Christianity where a professed, born-again quarterback gives an interview to Playboy Magazine and implies that Jesus would do the same thing if He were here.

A famous singer who is a professing Christian appears at night clubs, and at giant rallies he testifies concerning his love for Jesus. A publisher of a pornographic magazine says he has been born again yet continues to publish his illicit material. A famous evangelist says that he is not sure if Hell has fire and now we have sodomites preaching that they believe in Jesus.

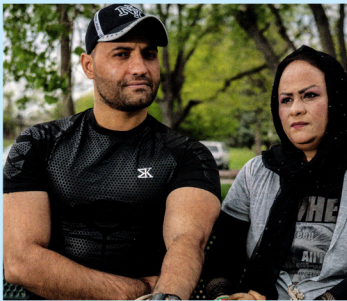
Genesis, 18:25, "Shall not the judge of the whole earth do right?"

GRANDPA ALWAYS SAID, "WHEN ONE DOOR CLOSSES, ANOTHER ONE OPENS." GREAT MAN, HORRIBLE CABINETMAKER



The Baptists of Colonial America were men of iron, purified in the forge of adversity, and formed on the anvil of persecution. Thus, when the greatest danger threatened the nation, they sprang into action. Colonel Joab Houghton received news at Sunday worship of the British attack on Concord and Lexington. After the service, he addressed the people of Hopewell Baptist Church outside as they were about to disperse. Having told of the cowardly murder at Lexington by royal troops and the heroic counterattack that followed, he paused, then spoke with gravity: "Men of New Jersey, the red coats are murdering our brethren of New England! Who follows me to Boston?" At once, every man present shouted "I!" and stepped out into line! That quiet Sabbath bore witness that there was not a single coward or traitor among the Baptist men of Hopewell.

Lest We Forget



A Never-Again Moment

After serving in Vietnam, I was embarrassed by how we abandoned those who helped us. Now history repeats itself in Afghanistan and Iraq. It reminds me of the adage, "The only thing worse than being an enemy of America is being an ally."

*John Czeziuk,
Lawrenceville, Ga.*

If we don't honor our word, we won't have to worry about allies ever again. There won't be any stepping up to the plate. To me, as a Marine, it is unthinkable to break the "Leave no one behind" commitment.

John Porte, Aiken, SC

Our border is seemingly open to drug smugglers and human traffickers from Mexico and Central America, yet closed to our Afghan allies who partnered with us in the fight against the Taliban. Their courageous service netted several successful military operations and saved many lives. But now their lives are in danger from the merciless Taliban if they are left behind when we withdraw from Afghanistan.

Translators like Ramish Darwishi deserve a hero's welcome in America. Bring them to safety now!

*Paul Hoylen,
Deming, N.M.*

AUTUMN WOODS

Give me a woods to walk in
When the autumn breezes blow,
Sunlight flickering through the branches,
Shadows darting to and fro.

Give me a path to walk on,
Fallen leaves beneath my feet,
Treetops reaching to the heavens,
Song birds sharing my retreat.

Give me a stream to sit near,
Where the limpid waters lie,
Nature's canopy reflected,
Harmony of tree and sky.

Give me a woods to walk in,
And a path where few have trod,
Quiet places of contentment
In this universe of God.



**"He's the chronic pain
I was telling you**

"WHEN I WAS A KID," THE OLD MAN SAID, "MY MOTHER COULD SEND ME TO THE STORE, AND I'D GET A SALAMI, TWO PINTS OF MILK, SIX ORANGES, TWO LOAVES OF BREAD, A MAGAZINE AND A PAIR OF BLUE JEANS, ALL FOR A DOLLAR!" HE CONTINUED, "YOU CAN'T DO THAT ANYMORE. THEY'VE GOT THOSE SECURITY CAMERAS EVERYWHERE."

A MOTHER TOOK HER YOUNG SON SHOPPING. AFTER A DAY IN THE STORES, A CLERK HANDED THE LITTLE BOY A LOLLIPOP. "WHAT DO YOU SAY?" THE MOTHER SAID TO THE BOY, TO WHICH HE REPLIED, "CHARGE IT!"

AN OCTOBER DAY

Tinged by maple's scarlet blaze,
Spiced with dusty goldenrod,
The day is tangy. Through a haze
Crisp light sifts down on fallen leaves
That snap like parchment tinder stress.
Sun fingers, stroking each low hill
With flame, draw back in amber chill.
A russet day, wherever you look,
Drifts down upon October's book.

Bible differences.

Listen carefully to this: The valley dwellers are deliberately removing the Bible position on any issue.

THIRD: IT IS THE COWARDICE OF COMPROMISE.

REVELATION 3:15-16.

"...I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth."

Why is it that the valley dwellers are the ones that make God sick? It is because no difference can be seen. There is no light and no salt to the valley dweller. There is only deception, disobedience, and cowardice.

"Lukewarm" is accomplished by taking something cold and mixing it with that which is hot. The result will be "lukewarm."

II Corinthians 6:14-17, "...come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord."

Conclusion: Those who choose to be valley dwellers claim they do so to avoid being labeled as extremist. The truth is that the valley dweller has chosen the most extreme position of all. They have chosen to do nothing about abortion, communism, or perversion.

Where are you dwelling today? A better question would be, where do you think Jesus would be dwelling today?

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 preacher had succeeded in putting an elderly man asleep with his sermon. Preaching for a decision, in the midst of his sermon, he shouted, "Those who want to go to hell, stand up!" The elderly man stood up, looked around, paused for a moment and said, "Preacher, I don't know what we're voting for, but it looks like you and I are the only ones for it."

Heritage Highlanders October 2021 Schedule



Saturday October 2

Scavenger Hunt

Saturday October 9

Baking With Pumpkin

Psalms 24:1

Proverbs 31:31

Saturday October 16

Baking Pumpkin Seeds

Saturday October 23

Fall Craft

Saturday October 30

Soulwinning

Luke 10:2

Matthew 9:37

John 3:16



Dr. Bob Gray

The Old-Time Religion is Better Than the New-Time Religion

There was a day when Presbyterians used the King James Bible with its preserved inspiration; they stood firm on these issues of immorality. The Methodists, Nazarenes, Lutherans, and most of the Protestants stood staunchly on the King James Bible as the very Words of God. They preached strong sermons for right and against wrong. In case you do not like the old-time preaching, I would quickly point out that America was a whole lot better off in the old days than in these new days! America did not have all of the complicated problems we have now. The problems with drugs, abortion, AIDS, divorce, homosexuality, etc., were almost nonexistent in the old days of America. When America was filled with preachers who would stand up and let it rip from the pulpits of this nation, we did not have these problems in the epidemic proportions of today.

Our nation used to be a better society. Now, however, we have little puppets preaching little sermonettes to Christianettes who smoke cigarettes, drive Corvettes, listen to worldly quartets, watch half dressed majorettes, watch Carol Burnett, wear their hair like Farrah Fawcett, and now have become stagnate. America does not need another Republican in the White House, or a Democrat in the White House; America needs a real man of God in God's house. The old-time religion is better than the new time religion.

Something to 'CROW' about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved every week in 2020.
2. The bus ministry is still active.
3. We are hosting the 8th Annual "Old-Time Religion" Conference in 2022.
4. Heritage Baptist Church never closed one time in 2020.
5. Heritage Baptist Church has not closed on time in 2021.
6. Heritage Baptist Church has had someone saved each week of 2021.



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

Our Church Ministries

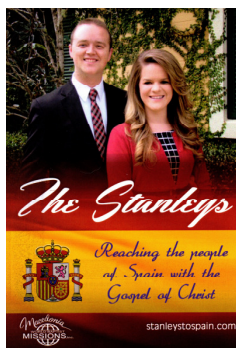
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| 1. Fishermens' Club | 11. Nursery |
| 2. Phoster Club | 12. Boys Bible Club |
| 3. Bus Ministry | 13. Girls Highlander Club |
| 4. Sunday School | 14. Cleaning Ministry |
| 5. Welcome Wagon | 15. Teen Club |
| 6. Bookstore | 16. Junior Church |
|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

Sunday School Is Important



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

A TOUGH OLD RANCHER TOLD HIS GRANDSON THAT THE SECRET TO A LONG LIFE WAS TO SPRINKLE A LITTLE GUNPOWDER ON HIS OATMEAL EVERY MORNING. THE GRANDSON DID THIS RELIGIOUSLY, AND HE LIVED TO BE 97. WHEN HE DIED, HE LEFT BEHIND 14 CHILDREN, 27 GRANDCHILDREN, 34 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN AND A 15-FOOT HOLE IN THE WALL OF THE CREMATORIUM.



Don't Quit

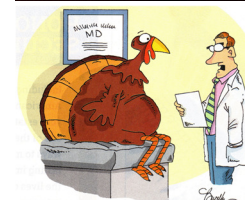
When things go wrong, as they sometimes will;
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill;
When the funds are low and the debts are high
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh;
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must; but don't you quit.

Life is odd with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns;
And many a failure turns about,
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up, though the pace seems slow.
You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than
It seems to a faint and faltering man;
Often the struggler has given up,
When he might have captured the victor's cup;
And he learned too late when the night slipped down
How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt
And you never can tell how close you are;
It may be near when it seems so far.
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit
It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.

John Greenleaf Whittier



"CARRYING AROUND ALL THAT EXTRA WHITE MEAT ISN'T GOOD FOR YOUR HEALTH."

A TORTOISE GOT JUMPED BY FOUR SNAILS. WHEN ASKED FOR A DESCRIPTION, IT REPLIED, "I DON'T KNOW. IT ALL HAPPENED SO FAST."



John R. Rice

First: Democracy Fails When Christian Morality Fails

There can be no Bible morality without honest Bible preaching and teaching. The principle of democracy is a greatly loved principle, but there is one fatal flaw in democratic majority rule. When the majority of people get corrupt, then they pass laws to get what they can get without principle.

There are more poor people than rich people, so they pass laws to take away the wealth from those who have earned it and give it to those who didn't earn it. When the majority goes wrong, then there are more people who drink liquor than those who do not, so they abolish prohibition laws. Then when the majority is corrupt, and they repeal the laws against pornographic literature, divorce is made easy, and the majority begins to press for the right to murder unborn babies (abortion). When the majority is corrupt, then they vote that everybody must have free Medicare, free social security, minimum wage, full pay for a four-day week, etc.

When the people are corrupt, then instead of seeking to get their just dues, the labor unions seek to get all the money they can, for less work all the time. When people do not have holy convictions about morality, then they continually vote to spend more money, get the government further in debt, owing millions that can never be paid.

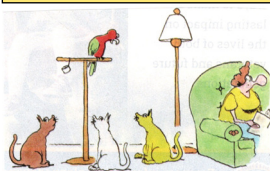
So, as in Greece and Rome and France and many other countries, a democracy without the morality of the Christian religion becomes corrupt. Lawlessness becomes rampant; people's lives and property are not safe. Eventually some dictator comes along who promises the people security and law enforcement, and he gives it, though he takes away their liberties.

Second: Delighting in the Scriptures, the Key to Prosperity

Loving and obeying the Scripture while avoiding evil men is the secret of perfect success for the individual, as we learn in ***Psalms 1:1-3***:

"Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

What a wonderful promise! Prosperity in everything one lays his hand to, if he avoids evil company and meditates day and night in the Word of God!



"Polly wants some pepper spray!"

How a pastor knows it's time to leave:

1. When the deacons give you a gift certificate from U-Haul.
2. When the Remodeling Committee papers the Pastor's office with road maps.
3. When the Baptism Committee puts 8 ft. of water in the baptistry.
4. When the choir keeps singing, "I Feel Like Travelling On."

Are You A Church Goer?

The argument for not going to church is so foolish

I. Why I Don't Go To The Movies

Some years ago a news reporter invited people to send in their response to the statement, "Why I don't go to church." After he had received a number of replies, he decided to show the weakness of their alibis by inserting the word "movies" wherever "church" appeared in their letters.

Here is a sampling of his column: One said, "I am out of the habit of going to the movies, that's why I no longer attend." Another wrote, "I know a man who has gone to the movies for, years, and he is no better than I am." Still another remarked, "There are as many good people outside the movies as inside." Some commented, "I stay away from the movies because I went when I was a child." A number of other excuses were given which proved equally absurd when "movies" was substituted for the word "church."

II. Is It Possible To Be Christian Without Church?

Q: Can I be a Christian without joining the church?

A: Yes, it is possible. It is something like being:

- A student who will not go to school.
- A soldier who will not join an army.
- A citizen who does not pay taxes or vote.
- A salesman with no customers.
- An explorer with no base camp.
- A seaman on a ship without a crew.
- A businessman on a deserted island.
- An author without readers.
- A tuba player without an orchestra.
- A parent without a family.
- A football player without a team.
- A politician who is a hermit.
- A scientist who does not share his findings.
- A bee without a hive.

Ephesians 5:25 and Hebrews 10:25

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

Two Scientists Want People Fitted With Euthanasia Chip That Kills You at First Sign of Dementia

A recent article published by leading bioethics journal the Hastings Center Reporter has proposed an implant that would automatically trigger a lethal drug at the onset of dementia.

In the report, co-authors Margaret Battin and Brent M. Kiouss proposed the introduction of an "advance directive implant" (ADI) in an article titled "Finding One's Life in Advance."... The ADI would be reversible and programmable, but the drugs it would release would cause death instantaneously. It would likely be implanted at the onset of dementia and programmed to activate according to the patient's prognosis.

As U.S. Troops Pull Out, Taliban Starts Killing Christians

After the international troop withdrawals, the Taliban are going door to door in Afghanistan executing Christians on the spot...

Taliban militants are even pulling people off public transport and killing them on the spot if they're Christians or considered ethnically "unpure," according to shocking reports from [the] Middle East....

"We're hearing from reliable sources that the Taliban demand people's phones and if they find a downloaded Bible on your device, they will kill you immediately," said...Dr. Rex Rogers. "It's incredibly dangerous right now for Afghans to have anything Christian on their phones. The Taliban have spies and informants everywhere."

International troop withdrawals from Afghanistan have left a vacuum, allowing the Taliban to seize control of vast areas-with little or no resistance.

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

Twenty Seventh Annual Father & Son Turkey Shoot Saturday, October 30th, 2:00 PM until 5:00 PM

Overall Top Guns:

Pastor Collingsworth — 4 First Place and 5 Second Place
Bro. Watson — 3 First Place and 4 Second Place
Bro. Berezne — 3 First Place and 1 Second Place

2020 Winner
Sons' Division
Nathan Collingsworth

2020 Winner
Fathers' Division
Larry Oswald



Q. HOW DID VIKINGS COMMUNICATE OVER LONG DISTANCES? A. NORSE CODE.

Kim Kline's Pumpkin Cheesecake



Crust

2 cups graham cracker crumbs
(from 14 graham crackers)
2 tbsp. granulated sugar
1 stick unsalted butter, melted

Filling

1 .25-oz. envelope unflavored gelatin	1 15-oz. can pumpkin puree 1 cup sour cream
1 8-oz. bar cream cheese, at room temperature	3/4 cup granulated sugar 2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract

Make the crust: Heat oven to 400° F. In a medium bowl, combine the graham cracker crumbs, sugar, and butter. Transfer to a 9-inch springform pan. Using a straight-sided dry measuring cup, press the mixture into the bottom and 2 inches up the sides of the pan. Bake until set, 8 to 10 minutes. Let cool.

Make the filling: sprinkle the gelatin over 1/4 cup boiling water. Let stand, stirring occasionally, until dissolved, about 5 minutes.

Using an electric mixer, beat the cream cheese until smooth. Mix in the pumpkin, sour cream, sugar, pumpkin pie spice, and vanilla. Mix in the gelatin mixture until incorporated.

Chill: Pour the mixture into the crust and refrigerate, covered, until firm, at least 2 hours and up to 2 days.

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

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