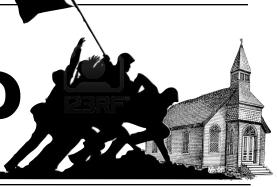


Lifting Up The

STANDARD

'When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him'' (Isaiah 59:19).



Challenging And Encouraging God's Remnant To Remain Faithful

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"Even A Vapour"

"For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." (James 4:14)

If You Died Today Are You Ready To Face God?

First John 5:13 says,

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life."

There are some things in the Bible that are not easy to understand; however, God has made the way of salvation so plain, and so simple, that a child can understand it.

Salvation Begins With Hearing The Word of God



Ephesians 1:13,

"In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation..."

Romans 10:14,

"How shall they believe in him of whom they have not **heard**? and how shall they **hear** without a preacher?"

<u>Luke 8:13</u>,

"They on the rock are they, which, when they **hear**, receive the **word** with joy."



Acts 15:7,

"The Gentiles by my mouth should **hear** the **word** of the gospel, and believe."

Luke 8:12,

"Those by the way side are they that **hear**; then cometh the devil, and taketh away **the word** out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved."

The Holy Spirit Convicts The Sinner of His Sin

John 16:8,9,

And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin...because they believe not on me."

Romans 2:4,

"Not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?"

Acts 11:18,

"They...glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life."

Second Timothy 2:25,

"God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth."

The Sinner Then, Repents or Rejects The Reproving of The Holy Spirit

Acts 3:19,

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out."

<u>Mark 1:15</u>,

"Repent ye, and believe the gospel."

Luke 13:3,

"I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Time Flies



Pastor Kirkland And Debra

Debra was two years old when this picture was taken. She liked to sit in her car seat at that age and sing...

"No, No, It's Not An Easy Road."



Debra attended FaithWay Baptist Church in Ajax, Ontario, the first day it started and she is still there serving the Lord.

"I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth." (Third John 1:4)



"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." (Psalm 90:12)

Luke 13:5,

"I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."

Repentance is simply responding in a positive way to the Holy Spirit when we are convicted of sin

There is not a person in this world who is saved, if he or she did not repent of their sin when convicted by the Holy Spirit.

The Result of Repentance Is A Changed Life

Second Corinthians 5:17,

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

When a person repents, that person becomes a "new creature." The Greek word translated "creature" here is ktisis. It has been translated creation six times.

When God created the world we read, "The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved" (Genesis 1:2).

This is what happens when a person repents of sin. Genesis 1:3 says, "...and there was light." Jesus said, "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness" (John 12:46).

When a person repents, "old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (Second Corinthians 5:17).

When someone is genuinely saved he will have...

A New Love For The Word of God Romans 10:8,

"The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart."



"LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it [is; that] I may know how frail I am."

"it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." (Hebrews 9:27)

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." (Psalm 23:4)

What will you do
with Jesus?
Neutral you cannot
be;
Someday your heart
will be asking,
"What will He do
with me?"

John 8:47,

"He that is of God heareth God's words."

A New Love For The People of God First John 3:14,

"We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren."

A New Desire For The Will of God Romans 6:4,

"And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments."

Philippians 2:13,

"For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

A New Peace With God

Romans 5:1.

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

"What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought Since Jesus came into my heart! I have light in my soul for which long I have sought, Since Jesus came into my heart!"

To understand repentance is simply to understand the order in which things happen when a person is saved.

- I. Hearing the Word of God.
- 2. Conviction of the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Repentance
- 4. Change



A.W. Tozer

"Jesus is not one of many ways to approach God, nor is He the best of several ways; He is the only way."



D.L. Moody

"Someday you will read in the papers that D. L. Moody of East Northfield is dead. Don't you believe a word of it! At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now; I shall have gone up higher, that is all, out of this old clay tenement into a house that is immortal — a body that death cannot touch, that sin cannot taint; a body fashioned like unto His glorious body. I was born of the flesh in 1837. I was born of the Spirit in 1856. That which is born of the Spirit will live forever."

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

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