DAVID’S MIGHTY MEN

It was the Holy Spirit who would refer to these men in scriptures as ‘Mighty.’

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“THESE BE THE NAMES OF THE MIGHTY MEN WHOM David had: The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same was Adino the Eznite: he lifted up his spear against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time. And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away: He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil. And after him was Shammah, the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentils: and the people fled from the Philistines. But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.”

—II SAMUEL 23:8-11
Last month, we left off talking about David’s mighty men, and we’re picking up with Shammah. The Bible said that Shammah, “stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the Lord wrought a great victory.” Hallelujah to the Lamb! Shammah looked at that bunch of Philistines coming to take what rightly belonged to the people of God, and he just might well have said, “I’ve left this pea patch my last time. The devil is not going to run me off!”

God did not give prosperity to this nation for Satan to take it. He didn’t give anything of that nature that belongs to God’s people for Satan to take it.

The Lord told Israel once, “I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you. And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed. And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the Lord your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed” (Joel 2:25-27).

It’s time for America to believe God. It’s time for America to stand on the promises. It’s time for America to say, “It’s mine, Satan, it doesn’t belong to you.” Somebody said, “Well, all of America isn’t living for God.” That’s true, but as children of the almighty God, we have the power in the name of Jesus to roll back the tides of darkness and have victory in our hearts.

God is going to take care of this situation related to these problems in America and around the world. He’s going to take charge of it. I believe that.

Not long ago in prayer, the Lord spoke to my heart and said, “If my people will believe me, if they will trust me, if they will stand on the promises, if they will stand on my Word, if they will hold me up and believe me and believe my words, then I will give them back twice what they have lost in this problem related to this virus.” Glory to God!

Frances’ Faith

You have to forgive me for what I’m about to say. It may sound like it’s self-serving, but it’s the truth. My wife is a mighty woman of prayer and faith and confidence. When God told us to go on radio—our first program aired on January 1, 1969—we were on three stations in Atlanta, Georgia; Houston, Texas; and Beckley, West Virginia. We called our program The Campmeeting Hour.

About three to four months after that first program aired, we had spent every dollar we had, there was no more money. I told Frances how we were going to have to cancel, and she rose up, all five feet, four inches of her, and said, “No, we’re not either canceling. God called us to do this. God has said do it. The Spirit of God has made a way, and He will continue to make a way.

“I’m looking for men and women who will stay. I’m looking for men and women who won’t quit; men and women who won’t go, but who will stay and fight the good fight of faith. God will honor that kind of faith.”
The Priceless Corner

We have set aside this corner of The Evangelist to show God’s plan of salvation. If you are unsure where you will go when you die, please listen to what God has said in His Word:

1. GOD LOVES YOU!
"For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

2. MAN IS A SINNER, AND SIN HAS SEPARATED HIM FROM GOD
"For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not" (Ecc. 7:20).
"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23).

3. JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY REMEDY FOR SIN
"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God ..." (1 Peter 3:18).
"Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

4. YOU MUST RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOUR
Jesus calls this experience the new birth. He told Nicodemus: "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3).

We invite you now to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour. "But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name" (John 1:12).

WE BELIEVE:
- The Bible is the inspired and only infallible and authoritative written Word of God (Ps. 119; Matt. 4:4; Luke 24:27).
- There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (1 John 5:7).
- In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule a thousand years (Isa. 1:1-4; Eph. 2:13-18; Rev. 19:19-20).
- In the blessed hope — the rapture of the church at Christ's coming (1 Thess. 4:13-18).
- The only means of being cleansed from sin is through Repentance and faith in the precious blood of Christ (Rom. 5:1; Eph. 2:8-9, 13-18).
- Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation (John 3:5-8; Titus 3:5).
- The redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer (Ex. 15:26-27; James 5:14-15; 1 Peter 2:24).
- In the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life (Rom. 6:3-14; 8:1-2, 11).
- In the resurrection of both the saved and the lost: the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation (Rev. 20:5-6, 11-15).

PRAY THIS PRAYER AND MEAN IT WITH ALL OF YOUR HEART:
"Dear Lord Jesus, I now realize that I am a sinner. I accept the fact that You died for me on the rugged cross of Calvary. I now open my heart's door and receive You as Saviour and Lord of my life. Please take full control of me and help me to be the kind of Christian You want me to be. Amen."

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We’re not going off the air. We’re not going to cancel the program."

But in my mind, we had no choice. I went on to my next meeting in Louisville, Kentucky, and I could still hear Frances’ words ringing out, “No, we’re not going to cancel. God told us to do it.” Now this is the way that God works: I’d been in Kentucky about a week, and there had been no difference in my mind: we would have to go off radio. I set up my little portable typewriter on the side of the bed in that Holiday Inn and wrote letters to the three radio stations, telling them to cancel The Campmeeting Hour. As I typed the words, I could hardly see for the tears in my eyes. I knew I was doing wrong, but I didn’t know what else to do. I had sought God incessantly over the problem, but it was seemingly to no avail. I was simply out of money.

I found out later that when the three station managers received my letters of cancellation, all three of them took my fifteen minutes of scheduled air time and explained to the people what I had said. They stated that this program should not be cancelled, and if the people wanted it to remain, they should write me a letter and send an offering, if possible. Each of the three station managers did the same thing without any knowledge of what the others were doing. In fact, the dear brother at the station in Atlanta, Georgia, was Baptist. He told his audience, “Jimmy Swaggart and I disagree on some points of doctrine, but I do know this program is needed, and I want you to help keep it on the air.” I will always be grateful to this dear Baptist brother. As mentioned, the other two managers—Hardy Brundage in Houston (who later managed two of our stations), and the brother in Beckley—did the same thing.

The next morning at about 10 o’clock, Frances called me. I could tell by her voice that she was very excited. She said, “You won’t believe what happened! The doorbell rang, and I went to the door, and the postman was standing there, saying, ‘What do you want me to do with this?’” He was asking her what he should do with a huge mail sack that had some 900 letters in it. Yes, I said 900 letters—all from listeners encouraging us to stay on the air. Many of the letters, if not all, included offerings. I wish I could say it was my faith that did this, but as I look back, I cannot be honest and say that. It was Frances’ faith—a mighty woman.

About ninety days later, The Campmeeting Hour was on 600 stations across this nation. Hallelujah! We serve a mighty God! And God is looking for mighty men and mighty women. He’s looking for them to do great and mighty things.

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### Full-Power Stations

- **Fulton, AL 89.3 (WJK)**
  - Covering Fulton, Thomasville, and Grove Hill

- **Mobile/Citronelle, AL 102.1 (WQUA)**
  - Covering Mobile, Alabama

- **Augusta/Little Rock, AR 97.7 (KJSM)**
  - Covering central Arkansas, western Tennessee, a small part of northwestern Mississippi, and a small part of southern Missouri

- **Camden, AR 1450 AM (KNHD)**
  - Covering parts of southern Arkansas

- **Lake Village, AR/Greenville, MS 95.9 (KUUZ)**
  - Covering parts of western Mississippi and eastern Arkansas

- **Nashville, AR 96.9 (KSSW)**
  - Covering southwestern Arkansas

- **Palm Springs, CA 90.9 (KPSH)**
  - Covering the Coachella Valley

- **Mayo, FL 89.5 (WGSG)**

- **Panama City, FL 91.7 (WFFL)**
  - Covering Panama City, Florida

- **Crete, IL 88.1 (WBMF)**
  - Covering south Chicago and Chicago Heights

- **Kankakee, IL 88.3 (WAWF)**
  - Covering northeastern Illinois and northwestern Indiana

- **Ottawa, IL 88.9 (WWGN)**
  - Covering Ottawa, west La Salle, east Joliet, and north DeKalb

- **Winfield/Wichita, KS 91.9 (KBDD)**
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- **Baton Rouge, LA 88.5 (WJFM)**
  - Covering parts of southern Louisiana

- **Bastrop, LA 88.3 (KJGM)**
  - Covering Bastrop, Monroe, and the northeastern part of Louisiana

- **Jonesboro, LA 104.9 (KTGC)**
  - Covering northern Louisiana

- **Lafayette/Church Point, LA 91.9 (KCKR)**
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- **Norman/Oklahoma City, OK 89.3 (KSSO)**
  - Covering Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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A Mighty Anointing

When David was anointed by Samuel, he was just a boy of sixteen or seventeen years old. But when he took the throne, all of a sudden, God infused thirty-four of those men with David, and they were called “mighty” by the Holy Spirit. Something happened in their hearts and in their lives, and God began to anoint them to do great and mighty things, powerful things.

The Scripture says of Adino the Ezrite that “he lift up his spear against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time” (II Samuel 23:8).

To slay eight at once would have been amazing. To have eighty men fall at one time would have been phenomenal. But to have 800 Philistines fall by one man’s hand at one time—that was a miracle; God anointed that man. Some might say, “That sounds cruel, God allowing and helping this man to kill that many Philistines.” But remember, these were individuals who had sworn the destruction of God’s people, saying, “We will destroy them. There will be nothing left of them. We will kill every one of them.”

You see, the Lord was raising up a nation called Israel, and through that nation would come the Messiah, the Son of the living God, the Redeemer of mankind, hallelujah. Through that nation, He would come. Through that nation, the church would ultimately come. Through that nation, the Word of God would be given to the great prophets and even the apostles of old. God was raising up a people, and the devil would try to stop it, to hinder them by slaughtering them. But the Lord would anoint His people who trusted him, and David trusted God. David’s anointing reached out to those men. All of them did not come and move as God touched them, but thirty-four of them did, and they became mighty men.

I got a letter just the other day from a dear lady. I’ve known her and her husband for several years. She sat right here in one of the camp meetings at Family Worship Center, and she prophesied that God was going to use this ministry to touch the world. That was, I guess, fifteen years ago, and I’ll never forget it.

To touch the world for Christ, this ministry needs mighty men and mighty women like that. In David’s day, the Lord was raising up a nation—Israel. Today, He’s raising up the church to touch the world. Hallelujah to the Lamb! He’s raising up the church, and it’s a glorious church without spot or wrinkle, washed in the blood of the Lamb.

I believe a mighty move of God is coming as God anoints mighty men and mighty women who will believe Him and trust Him and take this gospel of Jesus Christ to the whole world. It would not surprise me if what is taking place now—this terrible problem of sickness that’s gripping this nation and other parts of the world—is Satan’s effort to stop world evangelism. I would not doubt that, but thank God, He is raising up mighty men and women, myself included, glory to God, who can slay 800 demons in one respect, by the power of almighty God. Mighty Men Stay

“And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo, one of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away: He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the Lord wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil” (II Samuel 23:9).

The Scripture doesn’t tell us why the men of Israel left, but they did. Eleazar, however, remained. He didn’t stop. The Bible says that a troop came against Eleazar, and the word troop in the Hebrew means “a multitude.” A multitude of Philistine soldiers came against Eleazar, and he killed so many of them that his hand was frozen to the sword. They had to pry his hand loose from his sword. Others left, but he stayed and fought.

I’m looking for men and women who will stay. I’m looking for men and women who won’t quit; men and women who won’t go, but who will stay and fight the good fight of faith. God will honor that kind of faith.

Beginning at Ziklag and continuing through the time that David was the king of Judah, many began to come to David, and the Scripture says, “...and they were among the mighty men, helpers of the war” (I Chron. 12:1). This was a glorious time as Israel finally began to do God’s will. It began with David’s darkest days but went on to unimaginable victory.

The present need is helpers of the war, for we are engaged in a war. However, this war is one of faith, and it must be fought God’s way—with our faith exclusively in Jesus Christ and Him crucified. Praise God.

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SINCE COLIN KAEPERNICK’S REFUSAL to stand for the national anthem in a preseason football game, more U.S. athletes—some considered role models for children—have also refused to stand during the playing of our country’s anthem. Actions like these are strong indicators that we are losing faith in our nation’s identity. We must be diligent and remember America’s true history—much of it founded in Christian faith; “The Star-Spangled Banner” is part of that history. That’s why, when I read the article below by William Federer, a frequent guest on Frances & Friends, I asked him if we could reprint it here. As you read it, please consider the words of our national anthem, which I’ve included, and take note that the last line we sing ends with a question: “O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave, o’er the land of the free and the home of the brave? Ladies and gentlemen, only you and I can answer that question.

WHY WE STAND FOR THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1814, just weeks after they burned the U.S. Capitol, British forces attacked Baltimore, Maryland—the third largest city in America. Britain had the largest global empire in world history, controlling 13 million square miles—almost a quarter of the Earth’s land—and nearly half a billion people—one-fifth of the world’s population at that time.

Out of nearly 200 countries in the world, only twenty-two were never controlled or invaded by Britain.

As the War of 1812 progressed, British soldiers marched toward Baltimore. On their way, they captured an elderly physician of Upper Marlboro, Dr. William Beanes.

The town feared Dr. Beanes would be hanged so they asked attorney Francis Scott Key to sail with Colonel John
Skinner under a flag of truce to the British flagship *Tonnant* in order to arrange a prisoner exchange.

Concerned their plans of attacking Baltimore would be discovered, the British placed Francis Scott Key and Colonel Skinner under armed guard aboard the *H.M.S. Surprise*.

They were transferred to a sloop where they watched nineteen British ships fire continuously for twenty-five hours more than 1,800 cannon balls, rockets, and mortar shells at the earthen Fort McHenry.

Fort McHenry was named for Secretary of War James McHenry, who had signed the Declaration of Independence. His son, John McHenry, fought in the battle.

President James Madison, known as the “Chief Architect of the Constitution,” had declared a national day of prayer, July 9, 1812, stating: “I do therefore recommend...rendering the Sovereign of the Universe...public homage...acknowledging the transgressions which might justly provoke His divine displeasure...seeking His merciful forgiveness...and with a reverence for the unerring precept of our holy religion, to do to others as they would require that others should do to them.”

On July 23, 1813, Madison issued another day of prayer, referring to: “religion, that gift of heaven for the good of man.”

During the Battle of Fort McHenry, the citizens of Baltimore extinguished every light in every window so that the British would not be able to use them to get their aim.

A thunderstorm providentially blew in and rained so hard the ground was softened, allowing most of the cannon balls to sink in the mud.

With the darkness broken by lightning and the new exploding cannon balls, Francis Scott Key saw the dramatic scene of “bombs bursting in air.”

On the morning of September 14, 1814, “through the dawn’s early light,” Key saw the flag still flying.

The first verse is well-known, but the fourth verse had an even more enduring effect, as it contained a phrase which became the United States’ national motto:

> O thus be it ever when free men shall stand,  
> Between their loved home and the war’s desolation,  
> Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-rescued land,  
> Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!  
> Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just;  
> And this be our motto ‘in God is our trust,’  
> And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave,  
> Over the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Americans honor the flag, as it is the symbol of the “republic for which it stands.”

A “republic” is where the people are king, ruling through their representatives— their public servants.

When someone dishonors the flag, what they are saying is they no longer want to be king.

Francis Scott Key’s song, “The Defense of Ft. McHenry,” was printed shortly after the Battle of Fort McHenry in the *Analectic Magazine* (Vol. 4, 1814).

The song’s name was later changed to “The Star-Spangled Banner,” and it became the United States national anthem.

Francis Scott Key had actually reworked a previous poem he had written nine years earlier to celebrate the American victory over the Muslim Barbary pirates titled, “When the Warrior Returns from Battle Afar,” 1805:

> In the conflict resistless, each toil they endured,  
> Till their foes shrunk dismay’d from the war’s desolation,  
> And pale beam’d the Crescent, its splendour obscured  
> By the light of the star-spangled flag of our nation.  
> Where, each radiant star gleam’d a meteor of war,  
> And the turban’d heads bow’d to the terrible glare;  
> Then mix’d with the olive the laurel did wave,  
> And form’d a bright wreath for the brows of the brave.

Muslim pirates had enslaved an estimated 180 million Africans and over a million Europeans. Virtually every African slave brought to America had been purchased from Muslim slave markets.

After the Battle of Fort McHenry, President James Madison proclaimed, November 16, 1814:

> “The National Legislature having by a joint resolution expressed their desire that in the present time of public calamity and war a day may be...”
THE
STAR-SPANGLED
BANNER

O say can you see, by the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hail’d at the twilight’s last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight
O’er the ramparts we watch’d were so gallantly streaming?

And the rocket’s red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Francis Scott Key wrote a detailed account of the Battle of Fort McHenry to Thomas Jefferson’s cousin, John Randolph, October 5, 1814. John Randolph was a U.S. congressman from Virginia who went on to become a U.S. senator, 1825-1828. President Andrew Jackson appointed John Randolph as U.S. Minister to Russia, 1830.

Francis Scott Key shared his faith with John Randolph: “May I always hear that you are following the guidance of that blessed Spirit that will ‘lead you into all truth,’ leaning on that Almighty arm that has been extended to deliver you, trusting only in the only Savior, and ‘going on’ in your way to Him ‘rejoicing’”


In 1817, John Randolph was one of the founders of the “The Society for the Colonization of Free People of Color of America” which helped found the country of Liberia, West Africa, in 1821-22.


Rep. John Randolph made Francis Scott Key the executor of his will. In his will of 1819, John Randolph arranged for all his slaves to be freed after his death, writing: “I give and bequeath to all my slaves their freedom, heartily regretting that I have ever been the owner of one.”

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PART I

The Greatest Commandment

Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” —MATTHEW 22:36-40

AS THIS ARTICLE is being written (June), our nation is in the middle of a pandemic, and anarchy and protests are taking place in many of our cities. Those protests, which have turned into rioting, looting, and anarchy, stemmed from the senseless murder of George Floyd.

I (along with others) was mortified when I saw the video of Mr. Floyd’s death. My actual thought was, “I’m seeing a man murdered before my eyes.” I was shocked that it was several days before the police officer in question was arrested. I was even more shocked when people started calling for the defunding of police departments across the US. Without police, our cities would become nothing more than the wild west of the 1800s. Actually, the Bible says that God ordains those who are here to carry out the enforcement of our civil laws for He is the originator of government. Let’s look at Romans 13:1-7 from the Expositor’s Study Bible, and please pay careful attention to the notes in each verse:

“Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers (refers to human government). For there is no power but of God (refers to the fact that God has ordained government): the powers that be are ordained of God (refers to human government being a permanent institution, brought into being by God for the regulation of human affairs). Whosoever therefore resists the power, resists the ordinance of God (anarchy is not of God): and they who resist shall receive to themselves damnation (the law of the land is always to be obeyed, providing it does not offend our conscience or the Word of God; the ‘damnation’ mentioned here does not necessarily refer to such coming from God, but rather from men). For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil (concerns the divine right of government to oppose crime and to protect its citizens). Will you then not be afraid of the power? (This means that civil government should be respected, and all should fear breaking the law.) do that which is good, and you shall have praise of the same (refers to obeying the law, as all Christians ought to do; as well, it assumes that the laws are right and just): For he (the civil magistrate) is the minister of God to you for good (proclaims government as a divine institution). But if you do that which is
Let me be clear: I support law and order. I support the men and women who put on a uniform every day and go forth to protect and serve. Are there bad police officers? Yes. However, in every profession there are those who are evil and corrupt, but the vast majority of our police officers are good, hardworking people who put their lives on the line every single day to protect us. You don't condemn the majority who are trying their best to do what's right because of the few who do wrong.

The true problem is not the police officers, or any other group or organization, but it is sin. Man is fallen, man walks in darkness, and the hearts of men are on evil continually. Until the heart is changed, racism, hate, anarchy, and all of mankind's ills will not only continue but will become more evil.

The answer to our civil unrest is Jesus Christ. Only He can change the heart of humanity. It is impossible to love one another as we should without Jesus Christ being the Lord of our lives.

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"Which Is The Greatest Commandment?"

The question that was presented to the Lord by a scribe (scribes were interpreters of the laws of Moses, a person of education and means) concerned itself with great theological discussions, which were prevalent at that time. By the time of Christ's ministry, the law of Moses had been so dissected and added to that the scribes and Pharisees claimed that there were now 614 commandments. There were 249 affirmative commandments and 365 negative commandments. These religious leaders were so bogged down in the letter of the law that it caused them to miss the spirit of the law. These laws were man-made and not recognized by the Lord as being valid. One of the problems of religion is that religion and religious men think they can improve upon the Word of God, which is impossible and only produces self-righteousness.

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Since the creation of mankind, God has used women to help fulfill His plan of redemption. In this powerful book by Brother Swaggart, he informs his readers of scriptural details of the lineage, circumstances, and immovable faith of several women named in the Old Testament. Included in these chapters is Sarah, the barren wife of Abraham, who bore a miracle child at the age of 90; Rahab the Gentile, whose plea for salvation for her and her house was granted; Naomi and Ruth, who modeled types of Israel and the church; and Esther, who was chosen over all other women to be queen of the Persian Empire. Also included is the beautiful story of Rebekah and her marriage to Isaac, which is symbolic of Christ and His bride, the church. (Over 450 pages, hardcover)

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In the great plan of God, Abraham occupies a unique position all to himself. The call that God placed on his life more than 4,000 years ago still echoes in the hearts of believers today. But who was this man whom the angel of the Lord had to shout, “Abraham, Abraham,” to stop him from sacrificing his son to God? How was his faith counted as righteousness, and why was he called the friend of God? In this captivating book, Brother Swaggart takes his readers to Genesis and introduces them to Abram, whom God transformed into Abraham through revelation, covenant, and promise. Outside, in the desert night, we see this patriarch looking up, trying to count the stars, as the Lord speaks to his heart, “So shall your seed be.” (Over 500 pages, hardcover)

Noah (09-118)

Noah walked with God, the Bible says, and he was just and perfect in his generations—his lineage. Noah also found grace in the eyes of the Lord, which happens to be the very first time that the word grace is mentioned in the Word of God. So, what was it like for Noah to hear the Lord say that He would destroy all flesh on the earth? God told Noah, and Noah alone, that the flood was coming. For decades, the people around Noah watched his struggle to build an ark based on pure faith in God. Still standing on dry ground, they mocked the man of God while eating, drinking, and refusing to heed Noah’s warning that rain was coming. Then, just as God said, the flood came. (240 pages, hardcover)

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something else altogether to be victorious over the world, the flesh, and the Devil.
Joshua was standing on the banks of the Jordan River. Moses had just died, and Joshua was chosen by God to finish what Moses had started and complete the mission at hand. Could it be that Joshua was overwhelmed and considered himself to be under-qualified to do what God had called him to do? We all tend to feel that way, especially when God has called us for a specific task. Regardless of how he may have felt, God spoke to Joshua’s heart and gave him three promises and three pronouncements (charges). This was to reassure Joshua that he was the one who would see and dwell in the promised land.

THE FIGURE THAT looms large in the first five books of the Bible is Moses, but Moses was not allowed to enter into the promised land because he disobeyed God. Joshua, a type of Christ, was the one chosen to lead the children of Israel from the wilderness to the Land of Promise. There are differences between the two leaders: Moses led God’s people out of bondage, but Joshua took them into blessing. Moses brought them through the Red Sea; Joshua took them over the Jordan River. Moses was the symbol of deliverance, but Joshua was the symbol of victory. The reason for making this distinction is that it is one thing to be redeemed and delivered from Egypt, a type of the world system, but it is

The PROMISE and The PRONOUNCEMENT

The book of Joshua is a book of transition. It is the book that bridges the Pentateuch to the historical books. It is also a book that describes the people of God going from wilderness wanderings to becoming children of the land.
The Promise of Inheriting the Promised Land
The three promises that God gave to Joshua began with the promise of inheriting the promised land. This land was promised to Abraham and his descendants; however, it was occupied by enemy tribes. Despite that, it was not God’s will for any part of the land that was promised to God’s people to remain in the hands of the enemy. Even though these enemy tribes were inhabiting the land at that time, it did not belong to them. This land belonged to God, and God was reminding Joshua that this promise was still in effect, and he would occupy the land.

How does this apply to us today? First of all, God has promised us certain things in life, with one being the opportunity to experience more abundant life; but there are enemy tribes that occupy parts of our lives. Remember, it is not God’s will for any part of our lives to be taken over by the enemy. Jesus has paid a high price to bring us into His victory, and He desires that we possess the entirety of the land. The Lord does not want us to live a defeated Christian life, but rather a complete and totally victorious life. To do that, we must claim the promises of God, just as He told Joshua to do. God spoke to Joshua and said to him that “every (single) place that the sole of your foot shall tread (walk) upon, that have I given unto you (it belongs to you)” (Josh. 1:3). Joshua had to lay claim on those promises and believe that God was able to help him in this task. We must do the same today. Whatever God has promised us, we are to start claiming it and begin to believe God that He can bring those promises to pass.

The Promise of Complete Victory
The second promise that God gave to Joshua was the promise of complete victory over his enemies, in that not one person could stand before him all the days of his life. God did not say that there would never be any skirmishes or opposition, but the opposite. Yet, these enemies would not be able to stand against Joshua. Every giant, every tribe, and every enemy would be defeated, taken out, and conquered, as long as Joshua trusted the Lord. It is the same way with us presently. God has not promised us that we will not experience difficulties in life, but He has promised that He can bring us through every trial and tribulation. Just as it was not God’s will for the enemy to stand over Joshua, it is not God’s will for the enemy to stand over us in a position of domination. We are to stand over the giants in our lives, and we can if our faith is anchored in Christ and the cross. The only fight that we are encouraged to fight is the good fight of faith. We are not commanded to fight against sin or the Devil, but we are to fight to keep our faith in Christ and the cross intact. Satan is not going to go away quickly, and we must be prepared for the onslaught of attacks that will be leveled against us. However, as the Lord spoke to Joshua and promised him that no enemy would stand before him, the same can be said of us as long as we trust in Him.

The Promise of Ultimate Rest
The third promise that God gave to Joshua was that of total and complete rest. Joshua knew that through it all, God would never leave them, and neither would He forsake them. His presence would always be with them, to lead and guide them every step of the way. Likewise, He has promised us that He will always be with us through every storm, trial, situation, and battle. He will never leave us when the going gets tough, and He will never forsake us when the action gets hot. These are testaments of the faithfulness of our God. When others turn and run, God has promised that He will stick with us closer than a brother and uphold us with the power of His right hand. It does not matter how big the enemy is that is standing before us; God has promised us that He will never abandon or desert us. He will give us rest from all the enemies that will ever stand before us, for He has already dealt with them at Calvary’s cross. We have rest today because of the finished work of Christ, and we can enjoy rest through constant faith in what He has done for us.

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LETTERS FROM THE AUDIENCE

A SWEET STORY

Dear Brother Swaggart: I have a story to tell you. I should have sent this years ago, so I hope this is of encouragement to you, even this many years later.

The story starts with a little old lady who was extremely poor and lived on an isolated farm that had no electricity or modern conveniences (no fridge, no indoor toilet, no running water). She had no car and couldn’t drive, so she was dependent on others to get her to church whenever possible. So every night she would listen on her battery radio to your music and message broadcast here in Australia. This brought her great enjoyment, and she would often say how the only thing she wanted was to see you in person before she went home to the Lord.

When you came here to Brisbane, all those years ago, we had the opportunity to take her with us to your meeting. As we live several hours away, we drove to Brisbane the day before so she would not be too tired for the meeting. The night of the meeting, she was so excited and loved every minute of it. She stood rejoicing and praising the Lord all through the worship, listened intently to every word you said, and was literally glowing by the end of the service.

Now this shows how the Lord takes care of the smallest detail. On the way out, the crowd was quite tight flowing out through the exit, and we were concerned about her, but she was so excited it didn’t worry her, she was so happy. You had descended to the exit and were shaking the hands of people leaving. As we approached you, the crowd thinned a little, and you reached across to her and shook her hand. It may not have meant anything much to you at the time, but it was very, very special to her. On the trip home for the next three hours all she talked about was that night and how she even got to shake your hand. This was from a quiet, little old lady who talked little, and quietly at that. We dropped her at her front door at about 1:30 a.m. the next morning after a 3 hour drive, still glowing with the excitement of the night.

Later that day we received a phone call, that she had peacefully gone home to the Lord. When I relate this story to people, they are amazed at how God brought it all together. He brought you from the USA, all the way to the other side of the world, fulfilled the wish of a poor little old lady to see you in person, blessed her even more by your shaking her hand, and then took her home the same night. That evening in the middle of a big evangelistic crusade, He looked after the littlest. It still amazes me to this day, some thirty odd years later. Thank you for ministry and how you are willing to serve the Lord. —Australia
“Brother Swaggart, I just wanted to tell you thanks for allowing the good Lord to use you in these last and evil days preaching and teaching the message of the cross.”

DEAR EVANGELIST: I write to you from Sweden where I live. I discovered the SonLife Broadcasting Network two and a half years ago after having a heart attack, which naturally caused me to spend a lot of time at home. I got a tip from a good friend about SBN, with great music, which I like a lot, and the first thing that came up on TV was Grace Larson with the amazing song “This is the Promise,” and it touched me extremely strongly with spiritual presence and gratitude to God that I’m alive. It is still so every time I hear this song, the Holy Spirit touches me, and I weep with joy at the promises proclaimed in that song. Now it comes to pass that I will give my testimony in a Swedish Christian TV. I wish to be able to convey my experience of what they taught the people of God. I can say that is my Bible college, and I watch it every single day because that’s how I can get my daily bread. I pray, Brother Swaggart, that those who are truly called by God will catch the vision concerning the cross of Christ, because they will be held to a greater degree on judgment day in terms of what they taught the people of God. I buy all of your commentaries, books, and Bible, also, because they really help me to understand the Word of God to a greater degree. Hopefully, my wife and I can come and visit one Sunday in the very near future. May the good Lord bless you all richly in the mighty name of Jesus Christ! It’s been a while since I’ve cried, but I couldn’t contain the love I have for my Savior, Friend, Lord, and all in all! I was so surprised to hear songs I knew and had sung in church in the past. It was great and turned into a worship time for me unto God! I was sitting on my bed at the time. Then Brother Donnie got to preach and boy was he ever on fire! He was so excited that he could hardly contain his passion! Anyway, I just had to write to you to tell you. Until next time, be forever blessed. —Canada

DEAR EVANGELIST: Hello Brother Donnie. Just a quick note to tell you that you have a God given gift of bringing the gospel together with the heritage of America and the current politics, integrating them all, showing what is happening in America today. Right now as you said, we need the Lord to give a special touch on the USA and Canada, as well, and get us back to our God filled heritage that formed these two countries. When you finished your preaching today, we could feel the Holy Spirit come into the room! It was awesome. God bless you, your Dad and Gabriel, your families, and your teams. You are doing a fantastic job getting the Word out all over the world. We watch Sister Frances every day, the Wednesday night service, and both your services on Sundays. Brother Donnie, we enjoy all your preaching and are looking forward to your next service. God bless you, and thank you for all your prayers. —Sweden

DEAR EVANGELIST: Good evening Brother Swaggart, I just wanted to tell you thanks for allowing the good Lord to use you in these last and evil days preaching and teaching the message of the cross. I can say that is my Bible college, and I watch it every single day because that’s how I can get my daily bread. I pray, Brother Swaggart, that those who are truly called by God will catch the vision concerning the cross of Christ, because they will be held to a greater degree on judgment day in terms of what they taught the people of God. I buy all of your commentaries, books, and Bible, also, because they really help me to understand the Word of God to a greater degree. Hopefully, my wife and I can come and visit one Sunday in the very near future. May the good Lord bless you all richly in the mighty name of Jesus Christ. —Texas

DEAR EVANGELIST: I just wanted to tell you how much I enjoyed watching the service tonight at Family Worship Centre! The songs that were sung I am familiar with and sang along to, and oh how my heart was touched that I started to cry in worship to my precious Lord Jesus! It’s been awhile since I’ve cried, but I couldn’t contain the love I have for my Savior, Friend, Lord, and all in all! I was so surprised to hear songs I knew and had sung in church in the past. It was great and turned into a worship time for me unto God! I was sitting on my bed at the time. Then Brother Donnie got to preach and boy was he ever on fire! He was so excited that he could hardly contain his passion! Anyway, I just had to write to you to tell you. Until next time, be forever blessed. —Canada

DEAR EVANGELIST: I am a Family Worship Centre Media Church Member and honored to be so. I prayed the Sinner’s Prayer along with Brother Swaggart it must be 2 years ago, after spending almost thirty-seven years in an Independent Word of Faith ministry. Since believing in Jesus and His precious cross and faith in His precious shed blood, my children, who are adults and have their own family, and attend said church, have nothing to do with me. My husband, who also attends the same church, does not consider me a believer, but someone who is deceived. I would be honored to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit, please pray for me. I have been through many trials but have been mightily blessed by watching The Message of the Cross and A Study in the Word, and the FWC services. The Lord has been renewing my mind thru the Word and undoing all the harm and hurt that happened to me during my years trying to live for God in my own strength. I pray for you all and so long to meet you. God Bless you all, all my love. —Australia

All letters are current and may have been edited for space.
PASTORS ENJOY power lunches from time to time with many fine people. My church secretary had made arrangements for me to have lunch with a very distinguished gentleman who did not live too far from my new pastorate. After saying a prayer over the meal and sharing a few pleasantries, my new friend told me one of the saddest stories I had ever been told. He was no longer the senior pastor of a large Pentecostal church. He was no longer a district official. He shared with me a very sad story of how he had built a large church in his denomination, with almost 1,000 people in membership. They had a great choir, and Sunday worship service was on TV. They had been able to build a large, new church sanctuary.

In spite of the church’s success, there were some misunderstandings between the pastor and some board members. There were some efforts made to resolve the leadership conflict, but they were to no avail. With overwhelming sadness and much pain and disappointment, the distinguished pastor resigned and walked away. He was offered a new pastorate, but he turned it down. He and his dear wife had given many years toward building this great congregation, but at the point of great success, he allowed the congregational turmoil and confusion to arrest his pastoral career, and his life as a highly effective pastor. He felt strongly that he had been done wrong. He quit the ministry and became a businessman.

Tears came to my eyes as he told his story. He was now a senior adult in his seventies. He shared his story with deep pain, regret, unresolved anger, sadness, and much bitterness. What really happened? This highly effective pastor was wounded in battle and never recovered. This has happened to many!

All pastors and church leaders go through tough times, weird times, and bad times. Remember, Judas betrayed our Lord. This happens in the ministry; however, it is possible to be greatly wounded in battle and recover.

I want to share four very important reasons highly effective and anointed ministers are wounded on the battlefield while doing the Lord’s work.

**ONE** Sometimes, a church or a denomination promotes a young minister to a very important large church, or to a...
position he is not spiritually or emotionally ready to take on. I heard someone say years ago, “Great success experienced too early in ministry often brings about career failure.” Usually, the problem is pride. Proverbs 16:18 declares, “Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.” Pride has brought down many highly talented ministers. St. Paul wrote to a young minister, “Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil” (I Tim. 3:6). Too much success early on in one’s career can cause one to end up in failure, never to recover. Listen, young man of God: Walk humbly before the Lord and His people. Don’t get into a big hurry to make your mark for God. Give it time.

TWO Secondly, the love of money can destroy a man of God. In Titus 1:7, St. Paul writes, “For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre.” What is filthy lucre? One translation says “questionable money making.” Another translation reads “no money grubber.” Most newly called ministers realize that ministers usually make very little money as a pastor or evangelist. A minister or a believer must never make big decisions based on money or salary alone. I Timothy 6:10 admonishes, “For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.”

Pastors need money to pay church bills, and to put groceries on their tables, but we must never forget that God is our source, not man. In II Timothy 4:10, Paul wrote some very sad words, “Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world.” He chose money and the world over traveling and ministering with St. Paul. Dear man of God, don’t allow the love of money to control you.

THREE Thirdly, the man of God and the child of God must embrace temperance in all things. In I Corinthians 9:25, we read, “And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things.” Notice that St. Paul wrote “temperate in all things.” Temperance means to be “measured in all things.” There should be no extremes in behavior or conduct. The opposite of temperate is over indulgence, which means “excessive” or “extreme.”

Paul lists the “fruit of the Spirit” in Galatians 5:22-23 and mentions temperance, along with “love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, (and) meekness.” Temperance is translated self-restraint and also self-control. Failure to live a sanctified life can cause one to lose the respect of others and to finally lose one’s ministry. Pastors and church leaders must walk holy before God and the people.

I have witnessed pastors losing their ministries and church members losing their marriages because they gave themselves permission to drink strong drink, which led to alcoholism and failure. I urge you to not go down that road. St. Paul said, “I am crucified with Christ” (Gal. 2:20). Live in the shadow of the cross. Be temperate in all things.

FOUR Finally, I want to mention one more situation that can cause a family to come apart or cause a man of God to lose his ministry. The problem is unforgiveness. Dear friend, unforgiveness, which causes bitterness, literally destroys one’s anointing. Bitterness can be in the pew, but it can also be in the pulpit. Jesus clearly taught that we must “forgive” in order for our heavenly Father to “forgive” us (Matt. 6:15). Remember, unforgiveness that is not properly dealt with will turn into bitterness, and bitterness will destroy a minister’s anointing and effectiveness. Hebrews 12:15 says, “Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled.” Bitterness of spirit will cause ministerial shipwreck. Pastors and good church members will be done wrong by people in the church, but you must be quick to forgive, move on, and let it go.

In closing, let us not forget what St. Paul wrote in I Corinthians 10:13: “There hath no temptation (trial) taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer (permit) you to be tempted (tested) above that ye are able; but will with the temptation (test) also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it (so that you can come through it victoriously).”

Beloved pastors and devout church members, you can recover from experiencing a major wound while doing church ministry. It is God’s will that you be healed and be back in ministry full blast! First, be fully reminded that the call of God to ministry is never revoked; “the gifts and calling of God are without repentance” (Rom. 11:29).

Secondly, you must forgive those who did you wrong (Matt. 6:15). Phone them or go visit them. Discuss the problem and get it under the blood. Totally release the hurt to God.

Thirdly, begin again wherever the “open door” is available to you (Rev. 3:8). Our merciful Father and merciful Christ will give you a second chance, or even a third chance, to begin again. Remember, God needs you back into ministry.
Justification Defined

*Justification* is a term that Christians use, but it is one that most do not fully understand. Justification is a part of the redemption process established by God in Christ. It must be understood as a legal event. Man is not justified through labor or good works but solely by the declaration of God. This declaration of innocence is based entirely upon an individual’s object of faith. If a man, woman, boy, or girl declares faith in Christ Jesus as their Saviour, God responds by declaring them justified. The status or position of righteousness is then established by God. This only occurs after God’s thorough evaluation of the heart of the one who confesses faith in Christ. If the repentant one’s words are speaking a truth that is contained in the heart, God recognizes as much and grants that individual the righteousness of Christ. This is justification. It is a legal work. It is established by faith in Christ as the world’s Redeemer. The act that made man’s justification possible is Christ’s death on Calvary. The work of the cross made justification a reality for all who will sincerely believe.

The Necessity of Justification

Outside of the legal work of justification, there is no other means by which man might have a relationship with God. Therefore, justification is not just a theology; justification is a necessity. God must work in this way due to man’s inability to live holy. It is a good thing when men do their best to live righteously. It is a great thing when men rely upon the Holy Spirit to enable them to live righteously. However, at no point in time will man ever qualify for a relationship with God. The reason is simple—God is not a God who is 98 percent holy. He is 100 percent holy. There is no fault, no mark, no wrong thought, no wrong motive, and no sin that can be ascribed to or associated with God.

In order for mankind to be restored to relationship with
God, this same status of righteousness has to be obtained. Man has to be viewed as perfect in order to enter a relationship with God. The only way that this can be obtained is through the legal work of justification. Due to the fall, mankind will never be perfect in this life outside of justification. Yet, he must be perfect in order to have a relationship with God and to qualify as the temple of the Holy Spirit. Since mankind is incapable of providing perfect righteousness in and of himself, God must provide it for him. One sin in an entire lifetime would be sufficient to disqualify a man from relationship with God. Therefore, justification as the means of relationship with God is not a luxury; it is a necessity.

The Beauty of Justification

In Ephesians 1:8, Paul states that the manner in which God has supplied justification by faith has evidenced that God “abounded toward us (mankind) in all wisdom and prudence.” Simply put, God has supplied man with a plan that shows His wisdom and understanding of man's incapability. The beauty of justification is that it is available to everyone. There is no person incapable of obtaining it. God made a way for every person on the planet to be justified. That is beautiful! It does not matter if one is rich or poor, intelligent, or one who struggles mentally. This plan does not depend upon a person’s social status or his ability to relate to other people. It is not based upon a person’s surroundings or his background, and neither does it demand a specific pedigree. Every single person who has ever drawn a breath has the ability to place his faith in what God has provided in Christ. He needs only to hear the story of God's redemption plan and then place his faith in that plan.

Another aspect of the beauty of justification will cause those who are self-righteous much discomfort, and that is this: If justification can only be granted as a result of one’s faith and not as a result of one's work, then we do not lose justification each time we “fall short” of the glory of God. Since faith establishes justification, only a lack of faith can cause the status of justification to be revoked. Justification gives one the opportunity to get back up after failing without fearing the threat of being cast aside by God. To be sure, I am not preaching unconditional eternal security. If a person loses his faith, the status of justification can be lost; but as long as a person’s faith is in Christ, God has granted the capability for us to rise above any failure and move forward.

The Responsibility of Justification

I know that these truths will be opposed by many in the church. Let me balance and qualify my statements in this way: Justification does not give the believer the right to live a sinful life. It grants the beleaguered Christian, weakened by the fall, the ability to move forward despite a failure. There is no one who, after experiencing salvation, has not failed. To say that you have lived perfectly after being saved is a lie. Therefore, you are a proven example that the statements I have made are accurate and true.

Justification does not allow me to live in sin. Justification grants me the opportunity to learn how to overcome the sin and the weight that does so easily beset me. I have a responsibility to learn how to live for God. Justification is God's way of keeping us in the game even when our opponents are outscoring us one hundred to one. We have the responsibility of getting back up and the capability to once again square off against the enemy. We must learn how to freely receive grace from God in order to be victorious over what once had the victory over us! Justification, when properly understood, does not encourage a sinful lifestyle. It gives us hope that the pursuit of righteousness will be realized as long as we never give up in the process. If you don’t quit, He won’t quit! Glory be to God!
The progressive left has successfully infiltrated the American educational system. For several decades public education via government schools has successfully indoctrinated America’s youth by rewriting American history and painting a picture of capitalism that looks like an evil monster.

BY THE TIME public school students enroll into college, they are ripe for the continued advancement of the left’s (communist) agenda. What is that agenda? Very simply, it is to further instill socialist and communist ideology into the fertile minds of our young people. The rioting and lawless behavior we have witnessed is an outcome, by-product, and symptom of Marxist indoctrination.

The tragic death of George Floyd became the fuse to ignite a national outcry over racial injustices in the United States, particularly against Blacks. Unfortunately, the peaceful protests quickly turned into blazing riots. Statues of Confederate generals were torn down, many of which were erected during the Jim Crow years. Then, statues of abolitionists were sought for destruction, including those of Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S. Grant.

Was this just irrational chaos? The answer is no! Let us not ignore the new order and organization that came out of this chaos. The Black Lives Matter organization, now funded with millions of dollars by major corporations, has been championed as the voice of the oppressed Black community. The appeal has been to young people, and we have seen youth of every color, ethnicity, and class joining the cause, but what has it caused? Disrespect for authority has turned into rebellious rioting and destruction of property. The result we see is anarchy. Let’s dig into the origins of how the American educational system became the fountain of Marxist and communist teaching.

Communist William Z. Foster sought to create a US Department of Education. The goal of this organization was to replace Christianity in the schools with communism and globalism. He wrote about his agenda in the 1932 book, Toward a Soviet America. How could he, and others, succeed in this endeavor? The Constitution delegates no power to the federal government over education. According to the Tenth Amendment, non-delegated powers are “reserved to the states … or to the people.”

William Z. Foster declared, “Among elementary measures the American Soviet government will adopt to further the cultural revolution are the following: the schools, colleges, and universities, will be coordinated and grouped under the National Department of Education and its state and local branches.” He outlined what his NEA would do once in power: “The studies will be revolutionized, being cleansed of religious, patriotic and other features of the bourgeois ideology. The students will be taught on the basics of Marxism, and general ethics of the New Socialist Society.”

Gradualism is the means to subvert innocent minds to transition the nation
toward this new society. The process took many decades, but it gained momentum in the 1960s. The Supreme Court ruled in 1962 that prayer in school violates the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment. The court then ruled in 1963 that school-sponsored Bible reading was also a violation of the Establishment Clause. It’s foolish to assert that the original intent of our Founding Fathers in drafting the First Amendment was to prohibit prayer or Bible reading in public schools. The reason for the amendment was to prevent the federal government from establishing a national religion. Properly educated Americans would have instantly recognized the absurdity of a ruling that would remove the Bible and prayer from schools.

The Congress and presidency have also contributed toward the destruction of our educational system. In 1965, President Lyndon Johnson signed the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. It was all done under the guise of helping the states educate disadvantaged students. Federal funding was made available to K-12 public schools. When states accepted this generosity, they also gave up their autonomous control of education. In other words, public schools became government schools. The plans of William Z. Foster and other communists to remove Christianity and God were now fully realized.

Organizations that speak against oppression and inequality in the US use Marxist concepts to derive their solutions for the elimination of racism and inequality. To Marx and Engels, racism was viewed as an extension of class oppression. Expressing his support for the Union during the Civil War, Marx wrote the following in Das Kapital: “In the United States of America, every independent movement of the workers was paralyzed as long as slavery disfigured a part of the Republic. Labor cannot emancipate itself in the white skin where in the Black it is branded.”

The Communist International organization (Comintern) was formed in 1919. It looked to Lenin’s ideas for the foundation of its policies. Lenin and the Comintern leaders pushed the US communists to take a more revolutionary approach to the racism and the Black community. Under their influence, the Communist Party broke with the Socialist Party, the latter of which saw racism simply as an extension of class oppression. The founding Communist Party convention in 1919 referred to the Black question as “… a political and economic problem. The racial oppression of the Negro is simply the expression of his economic bondage and oppression, each intensifying the other.”

The impact of the Communist International and Lenin’s theory can be seen in the program of the Workers (Communist) Party in 1921, which recognized the special character of Black oppression as follows: “The Negro workers in America are exploited and oppressed more ruthlessly than any other group. The history of the Southern Negro is the history of a reign of terror—of persecution, rape and murder … Because of the anti-Negro policies of organized labor, the Negro has despaired of aid from this source, and he has either been driven into the camp of labor’s enemies, or has been compelled to develop purely racial organizations which seek purely racial aims. The Workers Party will support the Negroes in their struggle for Liberation, and will help them in their fight for economic, political and social equality … Its task will be to destroy altogether the barrier of race prejudice that has been used to keep apart the Black and white workers, and bind them into a solid union of revolutionary forces for the overthrow of our common enemy.”

The “common enemy” was capitalism. The foundation of true capitalism is the Bible. The generational efforts to rid the US and the world of God is the ultimate goal of these planners. We will continue to show how policies of this multi-decade effort used the oppression of the poor, and specifically Blacks, to forward their agenda. The victims of these policies are the very ones they claim to help.

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Is It Enough?

There are many times when we ask the question, “Is it enough?” We plan a trip. We look at the bank account. We ask, “Is it enough?” We invite friends over for a patio party. We buy food. We ask, “Is it enough?” I suppose the most important time we should ask this question is in reference to our salvation. Whatever or whomever you place your faith in, is it enough?

Are My Works Enough?
Religion is based on requirements. True Christianity is based on relationship. Religions, and even some Christian denominations, have a mixture of divine directions and man-made mandates. Anytime there are requirements on members, the question has to be asked, “Is it enough?” Is it enough to meet the requirements set forth by the religious leaders of the church of which I’m a part? Is it indeed enough to meet God’s requirements? It is conceivable that you might be able to meet man’s requirements but do not be deceived. God’s requirements will never be met through works. “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast” (Eph. 2:8-9).

Was The Cross Enough For The Thief On The Cross?
The thief on the cross asked of Jesus, “Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom” (Luke 23:42). Through his request, he was stating his belief that Jesus Christ was Lord. Would that be enough? Would the cross be enough to save this criminal? We find the answer in Jesus’ response; “And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise” (Luke 23:43).

The Cross Alone
The cross alone was sufficient for his salvation. This man was not baptized in water. He died prior to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, so it is clear that he did not speak in tongues. He gave no money in the church offering, and he did no religious works. And yet, Jesus declared that he would be in paradise. The cross alone was enough.

The Cross Is Enough
For some, the cross merely begins the process of salvation. They feel there are other events that must take place in order to be saved, but that is not biblical. Nothing
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needs to be added to what Jesus did on the cross. Placing your faith in the completed work of Calvary is enough to be saved.

You Cannot Leave The Cross Behind
Many have left the cross behind, thinking it was only necessary for salvation. They feel that salvation is by grace, but additional works are involved in the process of sanctification. Wrong. You cannot be saved by grace and then sanctified by works. You cannot be saved by God and then sanctified by self. You cannot be saved by the blood and then sanctified by the sweat of your brow. The cross and the cross alone is enough, not only for our salvation, but for everything else we need as children of God. Only a true relationship with Jesus Christ brings life, sanctification, and spiritual growth.

Paul Emphasized The Cross
The central theme of Paul’s message was, in fact, the cross. “For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified” (1 Cor. 2:2). Of course, many opposed the idea of the message of the cross being sufficient. "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God” (1 Cor. 1:18). To Paul, the cross was the means of salvation, sanctification, and spiritual victory. That is why we preach the cross. Is it enough? Absolutely! 

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“And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead.” —MATTHEW 28:5-7

NOT ONLY WERE the disciples sorrowing and grieving (June article), afraid (July article), and doubting (August article), but they (especially Peter) were dealing with guilt because of their unbelief in what Jesus was actually trying to achieve by the cross. When it really mattered, they ran, and Peter denied the Lord three times to save his own life. Afterward, he was flooded with guilt about his relationship with Christ, but also, he wondered if he was disqualified from ever being used of God again.

As one of the twelve disciples chosen by Christ (Matt. 4:18-20; 10:2-4), Peter saw Jesus perform many miracles. He, along with the other disciples (Mark 6:7, 13; Luke 9:1-2) and the seventy (Luke 10:9, 17-19), was given power (Matt. 10:1; Mark 3:14-15) to heal the sick and cast out demons. Peter, James, and John were the only ones who saw the healing of Jairus’ daughter (Matt. 9:18-25; Mark 5:21-42; Luke 8:41-56), the transfiguration (Matt. 17:1-8; Luke 9:27-36), and the only ones who prayed close to Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane (Matt. 26:37-45; Mark 14:32-33). Peter not only saw but helped pass out miraculously multiplied fishes and loaves to the five thousand men and their families (Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 6:30-44; Luke 9:10-17; John 6:1-13), and the four thousand (Matt. 15:32-38; Mark 8:1-9). He was the only disciple who walked on the water (Matt. 14:29-32), and who told Jesus He was the Christ, the Son of the living God (Matt. 16:13-16; Mark 8:27-29; Luke 9:18-20). Peter alone said, “Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God” (John 6:68-69).

No telling how many times Satan, as the accuser of the brethren (Rev. 12:10), beat Peter over the head by asking him how he could deny the Lord when he experienced all of these things. Satan certainly told him over and over again that God was through with him. How could he even begin to think God would ever consider using him again? He simply continued believing what Jesus said, “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted (means to return from error or evil to good), strengthen thy brethren” (Luke 22:31-32).

However, there were several things that happened that not only indicated that he was forgiven, but that he was still called to preach the gospel. After the resurrection, when the angel at the tomb told the women to go tell the disciples, and especially Peter, to go to Galilee to see Jesus (Mark
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16:7), Peter marveled with great astonishment and ran to the tomb to see for himself (Luke 24:12; John 20:2-10). Then Jesus appeared to the disciples at three different times, and did not reject Peter. First, He appeared to the ten (Luke 24:36-48; John 20:19-23), and the eleven at Jerusalem (John 20:26-28), and the eleven in Galilee (Matt. 28:16). Also, during some of these times, He commissioned them, including Peter, to preach the gospel to the whole world (Matt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:14-18; Luke 24:47; John 20:21-22).

However, when Peter led some of the disciples on a fishing trip, which was probably to provide for his family, it may have indicated a continuing concern for his guilt and future ministry. But circumstances orchestrated by the Lord, which were similar to Peter’s original calling, confirmed beyond a shadow of doubt the forgiveness of his sins and his calling. They again had fished all night and caught nothing (John 21:3-6), but when Jesus told them where to cast their net, they caught a great number of fish. Jesus asked Peter three times if he loved Him, which was the same number of times he denied the Lord. Since the Lord already knew his heart, He was asking to confirm it to Peter. When Peter answered each time in the positive, Jesus told him to feed His lambs and sheep. This reassured Peter that his guilt was gone, and he was restored.
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