

**"Restore in 2024"**



**FROM THE DESK OF:**

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

## **Marks of a Thankful Christian**

**INTRODUCTION;** Just like there are certain characteristics of a soldier, carpenter, sales man, preacher, singer, ball player; there are genuine marks of a thankful Christian. Here are just a few marks of a thankful Christian.

### **FIRST: WALKS IN THE LIGHT.**

**I JOHN 1:6-7**

Notice that the verse does not say that "We walk in the light as He is IN the light." We are, therefore, commanded to walk in partnership with Him; to walk as He walks.

### **SECOND: OBEDIENT TO GOD'S WORD.**

**I JOHN 2:4,5; 3:24**

Sinners are never invited to accept Jesus as Saviour, but to accept him as LORD and Saviour; the Lord Jesus Christ; Jesus Christ the Lord, Jesus said in **Luke 6:46**, "... *Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?*" A true servant cannot say, "*Not so Lord.*"

### **THIRD: DOESN'T HATE HIS BROTHER.**

**I JOHN 2:9-11; 3:15; 4:20**

Jesus hated sin, but loved the sinner; so these verses are not directed against hating wicked deeds, but against hating the individual. Christians who allow themselves to be so bitter in their condemnation of one another as to actually hate them, are not walking in the light as He is in the light. Think of Jesus bitterly hating anyone.

### **FOURTH: IS NOT CONSUMED BY THE WORLD.**

**I JOHN 2:15**

The expression used here, "the world" refers to what we would call "worldliness." If there is any doubt as to the propriety of doing anything: try to place the Lord Jesus in that position. If He looks out of place, it is wrong.

### **FIFTH: BELIEVES IN THE DEITY OF CHRIST.**

**I JOHN 2:22; 4:3**

The word "Divinity" means "proceeding from God," while the word "Deity" can only be applied to God Himself: therefore, Jesus was, is, and always will be "God."

### **SIXTH: DOES NOT PRACTICE SIN.**

**I JOHN 3:4-10; 5:18**

Other versions of this verse use such words as "habitually sin," or "who make a practice of sin." Since committing sin is disobedience, the practice of sin is

*Continued*



John R. Rice

### The Soul Winner

*"The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise."—Prov. 11:30*

*"And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." John 4:36*

*"Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth thither the feet of the ox and the ass." Isa. 32:20*

*"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!" Isa. 52:7*

*"And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday." Isa. 58:10.*

The Christian who wins souls has special blessings which other Christians do not have.

The Christian who does not obey Christ's commands to win souls is not as good a Christian, does not have as many promises nor as much joy nor as many answers to prayers nor know Christ as intimately as one whose life is centered on soul winning.

### 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   |



### 1621 FIRST THANKSGIVING CHEESECAKE

1 cup graham  
cracker crumbs  
1 cup sugar

4 pkg. (8 oz. each) Philadelphia  
Cream Cheese, softened  
1/4 cup butter, melted

1 tsp. vanilla  
2 tbsp. sugar  
4 eggs

Heat oven to 325°F. Combine graham crumbs, butter and 2 Tbsp. sugar; press onto bottom of 10-inch cast-iron skillet sprayed with cooking spray. Beat cream cheese with vanilla and remaining sugar in large bowl with mixer until blended. Add eggs, 1 at a time, mixing on low speed after each just until blended. Pour over crust. (Note: Pan will be very full.) Place pan on baking sheet, then place in oven. Bake 50 to 55 min. or until center of cheesecake is almost set. Cool completely. Refrigerate 4 hours.

*Special Extra:* Garnish finished cheesecake with nuts, and regional Thanksgiving fruits, such as cranberries, grapes, figs, blueberries, and/or raspberries.



Dr. Greg  
Neal

### Faith of a Father

*Hebrews 11:1-7*

The Bible says that Noah was warned of God of things not seen as yet. In *Hebrews 11:1*, we are told that the definition of faith includes the evidence of things not seen. God's commands, not our sight, should determine our actions. Often, we must obey God even though we cannot see the benefit of following God's Word. So much of the Christian life is based upon living and doing that which we cannot comprehend by sight. What makes faith to be faith is that we do it without sight. In essence, all of the characters we read about in this chapter obeyed God based upon faith, without evidence of what they had yet seen. Our tendency is to obey God when we can see the end result, but that is not true faith. Noah had never seen a flood and, most likely, had never seen rainfall. Yet, he obeyed God based upon His Word, not upon what he had seen.

The Bible says that he moved with fear. We may assume that it was a flood that he feared. However, he had never seen a flood so that cannot be the case. We often fear what we know is dangerous or can harm us. Noah had no source of reference to give him fear regarding a flood. Noah's fear was of God, not of a flood. Far too often our faith is based upon our fear of circumstances, but that is not faith. Faith is when we obey God because we know that He is holy and righteous. It is not a fear of terror. It is a fear because we know that God is great and mighty. It is a reverential respect for the power and might of God. Noah performed the task assigned to him with great haste because of his fear of God within, not the fear of flood without.

The Bible says that he prepared an ark to the saving of his house. It was not merely an act of saving his own life. Noah, by faith, obeyed God for the sake of his own family. Far too often we do not consider our families when we make decisions. People who live by faith typically are people who do so, not as an act of self-service, but for the purpose of the benefits it brings to their families. Men of faith understand the importance of doing what they do for the sake of sparing their own families. People who do not live by faith do not take into consideration the consequences that can come to their families as a result of their faithlessness.

continuous disobedience. A true Christian, because of love for the Lord, should make a practice of doing the things that please Him.

### **SEVENTH: WILL NOT DOUBT GOD'S WORD.**

**I JOHN 5:9-11**

The assurance of our salvation is not to be based upon "feelings," or upon "experience," but upon the promise of God. If I meet the conditions, I have no doubt in my mind but what a letter will be delivered to its assigned destination.

**INVITATION!** Do you have the marks of a thankful Christian? Your husband, wife and children-are they marked by genuine evidence of a changed life?

### **Prayer of Salvation**

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

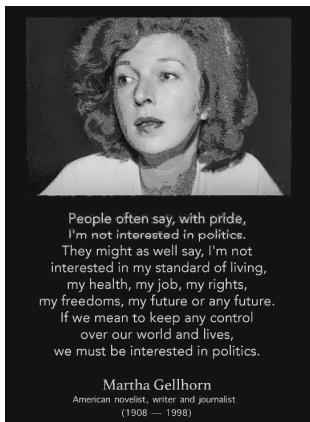
If not, would you be willing to pray this prayer with me?

*"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)*



Pastor at Pastor's Delight Conference at Immanuel Baptist Church in Jacksonville, FL. Eating dinner with Dr. Tom Neal. Hundreds in attendance.



**It's so important to vote**

### **The NIV Attacks Our Saviour**



Dr. Al Lacy

How many letters in the word Saviour? Seven, S-A-V-I-O-U-R, seven, that is our Saviour. Here it is in the NIV,

"I want you to recall the words spoken in the past by the holy prophets and the command given by our Lord and Savior through your apostles."

Six letters! Through your apostles, the six-letter savior is Antichrist. The New Age movement has set him up as Antichrist. In Helena Blavatsky's

book, she speaks of her savior, her coming one with six letters, that is Antichrist. When she speaks of the Christian Saviour, she spells it with seven letters because she does not want Him to have it spelled with six like her savior. And yet, all the perversions have messed this up, but especially the NIV, which is Antichrist's bible. Now over and over, it is taking away His Deity, saying He is not God. If Jesus is not God, you and I have a make-believe Saviour and a make-believe salvation.

Let me tell you this about the NIV. The NIV removed the title "Lord" from Jesus thirty-one times in the New Testament. The name "Christ" was removed forty-five times in the NIV when compared with the King James. The name "Jesus" was removed forty-six times in the NIV. It is Antichrist's bible.

# Something to "CROW" about!

1. Heritage Baptist Church had someone saved every week for 34 years.
2. Heritage Baptist Church has not closed our Sunday School, Sunday Morning, Sunday Night, or mid-week service in 34 years—including two years of COVID.
3. Heritage Baptist Church will be hosting the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual "Old-Time Religion" Conference on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025.



Food



Treasure Hunt

Fall Program—2024

"Doing Your Part"

October 13<sup>th</sup> to November 24<sup>th</sup>

Wow!

Games



HORSES

Fun



Hayrides



Heritage Teen Activity

## A Laugh

A laugh is just like music.  
It freshens all the day.  
It tips the peaks of life with light,  
And drives the clouds away.

The soul grows glad that hears it  
And feels its courage strong.  
A laugh is just like sunshine  
For cheering folks along.



"Carrying around all that extra white meat isn't good for your health."

There's always something to be thankful for on Thanksgiving.  
Even if it's just not being a turkey.

From our Pastor's Wife ... Mrs. Vida Collingsworth

## "BEAUTY FOR ALL SEASONS"

At this wonderful time of the year, I am ever reminded of God's handiwork in our lives. Though I am not by nature a cold weather lover, I do marvel at the beauty of the four seasons. The winter's crisp cold may chill the flesh, but our heart is warmed as the beauty of the snow reminds us that we can be washed whiter than snow when we put our faith and trust in Jesus.

Then there is the spring. The budding of new leaves, the hint of warmth in the air, that reminds me of the new life we find in Christ.

Thirdly, we have summer. The sun, the heat of the sun, and the summer fruits remind us of God's perfect provisions in our lives.

Fourthly, we have autumn. What beautiful, magnificent splendor we see all around us as God paints for us breath-taking scenery so awesome it literally takes our breath away. This season reminds me of how God can plant a tiny seed and cause it to grow and blossom, and then bring forth more beauty than we could ever imagine.

As I ponder on those wonderful seasons, I cannot help but think on the seasons of life. In each of the seasons we pass through, God's handiwork needs to be evident. *Ecclesiastes 3:1* reads, "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." Are you letting God work out His purpose in your life?

Can others see Jesus in you? No matter what season of life you are in, remember, "He hath made everything beautiful in His time." - *Ecclesiastes 3:11*.





*On October 3, 1789, President George Washington issued a proclamation directing Americans to celebrate and give thanks on Thursday, November 26.*

"Now, therefore, I do recommend and assign Thursday, the 26th day of November next, to be devoted by the people of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is the beneficent author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be; that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country previous to their becoming a nation; for the signal and manifold mercies and the favor, able interpositions of His providence in the course and conclusion of the late war; for the great degree of tranquilly, union, and plenty which we have since enjoyed; for the peaceable and rational manner in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national one now lately instituted; for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed, and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and, in general, for all the great and various favors which He has been pleased to confer upon us."

If we Bible believing Baptists are so dumb, why is it that we do not need an easier Bible to study? *Dr. Bob Gray*  
 Never let the last soul you led to Christ be the last soul you lead to Christ. *Dr. Gerald B. Collingsworth*  
 The world wants our pie, but they laugh at our recipe. *Dr. Jack Hyles*  
 We have been inoculated with such a mild form of Christianity that we are immunized against the real thing, *Vance Haener*  
 Where there is a mind willing to learn, there will always be a frontier to conquer. *Unknown*



**Theodore Roosevelt**

#### Written in 1917 to The American Defense Society

"In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes an American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet an American, and nothing but an American...There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, the American flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people."

#### 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 toward 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.



## Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye! 2023 Turkey Shoot Champions



Fathers' 1st Place  
 Gerald  
 Collingsworth



Fathers' 2nd Place  
 Jeff Oswald



Sons' 1st Place  
 Ethan  
 Spencer



Sons' 2nd Place  
 Jacob Gregory

#### Top guns:

Pastor Collingsworth — 5 First Place and 5 Second Place  
 Ken Watson — 3 First Place and 4 Second Place  
 Jeff Berezne — 3 First Place and 1 Second Place



**Who Will Be Top Gun in 2024?**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Annual Father & Son Turkey Shoot**  
**And Chili Supper**  
 Saturday, November 9th  
 From 2:00 PM until 5:00 PM





Dr.  
Jack Hyles

### **THE PRESERVED WORD**

Most fundamentalists will agree that the King James Bible contains the very words of God; yet, many of us are dehydrated. We believe the King James Bible, but we don't read it. How much have you read this week? We believe the Bible, but we don't learn it. We believe the Bible, but we don't meditate upon it. How long do you spend each week meditating upon the Bible? *Psalm 1:1-2, "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."* Yes, you believe it, but how much have you memorized? If someone put a gun to your head and said, "Quote ten verses or I'll pull the trigger," would you be in Heaven soon? Would you have to say "*Jesus wept*" ten times? We believe the King James Bible from cover to cover, but many of us never open the cover. If the King James Bible is the Word of God preserved by God Almighty, then God help us to get in it and read it and study it.

Don't come to me with your stinking invisible church doctrine. Don't come to me with your stinking bloodless mercy seat. Don't come to me with your stinking falling from grace. Don't come to me with your stinking baptismal regeneration. Don't come to me with your stinking sacramental salvation. Don't come to me with your stinking confirmation salvation. Don't come to me with your stinking life-style evangelism. Don't come to me with your stinking mid-tribulation rapture. Don't come to me with your stinking NIV Bible. Don't come to me with your stinking RSV or ASV or NASV or your New King James or your New Scofield. Get your stinking feet out of my drinking water!

Let us, as fundamentalists, stand and hold our shoulders back and our chests out and say, "We proudly believe the King James Bible contains the preserved words of God Almighty." While we hold the Bible high, let's not keep it shut. Let's open it, and live in it, and study it, and learn it, and teach it, and memorize it.

### **Released From Tithing?**

Years ago a man knelt with his pastor, and prayed as he committed himself to God to tithe his income. His first week's pay was \$10 and the tithe \$1. As he grew older he became more prosperous; his tithe was \$7.50 a week, then \$10. He moved to another city and his tithe was \$100, then \$200, then \$500! He sent his pastor a wire, "Come to see me." The pastor arrived at the man's beautiful home. They had a good time talking over old times. Finally, the man came to the point. "Do you remember that promise I made years ago to tithe? How can I get released?"

"Why do you want to be released?"

"It's like this," the man replied, "when I made the promise I only had to give a dollar, but now it's \$500! I can't afford to give away money like that."

The old pastor looked at his dear friend and said, "I'm afraid we cannot get released from the promise, but there is something we can do. We can kneel and ask God to shrink up your income again so you can afford to give a dollar."

### **A Teenager's Code**

In submitting her ten commandments the youthful author, Virginia Chose, suggests that "if every teen-ager would follow these simple rules, the world would be a safer place to live in." To which one may add "Amen."

1. Don't let your parents down. They brought you up.
2. Stop and think before you drink.
3. Ditch dirty thoughts fast, or they'll ditch you.
4. Show-off driving is juvenile. Don't act your age.
5. Be smart: Obey. You'll give orders yourself someday.
6. Choose your friends carefully. You are what they are.
7. Choose a date fit for a mate.
8. Don't go steady unless you're ready.
9. Go to church regularly. God gives a week. Give Him back some hours.
10. Listen to the Gospel. The soul you save may be your own.

### **Resolutions penned by William Booth**

*Founder of The Salvation Army, in December 1849, and found-faded and worn -after his death.*

THAT I will rise every morning sufficiently early (say twenty minutes before seven o'clock) to wash, dress and have a few minutes, not less than five, in private prayer.

THAT I will as much as possible avoid all that babbling and idle talking in which I have lately so sinfully indulged.

THAT I will endeavor in my conduct and deportment before the world and my fellow servants especially to conduct myself as a humble, meek and zealous follower of the bleeding Lamb, and by serious conversation and warning endeavor to lead them to think of their immortal souls.

THAT I will read no less than four chapters in God's Word every day.

THAT I will strive to live closer to God, and to seek after holiness of heart and leave providential events with God.

THAT I will read this over every day or at least twice a week.

God help me, enable me to cultivate a spirit of self denial and to yield myself a prisoner of love to the Redeemer of the world. Amen and Amen.

A person who "knows everything" has a lot to learn.

It's hard for children to learn manners when they never see any.

The fellow who has the right to boast doesn't have to do it.

# 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

**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 in England
- **John Franklyn Norris** (1877-1952), founder of World Baptist Fellowship
- **Jack Frasure Hyles** (1926-2001), 10,000 baptisms per year and might be the greatest Baptist pastor

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