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| Dan Fuller      | 685-4454   |
|-----------------|------------|
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| Phil Porter     | 575-4782   |
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| Dan Jenkins   | 379-2325 |
|---------------|----------|
| David Sproule | 301-2230 |
| Robert Lupo   | 315-1411 |

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| David Brown       | 972-7608 |
|-------------------|----------|
| Victor Colage     | 719-1490 |
| Lance Collier     | 985-4407 |
| Kirk Crews        | 339-9283 |
| Mike Erickson     | 310-9916 |
| Tim Fry           | 373-9121 |
| Jeff Goodale      | 261-1188 |
| Rick Hall         | 622-5131 |
| Gary Jenkins      | 889-3585 |
| Jeff Leslie       | 744-3444 |
| David Lord        | 346-2228 |
| Buzz Nelson       | 385-1588 |
| Lawrence Williams | 662-3419 |

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# New Bible Classes (June 29 - Aug. 31)

# **SUNDAY MORNINGS** at 9:00 A.M.

#### Auditorium (David Sproule):

#### **Titus & Philemon**

Paul's shortest epistles to two brothers in Christ provide some rich lessons for 21st-century Christians. The young preacher, Titus, needed to give heed to the orderly pattern of sound doctrine (so do we). The fellow Christian and slave owner, Philemon, needed to receive his fellow Christians as brothers in Christ (so do we). Let's follow in their footsteps today.

#### Adult 3 (Dan Jenkins):

# Young Adults: Fireside Q&A

Almost every student of the Bible has unanswered questions from their study. The topics discussed in this class will come from the questions submitted by those who attend. This kind of study allows great spiritual growth as we see that God has given to us heaven's answers to our questions about life and godliness. The Bible completely supplies guidance for all of our lives.

# WEDNESDAY NIGHTS at 7:00 P.M. (Adults, Jr. High & Sr. High)

JULY 2 - AUGUST 6

When the Trumpet of the Lord Shall Sound

(Summer Series Speakers)

AUGUST 13 - SEPTEMBER 3

Bad People You Don't Know in the Bible

(Kirk Crews)

# NEW BIBLE CLASSES FOR JR. HIGH & SR. HIGH

JR. HIGH: SUNDAY AM

Genesis

(Dan Fuller)

SR. HIGH: SUNDAY AM

**Paul's Prison Epistles** 

(Robert Lupo)

By Dan Jenkins

# **Divine Truth Simply Stated**

I remember my dad saying to me that sometimes the very best way to deal with a problem was to approach it head on. Often we try to finesse our way around problems and never confront them directly. It is interesting to see how the early church dealt with the issue of the Jews binding circumci-

sion on the Gentiles who had just become Christians.

The Holy Spirit first clarified the nature and the history of circumcision. The Jews failed to understand that it was not the covenant, but a sign of the covenant (Gen. 17:11; Rom. 4:11). God gave the rainbow as a sign of the covenant never to flood the earth again. The rainbow was not the covenant, but a reminder of that covenant. We do not glorify the rainbow. However, the Jews had glorified the physical act of circumcision and not the covenant.

Paul described how the Jews had glorified this sign in Galatians chapter six. He said the Jews "...desire to make a good showing in the flesh...only that they may not suffer persecution...they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh" (vs. 12-13). He also showed that the covenant was made when Abram was uncircumcised (Rom. 4:10).

In three places, the Holy Spirit addresses this problem by simply stating the truth and confronting it directly. Hear His words to the church at Corinth. "Circumcision is nothing and uncircumcision is nothing" (1 Cor. 7:19). Whether one is circumcised or uncircumcised, it does not matter! The rest of the verse shows that what does matter is simply stating honest truth. The important issue is "...keeping the commandments of God is what matters." Simple truth confronted head on!

This language of direct confrontation is found in Paul's letter to the Galatians. "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision

> nor uncircumcision avails anything, but faith working through love" (5:6). Circumcision mattered before the cross, but now it is a Christian's faith motivated by love that matters. Circumcision avails nothing! What matters is faith that does what Jesus says.

> Circumcision was a sign to the Jews under that old covenant but that has all changed. "For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision

avails anything, but a new creation" (6:15). Christianity was not a modification or an amendment to the Old Testament. It was far different. Judaism was replaced by a new way where Jews became an entirely new creation. The same was true of the Gentiles. Their devotion to the covenants of their gods did not matter. What mattered was that God's new plan made a new creature of every man of every nation.

It is so revealing how God dealt with the Jews teaching about circumcision and simply confronted it head on!



By David Sproule

# Protection from Those "Unholy Bugs"

Sometimes the

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head on!

of life

This must be the case in many other places also, but if you do any driving through central Florida, especially at night, the front of your car is going to get a makeover. It is a state law (seemingly) that at least 75,000 bugs (of varying sizes and substance) must slam full-speed into the front of your car.

But, don't dare try to clean them off your windshield with your wipers, else you smear them all over and make it impossible to see where you are going. When you get home, it is best to clean them off immediately, lest they bake themselves into the finish of your car.

Some of that may be a bit hyperbole, but it is nonetheless an ongoing issue. It is reminiscent, in from sticking a way, of the Christian life. We are bombarded with assaults from the devil on an ongoing basis, and trying to clean it up ourselves just makes things worse. Wouldn't it be nice, in your car but more so in your Christian walk, if there was some kind of protective coating that could be applied to keep the "unholy bugs" of life from sticking? Maybe there is.

The Christians to whom the book of Hebrews was written were really struggling with their faith—there were a lot of "unholy bugs" that were impeding their walk with the Lord and even turning them away from Him. The penman of the book emphasizes the superiority and "better-ness" of Christ in all things and the protective coating for the Christian life that holiness is guaranteed to have. The inspired writer pleaded with these Christians to "pursue...holiness, without which no one will see the Lord" (Heb. 12:14). Do we do that? Is holiness our goal? Do we understand its essentiality and blessings?

In our English Bibles, we have another word in Hebrews that comes from the same Greek root as "holiness," and that is the word "sanctified," which means "to be set apart, separated, consecrated to God." Think about Keep the what we learn and need to apply from that word in "unholy bugs" this book.

> The goal of Christ when He came was to "sanctify the people with His own blood" (13:12), for we can only be "sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ" (10:10, 14). He wanted to sanc-

tify and bring "many sons to glory," but He could only accomplish that "through sufferings" (2:10). So, for us, He "suffered outside the gate" (13:12). When we pursue a sanctified life for Him, then we become "one" with "He who sanctifies" us," and He is "not ashamed to call [us] brethren" (2:11).

Living a holy life makes us a target for ongoing assaults from the devil with as many "unholy bugs" as he can launch our way. But, the more we pursue the set-apart life for our Lord, the more He will provide us with His protection.

By Robert Lupo

# You Can Understand the Bible: Generic & Specific Commands

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then all other

After a little break, we are continuing this series of articles looking at principles of interpretation that will help you understand the Bible. We have already spent time talking about how God issues commands in the Scriptures. We know that He gives us direct commands, implied commands, and

approved examples to show us exactly what He wishes us to do or to not do. This is key in knowing how to please God in our daily living, organization of the church, and worship. In this article, we are going to dig a little deeper and see that God's commands can also be broken down into two different types.

You may have noticed that some of God's methods are commands are very broad in scope. They tell you what to do, but they don't tell you how to do it. For example, in Leviticus 19:18 and Matthew 22:39, the Bible tells us to "...love your neighbor as yourself." These are called generic commands. This command has two parts. There is the what you must do (love your neighbor) and the manner in which you must do it (as yourself). However, this leaves the door wide open as to how you should do it.

When God gives a generic command, there is great freedom as to how the fulfillment of the command may be carried out. How do I love my neighbor? Can I invite them to

church? Can I bring them food? Can I write them cards? Certainly! The only qualifier in this case is whether or not the act is loving as defined by God. 1 John 3:16 tells us, "By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." So, I can't love my neighbor by ignoring their needs or doing any kind of unkindness toward them. But, any loving act is included.

Now, not all commands are generic. Sometimes God gives specific commands as well. These are those commands that include *how* to do them. For example, in Matthew 28:19, Jesus told his disciples to "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." This passage does not just tell us what to do but specifies how it must be done. He says, "...baptizing them in the name of the Father,

Son, and Holy Spirit." In this case, we are told the method of complying with His command. Making disciples must be done by baptizing them by the authority of God. If Jesus specified the method, then all other methods are excluded. I cannot obey Jesus by skipping the step of baptism.

Understanding the difference between generic and specific commands is yet another key concept of understanding the Bible. God is holy and must be regarded as holy. If we understand this, we will not go beyond what is written.

# Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

#### Your knee bone is connected to your tongue

Did you know that your knee is connected to your tongue? Well, it "should" be! And in the very best way possible! In one of the most central texts in all of Scripture, Paul depicts the sacrifice that Jesus made in coming to this earth, emptying Himself and humbling Himself for our sake (Phil. 2:3-8). What should be our response? "Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every

every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father" (2:9-11).

Go to your Bible and underline the word "should." Every knee and every tongue "should." Then, go to Romans 14:11 and underline "shall." Right now, God gives you the option. But, if your knee and tongue haven't yielded to God by the day of judgment, your first time will be too late.

What a great joy when the knee and the tongue do what they "should" toward God! – DS

### Are you on summer break?

School teachers love summer. They get a break from the kids, the stress and the challenges of the school year. Summer allows them to get recharged and ready to make a difference in the lives of a whole new batch of kids. I wonder...give this some thought...are some of us...as Christians...on a "summer break"? Have we stepped away from our "job" as Christians of

being a teacher into an indefinite lull?

Fellow Christian, God calls us and expects us to be teachers! Each of us has been given the "gift" of teaching; therefore, we need to be "teaching" (Rom. 12:6-7). We need to be "teaching" what Jesus has "commanded" (Matt.

28:20), "teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus" (Col. 1:28). Failing to teach others of the love, gifts and expectations of Christ can indicate that a Christian himself is yet "a babe," floundering in his walk with the Lord (Heb. 5:12-14).

God doesn't have "summer breaks" for Christian teachers! Let's get recharged today and make a difference today by teaching what we know to those who need it! – DS

# Keep in Your Prayers



# **Pray for These PBL Members**

**Pete Brown** recovering at home

Tom Garrison successful heart procedure

Maria Hackshaw dealing with a lot of pain

**Dianne Halenda** still dealing with severe leg pain

**Kasandra Jones** recovering from heart surgery

**Lynne Jorgensen** complications in one eye

**David Lord** new infusion medication, fatigued and side effects

Sherri Richmond dealing with a lung infection

**Isolyn Sinclair** injection for her back and ankle, in a lot of pain

Amy West having an outpatient procedure on her leg on July 1

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

**Daniel Greaves** Dannette Margarini's father, hand injury

**Ann Teague** Sabrina Pietro's mother, undergoing cancer treatments

#### **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

## **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



# Church Family **Calendar of Events**

#### Sunday, June 29

- New Bible Classes Begin at 9:00 a.m. for all children and adults.
- Shepherds Praying at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3. All members are invited to come and pray with them.

#### Monday, June 30

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

#### Tuesday, July 1

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

#### Wednesday, July 2

 Summer Series: "When the Trumpet of the Lord Shall Sound" at 7:00 p.m. Terry Frizzell will be speaking on "Will He Find Me Seeking Lost Souls?" Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium.

#### Thursday, July 3

 Baseball Game & Fireworks at Roger Dean Stadium at 6:00 p.m. All members are invited. Tickets are \$8 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board.

#### Wednesday, July 9

 Summer Series: "When the Trumpet of the Lord Shall Sound" at 7:00 p.m. Jonny Singh will be speaking on "Will He Find Me Content with What He Provides?" Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium.

#### Saturday, July 12

 MOM Group Dinner & Devotional at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Trish Clark. This is for all PBL moms of children from birth to 18. See Beth Fry, Misty Hayes or Traci Sproule for more details.

#### Sunday-Saturday, July 13-19

 Forever Camp at CFBC for Age 10-Grade 12. Donations are also needed to help with scholarships for campers and activities during the week. See Gary Jenkins or Robert Lupo for more details.

#### Wednesday, July 16

Summer Series: "When the Trumpet of the Lord Shall Sound" at 7:00 p.m. Jamey Hinds will be speaking on "Will He Find Me Eager to Stay or Eager to Go?" Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet in the Auditorium.



#### Thursday, July 3

 Baseball Game & Fireworks at Roger Dean Stadium at 6:00 p.m. All members are invited. Tickets are \$8 per person. Please sign up on the bulletin board. See Jeff Leslie for more details.

#### Saturday, August 9

 Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Dion & Misty Hayes. See Ivan Villard for more details.

#### Saturday, August 23

 Young Adult Connect Day at 10:00 a.m. See Ivan Villard for more details.

#### Saturday, September 13

 Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule. See Ivan Villard for more details.

#### Saturday, October 4

 Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Tim & Beth Fry. See Ivan Villard for more details.



#### Sunday, June 29

 New Bible Classes Begin at 9:00 a.m. for all children and adults.

#### Sunday-Saturday, July 13-19

 Forever Camp at CFBC for Age 10-Grade 12. Campers, please register online at www.cfbiblecamp.org.

#### Saturday-Wednesday, July 19-23

 Upward Bound at CFBC. Register online at www.cfbiblecamp.org.

#### Saturday, July 26

 Young Families Movie Night at 5:00 p.m. at the church building. All families with children in Grades 5 & under are invited. See Ivan or Amber Villard for more details.

#### Friday, August 1

Jr. High & Sr. High Hangout at 6:30 p.m. Location TBD.
 See Robert Lupo for details.

# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - July 2025

| Morning Worship Service |                  |                   |                   |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Song Leader             | Robert Lupo      | Dion Hayes        | Gary Friedly      | Robert Lupo      |
| Opening Prayer          | Dan Jenkins      | Robert Mariano    | Dan McLeod        | Jeff Leslie      |
| Scripture Reader        | Jeff Leslie      | Taylor Reeves     | Paul Metzkes      | Dan Jenkins      |
| Presiding at Table      | Jimmie Banks     | Philip Porter     | Freddie Gadson    | Eugene Williams  |
| Serving at Table        | Lance Collier    | Ryan Hankins      | David Brown       | Casey Crews      |
|                         | Michael Menendez | Namdidie Ikon     | Ed Buonadonna     | Michael Erickson |
|                         | Bret Nesbitt     | Todd Juckett      | Addison Collins   | Connor Goodale   |
|                         | Islay Rodriguez  | Orlando Lolo      | Gorman Ericksen   | Michael Menendez |
|                         | Jim Rogers       | Steward Lynch     | Bill Ingram, Jr.  | Bret Nesbitt     |
|                         | Vincent Rogers   | Tim Mahlbacher    | David Lord        | John Patrick     |
|                         | Joseph Snyder    | Nahum Villard     | Chuck Reeves, Jr. | Jim Rogers       |
|                         | Marty Williams   | Lawrence Williams | Cristian Suarez   | Joseph Snyder    |
| Closing Prayer          | James Green      | Tim Cox           | Darin Summerlot   | Tim Cox          |

| Evening Worship Service |                 |                 |                   |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Song Leader             | Stephen Beliech | Ivan Villard    | Stephen Beliech   | Dion Hayes      |
| Opening Prayer          | Kirk Crews      | Tim Fry         | Dion Hayes        | Jimmie Banks    |
| Scripture Reader        | Connor Goodale  | Philip Porter   | Andres Fernandez  | Rick Hall       |
| Presiding at Table      | Kane Campbell   | Richard Watson  | Dan Fuller        | John Hoelzer    |
| Serving at Table        | Casey Crews     | Joe Maloney     | Douglas Alvarenga | Jack Holoman    |
|                         | Jack Holoman    | Nicholas Pietro | David Perez       | Trevin Roman    |
| Closing Prayer          | John Hoelzer    | Mike Archer     | Daniel Wagner     | Islay Rodriguez |

| Technical Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday) |             |               |             |              |
|--|-------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| Audio                                      | Ricky Smith | David Brown   | James Green | David Brown  |
| Computer                                   | Buzz Nelson | Israel Cuevas | Buzz Nelson | Ivan Villard |
| Video                                      | Ed Gager    | Scott Studer  | Ed Gager    | Scott Studer |

| Service Assignments (Sunday & Wednesday) |                  |             |                |                |
|--|------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| Safety                                   | Michael Erickson | Rick Hall   | Dirk Summerlot | Kirk Crews     |
| Usher                                    | Rick Hall        | Mike Damron | Victor Colage  | Lance Collier  |
|  | John Patrick     | Ricky Smith | Bobby Shelton  | Marty Williams |

| Service Coordinator (Sunday Morning & Evening) |                 |             |         |
|--|-----------------|-------------|---------|
| Rick Hall                                      | Eugene Williams | Mike Damron | Tim Cox |

Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.

Sunday Morning - Meet in Grade 6-8 classroom at 9:45 AM. Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 PM.

If you are unable to serve, please contact the Service Coordinator for the week or Rick Hall at 827-4269.

Technical, Safety and Usher assignments are for Sunday morning, evening and Wednesday.

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







Sunday, June 22

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. Terrence Breaux; Mr. & Mrs. Roxroy & Karen Edmondson; Ms. Stephanie Flournoy; Mrs. Ann Freseman; Mr. James Lang; Mr. & Mrs. Rai Ashley Masuda; Mr. Don McClintock; Ms. Suzette McQueen; and Miss D.L. Moore.

**OUT-OF-TOWN VISITORS:** Mr. & Mrs. Myrick & Cynthia Bassie, Columbus, GA; Mr. Kyle Croom, Rutherfordton, NC; Ms. Therese Parker, Old Fort, NC; Mr. & Mrs. Troy & Andrea Spradlin, Milton, FL; Mr. Ryan Stark, Copperas Cove, TX; Mr. & Mrs. David & Corinne Webster, Jacksonville, AL; Ms. Jacqueline Wise, Orlando, FL; and Ms. Sa-Shana Whyte, Windermere, FL.



Monday, June 30th Edward & Ellen Gager (Ann.)

Tuesday, July 1st Andres & Angelica Fernandez (Ann.)

Wednesday, July 2nd Richard & Debi Watson (Ann.) Ryan & Ola Hankins (Ann.) Misty Hayes

Thursday, July 3rd Bethany Leslie Julie Watson

Saturday, July 5th Debora Lynch Jim Rogers Amy West

To my brothers & sisters in Christ,

Thanks to all the people that sent cards to encourage my recovery from my heart procedure. These were much appreciated, and especially I appreciated everyone's powerful prayers.

Joy Cantrell

# Shepherds Pray

Sundays in June at 5:30 p.m. in Adult 3.

#### 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, June 29

| SingingGary Friedly          |
|------------------------------|
| Opening Prayer Gary Jenkins  |
| Scripture Reading Dan McLeod |
| Singing                      |
| Lord's SupperPaul Metzkes    |
| Contribution                 |
| Singing                      |
| Sermon                       |
| Singing                      |
| Closing Prayer Dave Holaday  |

#### Serve at Table:

Ed Buonadonna Chuck Reeves, Jr. Gorman Ericksen Cristian Suarez Freddie Gadson Darin Summerlot David Lord Dirk Summerlot

#### Sunday Evening, June 29

| Singing           | Ivan Villard    |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Opening Prayer    |                 |
| Scripture Reading | •               |
| Singing           | •               |
| Lord's Supper     | Stephen Beliech |
| Singing           |                 |
| Contribution      |                 |
| Singing           |                 |
| Sermon            |                 |
| Singing           |                 |
| Closing Prayer    | Phil Porter     |
| Serve at Table:   |                 |
| Nicholas Pietro   | Trevin Roman    |
|                   |                 |

Audio this week: David Brown Computer this week: Israel Cuevas Video this week: Scott Studer

Ushers for this week: Mike Damron & Andres Fernandez Service Coordinator: Rick Hall

Safety Team for this week: Addison Collins

#### Wednesday Evening, July 2

| Singing       | Daniel Wagner |
|---------------|---------------|
| Invitation    | Dan Jenkins   |
| Family Prayer | Ivan Villard  |

#### Our Record Attendance Jun 22 May Avg Sun. Bible Study 150 162 285 Sun. AM Worship 259 100 Sun. PM Worship 88 Wed. Bible Study 139 123 Contribution \$15,996 \$16,020

2025 Weekly Budget: \$16,803 Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: \$8,873

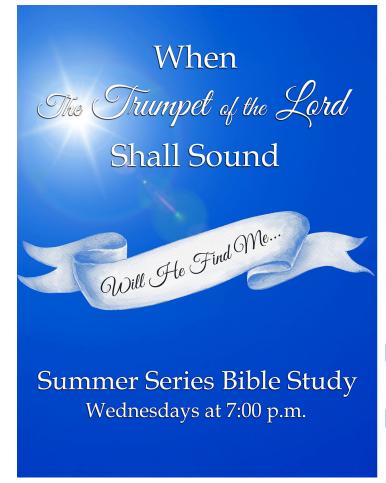




# Service Schedule Sunday: Bible Classes.........9:00 a.m. Worship ..........10:00 a.m. Worship ..........6:00 p.m.

Wednesday:
Bible Classes.......7:00 p.m.

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# **Upcoming Lessons**

July 2 Seeking Lost Souls?

Terry Frizzell

July 9 Content with What He Provides?

Janny Singh

July 16 Eager to Stay or Eager to Go?

Jamey Hinds

July 23 Hungering for Righteousness?

Creston Frizzell

July 30 Pursuing Peace with All?

Mauricia Yegras

August 6 Unashamedly Defending His Truth?

Baptiste Joseph