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From Where I Sit . . .

"Old Paths For A New Generation"

The rise of each new generation has always presented the problem of keeping alive God's True Religion in the hearts of men. It's frightening to see the whirlwind of changes we're exposed to. Some are no doubt permissible and healthy. Others need very close scrutiny. In the face of it all, we must be concerned to preserve the Lord's Way in our generation and for the next generation to know how to walk in His ways. The church is "The pillar and the ground of truth" (1 Tim 3:15). If we don't support truth we fail in one of our major reasons for existing as the church: Ephesians 3:10-11 (NKJV) 10 "to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places, 11 according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord." Think of the consequences of a generation that does not know God! (Judges 2:8-12).

Studying the apostasies of the Old Testament shows how hard it was for men to be true to God over a long period of time. Apostasy was prevalent. There were faithful men and good times, but always the problem of a new generation. It's not that new generations are bad. They're really quite wonderful; however, they simply must be taught properly. Even in the First Century the New Testament Church lived in the shadow of apostasy. It resulted in a complete departure from the faith. 1 Tim. 4:1 "Now the spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;"

Elders, Preachers, and all Bible school teachers should realize the responsibility that is theirs. We must never tire of the old truths. We must know our roots. We must look back to see where we came from so we can know where we are going. Tell these stories over and over again. Advertisers of products know the benefit of repeating slogans constantly. Keep telling about God, Christ, the Holy Spirit. The Bible is God's revelation to man. It is the product of Divine Inspiration. We must never treat it as "optional" literature.

Tell of the wonderful teachings, miracles, death, burial, resurrection of Jesus; the glorious ascension to heaven; the plan of salvation in its simplicity; the meaning and importance of church membership; the importance of true, Scriptural worship. In short, in the words of the Apostle Paul, we too must strive with all that is in us to declare "all the counsel of God." (Acts 20:27).

A generation of careless teachers who fail to study and teach God's word faithfully will produce a generation that knows not the Lord nor the works He has done. It's far better to build safeguards at the summit of the mountain, than to build hospitals at the base. A generation untaught is a reflection on the generation that failed to teach them. We must remember that a generation not thoroughly taught will not be faithful to the Lord. David's prayer needs to be our prayer today: Psalms 71:17-18 "O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works. Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come.

Friends, The Old Paths for each new generation was God's successful formula for maintaining faithfulness in the Old and New Testaments, and it still is today.

... Terry Broome



Please pray for our sick and remember them with cards, calls and visits.

Brad Wilhelm is improving but is still having some blood pressure and heart rate issues. Please remember Brad in your prayers.

Linda Nickells, sister of Betty Robinson, is doing much better now and will begin having therapy tomorrow. Please keep her in your prayers.

LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST

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Shep Knight, child of Jo Reed Brumley's cousin.

Clarence Potter, brother of Marie Garrett.

Vickie Farr, sister of Charlotte Vinson.

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Trent McCormack, US Navy

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Calendar of Upcoming Events—

April 9-11 — Spring Youth Retreat, Camp Ney-A-Ti

April 11 — Area-Wide Youth Devo April 17 — Spring Work Day, 8:00 a.m.

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Broad Street church of Christ gratefully acknowledges a donation to our Food Pantry fund from Sam & Roxie Wright in memory of Al Evett.



The Spring Youth Retreat with Owens
Cross Roads church of
Christ will be April 9-11
at Camp Neyati. We are excited to be able to

have an event like this, especially combined with another youth group! This retreat is for 6th grade through 12th grade and will include 5 meals and 2 nights stay in a 30 person cabin. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board if you will be attending.

The Area-Wide Devo will be hosted by Plainview church of Christ at Sharon Johnston Park on April 11th. The van will leave the parking lot at 1:00 p.m. Let Chad know if you will be attending.



The Elders have decided that we will send a donation to the Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort to help with the tornado and flooding damage in multiple TER areas. If you wish to contribute, designate Disaster Relief in the memo on

your check and give to one of the Elders. Deadline to give is Sunday, April 11th.

Mark your calendars! We will have a Spring Work Day on April 17th. Breakfast will be at 8:00 a.m. in the MPR. We need all the help we can get. Please sign up on the bulletin board so that we can prepare enough food.





To the members at Broad Street. Thanks for all the wonderful cards you have sent to me. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. I miss getting to worship God with Broad Street.

We are still not allowed visitors. We pray that soon that will be changed. Thankful for God's blessings and the hope we have in Him.

> Thinking of you, Nell Anderson

"...And remember, brethren, we are drifting." With that ominous catchphrase, J.D. Tant closed the many articles he wrote in the early twentieth century for the Firm Foundation and for the Gospel Advocate. He also often used this warning to close sermons in gospel meetings.

Tant was applying to his day the warning of Hebrews 2:1, "Therefore, we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things that were heard, lest haply we drift away from them." (ASV)

A study of Church History highlights the continual cycle of apostasy and restoration. Religion is always on the move - either aligned with the revealed will of God or adrift in the currents of human opinion.

In his day, Tant saw many budding trends among churches of Christ that later would go to seed in the Progressive movement. As congregations focused more on social acceptance than on biblical fidelity, Tant saw the church leaving the secure mooring of God's truth; he saw them drifting away from the distinctiveness of simple New Testament Christianity. Seeing this danger he sounded an alarm.

In our day, Phil Sanders has sounded the same warning in his book Adrift and in its companion volume, A Faith Built on Sand. These books will help church leaders and concerned Christians make sense of the kaleidoscopic transformations embroiling churches of Christ.

Sanders' analysis is important because the world in which we live is quite different from the world of the early twentieth century. Our society has lost confidence in the truth and seeks to find meaning through life's experiences.

This shift away from objective truth into subjective experience explains the rampant materialism and blatant sexuality overwhelming our culture. People are seeking for meaning in momentary pleasure rather than in eternal truth. This shift in Western culture has affected every religious group, as well. In this setting, churches of Christ have faced questions concerning the boundaries of the acceptable work, worship, and fellowship of the church. We have doctrinal challenges concerning male spiritual leadership and the inspiration and authority of the Scriptures. Most tellingly, Progressives even question the Lord's way of salvation revealed in Scripture.

Rather than fighting each battle on its own, the central question posed by Tant and Sanders settles them all. Are we going to remain faithful to the revealed word of God, or are we going to launch out on a course of our own choosing? Every conflict facing the Lord's church begins at this point. We can either remain moored to the faith once for all delivered to the saints, or we will be adrift in a sea of uncertainty.

George Alan Tidwell

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WORSHIP. Sunday 9:55 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. BIBLE STUDY. Sunday 9:00 A.M.

and Wednesday 6:30 P.M.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS. Tuesday 10:00 A.M.

Those to Serve... SUNDAY, April 11, 2021

Announcements: Nick Ledbetter

Song Leader: Mark Price Prayer: Vince Laney Serve at the Lord's Table: Presiding: Rabon McCormack Speaker: Terry Broome

Closing Prayer: David Crawford West Usher: Roger Myers East Usher: John Hollis Myers

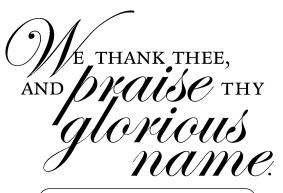
WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Scripture: Tim Allen Song Leader: Mark Price Prayer: Ernie Brockway

CONTACT ELDER: David Precise
OPEN & CLOSE BUILDING FOR THE MONTH:
Russell Wilhelm

If you are unable to serve, please call: Dave Precise 256-599-6668 -or- Dave Bagley 256-609-6468

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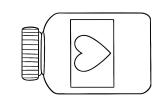
The Word of God (the Bible) never changes. If you go to worship to hear something other

than His Word,

You have gone for the wrong reason.

If you hear something other,

You are at the wrong place.



A joyful heart is good medicine.

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A MOMENT SPENT

moment spent to share a smile

Will bring God's blessing from above

To ease a sorrow, dry a tear

When we but take the time to love

A cheerful thought to someone deal

Or care enough to stop and send

To hug a child or greet a friend

Or go that extra mile