

THE BAPTIST
BIBLE TRUMPET
FROM
FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

*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

As I look over the April calendar, I see two holidays: Earth day on the twenty-second, and Easter, on the fourth. These two events are in total contrast. Earth Day is a day to give special emphasis to something that will one day be destroyed regardless of our environmental stewardship. On the other hand, Easter is a day to worship a resurrected Lord, who will return to get his people, and take them to an eternal place that will never perish. There, we will live in a perfect paradise forever with God. Which holiday is most important to you?

—Pastor Cole

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Patience and Fruitfulness

By Dr. Paul Chappell

I read about a lady who called American Airlines and asked the reservation clerk, "How long does it take to get from Dallas-Fort Worth to Frankfurt, Germany?" The clerk had to wait a moment for the information to come up on her computer screen, so she said, "Just a minute." The caller responded, "Thanks very much," and hung up! Most of the things that really matter in life do not happen in "just a minute." It is easy for us to become impatient when God does not work on our timetable. Most of us want to see immediate results, but things don't usually work that way in our lives. Instead, we must go through the process of working and building and developing before we reach the goal. The great pioneer missionary Adoniram Judson labored in Burma for seven years before seeing his first convert. But rather than giving up and looking for an easier place to minister, he remained faithful, and eventually established many churches and saw thousands saved. Judson's translation of the Bible into the Burmese language is still in use today, touching lives more than 150 years after his death. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow wrote: "The heights by great men reached and kept, were not obtained by sudden flight. But they, while their companions slept, were toiling upward in the night." If we are patient and continue steadfast in the work regardless of whether we see immediate results, we will reap the harvest in due season. It is impossible to remain fruitful unless we first remain patiently faithful.

Do not be discouraged if you don't see immediate results. Remain faithful, and the harvest will come.

At My Church I Will Do More

I will do more than belong -
I will participate.

I will do more than care -
I will help.

I will do more than believe -
I will practice.

I will do more than be fair -
I will be kind.

I will do more than forgive -
I will work.

I will do more than earn -
I will enrich.

I will do more than teach -
I will inspire.

I will do more than give -
I will serve.

I will do more than live -
I will give.

I will do more than be friendly -
I will be a friend.

I Think I Shall Never See

I think that I shall never see
A church that's all it ought to be,
A church whose members never stray
Beyond the Straight and Narrow Way.
A church that has no empty pews,
Whose pastor never has the "blues."
A church whose deacons always deak
And none is proud and all are meek,
Where gossips never peddle lies
Or make complaints or criticize,
Where all are always sweet and kind
And all to other's faults are blind.
Such perfect churches there may be.
But none of them are known to me.
But still we'll work and pray and plan.
To make our own the best we can!

TRICKY

TRIVIA

This Month's Question

When Joshua's army destroyed the City of Jericho, they killed everyone except for one woman, and her family. What was her name?

Answer to last month's question.

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

Cynophobia is the fear of dogs. Can you think of someone in the Bible who may have experienced this illness?

*Answers:
King Ahab
I Kings 21*

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*I have only just a minute,
Only sixty seconds in it,
Forced upon me, can't refuse it,
Didn't seek it, didn't choose it;
But it's up to me to use it.
I must suffer if I lose it,
Give account if I abuse it.
Just a tiny, little minute,
But eternity is in it.*

The Sword of the Lord

The best thing to give your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all men, charity.

*Author James Balfour,
British statesmans*

Sentence Sermons

- The darkness around us gives us even more opportunity to show the light of God's love to the world.
- We must never lose sight of the wondrous grace that places the lost person in the family of God.
- We don't please God by outward forms of religious activity but by a heart of humility and obedience.
- Technology has produced guided missiles, however, a lack of theology has produced misguided men.
- A man is known by the enemies he makes.
- You are only valuable to God as you are available to God.
- Never question in the storm what you have settled on the shore.

Prayer For The Middle-Aged

Lord, thou knowest better than I know myself that I'm growing older and will one day be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom it seems a pity not to use it all, but thou knowest, Lord that I want a few friends at the end.

I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility and less cocksureness when my memory seems to clash with the memory of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not wish to be a saint – some of them are so hard to live with – but a sour old person is one of the crowning works of the devil. Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people, and give me the grace to tell them so. Amen.

-Alta Becker (written in 1956)

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On Good Terms With God

Job 1:1 tells us the "(Job) was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil."

Run through the Bible, and you will find that those regarded as most favored were not necessarily possessed of great material fortunes and not necessarily the parents of great families, but were always and everywhere on good terms with God.

The glory of Enoch was that he "walked with God"; the honor of Abraham, that he was "the Friend of God"; while the special mark of Jesus Christ, distinguishing Him beyond all His fellows, was His intimacy with God the "Father."

To know God and to know Him well, to walk with Him, to work for Him, to rest in Him – this is indeed not only the chief end of man but his superb prosperity.

G. Campbell Morgan tells of an old woman who lived on the coast of England and who came to her Christmas Day with absolutely nothing upon her table but a piece of bread and a glass of water.

That day a godly man, thinking of the old lady, went to her home about noontime carrying a well-filled basket. She was extremely deaf and did not hear him enter her little cottage. He noticed, upon nearing the table, that she was just bowing her head over a crust of bread and water.

Stopping, he listened to hear the old woman say in gratitude, "O, God, I thank thee for these gifts of Thy love this Christmas Day. Thou hast given me all these – and Christ."

As she lifted up her face, he said there was an ineffable sweetness upon every feature that suggested the softened light from an upper world.

In speaking of it, Morgan said, "You know as well as I do, if you are true to your own heart, that you had rather have that old woman's heart's ease than all the wealth of the world."

To be in favor with the Father is the favors of favors.

*-W.B. Riley
1861-1947*

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