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By Dan Jenkins

## **Great Truths Found by Reading the Bible Carefully**

His church must

like pillars sup-

port a massive

building

One of the most amazing attributes about the Bible is that every time you read a verse you can see truths not seen before, especially if you read it slowly. To illustrate this, take time to read these words from the apostle Paul and take time to think about them before reading the rest of this article.

Paul said, "I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Tim. 3:15).

"I write so that you may know..." The will of God for our lives is scripted. Holy men of God moved by the Spirit gave us the Scripture. Every word of the Bible is inspired—every word is "God breathed."

"...how you ought to..." The word ought is far more than a suggestion of a way of living. One definition of this word is binding. His will is scripted and eternal. Remember that what is bound on earth is bound in heaven!

"...conduct yourself..." The word conduct is translated in the KJV as behave. The word yourself emphasizes the personal responsibility we have in what we do. When the Jews failed to listen to God He said, "The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you" (Rom. 2:24). May this never be said of our conduct before the world!

"...in the house of God, which is the church of God..." We may think of a house as a building, but the Bible uses this word to refer to family. We are God's family. He is our Father, and we are His family, His children. Never forget that God does not have children outside of His family, and that family is the church. This truth emphatically shows that we must be a member of this church in order to be saved. We enter this family by being born of water and the Spirit. We are born of water when we are baptized.

"the church of God, the pillar and support His truth ground..." First century Christians understood the importance of pillars, those columns which supported their massive temples. The word ground carries a similar concept of the importance of the foundation and support of buildings. God has given us the church, not a building but an assembling of the saints. Their function is to insure the church is steadfast and

immovable.

"...pillar and ground of the truth." The responsibility of the church is to support the truth that leads men to follow the script for our lives which God has given. There is a script describing how we ought to behave in the church, and the function of the church is to support that life among mankind. Changing or ignoring the script results in the religious division of denominationalism. God help us to know that script and to follow it, for it shows us how we are to follow Him!



By David Sproule

## Give Me the Bible, Not "Sola Scriptura" (Part 3 of 6)

**Scripture** is

and requires no

repetition or

The all-wise, all-powerful God had an opportunity to provide all that man would need in His Scripture? Did He do it? Can we

In the verse immediately after the affirmation that "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God," the Holy Spirit made it

clear that God has breathed out all Scripture, so "that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (2 Tim. 3:16-17). If I am complete and thoroughly equipped by Scripture, what am I perpetually valid missing? What else do I need? If there is something that I need outside of the 66 books to be complete, then this verse cannot be trusted.

Peter makes a similar declaration in 2 Peter amendment 1:2-3. He says that we have "the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord," yes, "the knowledge of" Christ in His Divine revelation in Scripture. Then He says, "His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness." What a very interesting pronouncement to make! One of the "exceedingly great and precious promises" that has "been given to us" (in v. 4) is that He has "given to us ALL things" that "we need for a godly life" (NIV). When a person sets out to live a life pleasing to God, is there something outside Scripture that he needs to find, or does he truly have "all" God provides?

Bible certainty #3: The truth of God's Word has been once for ALL delivered. This is clearly taught near the end of the New Testament, in the book of Jude. The inspired penmen wrote to exhort his fellow Christians to "contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 3). "The faith" is God's "one faith" (Eph. 4:5), which is the fullness of "the gospel" (Gal. 1:11+23), God's objective body of truth which we must obey (Rom. 1:5; 16:26), continue in (Col.

> 1:23; 2 Tim. 4:7), and never abandon (1 Tim. 4:1; 6:10, 21).

> "Once for all" is a key phrase, which means that the something, which has been done, has been done for all time and is not repeatable. The same expression is used in Hebrews 9:26 of the incarnation of Christ, in Hebrews 9:27 of our physical death, and Hebrews 9:28 of Christ's offering for our sins (see

also Rom. 6:10; Heb. 7:27; 9:12; 1 Pet. 3:18). These things will not be done again! There are no amendments to be added to these things! They have been done "once for all," just as "the faith" has been "once for all delivered." There are no other deliveries (i.e., revelations) from God that will be given outside of His inspired Scripture. That gives great assurance that, when any person picks up a Bible to read, he has the full and complete revelation of God to mankind in his hands, which is perpetually valid and requires no repetition or amendment. (More next week)



By Robert Lupo

## Come and Worship a Holy God!

Have you been coming to our Youth and Family Singings? Once a month, we try to bring our older and younger members together to learn songs to add to our Sunday worship. It is a wonderful time of fellowship as we practice together, growing closer to each other in order to enrich our worship.

I am especially eager to add one particular song to our Sunday services. "Only a Holy God" is a very special song. Not only does it have a beautiful melody and gorgeous harmonies, it has lyrics that rival some of our most beloved hymns. It truly is a song that brings out the melody of our hearts (cf. Eph. 5:19).

In each stanza of the song, we ask several questions that have a single answer: only a holy God. Each question points out one of the magnificent qualities that are entirely unique to our Father in heaven. There is no one like God.

In the first verse, we ask, "Who else commands all the hosts of heaven? Who else could make every king bow down? Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only a Holy God." Our God is sovereign. There is nothing in creation that can challenge His rule. No angel, no emperor, not even the laws of nature. They are all sustained and subsist by His good pleasure. He is the potter, and we are the clay (cf. Rom. 9:20-

21).

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like God.

In the second verse, we ask, "What other beauty demands such praises? What other splendor outshines the sun? What other majesty rules with justice? Only a Holy God." Our God is worthy our adoration. He is the creator of all things beautiful, but His beauty is not superficial. It is as grounded as His perfect justice (cf. Is. 30:18).

In the third verse, we sing, "What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead? What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God." Our God has done incomparable works. No idol of man has done any good work, let alone anything close to the works of Jehovah. God alone remains unmatched. "With God, all things are possible" (Matt. 19:26).

In the final verse, we ask, "Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer His only Son? Who else invites me to call Him Father? Only a Holy God." Our God is loving. Each of us have sinned against this most holy God. None of us deserve His mercy, yet He was willing to offer His most precious Son to die in our stead and welcome us into His heavenly family. What a holy God we serve.

Have you learned "Only a Holy God" yet? Come practice with us as we learn this song that expresses the wonderful, unique majesty of our most holy God.

## Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

#### Those who have hope

Paul wrote about those who face the sorrow of death and "have no hope" (1 Thess. 4:13). Their loved one was outside of Christ—a place where there is "no hope" (Eph. 2:12). But, he wanted those inside of Christ to know that they may sorrow at the loss of a faithful child of God, but their sorrow is tempered by hope. How?

Those who have hope at the death of a faithful child of God are those who truly "believe that Jesus died and rose again" (1 Thess. 4:14). That gives hope! They truly believe that, when Jesus returns, He "will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus" (4:14). That gives hope! If Jesus is bringing them with Him, that means that they must have gone "from the body...to be present with the Lord" (2 Cor. 5:8). That gives hope! One day, we will "be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air" (1 Thess. 4:17). That gives hope!

Those who suffer the loss of a faithful child of God still have grief. But hopefully God's "words" of "comfort" (1 Thess. 4:18) instill a renewed hope in the midst of that grief. -DS

## Does your face shine?

You know the closing verses on Numbers 6, although you may not realize it. Let me start it and you finish it: "The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His..." Are you singing the rest of the song in your head? Part of verse 25 says, "The Lord make His face to shine upon you." What does that mean?

Have you seen someone's face that seemed to light up when they saw a certain person? Maybe a military wife's face when she saw her husband after a long deployment? Maybe a grandmother's face when a grandchild is running toward her? The face lighting up on the outside is (1) a sign of the delight and happiness on the

inside, and (2) an indication that some sure kindnesses are getting ready to follow.

In Numbers 6:25 and then six times in the book of Psalms, the Bible talks about God's face shining upon HIs people. What is that all about? It is a metaphor of His delighted approval and His forthcoming grace. So, does your face ever shine upon others, like God's does? -DS

## Keep in Your Prayers



## **Pray for These PBL Members**

Carolyn Cullom dealing with several health issues

**Eva Fulton** undergoing tests on her heart

**Dianne Halenda** severe leg pain, awaiting test results

Sylvester Jackson having a medical procedure on his heart (April 17)

Gwen Lyons recovering from cataract surgery

Dorothy Pernell undergoing tests on her heart

Jackie Stout back at home

Amy West fell and is in a lot of pain

## Ongoing Health Issues

Jimmie Banks dialysis treatments

Judy Carmack chronic health issues

John Loftis back pain, weakness

Tiffany Mayes dialysis treatments

Joel Ramirez dialysis treatments

Sherri Richmond multiple health issues

Henry Williams dialysis treatments

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## **Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members**

**Judy Chilcutt** Stephen Beliech's sister, under Hospice Care

**Thelma Findley** Maria Hackshaw's mother, recovering at home

Sandra Perez Cherylann Banks' sister, still awaiting liver biopsy results

**Anne Smith** Beth Fry's sister, in the hospital in Nashville, TN

**Linda Smith** Jermaine Smith's mother, last cancer surgery (April 21)

## **Pray for Our Shut-Ins**

Millie Ames Kasandra Jones
Josie Dawson Leigh Puckett
Zula Garrett Maurine Reed
Dick Haines Don Seay
Loretta Holaday Ricky Smedley

Daniel Johnson

Remember
Our Mission Works

Pacific Islands
Robert & Mary Martin
Wayne & Kristi Parker

Africa
Nnanna Aforji
Tamuka Arunashe

Bahamas
Tavaro & Shameika Hanna

United States
Apologetics Press
Robert C. Lupo
Mauricio & Kayla Yegros

Answering Macedonian Calls
Josh & Cara Blackmer

# Church Family **Calendar of Events**

#### Monday, April 21

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

#### Tuesday, April 22

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

#### Thursday-Saturday, April 24-26

 Church of Christ Home Educators Retreat hosted by Orange Street church of Christ in Auburndale. Cost is \$50 per person. See the bulletin board for more details.

#### Friday, April 25

 Ladies' Fellowship at 7:00 p.m. at Boulevard Rehab Center in the Club Room (2839 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach 33435). Come encourage one of our shut-ins by sharing a devotional, singing and doing a service project. Bring a salad to share (chicken, chef, fruit, etc.). See Skye Brown or Allison Roman for details.

#### Saturday, April 26

 EDP & Office Cookout at 6:00 p.m. See David Sproule for details.

#### Saturday, May 3

- Elders' Workshop with Dan Winkler at 9:00 a.m.
- Power Up! A Recharge for Christian Men from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Trusting My God More." Please RSVP to office@pblcoc.org.

#### Sunday, May 4

 Friends & Family Day with Dan Winkler. The theme is "The Church That Belongs to God?" There will be a combined Bible Class at 9:00 a.m. for Jr. High, Sr. High and adults in the Auditorium.

9:00 a.m. I Want to Belong to the Church That Belongs to God (Is there just one?)

10:00 a.m. Which Church Is the Church That Belongs to God? (The answer may surprise you)

#### Monday, May 5

 Men's Meet at 6:30 p.m. at the church building. All PBL men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils. This is a great opportunity for men of all generations to fellowship.



#### Friday, May 9

 Young Adult Devo at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Robert & Reanna Lupo.

#### Saturday, May 17

VBS Work Day from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

#### Saturday, May 24

VBS Work Day from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

#### Saturday, May 31

VBS Work Day from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All PBL members are encouraged to come and help prepare decorations. See Ivan Villard or Robert Lupo for more details.

#### Wednesday-Friday, June 4-6

 VBS Setup beginning immediately after Bible Study on Wednesday; Thursday & Friday at 6:30 p.m.



#### Sunday, April 20

 His Kids Class at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.

#### Sunday, April 27

- **His Kids Class** at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.
- **Jr. High & Sr. High Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink or dessert to share.

#### Sunday, May 4

• No His Kids Class.

#### Sunday, May 11

 His Kids Class at 5:30 p.m. for Age 3 and up. Meet in the front of the auditorium.

#### Saturday, May 17

Teen Lunch & VBS Evangelism after the VBS work day.
 Bring money for food. See Robert Lupo for more details.



## May 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3  ☆ Elders' Workshop with Dan Winkler ☆ Power Up! A Recharge for Christian Men
4  ☆ Friends & Family Day with Dan Winkler b Dan Johnson b Manoella Mendietta	5  ☆ Men's Meet a Taylor & Natalie Reeves b Willie Wilkins	6 b Rachel Fuller b Johnnie Green b Nicholas Pietro	7	8 b Jacqui Jenkins b Chuck Reeves, Jr. b Jackie Stout	9 ☆ Young Adult Devo b Leigh Puckett	10
11 ☆ His Kids Class b John Judd	<b>12</b> b Brianna Solis	13 b June Pack	b Mattie Cox b Claire Crews b Carolyn Cullom	15 b Pete Brown	16	17  ☆ VBS Work Day ☆ Teen Lunch & VBS Evangelism ☆ PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting
a Josh & Cara Blackmer a Rick & Peggy Hall b Rick Price	19	<b>20</b> b Lovetta Harmon	21	a Willie & Mattie Cox b Karly Stone	a John & Sue Hoelzer b Natasha Campbell-Flores b Tyler Williams	24  ☆ VBS Work Day ☆ MOM Group Dinner & Devo
25  ☆ High School Graduates' Luncheon ☆ His Kids Class ☆ Jr. High & Sr. High Family Devo	26 a Ramon & Ashley Alfaro a Lawrence & Julie Williams b Gloria Boyd	27	28	<b>29</b> b Grace Judge	<b>30</b> b Dianne Halenda	31  ☆ VBS Work Day b Douglas Alvarenga

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







Sunday, April 13

LOCAL VISITORS: Miss Christy Anderson; Mr. Charles Davidson; Mr. Roxroy Edmondson; D. Elaine; Mr. Lawrence Gilmore; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mrs. Linda Martorello; Ms. Mornese Paige; Mr. Nicholas Ruffini; Miss Anny Silva; Mr. Bryce Skippings; Mr. & Mrs. Rick & Sherrie Tibbetts; Mr. Josh Tull; Mr. Joseph Wanyoike; and Mr. & Mrs. Nelson & Argentina Xiques.

OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS: Ms. Dorcas Francois, US Virgin Islands.



We rejoice with Sharon Banks who was restored on Sunday, April 13.



Sunday, April 20th **Donald Seay** 

Tuesday, April 22nd Steward & Rowena Lynch (Ann.) Layla Courts-Buonadonna

Tuesday, April 22nd (cont.) Jeremy Maloney Amber Villard

Saturday, April 26 Rick Hall Ivan Villard

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#### Those to Serve

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269. If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday morning</u>, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at <u>**9:50 a.m.**</u> If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday evening</u>, please meet at the front of the auditorium at <u>5:50 p.m.</u>

#### Sunday Morning, April 20

Singing	Gary Friedly
Opening Prayer	Taylor Reeves
Scripture Reading	.Orlando Lolo
Singing	
Lord's Supper	Phil Porter
Contribution	
Singing	
Sermon	
Singing	
Closing Prayer	Ricky Smith

#### Serve at Table:

Tim Cox Robert Mariano Namdidie Ikon **Rick Price** Steward Lynch Trevin Roman Tim Mahlbacher Lawrence Williams

#### Sunday Evening, April 20

Singing	Stephen Beliech
Opening Prayer	Richard Watson
Scripture Reading	Joe Maloney
Singing	
Lord's Supper	Tom Garrison
Contribution	
Singing	
Sermon	
Singing	
Closing Prayer	Tim Fry
Serve at Table:	
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Troy Alberga	Todd Juckett

Audio this week: James Green Computer this week: Buzz Nelson Video this week: Ed Gager

Ushers for this week: Ryan Hankins & Rick Hall Service Coordinator: Mike Damron Safety Team for this week: Nahum Villard

#### Wednesday Evening, April 23

Singing	Jimmie Banks
Invitation	Connor Goodale
Family Prayer	Dion Hayes

### Our Record

Attendance	<u>Apr. 13</u>	Mar. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	187	168
Sun. AM Worship	256	286
Sun. PM Worship	112	136
Wed. Bible Study	137	133
Contribution	\$15,888	\$17,384

2025 Weekly Budget: \$16,803 Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$7,724



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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.

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