

HERITAGE *Herald*

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THIS WEEK:

Dear Friends and Members,

Happy Father's Day to all of our fathers. May God bless all of our fathers and give them great Biblical wisdom for teaching and guiding their children.



Fathers should always remember that God's Word says they are the honor of their children:

*"Children's children are the crown of old men;
and the glory of children are their fathers."*

Proverbs 17:6

A Word of Comfort: *There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways (Psalm 91:10-11).*

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*

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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



Drifting

For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the Lord his God, as was the heart of David his father (1 Kings 11:4).

As we grow older, we have to watch for the tendency to drift away from God. Solomon had a life-long weakness for *many strange women*. He apparently couldn't resist the appeal of infatuation. Though you or I may not have this penchant for strange, or new, love interests, we need to be aware that any sin pattern can overtake us when we stop resisting it. Solomon is as famous for his seven hundred wives as for his other accomplishments. His failures in old age tarnished his testimony.

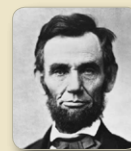
The Bible says in 1 Timothy 6:10, *For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows*. As we age, we have a tendency to indulge the sin of worry, and to build and fill "storage barns," so that we can relax in abundance. Serving the Lord then is gradually replaced with *eat, drink, and be merry*. Will the building of your stockpile or portfolio cause you to forget the Bible?

To some, comfort and routine will become idols that separate them from God's best blessings in old age. The false peace that comes from mindless routine will keep many folks ineffective for the Lord in old age. The Bible warns against vain, or empty repetition. Is "don't rock the boat" going to be your theme, or will you still look forward to the Lord's mighty deliverance with excitement?

When we begin to think we are close to the end, we will face the temptation to coast to the finish line...to let things go by that should be dealt with and to spend our hours reminiscing about the good old days. Rather than basking in the embellished memories of glory days, we should strive to be actively serving the Lord. Otherwise, the neglect of Jude's call to *earnestly contend for the faith* allows Satan to advance his agenda.

The question is, will you be like Solomon who let sin overtake him? Will the failures of your final years overshadow your best years? Or will you be able to say with Paul, *I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day...*?
-Brad Baldwin

Notable Historic QUOTE:



"Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt."

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

Biblical Commands for a Godly Father

Ephesians 6:4

Message by *Dr. Caswell A. Reeves*

Godly fathers have a great responsibility to their children to bring them up for the Lord. To accomplish this great task, fathers need to know what God commands for raising children.



- I. Provoke not to wrath (vs. 4)
 - A. Uncontrolled anger
 - B. Exasperated
 - C. Discouraged
- II. Bring up (*nourish out of or up from*) in the Lord's nurture [deals with behavior]
 - A. Training - setting habits (cf. Proverbs 22:6)
 - B. Education - learning process, - instruction, reproof, correction
- III. Bring up in the Lord's admonition - counsel [deals with thinking]
 - A. Exhort or encourage the Lord's thinking
 - B. To set the mind or thoughts
 - C. To establish convictions
 - to sense things rightly, instruct to think right, train/cultivate/reason with them to know right
- IV. Principles for insuring success (Colossians 3)
 - A. Have right goals (vs. 1)
 - B. Have right thoughts and interests (vs. 2-4)
 - C. Have right control over your body (vs. 5-7)
 - D. Have right behaviors (vs. 8-14)
 - E. Have right submission (vs. 15)
 - F. Have right views - a thankfulness (vs. 15)
 - G. Have right counsel (vs. 16)

What a blessing it is to have children and to see them receive Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and go on to serve Him. Fathers, do you know and understand God's commands for raising your children?



"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

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