

HERITAGE *Herald*

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THIS WEEK:

Dear Friends and Members,

Last Saturday, Mark and Amanda's wedding was beautiful. It was a gorgeous day in Connecticut. The church building and grounds were beautifully prepared and manicured for the couple's special day.

Our thanks to *Pastor Robert Hammond* and the **Long Hill Baptist Church** for their hospitality. We also thank *Dr. Thomas Strouse* for his officiation of a Biblical wedding for the couple.

Church services last Sunday continued the same. The Governor has not increased gathering numbers above ten; therefore, we continue with nine services, limited to ten each service. We are still hopeful that our Governor will increase the gathering numbers soon. We praise the Lord that attendance has remained normal and visitors have also attended.

A Word of Comfort: *Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him* (Proverbs 30:5).



Mr. and Mrs. Mark Reeves

Congratulations!



*the newlyweds pictured
with their parents
and families*



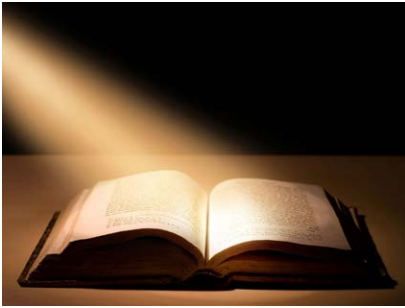
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SERVICE TIMES
SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM
SUNDAY MORNING - 11 AM
SUNDAY EVENING - 6 PM
WEDNESDAY MIDWEEK - 7 PM

for the discerning



The Tongue

James, the half-brother of the Lord Jesus, reveals a number of things about the tongue that as Christians we should know and take to heart. First, the tongue can reveal whether a man's religion is real or false. There are many who speak about loving the Lord. They even attend church from time to time. Yet when they get away from church or the religious crowd, they curse and at times even use the Lord's name in vain. James says, *If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain* (James 1:26).

James also reveals that among a man's members the tongue is a powerful force. A man's words and speech can be a powerful tool, either for good or for evil. Abraham Lincoln's *Gettysburg Address* ranks among one of the greatest speeches in history. On the other hand, many dictators have given speeches to incite his countrymen to war with their neighbors. James reveals this when he says, *Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!* (James 3:5).

James continues by sharing that the tongue is a destructive force within a man's members, which can defile the whole body. *And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell* (James 3:6).

Finally, James warns us of the unruly evil of the tongue, the poison of the tongue, and of the inability of man to control his tongue. He says, *But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison* (James 3:8).

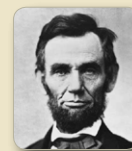
What James shares about man's tongue presents a conundrum for believers; that is, how to perform that which is good? This was the Apostle Paul's cry in his epistle to the Romans (Romans 7:18). Later in chapter seven, he says, *O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord* (Romans 7: 24, 25a). Thus, Paul knew the answer to his dilemma of an uncontrollable tongue. It was Jesus Christ. It is Jesus Christ that gives Christians the ability to control the tongue. This truth Paul makes clear in his epistle to the Philippians when he states, *I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me* (Philippians 4:13). Therefore, let us place a guard upon our tongues through the strength found in Christ. —CAR

MonthlyMemoryVerse

life eternal

*"And this is life eternal,
that they might know thee
the only true God,
and Jesus Christ,
whom thou hast sent."
John 17:3*

Notable Historic QUOTE:



**"You can fool all the people
some of the time, and some
of the people all the time,
but you cannot fool all the
people all the time."**

- Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865)
16th President of the United States

The Believer

Psalm 3:1-8

Message by *Dr. Caswell A. Reeves*

The Believer who is a child of God has certain Biblical characteristics. These characteristics identify the genuine Bible Believer and give assurance that he is a child of God.



- I. The Believer's Enemy (vs. 1-2)
 - A. They rise up against me (vs. 1)
 - B. They say there is no hope in God (vs. 2)
- II. The Believer's LORD (vs. 3-4)
 - A. He is my shield (vs. 3), my glory/honor (vs. 3)
 - B. He is my exalter (vs. 3), my help/hearer (vs. 4)
- III. The Believer's Condition (vs. 5-6)
 - A. Content (vs. 5), asleep, awake
 - B. Not afraid (vs. 6)
- IV. The Believer's Cry - Save Me! (vs. 7)
 - A. Because He has smitten
 - B. Because He has broken
- V. The Believer's Benefit (vs. 8)
 - Salvation belongeth to the Lord

Do you recognize these characteristics in your life which are found in a true Bible Believer?



"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:*

FALL CLASSES TBA

SEMINARY BOOKSHELF

Books may be purchased through Heritage Baptist Church (607-786-9496) or Bible Baptist Church (860-229-5387)

A Primer of Baptist History	Colossians & Philemon	Daniel	The Doctrine of Heaven's Music
The Doctrine of Spiritual Gifts	En Epheso	Genesis	Geocentricity
If Any Man Be in Christ	I Will Build My Church	Jonah	The Lord God Hath Spoken
Peter	Proverbs	Psalms 1 - 41	Psalm 119
Spiritual Gifts	I & II Thessalonians	Titus	Revelation

*all classes at HBC unless otherwise noted.

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