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CHRISTIANS CAN BE CONFIDENT ABOUT CREATION

A CREDENTIALLED SCIENTIST
DEFENDS THE BIBLICAL CREATION MODEL.

**FREE
ADMISSION**

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, MAY 21-23

Friday, May 21

7:00 p.m. The Evidence Points to God
8:00 p.m. Which God Exists?

Saturday, May 22

2:00 p.m. The Biblical Creation Model I
3:00 p.m. The Biblical Creation Model II
4:00 p.m. Is Creation Scientific?
5:00 p.m. Q & A Session

Sunday, May 23

9:00 a.m. Is Creation Scientifically Defensible?
10:00 a.m. Why Become A Christian?



DR. JEFF MILLER
(Montgomery, AL)



By Dan Jenkins

Full Grown Sin

Listen to his words about dealing with sin. “Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee” (Psa. 119:11). Hear his answer to the question about how a young man can cleanse his way, “By taking heed according to Your word” (Psa. 119:9). Pay close attention to the prayer offered. “With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments” (Psa. 119:10).

Yet that young man in his adult life, lusted after another man’s wife, committed adultery with her, devised a plan to kill the husband. You know who he was. He was David, the man after God’s own heart. What happened? To understand this story is to fortify our faith and keep us from making the same mistake.

James chapter one describes the path to sin that David walked. “Each one is tempted.” That includes David and all of us. Where does the temptation come from—not from Satan putting any man in a situation where he has no other choice but to sin. James says that the temptation comes from the desires of the flesh. “Each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires.” His own lusts begin to rule in his heart, and he is enticed. This is precisely what happened to

David. He watched a beautiful woman and the enticement carried him another step. These events in his life parallel how pornography enters our hearts and destroys men. He then acted on his fleshly desire. James described this sin conceiving.

But it does not stop at this point. James describes it using these words. “It gives birth to sin.” The line has been crossed and the door opened into David’s heart and it became the source of all the other sins that followed.

When enticed to sin we must never forget what *full grown sin* looks like!

Look at James words again. “Sin when it is full grown, brings forth death.” Think of the power of *full grown* sin. Joseph’s brothers were envious of Joseph’s coat and the dreams of Joseph. Look at *full grown* sin. Some wanted to kill him. They brought the tattered coat to Jacob and watched their father grieving almost to his grave and not one of them told their father the truth. The Bible speaks of “adding sin to sin (Isa. 30:1). This is what *full grown* sin looks like.

How could this tragic story have been avoided? When he saw the beautiful woman and was enticed, he should have recalled the covenant Job made with his eyes. “Why then should I look upon a young woman” (Job 31:1). As the scene unfolded, he should have fled from the house like Joseph. God says to us, “Flee fornication” (1 Cor. 6:18). When temptation comes, we must never forget what *full grown* sin looks like!



By David Sproule

It Is Not a Flippant Subject!

It has been over thirty years since I first heard a visiting preacher use the term “disposable” to describe society’s view of marriage. I wish I could say that things have improved over the last thirty years, but simple observation would prove it to be much worse. Our society, in general, does not see the necessity of marriage in order to enjoy the companionship and sexual pleasures that God has reserved exclusively for marriage. Speaking of God, our society does not care one wit about what “some God might have to say about marriage.” It is viewed as an out-of-date institution of the past, and if one actually chooses to enter into a marriage, he can cancel his order, return it and get a replacement as often as he desires. Even some Christians seem to have decided that inventing and following their own rules about marriage is perfectly acceptable and, as long as they’re “true to God in other areas,” that He will overlook what they do in their marriages.

The truth is that “we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad” (2 Cor. 5:10). This includes how one conforms himself to the will of God regarding marriage. Here are some key things to keep in mind.

He can cancel his order, return it and get a replacement as often as he likes

God created marriage in the beginning (Gen. 2:18-24; Mark 10:6-9). Therefore, God alone has a right to regulate marriage!

God designed marriage to be between a male and female (Gen. 1:26-28; 2:18-24; Matt. 19:4-6).

God intended marriage to be between only one man and one woman (i.e., not polygamy) (Gen. 2:24; Matt. 19:4-9; 1 Cor. 7:2; 9:5; Eph. 5:23-33).

God designed marriage to be permanent, to last until the death of a spouse (Rom. 7:2-3; 1 Cor. 7:39; Matt. 19:6).

God limits sexual activity only within an approved marriage of a husband with his wife (Heb. 13:4), and He condemns all sexual activity outside of marriage as sinful (called fornication or adultery) (1 Cor. 6:9-11; Gal. 5:19-21; Rev. 21:8).

God permits divorce and remarriage only when one’s spouse has committed fornication (Matt. 19:9), and any divorce and remarriage by one who is not the innocent party results in adultery (Matt. 5:32; Mark 10:11; Rom. 7:3).

Time does not change God’s design for marriage. Culture does not change it. Our wishes do not change it. Our personal circumstances do not change it. Jesus’ disciples realized how serious this subject was (Matt. 19:10). We must, too!



By Josh Blackmer

How to Teach the Brainwashed

On November 18, 1978 in a remote commune in Jonestown, Guyana, a charismatic Jim Jones convinced 909 people to drink cyanide laced Flavor Aid. It is the largest mass murder suicide in history. This event popularized the phrase, “Don’t drink the Kool-Aid.” A warning of unconditional devotion beyond rationality to something potentially dangerous. It seems like there are always people who are ready to drink the Kool-Aid. Those people are convinced of a reality that is beyond rational thought or explanation. They are often tied to an ideology linked with a strong emotion. Jim Jones piggybacked on the civil rights movement for his Peoples Temple cult. Hitler convinced a nation to drink using national pride and a common enemy. Throughout human history, events like these have unfolded. We are in a dangerous time ourselves. The concept of absolute pure truth has been gone for a long time now. In its absence, everyone has a truth. All those truths are circulated. Now they are circulated at the government and national level. Not just individuals on podcasts but government leaders and groups spinning truth to control the masses. Many special interest groups all slinging their own Kool-Aid. There isn’t just one flavor. You can pick your poison and join a cause. It is divisive, destructive, and dangerous. How do we operate as the church in this culture?

Don’t drink the Kool-Aid Satan is selling!

The first thing is self-assessment. These divisive ideologies are creeping into the church. If my thoughts vilify “those people” I need to be careful. If I am thinking anything that demonizes a group of people that Christ died for, I am taking sips of the Kool-Aid. We are told, “If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men” (Rom. 12:18; Heb. 12:14).

The next thing is checking our message. What are we saying? What are we repeating and circulating? We cannot afford to get caught up in earthly struggles and forget our purpose. We are not social warriors or political commandos but heavenly ambassadors. We are to be “constantly nourished on the words of the faith and of the sound doctrine” and “have nothing to do with worldly fables” (1 Tim. 4:6-7). “Refuse foolish and ignorant speculations, knowing that they produce quarrels” (2 Tim. 2:23).

Finally, we must be kind and gentle not combative. “The Lord’s bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition” that “they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will” (2 Tim. 2:23-26). Always remember that Satan is our enemy. He was the first one handing out the Kool-Aid to Adam and Eve, and he is still deceiving people today. Don’t drink the Kool-Aid he sells.

Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

They didn’t “believe” at first

We know that the word “believes” is found in Mark 16:16 as a prerequisite to being “saved,” but have you ever put that word in the context of Mark 16? This chapter begins by recounting for us the resurrection of Jesus from the dead on the first day of the week. But, when His disciples “heard that He was alive and had been seen by [Mary], they did NOT BELIEVE” (16:11). Jesus then appeared to “two” disciples, who “went and told it to the rest, but they did NOT BELIEVE them either” (16:12-13). Jesus later “appeared to the eleven” and “rebuked their UNBELIEF... because they did NOT BELIEVE those who had seen Him after He had risen” (16:14).

The fact that they did NOT BELIEVE is stated four times, before Jesus tells them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who BELIEVES...” (16:15-16). Believing that Jesus was raised from the dead is the foundation of our salvation. Thus, Jesus said, “Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed” (John 20:29). How solid is your faith in the resurrection of Jesus? The evidence is astounding! But your faith in Him! – DS



Stop everything, turn on speakerphone, and listen

Parents for generations have experienced this, so it is not exclusive to us. With both of our girls gone from home, when the phone rings and it’s one of them, everything else stops. We put it on speakerphone, so that we can both hear, and we listen to whatever is on their heart. There’s nothing better than seeing one of their names on the Caller ID.



Do you suppose this is the way that it works in heaven when one of God’s children calls upon Him? Do you suppose that when God checks the Caller ID and sees that it is one of His children calling that He stops everything, puts it on speakerphone for the entire Godhead to hear, and they all listen to whatever is on the heart of His child? I know that God doesn’t have an actual phone and Caller ID, but when the golden bowls of incense with a saint’s prayer arrive at the throne of God (Rev. 5:8; 8:3-4), don’t you know that He immediately will “incline” His “ear” (Psa. 88:2), “hear from heaven” (2 Chron. 7:14) and “answer us when we call” (Psa. 20:9). He doesn’t send us to voicemail! Knowing that, don’t you want to call on Him more often! – DS

Keep in Your Prayers



Pray for These PBL Members

Mike Archer	in The Addington Rehab, knee replacement surgery
Adrienne Banks	in ICU in Wellington Regional, awaiting biopsy results
Jackie Creary	scheduled for a second cataract surgery on May 18
Johnny Mark Davis	Johnny & Betty Davis' son, chemo for kidney cancer
Glen Dawson	scheduled for cardiac ablation on June 1
Annie Faison	under Hospice Care at her daughter's home in Miami
Maria Hackshaw	undergoing medical testing
Patricia Hackshaw	undergoing physical therapy at home
Loretta Holaday	recovering from hip replacement surgery
Jon Jordan	recovering from a second back procedure
Grace Judge	now at home, recovering from double pneumonia
Diane Leslie	recovering from knee replacement surgery
Robert Mariano	being treated for skin cancer again
Rose Martens	recovering at home and improving
Betty Sanders	undergoing medical tests
Les Sawyer	at home but is very weak
Willie Smith	recovering from his back procedure
Patricia Ventress	in the Community Living Center at the VA Hospital
Teresa Williams	recovering from surgery on her hand
Cherylann Wineinger	suffering with severe migraines



Lovella Rogers upon the passing of her father, Bernardo Burdeos, back in March.

Ongoing Health Issues

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Judy Carmack	multiple health issues
Terri Hahn	leukemia
Inell Ingram	Courtyard Gardens (Jupiter)
John Loftis	back pain, weakness
Joel Ramirez	dialysis treatments

Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Betty Matter
Annie Faison	Leigh Puckett
Dianne Frye	Les Sawyer
Margie Hardin	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	Patricia Ventress
Joe Holland	

Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

Johnell Coe	Linda Coe's brother, recovering from another foot surgery
Carmen Damron	Mike Damron's wife, recovering from surgery
Bobby Haines	June Pack's son, facing his fourth spinal surgery soon
Carla Kimberland	Cindy Nelson's mother, bypass surgery now on May 26
Ulysses Smith	Mary Brown's brother, chemo treatments for leukemia
Margie Williams	Norma Mariano's sister, fell and cracked a bone in her hip





Church Family Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 16

- ♦ **A Day of Prayer for CFBC.** Please pray for:
 - ☑ CFBC's Mission & Vision
 - ☑ Campers' Spiritual Growth
 - ☑ Volunteers' Sacrificial Spirits
 - ☑ Board's Wisdom & Leadership
 - ☑ Staff's Love & Patience
 - ☑ God's Will in All Things

Monday, May 17

- ♦ **Monday Night Bible Study** at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

Tuesday, May 18

- ♦ **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

Friday-Sunday, May 21-23

- ♦ **"Christians Can Be Confident About Creation" Seminar with Dr. Jeff Miller** (Apologetics Press).
 - Fri. 7:00 p.m. *The Evidence Points to God*
 - 8:00 p.m. *Which God Exists?*

Friday-Sunday, May 21-23

- ♦ **Creation Seminar (cont.)**
 - Sat. 2:00 p.m. *The Biblical Creation Model I*
 - 3:00 p.m. *The Biblical Creation Model II*
 - 4:00 p.m. *Is Creation Scientific?*
 - 5:00 p.m. *Q&A Session*
 - Sun. 9:00 a.m. *Is Creation Scientifically Defensible?*
 - 10:00 a.m. *Why Become A Christian?*

Saturday, May 29

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Sunday, May 30

- ♦ **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- ♦ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.

Saturday, June 5

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

Saturday, May 29

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Tuesday, June 1

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD.

Friday, June 4

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Saturday, June 5

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.

Friday, June 11

- ♦ **Young Adult Devo** at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Dirk & Elizabeth Summerlot.



Palm Beach Lakes Youth

Saturday, May 29

- ♦ **VBS Work Day** from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Josh Blackmer for details.
- ♦ **Jr. High Family Picnic & Transition Event** at 10:00 a.m. at PGA National Park for Grades 5-8.

Sunday, May 30

- ♦ **Promotion Sunday** at 9:00 a.m. All adults and children will meet in the Auditorium for a special presentation.
- ♦ **High School Graduates' Luncheon** after morning worship in the Family Room. All members are encouraged to attend and bring a potluck dish to share.
- ♦ **Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo** after evening worship at the home of Dion & Misty Hayes. Please bring a dessert or drink.

Friday, June 4

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

Better *Than* I Deserve

Kick Start *Your* Summer

June 9

My God Loved Me Before I Ever Was
Heath Johnson (Jog Road)

June 16

My God Answers Me When I Pray to Him
Terry Casey (West Broward)

June 23

My God Runs to Me When I Repent
Terry Frizzell (Stuart)

June 30

My God Has a Room Ready for Me
Kevin Patterson (Sebring)

"...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)



Thank You
for worshipping with us

Sunday,
May 9

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Ryan Bodin; Ms. Nancy Bodin; Mr. Nicholas Bonanno; Mr. Vincent Demaria; Mr. & Mrs. Thomas & Young DiNetta; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mr. Morris McDaniel; Miss Brenda Pribyl; Ms. Jettie Sweetenbury; and Mr. Garfield Walks.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Miss Bethany Leslie, Winter Garden, FL; Mr. & Mrs. José and Yolanda Muñoz-O'Connor, Hialeah Gardens, FL; and Mr. Clarence Tipton, Tallahassee, FL.

Birthdays & Anniversaries *This Week*

Tuesday (May 18th)

Josh & Cara Blackmer (Ann.)
Rick & Peggy Hall (Ann.)
Jerry & Lorena Pittman (Ann.)
Joan Holloway
Rick Price

Friday (May 21st)

Jenisa Kenty

Saturday (May 22nd)

Willie & Mattie Cox (Ann.)
Phyiona Patterson
Karly Stone

Thursday (May 20th)

Lovetta Harmon

Thank You  notes

Thank you Palm Beach Lakes. We are grateful for the church family. You have helped and encouraged us during our time of sorrow.

In Christ,

The Maloney Family



Responses

A Time for Rejoicing & Prayer

Johnny Mark Davis was restored on Wednesday, May

5.

Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 9:50 a.m.

If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.

Sunday Morning, May 16

Lead Singing Robert Lupo
Opening Prayer Richard Watson
Scripture Reading Daniel Wagner
Presiding at Table Mike Ellis
Serve at Table TBD
Closing Prayer Jimmie Banks

Sunday Evening, May 16

Lead Singing Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer Rick Hall
Scripture Reading Joe Maloney
Presiding at Table Dirk Summerlot
Serve at Table TBD
Closing Prayer David Lord

Wednesday Evening, May 19

Lead Singing Graysen Hayes
Invitation Darin Summerlot
Family Prayer Cam Crotts

Our Record

	<u>May 9</u>	<u>Apr. Avg</u>
Attendance		
Sun. Bible Study	175	175
Sun. AM Worship	213	222
Sun. PM Worship	104	111
Wed. Bible Study	112	136
Contribution	\$15,956	\$16,154

2021 Weekly Budget: \$14,994

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$26,043

Ushers for this week: Jeff Leslie (Head Usher); Jim Rogers

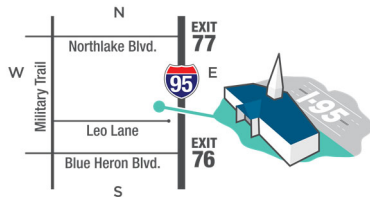
Safety Team for this week: Victor Colage



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*Speaking where the **Bible** speaks, Silent where the **Bible** is silent.*



Service Schedule

Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible classes 7:00 p.m.



Front Cover: **Cam & Carter Crotts**



Phil Sanders, who has spoken numerous times at Palm Beach Lakes, is the host of the nationally televised program, *"In Search of the Lord's Way."*

This great, faith-building program is broadcast on **WGN** (out of Chicago) **every Sunday morning at 7:00 a.m.**

Locally, those channels are:
AT&T U-Verse (channel 180)
Comcast (channel 7)
DIRECTV (channel 307)
DISH (channel 239)



Be sure to check it out every week, record it, and tell others about it.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 19-20

