

HERITAGE *Herald*

February 11, 2018



THIS WEEK:

Dear Friends and Members,

Last Sunday we had a **snowstorm** and had to cancel the evening service at church. That doesn't happen very often, but from time to time it is a necessary thing to do. Then again on Wednesday it snowed all day, giving us **eight inches of snow**, and again causing us to cancel the Wednesday evening service. I believe that is a first for the church to cancel services like that.



This coming week my wife and I are going to **Georgia**. We are looking forward to a visit with my sister and brother-in-law. My sister and I celebrate our birthdays together. It is a happy and relaxing time for my wife and me. We will be leaving on Monday February 12th if all goes as planned.

Our next module classes will be in March with *Dr. Thomas Strouse* teaching on the **Book of Acts**, and *Dr. Keith Main* teaching on **Spiritual Gifts**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 5-9 - HBTS Module, *Acts*, Dr. Strouse, M-F, Time TBA
Mar 6-9 - HBTS Module, *Spiritual Gifts*, Dr. Main, T-F, Time TBA

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SERVICE TIMES
SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM
SUNDAY MORNING - 11 AM
SUNDAY EVENING - 6 PM
WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK - 7 PM

for the discerning

The Song of Fools

“It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools” (Ecclesiastes 7:5).

The lost, unregenerate person yearns for liberty, listening to the rantings of fools who speak of indulging in earthly pleasures and scream to be left alone to pursue them. These fools operate in diverse disguises such as preachers, teachers, actors, politicians, and musicians. They sing their enticing songs of lies from outside God’s hedge. They eat, drink, and indulge themselves. They kill their babies in the womb. They lie, cheat, and steal to obtain power and wealth. They throw lavish parties, weddings, and vacations. They stay busy to avoid the despair and emptiness of their life. They fall prey to all sorts of religious rites and schemes. They know nothing of freedom for they are entangled themselves in the bondage of corruption, far from the very God who made them, separated by sin from the true Source of liberty. In fact, they hide from Him, just as our disobedient first father Adam and his deceived wife Eve did after they sinned. Men love darkness, because their deeds are evil. This darkness provides no shelter... no comfort, and the deeds provide no lasting pleasure.

Your sin is killing you, and without a remedy, you will spend eternity in darkness with Satan, the king of fools and his prisoners who sung to you. You will be wailing out the tormented anthem of those who have rejected God.

Oh, to be free! To escape the clutches of addiction...to refuse the songs of fools and the Prince of darkness who writes them.

“Oh, wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me from the body of this death. I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord... for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” (Romans 7:24, Acts 4:12).

Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall find liberty. This liberty, this freedom, can only be obtained by receiving the gift of salvation provided in Jesus Christ. He came to seek and to save that which was lost...to set at liberty them that are bruised...to prevail against the gates of hell...He will put a new song in your heart...a song of Truth.

This **Truth** becomes the hedge of protection for your life. King David, a man after God’s own heart, wrote, in Psalm 119:45, *“I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.”* Liberty thrives within the boundaries of God’s Laws. Any call from outside these limits is a song of fools. *-Brad Baldwin*

MonthlyMemoryVerse

forgive

“But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.”

Mark 11:26

Notable Historic QUOTE:



“It is evident to us that God never allowed any civil state upon earth to impose religious taxes.”

*- Isaac Backus (1724-1806)
Colonial Baptist Preacher*

Having a Full Joy in Christ

I John 1:1-4

Message by *Dr. Caswell A. Reeves*

Here is a declarative statement: God wants you to have full joy (vs. 4). This phrase is presented to us with the idea that we may have full joy. What is full joy? It is a complete and controlling joy. It pictures an overflowing, satisfying, and controlling joy (Eph. 5:18). Now because God wants us to be fully joyful and because He has described this joy, He has also given us gifts that we may have this Joy.



- I. The Gift of His Written Word (vs. 1-4)
 - Through the Word of Life (vs. 1)
- II. The Gift of His Spirit (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16)
 - Be taught by the Spirit of God - (cf. 2:20,27)
- III. The Gift of His Local Church - (cf. Matthew 16:18)
 - Fellowship with one's local church - us - (vs. 3)
- IV. The Gift of Office the Apostle (cf. Ephesians 4:11)
 - First the office of Apostle
 - Second the office of Pastor

We can summarize it like this: if we want to have a full, complete, and controlling joy then we need to remember what the Lord has given to us to perfect us that we may know this joy. Are you a joyful Christian?



"The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law."
Deuteronomy 29:2

current schedule: *

Mar 5-9, 2018

ACTS

Dr. Thomas M. Strouse
M-F evenings, Time TBA

Mar 6-9, 2018

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Dr. Keith A. Main
T-F mornings, Time TBA

**all classes at HBC unless otherwise noted.*

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