

“Renew in 2022”



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Sunday”

## What Compels You?

**Introduction:** In the Old Testament, people were compelled by the law. But in the New Testament, the emphasis is on love. Which is greater? It is obvious that the power of love is the greater power to compel.

*II Corinthians 5:14, “For the love of Christ constraineth us...”*

So many are waiting for some sort of special call before they see any need to place themselves in the service of the Lord. Allow me to list just a few compelling reasons why we all should be in His service.

### FIRST: THE THOUGHT OF EMPTY MANSIONS.

II CORINTHIANS 5:1-4

These verses are speaking of death. It is an unpopular subject, but we must all face it sooner or later. The Bible speaks of mansions in Heaven, but these mansions are empty until those that have trusted Christ get there.

I believe the Second Coming of Christ is only delayed awaiting that last precious soul to trust Christ and that prepared mansion has an occupant.

*Luke 14:23, “... compel them to come in, that my house may be filled.”*

How many of your family and friends have a mansion awaiting them right now?

### SECOND: THE SIMPLE ACT OF FAITH.

II CORINTHIANS 5:7

*“For we walk by faith...”*

The simple plan of salvation was made simple so that all that choose to do so can go to Heaven when they die.

The Bible says, *“Whosoever will may come...”* That means the young, the old, the rich, the poor, the educated, and the illiterate, can come to Christ by faith and receive eternal life.

*John 6:37, “All that the father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.”*

All that God requires is faith. That means all can meet the requirements but someone must tell them.

### THIRD: THE DESIRE TO PLEASE THE SAVIOUR.

II CORINTHIANS 5:9

The cry of every child of God should be to please the Saviour. We are no longer to live for self, but live for the One Who shed His blood on the old rugged Cross, was buried, and rose again from the dead.

Let us do our best to serve the Lord Jesus Christ faithfully.

*Illustration:* I read the story of a violinist that played in a giant music hall. He received a standing ovation. The people clapped and cheered, yet he was in tears. Someone near him asked, “What’s wrong? You should be pleased.” He replied, “I would be, if not for the man in the balcony. He is my teacher, and he did not applaud.”

### FOURTH: THE KNOWLEDGE OF A COMING JUDGMENT.

II CORINTHIANS 5:10

*“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ...”*

Here is where all of our works will be judged and tested by fire. No, your salvation is already settled here. This is the Judgment Seat of Christ. Only the saved will be at this Judgment. The lost

*Continued*



Dr. Al Lacy

## Does Heaven Exist?

*Acts 1:11*

The same God who made the earth said He also made the place of His abode called Heaven. If it were not so, He said He would have told us!

Question: Does Heaven exist?

Answer: Obviously, YES. Even when the infidels deny Heaven's existence, their denial does not diminish the fact one iota!

For several centuries, scoffers proclaimed the Bible to be in error when it tells of two cities, Sodom and Gomorrah, being destroyed by fire from the sky. They insisted that Sodom and Gomorrah never were in existence. Then, in the latter part of the nineteenth century, a group of archaeologists dug them out of charred ruins and ashes at the edge of the Dead Sea!

The scoffers ducked their tails like whipped dogs and slinked away.

Less than thirty years ago, two infidel archaeologists completed extensive diggings in Egypt, then wrote a book on their discoveries. In the book, they declared the Bible to be in error when it speaks of the Pharaohs. They said that one of the Pharaohs mentioned in the Bible never existed. They referred (if memory serves me correctly) to Pharaoh-hophra, who is spoken of in *Jeremiah 44:30*.

Only months after the book was published, other archaeologists working in Egypt DUG HIM UP!

Ho-hum. These "wise" men bore me.

Just as sure as there is a Sodom ... just as sure as there was a Gomorrah ... just as sure as there was a Pharaoh-hophra ... THERE IS A HEAVEN! And saved people go there to be with Jesus.

Of course we have some of the cult leaders who deny that anybody goes to Heaven when they die. The "Christian Scientists", the Seventh Day Adventists, the Watchtower Society, and others like them, all have some wild, unfounded idea or another about souls sleeping in bodies in the graves, or some such nonsense. Then there is Herbert W. Armstrong, high priest of the "World-wide Church of God". He has a standing offer that he will give \$1,000 to any person who will show him ONE verse in the Bible that says ANYBODY goes to Heaven when they die. His little boy, Garner Ted has made the self-same offer.

These guys know they're safe, because God has not said it with just a single verse. But let's put a few together and see if the Bible says anybody goes to Heaven when they die.

Let us first establish that Jesus came down to earth from Heaven.

**Jesus said unto them ... I came down from Heaven. (John 6:35,38)**

John the Baptist pointed to Jesus and said:

**He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: He that COMETH FROM HEAVEN is above all. (John 3:31)**

Jesus taught us to pray:

**Our Father which art IN HEAVEN. (Matt. 6:9)**

So we know the Father is in Heaven. In His prayer beside the brook Kidron, Jesus said:

**And now, O Father, glorify Thou Me with thine own self with the glory WHICH I HAD WITH THEE before the world was. (John 17:5)**

Since the Father is IN HEAVEN, and Jesus was WITH the Father before there was an earth to stand on, the logical conclusion is that Jesus was IN HEAVEN before the universe was created.

## Education

There is no tragedy as tragic as combining high mentality with low morality. -Bob Jones, Sr.

Everybody is ignorant. only on different subjects. -Will Rogers.

Never get mad at anyone for knowing more than you do; it isn't his fault.

WISDOM IS THE ABILITY TO USE KNOWLEDGE SUCCESSFULLY.

The man who doesn't read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them.

We should be as careful of the books we read as of the company we keep.

You should have education enough so you won't have to look up to people; and then more education so you will be wise enough not to look down on people. -M. L. Boren.

There is no time in life when books do not influence a man. - Walter Besant.

A college education never hurt anybody who was willing to learn something afterwards.

College is a place where nonconformists conform to the prevailing standard of nonconformity.

Someone said to Helen Keller, "What a pity you have no sight!" to which she replied, "Yes, but what a pity so many have sight but cannot see!"

The three R's used to be Reading, "Ritin" and "Rithmetic. Today they are Rioting, Rebellion and Restlessness. If this continues, we will have Regret, Rot and Ruin. What we need is Respect, Religion and Responsibility. -Dr. Whitt N. Schultz.

Experience may not be worth what it costs, but I can't seem to get it for any less. -Presbyterian Life.

I'd rather hear a man say, "I seen," when he has seen something, than to hear a man say, "I have seen," when he ain't seen nothing - Bob Jones, Sr.

will be at the Great White Throne Judgment. Here at this Judgment Seat is where the things we have done, or not done, will be tried. The fact that there will be such a judgment should place the fear of God in everyone.

**FIFTH: THE OBLIGATION BECAUSE OF WHAT WE OWE, II CORINTHIANS 5:15-21**  
*II Corinthians 5:19, "... and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation ..."*

We have been saved to serve. We are to share the same message to others that was delivered unto us. We are the official Ambassadors that represent the Government of Heaven to the lost and dying sinner. If salvation alone was the only object of life then we would have been taken to Heaven immediately after we trusted in Christ. But this is absolutely not the case. If it were, then the person who brought you the Gospel would never have met you because he would have been in Heaven already.

We are not to be ambassadors in name only, but living and active representatives of Christ.

**Conclusion:** The value of your service is important right now. The time to be faithful and following the one who saved you is now, not when you have a convenient time.

What is compelling you to read this article? Is it the love of 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)

*I FAILED A FIRE-SAFETY COURSE AFTER THE INSTRUCTOR ASKED WHAT STEPS I WOULD TAKE IN THE EVENT OF AN EXPLOSION. APPARENTLY, "REALLY BIG ONES" WASN'T AN ACCEPTABLE ANSWER.*

### Sunday School

The Sunday school teacher said, "Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt." One of her young students said, "That's nothing! My mother looked back and turned into a telephone pole."

One little boy, when asked, "Who was sorry when the prodigal son returned home?" replied, "The fattest calf."

A little boy in my Sunday school quoted Matthew 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will do the rest."

One little boy, when asked if he would rather be the rich man or Lazarus, replied, "I'd like to be the rich man while I'm alive and Lazarus when I'm dead."



Dr. Bob Gray

### The PASTOR

The most important position in America is pastor of a local New Testament Baptist church. I believe that this God-ordained position is pivotal to the morality of the family units that not only form the structure of a nation, but also affect the moral compass of that nation. If the pulpit slips, so will the morals of a country slip. Because of this, the interaction between people and pastor is essential to the well-being of a nation. The faithful pastor who preaches the Word of God uncompromisingly will inevitably face opposition. No real man of God can go through this world without being scolded or scathed by those who oppose the absolutes of the Bible.

Every church has within its membership three groups of people. One group is known as the right wingers or the conservatives. Another group is built on the moderates. The last group is composed of liberals; not liberal in doctrine necessarily, but liberal in every other aspect of their lives. Liberals are easily spotted, for they generally cater to the whims of their own children and are usually found being overly friendly to those who oppose the man of God. They seem to believe that God has sent them to balance out that "mean old man of God" who preaches every Sunday.

Everything is always relative to the liberal; there are no absolutes in his mindset. This leaves the door open for him to change his mind and his own lifestyle without facing condemnation.

Eventually the liberals follow the lead of their children and leave their pastor for another pastor. They say such things as, "We had to leave because our pastor would not let us be the parents." What they are really saying is that the children did not like the rules, and the parents could not get the preacher to change the standards to accommodate their children.

The real tragedy occurs when men of God begin to re-evaluate the impact of straightforward Bible preaching. The effects of a wavering pulpit are devastating. The effects of compromising the message in order to salvage a ministry or a man turn the message 180 degrees away from what our Saviour preached and practiced while on earth. Did He have opposition? Of course He did, but He never altered the message.

# Something to "CROW" about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved every week for 32 years.
2. Heritage Baptist Church has not closed our Sunday School, Sunday Morning, Sunday Night, or mid-week service in 32 years—including the last two years of COVID.
3. Heritage Baptist Church will be hosting the 9th Annual "Old-Time Religion" Conference on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



CONCERNED THAT HIS SON WAS SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME ON VIDEO GAMES, A DAD TOLD HIM, "WHEN ABRAHAM LINCOLN WAS YOUR AGE, HE WAS STUDYING BOOKS BY THE LIGHT OF THE FIREPLACE." THE SON REPLIED. "WELL, WHEN ABE LINCOLN WAS YOUR AGE, HE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES." *I ATE A DOUGHNUT WITHOUT SPRINKLES. DIETS ARE HARD.*



**The Three Stooges**



**Biden's Vision For America**



**"I WOULDN'T WORRY ABOUT SPREADING YOURSELF TOO THIN."**

## Heritage Baptist Academy 2022-2023

First Day of School	Tuesday, August 23
Labor Day	September 5
First Quarter Ends	October 21
Thanksgiving Holiday	November 23-25
Christmas Vacation (school resumes on January 3)	December 21-January 2
Second Quarter Ends	January 13
"In Home" School Day	January 16
"In Home" School Day	February 20
End of Third Quarter	March 17
Spring Break	April 3-10
Memorial Day	May 29
Last Day of School	June 2



## Teen Camp 2022





Dr. Jack Hyles

### Why Prayer? Jeremiah 33:3

The use of prayer is a means whereby God supplies our needs and prevents us from taking God for granted. While the Israelites were in the wilderness, God could have sent them enough manna at one time to last them for a month, but He chose to require them to gather the manna every day. This kept them constantly praying and believing and, yes, even needing. This process increased their love as each day they enjoyed the blessing of gathering the manna rather than just having that blessing monthly. When I arrive at church in the morning, the security guards meet me at the car and walk me to my office. They escort me to my car at night and watch over me. When I arrive at church in the morning, I am glad to see them. They are glad to see me. We joke a little bit together and "howdy" for a little while. This is only for a few minutes, but it is enjoyable to all of us. Now those guards do not have to meet me at my car. They could protect me just as easily if they were on the roof of the building, watching down, as I walk from the car to the office. Why then do they meet me at the car? Why do they not just post themselves on the roof of the building for surveillance purposes? I will tell you why. We love to fellowship. I like it, and they like it. If they just protected me, we would miss a great deal.

God in Heaven looks down on us. He could from a distance simply supply our needs; but God wants to come down where we are and He wants us to be where He is so that, through prayer, that which He knows to do for us can be done just as well and much more enjoyably.



### Heritage Highlanders August 2022 Schedule

**Saturday August 6**

Soulwinning

**Psalms 100:4**

**Colossians 3:5**

**Saturday August 20**

Wisdom

**1 Thess. 5:18**

**Saturday August 27**

Attitudes

**Psalms 26:7**

**Saturday August 13**

Cleanliness—Inwardly and Outwardly

### Excuses, Excuses

A motorcycle cop sees a woman speeding down the high way and knitting at the same time. He grabs his bull horn and yells, "Pull over!" "No, officer!" the woman shouts back. "It's a pair of mittens!"

A safety-conscious driver is pulled over for going too slow on a two-lane road. "Cars were backed up behind you," the officer says, "and no one could pass you." "That's not true," the driver protests. "I was passed by plenty of cars going the other way!"

A cop stops a car going 90 in a 25-mile per hour zone. "What's the matter with you?" asks the cop. "See," the driver explains, "I lost my brakes about five miles back and I was trying to hurry home before I caused an accident!"

### Lest We Forget



Staff Sergeant  
Lucian Adams

While serving with the 30th Infantry, 3rd Infantry Division, in France, S/Sgt. Adams" company was attempting to open supply lines; he single-handedly eliminated the enemy positions. His citation reads:

*For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life above and beyond the call of duty on 28 October 1944, near St. Die, France. When his company was stopped in its effort to drive through the Mortagne Forest to reopen the supply line to the isolated third battalion, S/Sgt. Adams braved the concentrated fire of machine guns in a lone assault on a force of German troops. Although his company had progressed less than 10 yards and had lost 3 killed and 6 wounded, S/Sgt. Adams charged forward dodging from tree to tree firing a borrowed BAR from the hip. Despite intense machine gun fire which the enemy directed at him and rifle grenades which struck the trees over his head showering him with broken twigs and branches, S/Sgt. Adams made his way to within 10 yards of the closest machine gun and killed the gunner with a hand grenade. An enemy soldier threw hand grenades at him from a position only 10 yards distant; however, S/Sgt. Adams dispatched him with a single burst of BAR fire. Charging into the vortex of the enemy fire, he killed another machine gunner at 15 yards range with a hand grenade and forced the surrender of 2 supporting infantrymen. Although the remainder of the German group concentrated the full force of its automatic weapons fire in a desperate effort to knock him out, he proceeded through the woods to find and exterminate 5 more of the enemy. Finally, when the third German machine gun opened up on him at a range of 20 yards, S/Sgt. Adams killed the gunner with BAR fire. In the course of the action, he personally killed 9 Germans, eliminated 3 enemy machineguns, vanquished a specialized force which was armed with automatic weapons and grenade launchers cleared the woods of hostile elements, and reopened the severed supply lines to the assault companies of his battalion.*

He was awarded the Medal of Honor on March 29, 1945.

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

## FBI Spied on 3.3 Million Americans Without a Warrant

High-ranking Republicans in the House of Representatives are demanding answers from the Federal Bureau of Investigation after court-ordered information surfaced showing that the federal law enforcement agency collected the personal information of more than three million American citizens without a warrant.

The Epoch Times reported that on May 25, FBI Director Christopher Wray was sent a letter from Representatives Jim Jordan (R-Ohio) and Mike Turner (R-Ohio) asking him to explain why the bureau wiretapped and gathered the personal information of over 3.3 million Americans without first obtaining a warrant...

In total, there were 3,394,053 searches made against individual American citizens. By comparison, there were 1,324,057 total queries made in 2020. This marks a 250-percent search increase in President Joe Biden's first year in office.

-Samuel Mangold-Lenett, *theblaze.com*

## The Most Restrictive Gun Law State in the Country Ironically Tops the Country in a Harrowing Gun Violence Statistic

According to the FBI, the state led the country in "active shooter incidents" last year.

California is one of the country's most politically liberal states--and as it pertains to the Second Amendment, no state places more restrictions on its residents.

So, under the simple logic espoused by many, ... California should experience significantly less gun crime than other states, especially conservative ones.

But according to a new report from the FBI, the exact opposite is true when it comes to one specific gun violence statistic in America.

In the report, published this year, the bureau assessed that California led all states in the number of "active shooter incidents" in 2021, accounting for six of the 61 total incidents.

-Phil Shiver, *theblaze.com*

What Kind Of Seed Are You Sowing?



### Honey Corn on the Cob

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|------------------------|---|
| 4 cups water           | 2 tsp salt (omit if using Creole seasoning) |
| 2 cups whole milk      | 2-3 Tbsp Creole or Cajun Seasoning          |
| 1/3 cup honey          | (optional) (I like Tony Chachere's)         |
| 6-8 ears corn, shucked | 1 stick salted butter (1/2 cup)             |

Place the inner liner in the pot. Pour the water and milk into the pot. Turn on the Sauté setting to start warming the liquid). Slice the butter into several pieces and add them to the pot.

Whisk in the salt.

When the liquid is warm, whisk in the honey and stir until it dissolves.

Stir in the Creole seasoning, if using.

Cover the pot and let the liquid start to simmer.

Carefully add the corn to the pot.

Close the lid and set the steam release knob to the Sealing position.

Press the Pressure Cook/Manual button or dial, then the +/- button or dial to select 4 minutes.

High Pressure. The pot will take several minutes to come to pressure.

When the cook cycle has finished, turn off the pot and let it sit undisturbed for 5 minutes (5 minute natural release). This will help the foam subside a bit.

Turn the steam release knob to the Venting position to do a Controlled Quick Release of the steam/pressure. That means to release the pressure in short bursts until you can be sure none of the liquid spews out of the steam vent with the steam.

When the pin in the lid drops back down, open the lid.

Serve the corn from the pot using tongs.

# 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

**B**iblical Authority

**A**utonomy of the Local Church

**P**riesthood of ALL Believers

**T**wo ordinances - Baptism & Communion

**I**mmersed Church Membership

**S**oul-liberty

**T**wo officers - Pastors and Deacons

**S**eparation of Church and State

## Baptist Heritage

- **John the Baptist**, Exalter of Christ
- **Meno Simons** (1496-1561), Dutch Anabaptist leader
- **Roger Williams** (1603-1683), Founded the first Baptist church in America in 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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