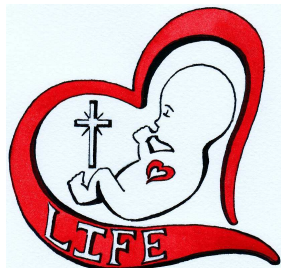


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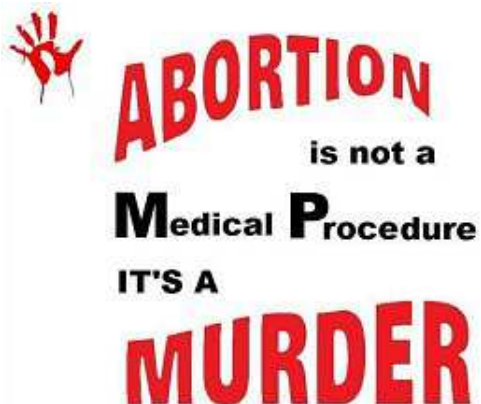
Did not he that made me in the womb make him?  
and did not one fashion us in the womb? Job 31:15

But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou  
didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's  
breasts. I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou  
art my God from my mother's belly. Psalms 22:9-10

For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast cov-  
ered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for  
I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are  
thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.  
Psalms 139:13-14

Thou shalt not kill. Exodus 20:13

Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder,  
Matthew 19:18b



Before I formed thee in the  
belly I knew thee; and before  
thou camest forth out of the  
womb I sanctified thee, and I  
ordained thee a prophet unto  
the nations. JEREMIAH 1:5

## Letter To Mommy From The Womb

### For My Mommy

Hello Mommy, this is me, your baby- I'm just a tiny  
someone, Floating in your tummy, feeling snug  
and warm. When God made me, He gave me a  
soul And sent a special angel to look after me And  
an angel to look after you, too.

I'm growing a little bit every day, And soon I'll get  
my own fingers and toes. Once my ears have de-  
veloped properly, I'll be able to hear the sound of  
your voice. Please Mommy, don't let them hurt me-  
I'll do my very best to be good. I just want a  
chance to live my life and be someone special in  
yours.

I'll make you breakfast on Mother's Day And draw  
pictures, made especially for you. I'll sing loudly in  
my first school concert And try my hardest at eve-  
rything I do. There might be days when I'm a bit  
naughty And make you scream and shout, But I'll  
also give you plenty of hugs and kisses To cheer  
you up when you're sad.

Oh Mommy please, just give me a chance...We  
don't need to live in a big fancy house, And I don't  
need a room filled with toys. All I ask of you is your  
love and a chance to love you back. I want to be  
able to call you "Mom," and hear you say I'm  
yours.

I long to feel the grass tickle my toes And the  
warmth of the sun on my back. I want to experi-  
ence the excitement of my first day at school And  
the joy of playing with my friends. Don't listen to  
the voices saying it'll be easier when I'm gone.  
God chose YOU to be my mommy, And He chose  
me to teach you about LOVE!

So please mommy, don't let me down. I know God  
and His angels will help. Be strong for me... hold  
on to me... You'll be grateful in eternity

Written Gabrielle Kruger



## Cousin Leroy

Leroys Grandpappy had recently passed away and Granny was sending in the obituary to the newspaper. By the time she finished listing all the kin it was a very long obituary. The paper called and told her the cost was so much per word. "Oh, my" Granny said, "Just change that to 'George died.'" The paper then told her that there was a five word minimum. "Well," she said, "make that 'George died, Buick for sale.'"

### The Early Bird And The Worm

Okay, what is the deal with "The early bird gets the worm"? He gets up early, and all he gets is a worm? It says "the worm," which means one single worm. That seems not very fair, for a bird that goes through the trouble of getting up early. Myself, I would rather sleep late and get the "worm and grub" brunch special at the local diner. I can't imagine that an early 5:00 AM worm is going to taste that much better than a plate of later 11:00 AM worms. And, speaking of which, what's the deal with the early worm? He gets up early, to get a start on the day, because he has loads of work to do, and he gets eaten by a bird! Where is the moral of the story, when the lazy worms don't get eaten? Isn't that hypocritical? Seems to me that all the smart worms either work nights, or sleep late and get up after lunch. Isn't that sending the wrong message to our kids?

### The Husband

The husband was shocked and dismayed one afternoon when his wife told him that his 6-year-old son wasn't actually his! She then said he needed to pay more attention at school pick up.

### Working Like A Dog

A salesman dropped in to see a business customer. Not a soul was in the office except a big dog emptying wastebaskets. The salesman stared at the animal, wondering if his imagination could be playing tricks on him. The dog looked up and said, "Don't be surprised. This is just part of my job." "Incredible!" exclaimed the man. "I can't believe it! Does your boss know what a prize he has in you? An animal that can talk!" "No, no," pleaded the dog. "Please don't! If that man finds out I can talk, he'll have me answering the phone too!"

### The Frost

A grandma and her 5-year-old grandson were taking a walk in the country just after the first heavy frost had dyed the foliage and given it a brilliantly colored, crazy quilt appearance. "Just think," the grandma marveled, gazing at a scarlet and gold-tinted hillside, "God painted all that." "Yes," the boy agreed, "and He even did it with His left hand." "What do you mean 'He did it with His left hand'?" she asked, somewhat puzzled by the remark. "Well," he replied reasonably, "at Sunday School, the teacher told us that Jesus is sitting on Gods right hand!"

### The Interview

At a job Interview..."What are your strengths?" "I take matters in my own hands." "Okay, thank you. We will contact you." "No, I will contact you."

### Choice Of Sermons

A man who hadn't attended church in years suddenly began attending faithfully on Sunday mornings instead of going fishing as was his normal habit. The pastor was highly gratified and at the end of service one morning told him, "How wonderful it makes me feel to see you at services with your good wife!" "Well, Preacher," said the fisherman, "Quite honestly, it's a matter of choice. I'd much rather hear your sermon than hers."



## The Cause Of Christ

*From the Pastor's Desk*

Pastor Billy R Douglas

And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause? 1 Samuel 17:29

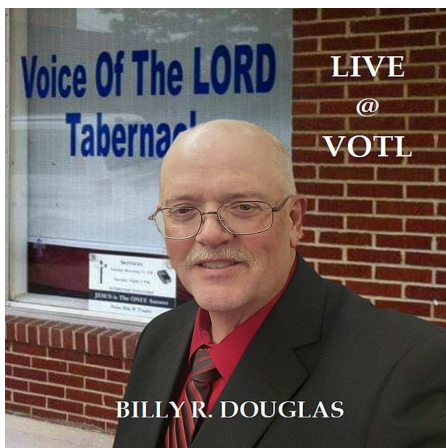
The quote from the above passage of scripture is taken from the great story of David and Goliath. It was David's response to his brothers after they rebuked him for asking them (to put it plainly) why they were hiding from the enemy. So often that is the case when one begins to speak up in the day in which we live as well. But that is not where we are going with this....we want to look at, not so much the reason for the rebuke but at David's response. "Is There Not A Cause?" Many times we are approached by people who are selling something or taking up money and most all the time one of the first things that they say is..."It's for a good cause." Whether its for the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Salvation Army or countless other fundraisers that come our way. Yet I have taken note of something through the years of my ministry. Many of the same people that will buy 5 boxes of Girl Scout cookies simply because they think It's for a good cause will look at you like you fell out of a well if you ask them to help support the Gospel. I would like to ask you a question today. Is there a greater cause than to take the Gospel to the lost? Apparently most of the Church thinks so. The world has a saying that holds a great truth..."Actions speak LOUDER than words." The fact that people have money to give to the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, School fund raisers, etc. YET have no money to give to the work of the LORD. Lets you know that they think that making sure the cheerleaders or the football team have new uniforms is more important than the souls of the lost that are dying and going to hell. You may say, preacher I only give to Relay for Life or other Cancer or disease organizations. Are we saying not to give to those....CERTAINLY NOT. But there is no greater disease than that of SIN! And the fact is that it is killing millions everyday....the only cure for that is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I realize that this message will not win me any awards or popularity contests BUT we need to....no WE MUST get our priorities straight. There are countless souls in hell and millions more on the way. And the church needs to wake up and realize THERE IS A CAUSE worth fighting for....THERE IS A CAUSE worth giving your all too....***The Cause of Christ***

Until next time, "May the LORD Bless and keep you," is our prayer. Pastor Billy R Douglas

Let me take a moment and encourage you to order our sermon CD for the month of June. The name of the sermon is "Hell Is A Place Of Torment". In this sermon we deal with many questions that have been asked about hell...

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## **How Shall We Sing The Lord's Song In A Strange Land? conclusion**

Evangelist Mike Heltsley

### III. V. 4 THERE IS A SONG THEY CANNOT EXPRESS

#### Psalm 137:4 - How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?

The reason why the song that they once could sing was stuck in their throat is because they were in a foreign land. Only those who are free can sing. Only those who have been delivered from bondage can sing. David said in Psalm 32:7 - Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. The songs of God are songs of deliverance. Do you know where the first song in the Bible is found? It is found in the fifteenth chapter of Exodus. It is called the Song of Moses. The occasion was the crossing of the Red Sea. These people had been in bondage in Egypt for over 400 years. Egypt is a picture of sin. But when these people had been freed from Egypt, when they had been redeemed from their sin, they sang. Now there's only one thing that can rob a saint of his song. You would think that sorrow could do it. But sorrow cannot rob you of your song. Even when night is at its darkest God puts a song in your heart. The Bible says in Isaiah 30:29 - Ye shall have a song, as in the night when a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into the mountain of the Lord, to the mighty One of Israel. Someone else may say suffering can rob you. But no, suffering cannot rob a saint of his song. Paul and Silas were in jail, having been beaten. They were tired, they were hungry, facing death. And yet the Bible says they sang such a song that it brought the house down. No, the only thing that can rob a saint of his song is S-I-N. And there's only one kind of sin that can rob you of your song and that is your sin. Now when you're a backslidden believer in Babylon, there's only one thing to do. That is to take down your harp and to tune up your heart. You see, singing is not a matter of physical freedom, it is a matter of spiritual force. Did you know one of the marks of being filled with the Holy Spirit is that there will be a song in your heart? Paul said in Ephesians 5:18, "Be filled with the Spirit". But he went on to say "speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." (verse 19). There is nothing that will put a song in your heart, a smile on your face or a bounce to your step like knowing you're clean before the Lord. That every sin is confessed and every sin is forgiven. (III. A.J. Gordon was a great preacher who lived many years ago. He was out taking a walk one afternoon and he saw a dirty faced, barefoot little boy carrying a rusty bird cage. In that bird cage was some sparrows. Gordon, who was a nature lover, stopped that little boy and said, "Where did you get those birds?" He said, "I trapped them." He said, "What are going to do with them?" He said, "I don't know, I'm going to play with them." Gordon said, "Well then what are you going to do with them?" He said, "I guess I'm going to kill them." Gordon said, "Well would you like to sell them?" Little ol' boy said, "Mister, you don't want these birds. They ain't no good to you or anybody. They're just little field sparrows." Mr. Gordon said, "I know what they are. I just asked you if you wanted to sell them." Little boy said, "Well, what would you give me for them?" Gordon said, "I will give you \$2." Little boy said, "Mister, are you crazy or something?" He said, "No, I mean it. I will give you \$2." He said, "Mister, for \$2 you can not only have the birds, you can have the cage." Mr. Gordon said, "Thank you, son, thank you." And that great pastor, A.J. Gordon, took that bird cage full of frightened birds, waited until that little fellow left. He then walked into an alley where no one could see him and he opened the door on that rusty cage where those frightened birds were, he knocked on the bottom of that cage, and Gordon said that one by one those little birds came to the perch of that rusty cage that was opened, spread those little wings and flew away. Gordon said he watched those birds circling higher and higher in the sky. That all of a sudden one by one they began to chirp and they began to sing. And A.J. Gordon said it was almost as if he could hear them sing just one song "Redeemed, Redeemed, Redeemed".) That's what every child of God should be able to sing at any moment. I am redeemed, I'm right, I am clean before the Lord. There is nothing in the Word of God that says a backslidden Christian has to remain that way. You may be backslidden, but you don't have to live that way and you certainly don't have to die that way. Jesus gave his blood, not just to save you from the penalty of sin. Not even one day to save you from the presence of sin. But even now to save you from the power of sin. Take down your harp, tune up your heart and let Jesus put a song back in your soul. Maybe you are saying within yourself, "Things just aren't like they used to be! I don't get anything out of church any longer. It seems as though the things of God are not as exciting as they used to be. I just don't have any joy." If that is you, there is hope at the feet of the Savior. Come to Him today if you have never been saved. Come home if you have wandered away from Him. Either way, He will receive and restore you!

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## Be All That You Can Be

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BE ALL THAT YOU CAN BE! Turns out that the United States Army and transhumanists have the same slogan. Whether melding man and technology or genes are manipulated to create “super-soldiers,” knock out cancer, or enhance other desirable traits within a person, we had better be a thinking, praying, and discerning people. Technocracy covers an extremely wide area of topics and subtopics; each of which demands deep ethical consideration and, for the Christian, thinking within Biblical parameters to the glory of God and to the meeting of man’s deepest need - salvation. Transhumanism, the blending of man and machine, and its incompatibility with Christianity’s theological precepts is my focus here.

Technology, including that specifically related to transhumanism, is promoted as a matter of convenience and often accompanied by false promises of freedom. While there’s no denying that technological advances have often brought convenience and ease to our lives, it’s also true that with these conveniences we’ve given up an element of control which translates into a loss of freedom. We need to think Biblically and critically, realizing that if these new technologies are put into the wrong hands a technological fence is put around us to control us; thereby stifling the ability to be all that we can, and all that God intends us to, be.

I am not against technology; but I do take issue with it when it runs contrary to God’s plan or is designed to draw men away from their need for God, salvation, sanctification, or keeps us from following the command to “set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.” When we better understand the tenets and goals of transhumanism (and those of Christianity), we’ll realize that while one can be a Christian and secondarily a technophile, one cannot be a Christian transhumanist anymore than we can be a Christian Muslim, Christian Buddhist, or a Christian witch. This will sound like science fiction; yet much of it is already here on some level and readily desired and accepted by the masses thanks to the propaganda put out by Hollywood. When one considers that man was created in the image of God – that we are image-bearers of our Creator - one is flabbergasted at the hubris of the transhumanists. Being evolutionists, they have a sense of duty to use science and technology to transcend the so called limitations of the human existence, speeding up the process and recreating mankind into the image that they think it needs to be. **Indeed, one can become as God, increase one’s knowledge, and find “eternal life” here on earth.** Sounds a lot like the serpent’s false promises to Eve in the garden, doesn’t it?

Lest you think I’m making this up, gubernatorial and presidential candidate, Zoltan Istvan, is a transhumanist who wrote in the Huffington Post (2016): *“We must force our evolution in the present day via our reasoning, inventiveness, and especially our scientific technology. In short, we must embrace transhumanism—the radical field of science that aims to turn humans into, for lack of a better word, gods.”* He continues, *“Obviously, the human body is a mediocre vessel for our actual possibilities in this material universe. Our biology severely limits us. As a species we are far from finished and therefore unacceptable. The transhumanist believes we should immediately work to improve ourselves via enhancing the human body and eliminating its weak points. This means ridding ourselves of flesh and bones, and upgrading to new cybernetic tissues, alloys, and other synthetic materials, including ones that make us cyborg-like and robotic. It also means further merging the human brain with the microchip and the impending digital frontier. Biology is for beasts, not future transhumanists.”*

Whether inserting chips, injecting nanobots, or using CRISPR technology to edit/manipulate DNA sequences, transhumanism attempts to remove God from the equation, focusing on the materialistic. In trying to circumnavigate God, man attempts, by his own strength, to reverse the effects of sin, ignore the value of redemptive suffering, refuse the need for divine forgiveness, and attain eternal life without humbling himself to the atoning work of Christ upon the cross. Christians must recognize the futility of such actions. Whether we live 50, 100, or 1,000+ years we will still stand before God and give an account of our lives. Even if one could “live forever” on this earth through “digital immortality” (uploading one’s mind into computer programs) or cryogenics, this earth will one day pass away and each must still give an account of what they have done with their soul.

Christians are not meant to be carried away on wings of ease or so focused on their own physical longevity/health to the ignorance of those still bound by the chains of sin. The goal of transhumanism is to make us more than human and modify our behavior; yet Christ died for those who are human. I close with Wesley J. Smith’s words in First Things Magazine; *“First principles matter, and those of transhumanism and Christianity could not be more contradictory. Transhumanism is materialistic. Christianity is theistic. Transhumanism is utopian. Christianity sees the fallen world realistically. Transhumanism perceives immortality as something that can be achieved by men. Christianity identifies eternal salvation as the mercy of a loving God. Its eschatology focuses on God’s promises, not upon advanced scientific applications.”*





### Green Tomato Chow Chow

24 green tomatoes  
4 green peppers  
2 red peppers  
8 medium onions  
4 cups sugar  
4 cups vinegar  
4 Tbsp mustard seed  
4 Tbsp celery seed  
4 Tbsp salt

Coarse grind tomatoes and drain off juice. Coarse grind peppers and onions. Put all ingredients together and cook until tender, about 90 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 pints. Use normal mason jars and caps like you would with any other preserve.

### Swiss Steak

3 lbs round steak  
Salt and pepper  
Water  
2 cups ketchup  
1 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce  
1/2 cup green pepper, chopped  
1 medium onion, chopped

Place steak in slow cooker. Cover with water. Add all other ingredients. Cook until tender.

### Chocolate Cobbler

3/4 stick butter  
1 cup self rising flour  
3/4 cup sugar  
1 1/2 Tbsp cocoa  
1 tsp vanilla  
1/2 cup milk  
**Topping**  
1 cup sugar  
1/4 cup cocoa  
1 3/4 cup boiling water

Place melted butter in a 2 quart baking dish. In a small bowl combine next 6 ingredients. Pour mixture over butter. For Topping - Mix sugar and cocoa well. Sprinkle over cobbler mixture. Pour boiling water over top. Bake on 350 for about 30 minutes.

### Homemade Donuts

2 cans Pillsbury regular biscuits  
Oil for frying  
**Glaze**  
3 cups powdered sugar  
1 tsp vanilla  
Milk

Heat oil in deep fryer to 400. Pat biscuits out. Cut a hole in center of each biscuit using a bottle cap. Fry in oil about 1 to 2 minutes on each side. For Glaze - Add milk and vanilla to powdered sugar until desired consistency. Glaze should be thicker. Dip donuts in glaze and serve warm.



### **You never know how your prayers can change the world!**

George Whitten

And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

Most people have never heard of "Auntie Cooke", but I guarantee you that you'll get to know her in glory! She arrived in Chicago in 1868 as a perfect stranger, but she immediately became involved in D.L. Moody's church when he was just thirty-one years old. She described him years later, as a 'diamond in the rough', and someone who needed the divine unction and power. During a camp meeting in 1871, she felt an intense burden to pray for Moody. So, along with her friend, Miss Hawxhurst, Auntie Cooke began praying for him that he'd be filled with the anointing power of the Holy Spirit. While Moody was unsure of this need, nevertheless, he asked the two ladies to meet with him every Friday afternoon and they began to earnestly pray. Moody's hunger increased for the power of the Spirit and the Friday before the Great Chicago Fire, Ms. Cooke testified, "Mr. Moody's agony was so great that he rolled on the floor and in the midst of many tears and groans cried to God to be baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire."

It was shortly thereafter that Moody went to New York to raise funds for the rebuilding of the church that was destroyed in the fire. While walking down Wall Street in New York, Moody was hit with power! In fact, Moody recalled how he cried, "Hold, Lord, it is enough!" Throughout his life, he reluctantly talked about that experience, but Moody testified how this was the turning point in his ministry. Moody stated, "I went to preaching again, the sermons were not different; I did not present any new truths, and yet hundreds were converted. I would not now be placed back where I was before that blessed experience if you should give me all the world."

The lasting legacy of D.L. Moody's ministry was connected to two ladies that you'll never read stories about (except maybe, here) -- but whose own, lasting legacy is counted in glory! Do you want to have a lasting legacy? Become an intercessor! Let's spend time interceding for our pastors, evangelists, spiritual leaders, to have the fire of God upon them! Power only comes through prayer – and without any power – how are we going to change the world? [www.worthydevotions.com](http://www.worthydevotions.com)

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### **Prize Fighter Goes Down For The Count**

Evangelist Chris Dowell

In the book "The Anointing For Miracles" Bro. R.W. Schambach told of a miracle story that took place years ago with his ministry. He was pastoring in Newark, New Jersey, there was a dear woman in the church named Sis. Price. She came to Bro. Schambach one night during service about her husband, he was an "old boozier". All he did was drink. No matter how hard she tried he wouldn't go to church with her. He laid hands on her and prayed "Holy Ghost, sic him!! Knock him down and drag him to the foot of the Cross!" This was during a revival, the next night, the big guy came in. He was about 6'2, 270 lbs of solid steel. He came walking up the center aisle like he owned the place. Bro. Schambach jumped off the platform and headed down the aisle toward him. They met face to face, he said..."Are you the preacher?" "Yes sir, I'm the man of God here." "They tell me you can help me." Schambach said "you smell like you need help, brother." The man said sarcastically "You want to help me? Buy me a fifth of liquor."

Bro. Schambach admitted his flesh rose up and clinched his fist. But the Holy Ghost wouldn't let him. He later found out this man was an all-state boxing champ! Schambach went to even lay hands on him for prayer, and the Holy Ghost wouldn't let him. He got about 2 inches from his face and all of a sudden God knocked the man over, flat on his back, bam! Right in front of the altar. When the man came to, he was sober, he repented of his sins, God saved him and filled him with the Holy Ghost and with fire! He got up from the altar speaking with new tongues and praising God! That man became a great preacher of the Gospel, preaching all over NY, New Jersey, Virginia, NC and all over the East Coast. God used that man and his testimony for the Glory of God to touch hearts and lives until God called him home. Now his wife continues to share his testimony of how GOD made her violent husband a new creature through the delivering power of Jesus Christ.

Jesus still saves!! Even the most wicked heart, God can soften and become new. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17

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## I Know Whom I Have Believed



One of the favorite hymns, "I Know Whom I Have Believed" was written by Daniel Whittle who had enlisted in the 72nd Illinois infantry during the Civil War and headed into the bloodiest conflict in America's history. He was badly wounded in the Battle of Vicksburg and then taken prisoner.

He tells of his conversion experience: "We had many engagements, and I saw many sad sights, and in one of the battles I was knocked out, and that night my arm was amputated above the elbow. As I grew better, having a desire for something to read, I felt in my haversack, which I had been allowed to keep, and found the little Testament my mother had placed there. "I read right through the book—Matthew, Mark, Luke, to Revelation. Every part was interesting to me; and I found to my surprise that I could understand it in a way that I never had before. When I had finished Revelation, I began at Matthew, and read it through again. And so for days I continued reading, and with continued interest; and still with no thought of becoming a Christian, I saw clearly from what I read the way of salvation through Christ.

"While in this state of mind, yet still with no purpose or plan to repent and accept the Saviour, I was awakened one midnight by the nurse, who said: 'There is a boy in the other end of the ward, one of your men, who is dying. He has been begging me for the past hour to pray for him, or to get someone to pray for him, and I can't stand it. I am a wicked man, and can't pray, and I have come to get you.'

"'Why,' said I, 'I can't pray. I never prayed in my life. I am just as wicked as you are.' 'Can't pray!' said the nurse; 'why, I thought sure from seeing you read the Testament that you were a praying man. And you are the only man in the ward that I have not heard curse. What shall I do? There is no one else for me to go to. I can't go back there alone. Won't you get up and come and see him at any rate?' "Moved by his appeal, I arose from my cot, and went with him to the far corner of the room. A fair-haired boy of seventeen or eighteen lay there dying. There was a look of intense agony upon his face, as he fastened his eyes upon me and said:

"'Oh, pray for me! Pray for me! I am dying. I was a good boy at home in Maine. My mother and father are members of the Church, and I went to Sunday School and tried to be a good boy. But since I became a soldier I have learned to be wicked. I drank, and swore, and gambled, and went with bad men. And now I am dying, and I am not fit to die! Oh, ask God to forgive me! Pray for me. Ask Christ to save me!' "As I stood there and heard these pleadings, God said to my soul by His Spirit, just as plainly as if He had spoken in audible tones, 'You know the way of salvation. Get right down on your knees and accept Christ, and pray for this boy.'

"I dropped upon my knees and held the boy's hand in mine, as in a few broken words I confessed my sins, and asked God for Christ's sake to forgive me. I believed right there that He did forgive me, and that I was Christ's child; I then prayed earnestly for the boy. He became quiet, and pressed my hand as I pleaded the promises. When I arose from my knees he was dead. A look of peace was upon his face, and I can but believe that God, who used him to bring me to my Saviour, used me to get his attention fixed upon Christ and to lead him to trust in His precious blood. I hope to meet him in Heaven." Years later Whittle penned the words to "I Know Whom I have Believed" as an expression of his testimony of faith in Jesus Christ.

I know not why God's wondrous grace To me He hath made known,  
Nor why, unworthy, Christ in love Redeemed me for His own.

Refrain:

But "I know Whom I have believed, And am persuaded that He is able  
To keep that which I've committed Unto Him against that day."

I know not how this saving faith To me He did impart,  
Nor how believing in His Word Wrought peace within my heart.

Refrain:

But "I know Whom I have believed, And am persuaded that He is able  
To keep that which I've committed Unto Him against that day."



**Get Off The Fence!**

Pastor David Starnes

And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal, then follow him. And the people answered him not a word. 1 Kings 18:21

The hour has come when people are going to have to get off the fence and make a choice. Either Jesus is Lord of your life or not. In years past, you could appear to float along, kind of serving God. But invisible lines have been crossed. Our nation is broken. Men call evil good and good evil. Gone are the shared morals which bound us as a "Christian" nation. Years ago, you could kind of pretend, fooling people, but never God of course. But now, the shadow of sin is rising to swallow our world. Churches, denominations, and pulpits have widened their definition of Godly to include everything God ever told us was evil or abominable. Most of the "church" world serves the world now. How long will you be halt between 2 opinions? If God is God then serve Him. No half measures. No more soothing your conscience with false speech. There is no middle ground. This is no game. Your very immortal soul hangs in the balance. The good news is that where sin abounds, Grace doth much more abound. A light has its greatest effect in darkness. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. I place my faith in what Jesus did at Calvary. I rest in Him and His finished work. The winds of this world cannot destroy me when I am hidden in Christ. Make your decision. Get in the Ark, Jesus Christ, before the door is shut

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Pastor Mike Vaughn

" For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Romans 8:2

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# A Word for TODAY!



By Sister Michelle Deuling

**Verse for Today:** Matthew 5:46-48 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

**Additional passages for Today:** Luke 6:31-36

**Thought for Today:** Doing good deeds for friends is easy. Doing good deeds for those who annoy us or are considered our enemy is godly.

**Story for Today:** Mitch tossed a Coke across the back of the pick-up to his friend, Tim. After taking a short break, they would continue putting in the fence posts Mr. Anders asked them to finish today. The two guys worked well together, and they were on task to finish the job in plenty of time. Mitch loved his job. Days like today were hard work, but he was always pleased when a job was completed. Mr. Anders was a great boss to work for. Thanking the guys when they did a job well was something that Mr. Anders regularly did. Mr. Anders was known for being fair and someone a person could trust. Not all of his employees were as easy to get along with as Tim was. Mitch was glad that he was often paired up with Tim. There was one guy that seemed to like to push Mitch's buttons. Brad was not an outstanding worker, nor was he careful. A disagreement was likely to ensue with someone if he was with others for any length of time. At church on Sunday, the minister preached from a passage in Matthew. He called it the Sermon on the Mount. Mitch had been caught off guard when the minister read the last three verses from the fifth chapter. As he talked about a reward, Mitch thought of Mr. Anders and how he rewarded them for all the good that they did. Listening to the minister, it sounded like God expected them to do good to even the fellows that weren't easy to work with. Brad immediately popped into Mitch's thoughts. It was effortless to buy a coke for Tim, Mr. Anders, or just about any of the other guys at the ranch; but Brad, that was a whole different story. Pastor Charles was still talking. He was saying we are to be like the Father up in heaven. He is perfect. We are to be perfect. He does good to the good and the bad. The Father provides health and wealth to people regardless of how good or bad they are. Mitch thought back to the time before he had come to the Lord, the time when everything he did was to please himself. God the Father had been good to him then, too. He provided food, water, clothing, and fresh air and even brought him to where he recognized his need for a Savior. Mitch was so grateful for his loving, heavenly Father. He wanted to please Him. If God says to be like Him and do good to others despite how they treat others, well, he would have to work on doing that. He remembered that he was not worthy of the good things that he had received and that if he hadn't found Christ, he might have been just as annoying as Brad. Mitch made up his mind right there in that service that he would work on the perfection that the ministered had shared about. He would begin with buying Brad a coke and maybe even invite him to go along to the rodeo next weekend. He knew that he would need to pray not just for Brad but also for himself, that he would act and react in a way that pleased the Father. What a reward, to be used by God and to show someone else the way to heaven.

**Questions for Today:** Do you struggle to show the love of Christ to those outside your comfort zone? Do you find it challenging to be kind to those that seem to annoy everybody? What can you do today to live out the perfect life you have been called to?

**Prayer for Today:** Heavenly Father, Thank You for Your Word. Please help us be kind and show Your love

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