

NURSERY MINISTRY WORKERS FOR THIS WEEK

10:50 a.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Mary Byars
Cradle Roll 2: Larry Byars
6:30 p.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Kristi Hooper
Cradle Roll 2: Volunteer Needed!
Wed. Evening Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Shirley White
Cradle Roll 2: Volunteer Needed

AND THE PEOPLE CAME...

Week of June 11, 2017

Sunday School -----28
Sunday Morning Service -----32
Sunday Evening Service -----28
Wed. Eve. Service, 06/14/17 -----25

AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...

- Week of June 11, 2017 -

Undesignated Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 1,423.46
Total Received for Week of 06/11/17: \$1,423.46

- Week of June 4, 2017 -

Undesignated Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 1,349.42
Total Received for Week of 06/04/17: \$ 1,349.42

- Week of May 28, 2017 -

Undesignated Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 546.25
Total Received for Week of 05/28/17: \$ 546.25

- Week of May 21, 2017 -

Undesignated Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 723.30
Total Received for Week of 05/21/17: \$ 723.30

Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed
to operate the church EACH WEEK,
as a minimum = \$ 1,400.00

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED

1. Admit that you are a sinner.
2. Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.
3. Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.
4. You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).
5. By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.



Please Remember To Be Faithful To Give!

As with everything else, the costs of keeping a church going never go down - they always go up. Bills wait for no one, and churches are no exception to this. An extra, sacrificial gift today by everyone present would go a long way...

We encourage all of our membership to practice obedience to God by being faithful every payday to give back to Him His tithe (10%). If every family in our church would practice this one simple discipline, we would never have weeks where we have to put off paying some bills until the following week!

Everything is expensive, especially for a small church like ours, but ours is a BIG God, and He LOVES to bless His children when they are obedient to Him!

If you are already a tither, we thank you, and encourage you to also give offerings as well. If you're currently not tithing, won't you please start today - OK? Thank you.

Church Directory

Todd W. White ----- Pastor
Mickie Shatwell ----- Pianist
Lois Mae Floyd ----- Pianist/ Organist
Rayna Crawford ----- Greeter
Shayne Hooper, Brian Crawford, Charity Crawford, LeAnna White -- S.S. Teachers
Larry & Mary Byars, ----- Outreach
Bertha Segebarrt ----- Custodian
Flowers ----- Shirley White, Charity Crawford

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**The Great Falling Away:
How Satan Is Preparing Mankind
For The One-World Religion Of
The Antichrist (Part 3)**

by Pastor Todd W. White

For the past few weeks, I have been sharing with you some things that God has laid on my heart about the current condition of Christendom, the condition the church will be in immediately prior to the Rapture, and how Satan is preparing mankind for his one-world religion under the antichrist, as found in the Book of The Revelation.

Thusfar, we have been talking about how the first step in Satan's plan to bring this about is to get people to doubt God's Word. This isn't new, of course, for it began in the Garden of Eden, where he places doubt in the mind of Eve about God's Word by saying, "Yea, hath God said...?" (Genesis 3:1).

From that time until this very hour, he has been at it - attempting to cause people to doubt, and, therefore, disobey, the Word of God.

However - while it is fairly easy for him to manipulate the masses of unchurched in this world to ignore (or at least doubt) the Word of God, his plan for a one-world religion will always be resisted by those who have been exposed to the TRUE Word of God - the Jews and the Christians. SO - knowing this process takes time, he started early on attempting to cast doubt and/or corrupt the Word of God. For the sake of space, we'll not deal with the events that occurred prior to the birth of Christ along this line. Instead, we'll focus on his attempts during the Christian era, specifically in our modern era.

With regard to the Word of God, we've looked at the following thusfar:

- * **The Importance God Places On His Words.**
- * **That Satan Attacks God's Word From A Historical Viewpoint.**
- * **That Satan Attacks God's Word From A Scientific Viewpoint.**
- * **That Satan Attacks God's Word From An Intellectual Viewpoint.**

All of these can be addressed elsewhere by others, and many have been quite successful doing so. Books such as **Did Man Just Happen?** and **The Bible For Today's World**, by Dr. W. A. Criswell, **The Battle For The Bible** by Harold Lindsell, are three of the best ones. Another author who has done excellent work dealing with the intellectual attacks on the Bible is Dr. Francis Schaeffer.

What is most troublesome to your pastor is the attacks on the Bible from inside the world of professing Christians. In my lifetime, I have watched as the Word of God has been reduced to a book that is viewed as something that *contains* the Word of God, but really is not *THE* Word of God.

Now - in my last article, I started this topic by talking about how that the accuracy and reliability of the Bible has been under attack for over 100 years in Christian circles. The method of Bible study usually called the "Higher Critical Method" or "Higher Criticism" has resulted in a watering down of the Word of God. This "scholarly" approach to the Bible is, in my view, part of the Master Plan that Satan has to prepare mankind for the one-world religion of the Antichrist - to remove the Bible from it's rightful place in the minds and hearts of God's people as the inspired, inerrant, infallible, authoritative WORD for mankind.

Once the authority of Scripture has been stripped away, as Dr. Jimmy Draper points out in his books on the subject, anything and everything imaginable will flow in to fill the void such a removal has created. And, beloved, this is what is happening right now in

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churches across America.

Now, others far more eloquent and scholarly than I have written, as I said, excellent books and articles on this topic, and I shall not attempt to duplicate their efforts here. However - what I have *not* seen written or heard being discussed is how this relates to the issue of Bible versions: the issue of the accuracy and, therefore, the authority of the Bible rests, I believe, on the authenticity of the Word - *can we trust the Bible we hold in our hands to be THE true Word of God? Is it the ACTUAL Word of God, or is it merely a translation that CONTAINS it?*

Well, the psuedo-intellectuals and Bible “scholars” think and teach that the Bible we hold in our hands is inspired in spots, and, as my pastor in Dallas, Dr. Criswell used to say, “...and they think *THEY* are inspired to spot the spots!” Now, while that may be true for the copy THEY are reading, it isn’t true for all of us!

If you trace the history of the Bible down through time from the Apostles to today, you will find that there are two basic “lines”, for want of a better term, from whence the books called “bibles” we have today descend. One line, or family tree, comes to us down through Antioch, and the other through Alexandria. Detailed reading on this topic is available from many sources, such as the writings of the David Otis Fuller, the late Dr. David F. Reagan, those of Dr. Thomas Cassidy, and many, many others.

When you look into it, you will find that the manuscripts that came to us through Alexandria were corrupted by subtractions from God’s Word by the so-called scholars of the day. It is from the Alexandrian “side of the house” that 99% of the modern versions of th Bible have come. To an extent, the higher critics are now right - their version of the Bible really IS inspired in certain spots.

While I do not believe any translation is supra-inspired (more inspired than the originals), we who reject the corrupted versions of God’s Word that emanate from the Alexandrian tradition (also called the Minority Texts) hold, instead, to the belief that God has *preserved* His Word for us, even to this very hour. Going through Antioch, we believe that God preserved His Word for us, and, today, we can and do have in our hands a preserved copy of the original Word of God. If your Bible has been translated carefully from the manuscripts called the **Majority Texts** (also known as the Byzantine Texts or, in Latin, the *Textus Receptus*), then you have God’s preserved Word for man. If you do not have one of these, then you have a book that has no right to call itself The Holy Bible.

Now - what has this got to do with the One-World religion of the Antichrist?

I’ll answer that for you - *next week*. ÷

NEWS OF INTEREST TO CHRISTIANS

9 KREEFT SAYS A “NEW REFORMATION” IS IN PROGRESS - Peter Kreeft, a prominent Roman Catholic apologist and ecumenist, says a “new reformation” is underway which is uniting Catholics and non-Catholics. In an interview with The Christian Post, he said that “more ecumenical progress

has been made in the last 50 years than in the last 500” (“God Is Moving to Unite Catholics and Protestants,” Christian Post, May 31, 2017). Kreeft’s “new reformation” is the Protestant Reformation in reverse. In his new book *Catholics and Protestants: What Can We Learn from Each Other?*, he says that the collapse of morality in society should bring Catholics and Protestants closer to one another.

Kreeft converted from Dutch Reformed to Catholicism through the influence of the writings of the “church fathers” while a student at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He was particularly drawn to “St. Augustine,” in whose writings he found things such as “the Eucharist, the Real Presence, prayers to saints, devotion to Mary, an insistence on visible unity” (“Hauled Aboard the Ark,” www.peterkreeft.com).

Actually, Dr. Kreeft didn’t find the truth in the “church fathers,” he found doctrines of devils, and for some reason his spirit resonated with these errors. The “church fathers” didn’t add one iota of truth to the canon of Scripture, and they have zero authority. The unity that the Kreefts of this age are calling for is not a biblical unity; it is end-time apostasy that is building a one-world “church.” It is led by the one who “*is transformed into an angel of light (II Corinthians 11:14).*

9 CHURCH OF ENGLAND TO CONSIDER SPECIAL BAPTISM SERVICE FOR “TRANSGENDERS” - At its General Synod in July, the Church of England will consider a proposal for a new baptism service “**to celebrate transgender individuals who have transitioned genders**” (“Church of England Considers Baptizing People into New Gender,” ChristianHeadlines.com, Jun. 2, 2017).

This church, so-called, already has transgender priests. One of these, Rachel Mann, said, “*Trans people feel powerfully called to be recognized in their ‘chosen’ name. An opportunity to be publicly introduced to God is therefore significant.*”

We are not sure what “God” Mann is talking about, but it is not the Creator God who made man male and female. Scripture teaches that the Creator forms each individual in the womb according to a preexisting plan, and being male or female is no accident of nature. True churches don’t celebrate moral perversion; they preach the life-changing gospel of Jesus Christ whereby sinners are converted from wickedness and given a new mind to love truth and righteousness.

The transgender movement of the 21st century is the logical consequence of the feminist unisex movement of the 20th.

“*Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them*” (Psalm 139:16). ÷

HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!



DAD! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

Four times in the Gospel of John we read that Judas was Simon’s son (Jn. 6:71; 12:4; 13:2, 26). It must have been bitter indeed for Simon to hear himself so often referred to as the father of Judas. Somewhere in the raising of his son, something was wrong. Many a Christian father today is heading down the same road with his children. The Word of God is crying out to them so as to say, “*Dad! What are you doing?*”

DAD! ARE YOU THE HEAD OF YOUR HOME?

The Bible declares that just as “*Christ is the head of the Church*” the husband is “*the head of the wife*” (Eph. 5:23). The man is to be in charge of his home and his wife is to follow his leading. If she is ordering him around from day to day, *he* needs to stop and ask himself, “*Am I the head of this home?*”

Little spiritual good for his children will come about in a home where God’s order is reversed and the father is a **WIMP**. A wife ought to be *scared to death* to fly in the face of God’s Word when it plainly says, “*But permit not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man.*” (1 Timothy 2:12).

DAD! ARE YOU FAITHFUL TO YOUR WIFE AND CHILDREN?

Just as the Lord Jesus is faithful in providing for the needs of the Church, the father is to provide for the needs of his family. God has assigned him the task of being the “breadwinner” for his wife and children (Gen. 3:16-19; 1 Tim. 5:8). His “helpmeet” is the weaker vessel (1 Pet. 3:7) and is commanded by God to be a “keeper (or stayer) at home” (Tit. 2:5). The Lord Jesus is also faithful to his Church and will have no relationship with the Harlot Church (Eph. 5:25-32; Rev. 19:2).

So also, Dad is to be faithful to his wife. He will not flirt with women at work or waitresses in a restaurant. Any man who is doing such things needs to stop and read Proverbs 5:15-23 where God says, “*And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger.*” An unfaithful father will produce unfaithful children.

DAD! DO YOU HAVE A FAMILY ALTAR?

A Christian father ought to gather his children together for Bible reading and prayer each day. In the old days this was referred to as the “Family Altar.” It is still true that “*man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.*”

If we are going to have Christian children we are going to have to show them our total love for the Word of God and our absolute belief in prayer. Oftentimes fathers who will not discard their TV to the rubbish pile will refuse to establish time for the family altar.

Dad! Have you read Psalm 101:1-3? - “I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O Lord, will I sing. I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me?

I will walk within my house with a perfect heart. I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes? I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.”

DAD! DO YOU SPANK YOUR CHILDREN?

A man who does not spank his children when they are being disobedient hates them. A father who loves his children will spank them and keep them from going to hell.

1. “*He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes*” (Prov. 13:24).
2. “*Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying*” (Prov. 19:18).
3. “*Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him*” (Proverbs 22:15).
4. “*Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die. Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell*” (Proverbs 23:13-14).
5. “*The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame*” (Proverbs 29:15).

Children need to learn that unacceptable conduct brings punishment. It is basic to their understanding of Salvation. A child left to go on in sin without restraint will have little appreciation for One Who came to die for his sins. A child raised without fear of punishment will have little fear of a God who punishes sinners (Rom. 3:18).

DAD! ARE YOU STEADY AT CHURCH?

A father who does not attend all the regular meetings of the church shows his family that Church is not important. It is a fundamental principle that *like produces like*. When you sow potatoes, you do not reap tomatoes. When you sow unfaithfulness to the Lord as He gathers the believers together, you will reap children who are unfaithful to the Lord. At the other extreme there are fathers who let their children sit home while they attend church. Your children should always be with you at church, and they should all sit with you.

DAD! ARE YOUR CHILDREN DATING THE LOST?

Marrying the lost children of the Devil (John 8:44) sets up an unequal yoke which God has forbidden (II Cor. 6:14-18). I do not know anyone who got married without first dating. One inevitably leads to the other. Your children should be allowed to date only saved young people, and when I say **SAVED**, I mean *really SAVED*. The stories of misery coming from “unequal yoke” marriages are to numerous to count.

Dad! They are your children and God has made you responsible as the Head of the Home.