

# Bible Baptist Temple NEWSLETTER

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## NewsLetter #800

"If you notice the number of this month's *NewsLetter*, you will see that it is #800! I still have a copy of *NewsLetter* #1, May 1969, and it has changed (*improved*) much over the years. The first ones were printed on a mimeograph machine with the ink roller and the wax original. For the first few years of our church I made them weekly, sort of like a bulletin.

But of course they weren't as involved and up to the current quality. They are meant to educate, illuminate and encourage Christians, but most times it also involves the Gospel and God's Salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ - redemption, justification, sanctification, repentance, separation, prophecy and preservation of God's Word, the Bible.

They are sort of like a Sunday School lesson, church bulletin and Gospel tract all rolled into one!

This #800 is certainly a milestone and an encouraging reminder of all that has been done. We mail our *NewsLetters* to a lot of people who don't attend our church but do enjoy receiving and reading them.



## Understanding Sin

"Sin cannot be understood unless our concept of God is understood according to the Scriptures.

Sin is so evil, so insidious, that it is found in all mankind and manifested in hate, lies, dishonesty, crime, and injustice. This necessitates law enforcement, handcuffs, prisons, and finally, the death penalty.

There are those who would deny sin, or rename it ... The popular view is to treat it as a disease ...

God said that sin is rebellion against Him ... God says that it is an act against the faith, love, and mercy of God.

God says that it is rebellion against properly constituted authority. God says that it is lawlessness, and it is personally chargeable to everyone who commits it.

The truth about sin always requires that we believe the truth concerning God - that He is sovereign, holy, and just."

- Pastor Todd Brainard (edited)

## Prayer

"The prevailing idea seems to be, that I come to God and ask Him for something that I want, and that I expect Him to give me that which I have asked.

But this is a most dishonouring and degrading conception.

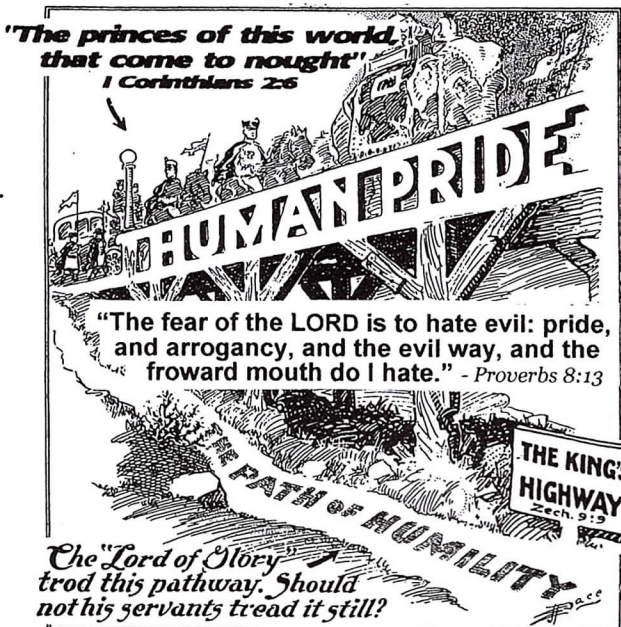
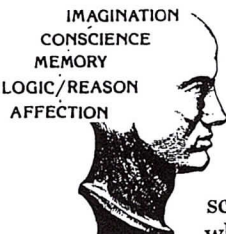
This popular belief reduces God to a servant, our servant: doing our bidding, performing our pleasure, granting our desires.

No, prayer is a coming to God, telling Him my need, committing my way unto the Lord, and leaving Him to deal with it."

- Oswald Chambers

## The MIND Affected, too

Every Christian should be familiar with the fact that the human mind, as well as heart, has been impaired by the fall. Mankind became dead in sin, and wholly defiled in all the faculties and parts of soul and body. From the nature of the case, the misguided intellect is *unconscious of its own vice*; for consciousness of it would expel it. Its nature is to cause him who is deceived to think that error is truth, and its power is in masking itself under that honest guise. - copied



... If you know someone who would like to receive it we would be glad to include them. Please call our church and leave the information on the answering machine, 216-531-1273; or, mail us their name and address to Bible Baptist Temple, PO Box 32005, Euclid, OH 44132; or, e-mail us at [bbteuclid@yahoo.com](mailto:bbteuclid@yahoo.com)

"I Will Never Leave Thee"

- Hebrews 13:5

"In this promise God gives to His people everything!

"I will never leave thee,"

Then no attribute of God can cease to be engaged for us. Is He mighty?

He will show Himself strong on the behalf of them that trust Him. Is He love? Then with lovingkindness will He have mercy upon us.

Whatever attributes may compose the character of Deity; every one of them to its fullest extent shall be engaged on our side.

To put everything in one, there is nothing you can want, there is nothing you can ask for, there is nothing you can need in time or in eternity, there is nothing living, nothing dying, there is nothing in this world, nothing in the next world, there is nothing now, nothing at the resurrection morning, nothing in heaven which is not contained in this text, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." (copied)

## Definitions of Fundamenalism, Premillennialism & Dispensationalism

1. Absolute authority of Scripture;
2. Literal fulfillment of Prophecy;
3. Imminency of Christ's return;
4. Progress of evil in this age;
5. Duty of the church - to pray, watch, work;
6. Premillennialism is viewed as one of the mightiest incentives to earnestness in preaching the Gospel to every creature, until He comes." - copied



"The peace of God is only possible for those who have first obtained Peace with God!"

"Child of God, you cost Christ too much for Him to forget you." - copied

"I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be forever ... that men should fear before him" - Ecclesiastes 3:14



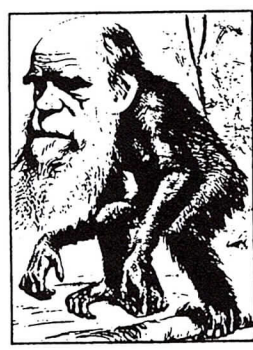
By The "Understanding"  
 "That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the Father of glory, may give unto you  
 the spirit of wisdom and revelation  
 in the knowledge of him:

The eyes of your understanding  
 being enlightened..." (Ephesians 1:17-18)  
 "The graces and comforts of the Spirit  
 are communicated to the soul by the  
 enlightening of the understanding.  
 In this way he gains and keeps possession.  
 Satan takes a contrary way: he gets  
 possession by the senses and passions  
 Christ by the understanding."  
 (Matthew Henry Commentary - Ephesians)  
 (Note - not by feelings or emotions;  
 but to understand with the mind is  
 the way that God works with  
 His people and presents salvation  
 to the 'lost'. Here is one way where  
 our church differs from the Charis-  
 matic/Pentacostal type of churches.)

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 THIS & THAT  
 From HERE & THERE  
 'Evolution'  
 ... is found  
 nowhere in the Bible;  
 neither the word  
 nor the teaching.  
 XXXXX  
 Antidepressant  
 Drugs  
 ... are based on the  
 hypothesis that  
 depression and mood  
 swings are caused by  
 'chemical imbalance'  
 in the brain ...  
 The field of modern  
 medicine does not  
 know how anti-  
 depressants work."  
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 "Good-Bye"  
 The word 'good-bye'  
 is a contraction of  
 'God be with ye.'

**WHY MEN BELIEVE IN EVOLUTION**

Men believe in evolution because they want to believe in Evolution. If there is a God, they feel uncomfortable. If there is a God, then someday they must face Him. So, rather than carry this uncomfortable feeling all through life, they try to do away with God. And the only way to do away with Him is to explain how we got here other than the Bible account of the creation of man. If they believe in the Genesis account of creation, they have to believe in God; and they don't like the idea of God. - copied



**Skeletons, Souls & Spirits**

If the complete skeletons and DNA of Albert Einstein, Charles Darwin, and Ludwig van Beethoven were discovered, they would not reveal the genius of these men. The real person is a nonphysical being living inside the physical body. Man's body temporarily houses the soul and spirit that make up the real person. A. S. Eddington was praised by Einstein for writing the best layman's explanation of his general theory of relativity. Eddington firmly believed that the brain is not the mind. The real person is a non-physical being who began existence when God "breathed into his [Adam's] nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul." God distinguishes between the body, the soul, and the spirit. "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth" (Luke 12:15, 1 Thessalonians 5:23). Yet mankind ignores this wisdom and persists in pursuing the accumulation of wealth and the possessions and pleasures it will buy, none of which last beyond death. Man is an eternal being living temporarily in a physical body. Those who believe that the body is all that we consist of spend their entire lives trying to fulfill the desires of the flesh. Though the body decays when it dies, the soul and spirit are destined to exist forever. We are eternal beings. Killing the body offers no escape. - Dave Hunt, (edited)

**The Rise of 'No-Name' Christianity**

"A report entitled 'Non-Denominationalism is the Strongest Force in Religion, and Maybe in American Society too' (Graphs about Religion, Jan. 9, 2025) examines the rapid disappearance of denominational churches (e.g., churches that identify as Presbyterian, Lutheran, Methodist, Anglican, Baptist, etc.) and the rapid growth of 'no-name' churches. It describes 'the rise of the 'nons' - that is those folks who identify as non-denominational Christians.'"  
 - Friday Church News Notes, January 17, 2025,  
 www.wayoflife.org, fbns@wayoflife.org, 866-295-4143

[ ] "Growing numbers of people now serve as their own theologian-in-residence." George Barna )

"The best way to reach the most people in the shortest period of time is with the printed page."

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**March 2025**

- Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday Morning Services ..... 11:00 a.m.
- Sunday Evening Services ..... 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday Bible Studies ..... 7:00 p.m.



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**An Apple Orchard Parable**

"A gentleman was invited into an orchard to taste the apples. 'No', he said, 'I would rather not', and being often invited to come and partake, and yet refusing, the other said, 'I guess you've a prejudice against my apples.' 'Yes', said the man, 'I have tested a few of them and they are very sour.' 'But which ones', said he 'did you taste?' 'Why, those apples which fall into the road over the hedge'. 'Ah, yes,' said the owner, 'those are as sour as crabs, but if you come into the middle of the trees you will find a different flavor.' And it was so!

Similarly, just around the border of 'Christianity' (churches), along the outer hedge there are some very sour apples, apples of conviction, self-denial, humiliation and self-despair, planted on purpose to keep off the hypocrites and mere professors; but in the middle of the garden are luscious fruits, mellow to the taste, and sweet in nectar." (copied)

"Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings."  
 - Psalm 17:8

"Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye."  
 - Proverbs 7:2

"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver."  
 - Proverbs 25:11

