

“Back To The Basics”



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The Sharing Of Convictions

INTRODUCTION: The Bible says in *1 John 1:7*, “*But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another...*” That word “fellowship” means, “to have in common.” In other words, our fellowship is based upon what we have, or share in common.

- Some share the fellowship of sports
 - Some share the fellowship of humor
 - Some share the fellowship of education
 - Some share the fellowship of memory -example: war stories
- All the greatest and most bonding of sharing is the sharing of convictions.

FIRST: SHARING THE CONVICTIONS OF THE ONE AND ONLY SAVIOUR. JOHN 14:6

This is the crux of the matter. Everything including eternity depends on getting this firmly within your deepest thoughts. *Illustration:* A man said to me, “I’m a Christian, and I believe in Jesus, but I am not convinced He is the only way to Heaven.”

SECOND: SHARING THE CONVICTION OF PRESERVED SCRIPTURE. PSALM 12:6-7

A person who gets the Saviour absolutely correct will believe in absolutes and will believe the Bible is the Word of God preserved in the King James 1611. *Illustration:* A lady once said, “I believe the word has been preserved in all the versions with each revealing just a little truth.” If this is true, we are in trouble. *1 Peter 1:23*.

THIRD: SHARING THE CONVICTION OF PROPER SUBMISSION. ROMANS 13:1

1. Submission to authority—*Illustration:* A man told me, “I don’t believe in paying taxes, and I’ve not filed a return in 10 years.”
2. Submission in marriage.
3. Submission in Godly church leadership.
4. Submission to Biblical ordinances, baptism, the Lord’s Supper,

FOURTH: SHARING THE CONVICTION OF INVOLVED SERVICE. AMOS 3:3

It is almost impossible to get along with someone who fights you every step of the way when you’re trying to do right.

Illustration: Aquila and Priscilla are great examples of involved service.

FIFTH: SHARING THE CONVICTION OF PERSONAL SOUL WINNING. JOHN 20:21

A person who does not see the value of Jesus Christ and what He taught will never see the value of sharing the Gospel.

Romans 1:16 Illustration: More souls have come to know Jesus by personal door-to-door soul winning than any other way.

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*Dr. Jack
Hyles*

We Have It!

Somebody says, "Well, we have different kinds of churches. You have a soul-winning church, and we have a deeper-life church." In the first place, it's a lie. There's no life as deep as a soul-winning life. However, they say, "We just have different kinds of churches." No, we don't. We have a church, and you don't! Brother, the Bible is our charter to exist. If the Bible is not your final authority in practice and doctrine, then you are not a church. You might have the word "church" on the outside, but you are not a church.

Since the Word of God is our authority, — hear me carefully— we simply must have it. That's a profound statement. We've got to have it! I mean, shall we have an authority we can't find? Would God tell us His Word is the final authority and leave us without His Word? We must have a copy or we may as well join our Catholic friends and let the church be the basis for truth. If we have no Word of God, and if the Bible is not the Word of God, then we have only three other alternatives. We've got to say the the final authority will be the church, or human experience, or human reasoning.

I'm saying, if we have no Bible that is the Word of God, then we have no way to go to the Book for the final authority. If one word in this Bible is not true, we don't know which one it is; so, once again, the mind of man or experience or the church is going to have to decide which one is true and which one is not true. If we are going to believe that the Word of God is the final authority, we've got to have a copy of it, and we do have it in the King James Bible.



Heritage Highlanders September 2023 Schedule

<u><i>Saturday September 2</i></u>	<i>Romans 5:12</i>	<u><i>Saturday September 16</i></u>	<i>Jeremiah 17:7</i>
Soulwinning		Confidence	
<u><i>Saturday September 9</i></u>	<i>Hebrews 4:16</i>	<u><i>Saturday September 23</i></u>	<i>Psalms 24:1</i>
Compassion		Scavenger Hunt	
		<u><i>Saturday September 30</i></u>	<i>Psalms 90:12</i>
		Priorities	

Lest We Forget



*Commander
Eugene Fluckey*

"The Galloping Ghost of the China Coast"

After completing a patrol aboard the USS Barb (SS-220) as its executive officer, Eugene Fluckey took command of the submarine in April of 1944. Considered to be one of the most aggressive and innovative officers in the submarine force, Fluckey was a strong believer in using his submarine's speed advantage while surfaced.

The sub's 11th patrol would bring it lasting fame. On January 1, 1945, Fluckey attacked and sank the Shinyo Maru and Sanyo Maru in the Formosa Strait.

Resurfacing after this first attack, Barb found a new target and sent three torpedoes into the side of a large passenger ship which set off a spectacular explosion. As reported by Fluckey, the Anyo Maru's explosion could be felt 4,000 yards away as shrapnel from the doomed ship poured down out of the sky.

On January 23, 1945, the Barb maneuvered into Namkwan Harbor. With barely enough water underneath it to keep it afloat, Fluckey sent a spread of 10 torpedoes into a concentration of 30 Japanese ships. Fluckey believed that he achieved 8 hits and that three ships sank and another three were damaged. To leave the harbor, Fluckey used his sub's radar to navigate by the dangerous shoals and around Chinese junks. With a Japanese destroyer lobbing shells at the speeding sub, "Lucky" Fluckey reached the 20-fathom line and submerged. "The Galloping Ghost of the China Coast" had escaped after delivering one of the most daring submarine attacks of the war. After returning to Pearl Harbor, the men of the USS Barb would earn a Presidential Unit Citation and CDR. Fluckey would receive the Medal of Honor.

On the evening of July 22-23, 1945, men from the USS Barb rowed ashore in Japan and planted explosives along a train track that subsequently destroyed a Japanese train. This is why, along with all of the Barb's more conventional victories and its Medal of Honor ribbon, that you will find a train on its battle flag.

In addition to his Medal of Honor, CDR. Eugene Fluckey would earn four separate Navy Crosses and the USS Barb would end the war with four Presidential Unit Citations. Fluckey's war record included 16.3 ships sunk for 95,360 tons – by some lists the most tonnage of any U.S. submarine captain in history.

SIXTH: SHARING THE CONVICTION OF SPIRITUAL SCHOOLING. PRO. 19:27, PHIL. 2:2

"Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded..." It is impossible for Christians to have joy if they hang out with people that teach evolution, drugs, abortion, fornication, homosexuality. **II Peter 2:7-8.**

SEVENTH: SHARING THE CONVICTION OF BIBLE SEPARATION. II COR. 6:14-18

- A. False religion—Humanism, Mormonism, Jehovah Witnesses, contemporary churches.
- B. Worldliness—improper dress standards.

CONCLUSION: It is true that some live long and stay married for a lifetime without sharing convictions, but their relationship is based on compromise, and nothing reveals a lack of conviction like the practice of compromise.

Prayer of Salvation

If you were to die today, are you 100% sure you would go to Heaven?

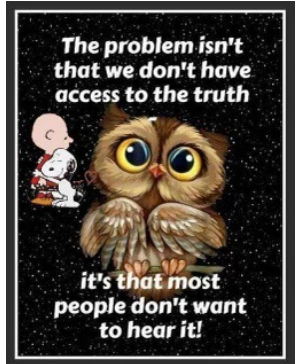
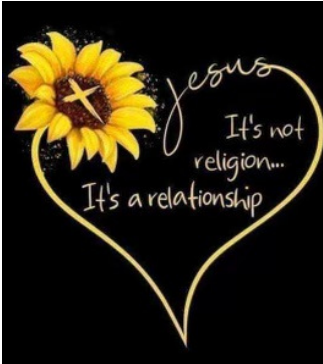
If not, would you be willing to pray this prayer with me?

"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)



AN OLD MAN THOUGHT HIS WIFE WAS GOING DEAF, SO HE CAME UP BEHIND HER AND SAID, "CAN YOU HEAR ME, SWEETHEART?" NO REPLY. HE CAME CLOSER AND SAID IT AGAIN. HE PUT HIS MOUTH UP TO HER EAR AND YELLED, "CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW, HONEY?" SHE REPLIED, "FOR THE THIRD TIME, YES!"

What's The Problem?



Dr. Bob Gray

Young people seem to always be in trouble because they neglect the Word of God. *Psalms 119:9* says, "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to thy word." *Psalms 119:11* says, "Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against thee." *Psalms 119:45* says, "And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts." *Psalms 119:54* says, "Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage." *Psalms 119:57* says, "Thou art my portion, O Lord: I have said that I would keep thy words." *Psalms 119:1* says, "Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord," *Psalms 119:98* says, "Thou through thy commandment hast made me wiser than mine enemies; for they are ever with me." *Psalms 119:105* says, "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." *Psalms 119:165* says, "Great peace have they which love thy law and nothing shall offend them."

Young people wonder why they cannot find the will of God, yet they neglect the Bible while wondering. They hit and miss at making decisions. They date the wrong girl or wrong boy. They choose the wrong college. They choose the wrong church. They pull all kinds of foolish stunts, simply because they are not in the Word of God.

Something to “CROW” about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved every week for 33 years.
2. Heritage Baptist Church has not closed our Sunday School, Sunday Morning, Sunday Night, or mid-week service in 33 years—including two years of COVID.
3. Heritage Baptist Church will be hosting the 10th Annual “Old-Time Religion” Conference on June 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 2024.



A YOUNG WOMAN APPLYING FOR A CLERK JOB TOOK A TEST THAT INCLUDED THE QUESTION, “WHAT IS THE DISTANCE OF THE EARTH FROM THE SUN?”

SHE RESPONDED, “I AM UNABLE TO STATE THIS ACCURATELY, BUT I DON’T BELIEVE THE SUN IS CLOSE ENOUGH TO INTERFERE WITH THE PROPER PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES IF I GET THIS POSITION.” AND SHE DID.

Our Church Ministries

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

ONE COLLEGE STUDENT SAID TO ANOTHER, “MY PROFESSOR TALKS TO HIMSELF. DOES YOURS?”

“YES,” THE OTHER STUDENT REPLIED, “BUT HE DOESN’T REALIZE IT. HE THINKS WE’RE LISTENING.”

“SOMEBODY COMPLIMENTED ME ON MY DRIVING TODAY. THEY LEFT A LITTLE NOTE. IT SAID, ‘PARKING FINE.’”

From our Pastor’s Wife ... Mrs. Vida Collingsworth The Trials Of Faith



Before going off to college, my pastor wisely said to me, ‘Do not be surprised if, before you graduate, you face a trial (or trials).’ Just days before leaving for college, my church went through a split. Oh, how my heart was saddened to see this occur—I loved all parties involved; but Jesus taught me through that trial to stand for the Man of God, and to stand for truth. It proved to be a very valuable lesson to this future pastor’s wife!

Then, just months before graduating from Hyles-Anderson College (and while on my honeymoon), I had a reaction to medication that caused my mouth and the side of my face to be twisted. Dr. Streeter told me the medication caused a stroke. Here I was, a brand new bride, with only one semester left before I finished school, and my face was all twisted. To make matters worse, people were saying that my husband did it.

‘Would my face stay like this?’ I found I couldn’t sing, and wondered how I would be able to do my student teaching. In my heart I wanted to hide, embarrassed by my physical appearance, and concerned that my wonderful husband was now saddled with more than he bargained for. It all seemed rather gloomy. What was I to do?

I had two choices: #1-to quit, and feel sorry for myself; or #2-to go on. I decided to go on. I continued to go soulwinning, and continued to attend church. I had to die to self. I could not allow myself to dwell on my physical appearance. I did not know if this condition would last or not. This truly was a trial like I had never known before, but it taught me to trust in the Lord more than ever—to rejoice in Him.

Beautiful Women



John R. Rice

"Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price." —I Peter 3:3,4.

"In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; But (which become th women professing godliness) with good works."—I Timothy 2:9, 10.

Here are two passages of Scripture concerning a woman's adornment. You will notice that the first passage quoted above has reference to a woman and her husband. And it tells how a woman can be beautiful and attractive to her husband.

The second passage relates to a woman's appearance in public and her work in the church, as the context shows us. In both cases the Scriptures emphasize that true beauty in a woman is in her character, and in each case it plays down those things stressed by the world—elaborate hairdos, jewels, costly clothes and the effort to reveal the woman's figure in order to attract men.

"Wasn't the bride beautiful?" they say after every wedding. And there is a sense in which every good woman, who loves and is loved, is beautiful. God intended it so. God made woman as a helpmeet for the man and surely to add to his comfort, his pleasure and joy. If God made men to love the beautiful, surely He intended women to be attractive and beautiful.

However, God's idea of beauty and the world's idea are different. And Christian women should learn what God has to say on this matter.

The breaking down of the home on every side of us, the increase in adultery, in rape, the great incidence of venereal disease, and the shameless nudity and near-nudity means that good women, unless they would sin grievously, must find what God says about the adorning and true beauty of women, to have beauty with character, with modesty, with purity; to earn and have the permanent respect and love and companionship of husbands and to be revered and trusted and obeyed by their children.

And you may be sure that the short shorts, the bikini bathing suits, the stretch pants that are intended to reveal a woman's every shape, the miniskirts calculated to stir men by showing women's thighs, the hot pants, and the scantiness of the clothes intended to show much of a woman's body and make her sexually attractive to all the onlookers—surely that shows that good women should learn what God commands about "modest apparel."

Fall Program—2023
"Giving Your Best"
 October 8th to November 19th

Food



Treasure Hunt

Wow!

Games



Fun

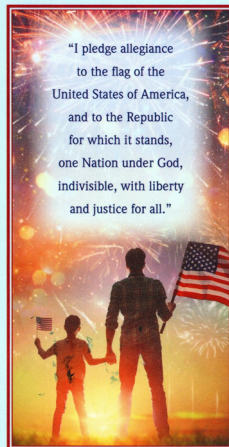
HORSES



Hayrides



Bryson Gone Fishing!



"And in this corner, wondering where he is, how he got here and what he's supposed to do with that pillow ... Louis!"

Some food for thought ...or...

Seed From The Silo!

HORRIFIC, UNCIVILIZED ABORTIONIST CLAIMS TOTALLY BARBARIC

Abortionists frequently do everything they can to conceal the truth about unborn babies from pregnant women, calling them “fetuses,” “clumps of cells” or even “parasites.”

A dangerous abortionist named Jennifer Lincoln came up with a new one: She compared a baby in the womb to a bug crawling in someone’s ear, The Blaze reports.

An OB-GYN and abortionist, Lincoln...frequently touts her radical pro-abortion views on Twitter while mocking pro-lifers who share the truth and warn about her dangerous practices.
—Micaiah Bilger, *lifeneews.com*

STUDENT EXCORIATED. CALLED ‘HOMOPHOBIC’ FOR REFUSING TO ACCEPT THAT HER CLASSMATE IDENTIFIES AS A CAT

Grade eight students...in East Sussex were subjected to a class on “life education” on June 16, during which they were told they can “be who you want to be, and how you identify is up to you,” reported the Telegraph.

Seizing upon the invitation to become who she wants to be, one student...asked a classmate, “How can you identify as a cat when you’re a girl?”

For questioning a classmate’s attempt to self-dehumanize, the 13-year-old was subjected to a verbal thrashing by her teacher.

The teacher ultimately told the student she was “despicable” and informed her that if she didn’t agree with the gender ideology being foisted upon her, she needed “to go to a different school.”

Unable to dominate the debate, the teacher signaled a desire to oust the debater, telling the student that she is in need of a “proper educational conversation about equality, diversity and inclusion” and no longer belongs at the school.

—Joseph MacKinnon, *theblaze.com*

PRESIDENT WILL HONOR MINNESOTA GOVERNOR FOR SIGNING BILL LETTING BABIES DIE WHO SURVIVE ABORTIONS

Joe Biden is expected to honor Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz on Thursday for passing pro-abortion legislation, including the repeal of a law that protected newborns who survived abortions from infanticide.

Babies survive abortions every year, including five in 2021 just in Minnesota. But the state no longer protects their lives, and the Biden administration is honoring state leaders for their anti-life actions.

According to WDAY Radio, the White House invited Walz, his Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan and other Minnesota Democrat leaders to the black-tie dinner with Biden in Washington, D.C., to “highlight” the pro-abortion bills that passed the Democrat- controlled state legislature this spring.

—Micaiah Bilger, *lifeneews.com*

What kind of **seed** are you sowing?

CARROTS REALLY ARE GOOD FOR YOUR EYES. HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A RABBIT WITH GLASSES?



Best Burger Ever

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| 1/3 cup mayonnaise | 2 tsp. kosher salt |
| 3 tbsp. bread and butter pickles, finely chopped | 1/2 tsp. freshly ground black pepper |
| 2 tsp. pickle brine | 4 slices Swiss cheese |
| 1/2 tsp. Spanish paprika | 4 large hamburger buns (preferably brioche), split and toasted |
| 2 lb. ground beef chuck | 4 eggs, pan-fried |

A 1/2 lb. burger is huge, so you may want to make a smaller patty. But don’t skimp on the pickle mayo—it alone is a keeper.

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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