

Bible Baptist Temple NEWSLETTER

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Anchored In Christ

"Anchors are nautical devices that provide stability to ships during harsh storms, protecting them from being tossed around at sea. Throughout history, anchors have served as a much-needed device for sailors.

In the BIBLE, an anchor is used as a symbol of our 'hope' in Jesus that gives us *stability* and *steadfastness* in life.

In ancient days, the anchor was used in artwork and engravings as a *symbol of Christianity*.

Anchors appear in the Roman catacombs on the tombs of Christians, showing the Christians' steadfast hope in eternal life. According to Hebrews 6:19, the anchor of our souls is our hope of God's inheritance in Christ.

Unlike the feelings-based, doubt-infused definition of *hope* common in our world, the Christian's hope is 'a strong and trustworthy' anchor."

"Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast ..."

- Hebrews 6:19



Looking At or Through a Window?

"The scientific way of looking at the world is not wrong any more than the glass-manufacturer's way of looking at the window.

This way of looking at things has its very important uses.

Nevertheless, the window was placed there not to be looked *at*, but to be looked *through*; and the world has failed of its purpose unless it, too, is looked through and the eye rests not on it, but on its God! (to see through nature to the God of nature's Creator!)

A Reckless Bravado

"But there is an unwise scorn of the world's opinion.

Many good men are doing hurt to Christ's cause by a reckless bravado, which flows out of an uncontrolled independence or out of unthinking pride and foolishness." - copied



CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday Services, 10:30, 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Wednesdays - Prayer & Bible Studies

Friday Night Church - 1st and 3rd Fridays
of each month - 7:00 pm

QUOTES

(Quotes are true and helpful & some are profound, clever, humorous, cynical, & some even scary!)

"Christianity would not have enemies if it were not an enemy to their vices."

"Kill sin before it kills you."

- Richard Baxter, (1615-1691)

"Nobody likes being called a *hypocrite*, especially those who are."

(many schools are guilty of) "Educating students to a place of infidelity."

"SIN is always against someone; and always hurts someone."

"A closed mouth gathers no foot."

"False 'churches' say *God is good* but not that *sin is bad*."

"It is good to remember that the whole world, with one exception, is made up of others."

"The sinner cannot find God for the same reason that a thief cannot find a policeman."

"It is not surprising that the worldly, so-called 'great' philosophers, are skeptics and infidels."

FRENCH & AMERICAN REVOLUTIONS

"There was another revolution that went on, right about the same time as the American Revolution ... the French Revolution. The French Revolution was eerily similar to the American Revolution, but there was a significant difference. The French Revolution was also to overthrow a king, yes. The revolutionaries' guiding words were 'equality' (*sounds good*), 'liberty' (*good*) and 'fraternity' or brotherhood - not paternity, fatherhood. That is, in France, the belief was *not* that rights come from a Creator. Instead, the other revolution was a secular, godless, anti-clerical revolution.

Churches were burned; clergy were killed.

It was a rejection of God ... All of Western Europe is now a descendent of the French Revolution.

Churches are empty. It is a secular culture and a dying culture. Europeans don't have rights, other than the rights the government decides to give and occasionally take away.

They don't have the freedoms we do, because they don't have the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution we have.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." - copied

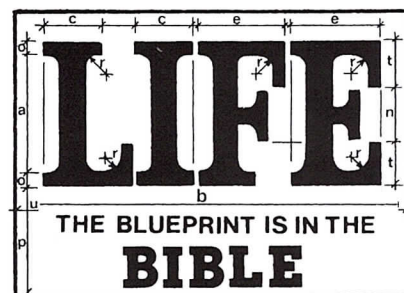
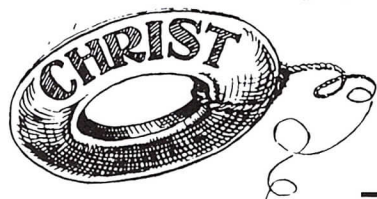
Man Thinks in his Heart

"In the Bible the '*heart*' is a term for the center of man's *thinking, emotions and will*."

Man thinks in his heart

Genesis 6:5, Proverbs 23:7;

he understands with his heart, Proverbs 2:2; and he deviseth his way with his heart, Proverbs 16:9."



"Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful." - Psalm 116:5

Understanding 'Chaste' & 'Chastening'

CHASTE. Pure; clean; consecrated (2 Co. 11:2; Ti 2:5; 1 Pe. 3:2). The Greek word *hagnos*, in its various forms, is translated "purify" (Jn. 11:55; Ac. 21:24,26; 24:18; Jam. 4:8; 1 Pe. 1:22; 1 Jn. 3:3), "by pureness" (2 Co. 6:6), and "sincerely" (Ph. 1:16). [See Discreet, Modesty, Nakedness, Sanctification, Separation, World.]

CHASTEN. Chastening involves the entire work of discipline, not only correction, but teaching and guiding and encouraging (He. 12:5-11). The Hebrew word translated "chasten" (Pr. 22:15) is translated "discipline" (Job 36:10), "doctrine" (Je. 10:8), "instruction" (Pr. 8:33), and "rebuke" (Ho. 5:2). The Greek word for chasten, *paideia*, is translated "learned" (Ac. 7:22), "taught" (Ac. 22:3), "instruct" (2 Ti. 2:25), "nurture" (Ep. 6:4), "punish" (Lk. 23:16), and "teach" (Tit. 2:12). Thus the Bible doctrine of chastening incorporates the entire realm of child training—instructing and guiding in the right way and correcting the erring one.

How Does God Chasten? (1) Through the Scriptures (2 Ti. 2:25; 3:16). (2) Through grace (Tit. 2:12). Grace is a powerful motivator. The more the child of God learns of God's goodness and mercy toward him through Jesus Christ, the more he wants to serve him. We love him because he first loved us (1 Jn. 4:10,19; Ps. 116:1). (3) Through Satan (1 Ti. 1:20). (4) Through sickness and death (1 Co. 11:32; Ps. 38:1-8). (5) Through the circumstances of life (Jam. 1; Ro. 5; 1 Pe. 1). [See Admonish, Affliction, Bible, Chasten, Child Training, Church Discipline, Convince, Correction, Counsel, Exhort, Guidance, Instruct, Pastor, Rebuke, Reproof, Suffering, Timothy, Trials.] Way of Life Encyclopedia

"FACT, FAITH, FEELING ... walking atop a Wall ..."
"FACT walked steadily on, looking always onward; FAITH followed and all went well as long as FAITH kept it's eyes on FACT; but when FAITH got concerned about FEELING, and took his eyes off FACT, and turned to see FEELING, he lost his balance and fell off the wall, and FEELING fell down with him, too."
(note - 'Fact' is the Truth of the Bible - God's Word) - copied

THIS & THAT
From HERE & THERE

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Dangerous Cities

"Five of the Ten most dangerous cities in the world are in Mexico."

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Second Coming

"23 of the 27 New Testament books refer to the 'Second Coming' of Jesus Christ (all except Galatians and the one-chapter books of Philemon and II and III John)." - copied

Nebraska

"... becomes 29 th State to Ban Transgender Men from Women's Athletics. ... the latest state to enact legislation requiring athletes to compete on sports teams that align with their biological sex rather than their stated gender identity ... by a 33-16 vote ..."

"Christianity Daily", 6/13/25
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Epistles of Apostle Paul

"The acts of the Apostle Paul take up most of the book of Acts, and his letters make up about a third of the New Testament."

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The Rebel's Surrender to Grace.

by John Newton

Author of '**Amazing Grace**'

"Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

Acts 9:6

"Lord, thou hast won, at length I yield,
My heart, by mighty grace compelled,
Surrenders all to thee;

Against thy terrors long I strove,
But who can stand against thy love?
Love conquers even me.

All that a wretch could do, I tried,
Thy patience scorned, thy pow'r defied,
And trampled on thy laws;

Scarcely thy martyrs at the stake,
Could stand more steadfast for thy sake,
Than I in Satan's cause.

But since thou hast thy love revealed,
And shown my soul a pardon sealed,
I can resist no more:

Couldst thou for such a sinner bleed?
Canst thou for such a rebel plead?

I wonder and adore!

If thou hadst bid thy thunders roll,
And lightnings flash to blast my soul,
I still had stubborn been:

But mercy has my heart subdued,
A bleeding Savior I have viewed,
And now, I hate my sin.

Now, Lord, I would be thine alone,
Come take possession of thine own,
For thou hast set me free
Released from Satan's hard commands
See all my powers waiting stand,
To be employed by thee.

My will conformed to thine would move,
On thee my hope, desire, and love,
In fixed attention join;

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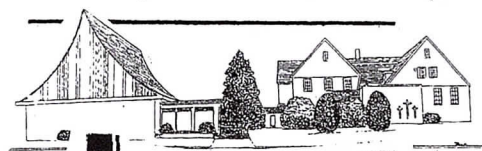
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Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Services 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Services 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Studies 7:00 p.m.



August

Weekly RADIO Programs

- WHKW 1220 AM -



Thursday Evenings, 8:00 pm

Friday Afternoons, 2:00 pm

Saturday Mornings, 10:00 am

Sunday Afternoons, 2:30 pm

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Jesus is God

"Atheism was *not* a problem for the writers of either the Old Testament or the New Testament. *They spent neither space nor energy to prove the existence of God.* They simply told about the mighty acts of God; about His sole sovereignty; and of His purpose to make His salvation available to all who would obey and trust Him. Through a chosen people God would become known ..."

The New Testament writers all believed that Jesus of Nazareth was the Son of God, fully God and fully man. Nothing like this had ever occurred previously in human history, and it would never occur again. In this *Jesus*, God revealed Himself fully! Men no longer needed to inquire, 'What is God like?'. They could see Jesus and know that whoever had seen Him with the eyes of faith has seen God." - Charles R. Erdman, "The Gospel of John"

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My hands, my eyes, my ears, my tongue,
Have Satan's servants been too long,
But now they shall be thine.

And can I be the very same,
Who lately durst blaspheme thy name;
And on thy gospel tread?

Surely each one, who hears my case,
Will praise thee, and confess thy grace
Invincible indeed! "