

PRAYERS

Butch and Chris – They continue to recuperate. Chris has one more round of chemo. Butch is hoping for good news this past Friday.

Chanice – She is done with dialysis but is suffering from an infection.

Linda’s Cousin – recovering from brain surgery.

Bob Woodring - Connie’s brother in law – Suffering from heart problems.

Congregation News

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Dignity is one thing that cannot be preserved in alcohol.

Those Privileged to Serve

Sunday Morning Service:

5/27/18

6/3/18

Bible Class	Colby Crawford	Paul Darling
Announcements	Colby Crawford	Colby Crawford
Song Leader	Tom Bright	Paul Darling
Opening Prayer	Colby Crawford	Paul Darling
Lord's Supper	Tom Bright	Colby Crawford
Scripture Reading	Paul Darling	Tom Bright
Sermon	Paul Darling	Tom Bright

Bible Classes

Sunday Morning

Wednesday Evening

Adult	Colby Crawford	Tom Bright
Children	Colby Crawford	Linda McBrayer
Toddlers	Cindy Bright	
Babies	Anissa Crawford	

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May 27th – Amelia Crawford
June 3rd - Ariana Crawford

Building Cleanup

Darling
Bright - June

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Bulletin Submissions

If you would like anything added to the bulletin such as prayer requests, news, or events, please make submissions by Friday night to: tlbj@sbcglobal.net

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THE OPINIONS OF THE MOMENT

On November 19, 1863 at a dedication of a war memorial, President Abraham Lincoln had just completed his speech and was returning to his seat. In shame and embarrassment, he turned to one of his aides and said, “That speech won’t scour. It was a flat failure.” On that wintery afternoon, others were saying the same thing.

“It is not what I expected,” said one. “I am disappointed” added a General. The newspapers were not as kind. One called it “ignorant rudeness” that the President’s speech--following a two hour oration by a statesman--would consist of ten sentences and take only two minutes, fifteen seconds to deliver the 271 words. Other newspapers said it was “dull...commonplace...in bad taste...silly....flat and dishwatery.”

That “flop” of a speech, by the way, was Lincoln’s “Gettysburg Address” as we call it today. It is now held to be one of the classic orations in our nation’s history.

Time tends to prove all of us to be fools from time to time. It has consistently shown that the opinions of the moment are not really good over the scope of years. We are poor judges of what is good or bad, because tastes and fashions change. What one generation considers wonderful at the moment may not even be remembered by the next. I wonder if anyone remembers who that statesman was who spoke for two hours just before Abraham Lincoln gave his speech that day? I wonder if anyone remembers what that statesman had to say? It just proves the point doesn’t it?

That is what God has been telling us all along. It is the world that always laughs at the child of God for the faith he holds. Few generations have ever held it popular to be right or to do right. Yet the Christian must go on walking a different path. Paul said to be “...in nothing terrified by your adversaries” (**Phil. 1:28**). Peter wrote, “But even if ye should suffer for righteousness’ sake, blessed are ye: and fear not their fear, neither be troubled” (**1 Pet. 3:14**).

A Christian then cannot bow to the world and its pressure or dance to its tune. The Christian must walk by faith (**2 Cor. 5:7**), doing what is right--no matter what; trusting that eternity will consider his work to be good, even if time doesn’t. That is what faith is all about. Paul said that if we are trying to please men, we should not be servants of Christ (**Gal. 1:10**). By the way, which are you trying to please: men or God? You know what your answer should be, don’t you?

Was Jesus a liar?

The question posed in the title above is, in and of itself, repugnant to most. The very idea that the Saviour of the world could lie is incomprehensible! Yet sadly the conclusion that must be reached is that many say He was in fact a liar. No, they will not openly use the term in describing Him, but nonetheless the charge must be concluded. *Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary* defines lie very simply as "to make an untrue statement." Now if we look to the Scriptures and find statements that the Lord either said or endorsed, and then do not believe them (that is, we hold doctrines contrary to them), we must of necessity be saying that Jesus was saying something we deem to be "untrue." Thus we call Him a liar. For example, below are listed several statements of Jesus. Below each of them are statements representing prominent doctrines in the religious world. Mark the one which you believe and teach to be true. ***Did Jesus lie...***

About the completion of revelation in the days of the apostles?

T or F Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come.

Jesus Christ, John 16:13

T or F None of the biblical authors had any idea of writing a book which would of itself give us all of God's revelation. . . . God's revelation, then, is something that is happening to God's people today.

Anthony Wilhelm, *Christ Among Us, A Modern Presentation of the Catholic Faith For Adults*

About the necessity of obeying His will to enter heaven?

T or F Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Jesus Christ, Matthew 7:21

T or F Salvation is all by grace. . . . It is totally the work of God. When we believe, we become the objects of God's grace. . . . Belief, and only belief is the door to salvation.

Earl Kelly, *Southern Baptist Distinctives*

When He commanded that men must repent of their sins or be lost?

T or F I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Jesus Christ, Luke 13:3

T or F The one and only choice by which you can be converted is your choice

to believe on the Lord Jesus as your own personal Lord and Saviour. You don't have to straighten out your life first. . . . You can come to Christ just as you are.

Billy Graham, *World Aflame*

When He said baptism is essential to being saved?

T or F He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Jesus Christ, Mark 16:16

T or F There is no indication in the New Testament that baptism either saves or adds to salvation. A person should be baptized because he is already a Christian.

Earl Kelly, *Southern Baptist Distinctives*

How did you do? According to what you believe and teach, was Jesus telling the truth, or did He lie? In each of the statements above it is an either/or situation. Of course, we realize the fact of the matter. Anytime man's doctrines conflict with what God has said, we ought to proclaim, "let God be true, but every man a liar" (Romans 3:4).

Who Am I?

He lived at Joppa. (Acts 9:43)

Peter had a vision on the housetop of his home (Acts 10:9-16)

Peter visited with him many days.

Answer last week. **Jacob**

Welcome to our Assembly. . .

Whether you are a first time visitor or a long time member of this congregation, we are happy to have you with us this morning. For those visiting, please make yourself comfortable. A good deal of information about this church and its activities can be found on this sheet. We encourage and invite anyone interested to participate in the activities offered throughout the week. If you have any questions about the facilities, our worship service, or want more information about the church, feel free to ask anyone present. Someone will be glad to help you!