

Nobody to Blame!

When Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden, they did the same thing people have done ever since – they started making excuses. Adam blamed Eve. Eve blamed the serpent. Nobody stepped up and said, "It was my fault."

What if they had used some of the same excuses we use today?

- They could have said their sin was due to the environment in which they lived, but their environment was perfect.

- They could have said it was a lack of education that made them do it, but they were the most educated people of earth.

- They could have blamed it all on their in-laws, but they didn't have any.

- They could have claimed that their sin was due to a repressive government, but they only had one law. How repressive is that?

- They could have said property was the problem, but they had the whole world.

- They could have blamed injustices in society, but they were society.

- They could have blamed the influence of TV and video games, but those hadn't been invented yet.

- They could have said it was all because of an absentee dad, but their Father was with them every day.

- They could have pinned it on their upbringing, but they were created as adults and never had any upbringing.

- They could have blamed racial problems, but Adam was the only man and Eve was taken out of him so I would imagine they were both of the same race.

- They could have said their sin was the only way to get ahead, but who was there to get ahead of?

No, none of these excuses would hold water and neither will any of ours.

"So...they are without excuse:

"Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

"Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools." - Romans 1:20-22

When we sin and try to make excuses for it, all we are doing is showing what fools we are.

See you at church.

T.S.P., a prisoner in a state prison in the South

God Weaves Beautiful Tapestries

My life is but a weaving
Between my Lord and me;
I cannot choose the colors
He worketh steadily.


Oft times He weaveth sorrow
And I, in foolish pride,
Forget He sees the upper,
And I the under side.

Not til the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly,
Shall God unroll the canvas
And explain the reason why.

The dark threads are as needful
In the Weaver's skillful hand,
As the threads of gold and silver
In the pattern He has planned.

He knows, He loves, He cares,
Nothing this truth can dim.
He gives His very best to those
Who chose to walk with Him.

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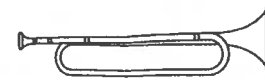
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Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet
and show my people their transgression...
Isa. 58:1



For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound,
who shall prepare himself to the battle?
1 Cor. 14:8

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The Pastor's Paragraph

Well, we have reached the third quarter of 2022. We are still waiting for you to visit with us at the Faith Baptist Church. I know that you will receive a warm welcome. We still preach the entirety of God's Word, and do it in love. We are not here to entertain, but to help you to understand the truth and grace of God so that you can enter Heaven one day. Come and see us soon.

Pastor Cole

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See It Through

When you're up against a trouble,
Meet it squarely, face-to-face;
Lift your chin and set your shoulders;
Plant your feet and take a brace.
When it's vain to try to dodge it,
Do the best that you can do;
You may fail, but you may conquer;
See it through!

Black may be the clouds about you,
And your future may seem grim,
But don't let your nerve desert you;
Keep yourself in fighting trim.
If the worst is bound to happen,
Spite of all that you can do,
Running from it will not save you;
See it through!

Even hope may seem but futile
When with troubles you're beset,
But remember you are facing
Just what other men have met.
You may fail, but fall still fighting;
Don't give up, whate'er you do;
Eyes front, head high to the finish.
See it through!

-Edgar A. Guest

"Me, Me, Me!"

"It is impossible to have a moral community or nation without faith in God, because without it everything rapidly comes down to "me," and "me" alone is meaningless. Today Americans have stopped acting in terms of their own moral, ethical, and religious beliefs and principles. They've stopped acting on what they knew was right – and the "me" has become the measure of everything.

"However, moral societies are the only ones that work. If anyone thinks there is not a direct and invaluable relationship between personal integrity in a society and that society's prosperity, that person has simply not studied history. And this should not surprise us. Great moral societies, built upon faith in God, honor, trust, and the law, blossom because they are harmonious, because people love or at least respect their fellow man, because, finally, they have a common belief in something beyond themselves. It simplifies life immensely; you do not waste and spend your days fighting for turf, for privilege, for money and power over your fellow man.

"Alexis de Tocqueville said it best when he realized even at the very beginning of our national life, "America is great because America is good. If America ceases to be good, she will cease to be great."

- Georgia Anne Geyer, Bits and Pieces,
September 17, 1992, pp. 23-24

Sentence Sermons

- A child's soul is as valuable in the sight of God as the souls of adults, for each will live eternally.
- He who seldom thinks of Heaven is not likely to be on his way there.
- Truth is unchangeable. Panic may resent it; ignorance may divide it; Malice may distort it; but there it is.
- Whatever is almost true is quite false, and among the most dangerous of errors.
- Some families treat the Sunday church service as if it were a convention – they send delegates.
- Praise God for all that is past, and trust Him for all that is to come.
- True prayer is a way of life, not just in case of emergency.

TRICKY

TRIVIA

This Month's Question

*What kind of birds
did Noah release
from the window of
the Ark?*

Answer to last
month's question.

*In last month's
"Tricky Trivia"
question we asked:*

*Can you name the eight
writers of the New
Testament?*

Answer:

*Matthew, Mark, Luke, John,
Paul, Peter, James, Jude*

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Asst. Pastor Jonathan Hall

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Asst. Pastor Jonathan Hall

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"The Note"

I recently watched a good movie on television. It was about a teenage girl who had a serious argument with her father one morning. In the heat of the debate, she said some very ugly things to her dad. He had to leave on a business trip, but promised to settle the issue upon his return. Unfortunately, the plane crashed on which the man was traveling, and he was killed. During the few minutes before the imminent crash, the father took a sheet from his pocket calendar and wrote the following: "All is forgiven. - Dad." He put the note into a zip-locked bag – in which the daughter had sent him some cookies. The note miraculously survived the oceanic plane crash and washed to the shore where it was found and eventually given to the girl. The gracious note provided much satisfaction to the grieving daughter knowing that, in the last moments of life, he was thinking of her and wanted to reassure her that there were no hard feelings. Amazingly, the note found its way to the girl who received the token of love with much delight. This moving story made me think of the message of love and forgiveness found in the Bible. Like the girl in the story, we have all offended the Heavenly Father. We have all done things that greatly broke the heart of God. Like the note, the Bible contains God's good news that "all is forgiven." The Bible has survived centuries to make its way to us today. Through the death of Jesus Christ, we can receive forgiveness of whatever we have done if we repent of our sin and submit to the will of God. It is a wonderful comfort to have a right relationship with the Father.

The Editor

Sunday Sickness??

Morbus sabbaticus is a peculiar weekend disease. The symptoms vary but never interfere with the appetite. It never lasts more than twenty-four hours. No physician is ever called. It is contagious. The attack comes on suddenly on Sundays.

The patient awakens as usual, feeling fine, and eats a hearty breakfast.

About 9 a.m. the attack comes on and lasts until about noon. In the afternoon the patient is much improved and is able to take a ride, visit friends, watch TV, work in the garden, mow the lawn, or read the Sunday paper.

The patient usually eats a hearty supper and is able to go to work on Monday. This ailment is often fatal in the end – to the soul!

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