

# TWO IMPORTANT ISSUES



## “Committed To Thy Trust”

In **First Timothy 6:20** Paul warned those of us who are pastors to, “...keep that which is committed to thy trust...”

As pastors, we need to consider the seriousness of this charge. We are dealing with lives and we are dealing with eternity. Paul was honestly able to say to those who were committed to his trust... “I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.” (Acts 20:27) Every pastor should be able to honestly say that.

## Two Major Doctrines Committed To Our Trust

In this article we are going to discuss what I believe to be the two most important issues pastors need to consider today. They are; the doctrine of salvation and the doctrine of separation.

## The Salvation Issue

One of the reasons fundamentalism is being flooded with apostasy is what Jude called “...the common salvation.” (Jude 1:3) The Greek word translated “common” in Jude is *koinos*. It is translated “unclean” three times in Romans 14:14. The same word is translated “defiled” in Mark 7:2, and “...an unholy thing” in Hebrews 10:29. Jude was warning about a *defiled, unclean, unholy*, plan of salvation that was contrary to “...the gospel of Jesus Christ.” (Mark 1:1).

**Paul also warned about perverting the Gospel.** He wrote to the church at Galatia saying, “I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which

is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would **pervert the gospel of Christ**. But though **we**, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.” (Galatians 1:6-8).

## No Repentance - No Salvation

We need to understand that if there is no repentance then there is no salvation. Praying a little forgiveness prayer will not save a Catholic nor will it save a Baptist.

### Second Corinthians 7:10

“For godly sorrow worketh **repentance** to salvation.”

### Acts 17:30

“God...commandeth all men every where to **repent**.”

### Mark 6:12

“And they went out, and preached that men should **repent**.”

### Luke 13:3

“I tell you, Nay: but, except ye **repent**, ye shall all likewise perish.”



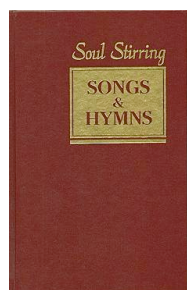
## The Perverted Gospel

Several years ago, I had a well known evangelist come to our church. We knocked on the door of a man in the area and the evangelist started his soul-winning sales pitch. He rhymed off his presentation like he had many times before and ended with, “...do you know any reason why you couldn’t get saved right now?” The man answered “I have done this twice before.” The evangelist, probably not even hearing the man’s response, said, “...well good then, let’s pray.” The man prayed and we headed back to the church. The evangelist told everyone in the meeting that night about the man getting saved. Saved? **Nothing was said to him about repentance.** It was simply a slick sales presentation and the man prayed. Any soul winning plan that omits repentance is a

defiled, unholy, unclean, perverted, plan. Jesus said, "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye **repent**, ye shall all likewise perish." (Luke 13:3).

## Eternal Souls Are Committed To Our Trust

**We are dealing with the eternal destiny of precious souls.** Jack Hyles and Curtis Hutson were wrong when they promoted the heresy that repentance is an enemy of soul winning. The Sword of the Lord was wrong when they removed the references to repentance out of hymns in their 1989 version of Soul-Stirring Songs and Hymns. They changed, (#245 - The Old Account Was Settled", #288 - "I Am Resolved", - #318 "Give Me Thy Heart", #444 - "Almost Persuaded") **Changing these hymns was wrong and it was wicked!**



Pastor Tom Stastny of Beaver Valley Baptist Church in Montrose, British Columbia, wrote an open letter to Independent Baptists of Canada, dated April 1, 2000, concerning Hutson's actions. In a letter to Pastor Stastny, dated March 31, 2000, Shelton Smith promised that

the Sword would publish a new edition of the hymnal that would "use the original editions" of the hymns. Not only has the Sword neglected to do this, but, as of the printing of this article, they continue to sell Hutson's heresy on repentance while preachers who know better continue to subscribe to the Sword instead of canceling their subscription and dutifully warning their people as to why apostasy promoting ministries should not be supported.

**"We Or An Angel" - "If Any Man"**  
Under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Paul said, "...*though we, or an angel from*

*heaven, preach **any other gospel** unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, **if any man** preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.*"

**Twice, under the influence of the Holy Spirit, Paul said "let him be accursed."**

## Accursed Is Not Hell



According to Strong's Concordance, the Greek word translated "accursed" is anathema. It has nothing to do with going to Hell. It was an Old Testament type of publicly exposing those who were doctrinally wrong by having their names "...hung upon the walls or columns of

*the temple, or put in some other conspicuous place."* (Strong's)

## Christians Preaching Damnable Heresy?

**Yes, the Bible warns us that Christians would be promoting a "damnable heresy" in the last days.** Second Peter 2:1 says, "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as **there shall be false teachers among you**, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies even denying the Lord that bought (redeemed) them..." Peter's final words warned us about the "destruction" we would face in our local churches in the last days. In Second Peter 3:16, Peter warned us about those who would, "...*wrest, (turn away from the expected course)...unto their own destruction.*" A destruction is "...the process of causing so much damage to something that it no longer exists or cannot be repaired."



**Peter finished his ministry warning us to,** “...beware **lest ye also**, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.” Could there be any error more “wicked” than a perverted plan of salvation that will damn a soul to Hell for eternity?

## The Issue of Ecclesiastical Separation

In the fifty-seven years since I trusted Christ as my personal Saviour I have seen many disgusting changes in the movement we call fundamentalism.

I watched Billy Graham, Jerry Falwell, and Jack VanImpe change from their fundamental position to being supporters of Catholicism.

Back in the 70's, I visited eight of the ten churches written up in *Elmer Towns Book - Ten Largest Sunday Schools* (Published in 1969). I have watched as they turned from fundamental churches to rock fest organizations, with a little religion on the side.

I visited Southside Baptist Church, in Greenville, South Carolina, when it held to a fundamental position. I watched the apostasy come flooding in. Today they call themselves Southside Fellowship. They no longer promote the word church or Baptist.

I watched Akron Baptist Temple, in Akron, Ohio, turn from being a fundamental church to becoming a religious organization promoting rock and roll bands.

In my lifetime, Temple Baptist Church, of Detroit, Michigan, has turned from a strong fundamental preaching church to being a religious group promoting rock music. In February 2000, Temple Baptist changed its name to Northridge Church of Plymouth, Michigan.



I visited Highland Park Baptist Church when it was fundamental. In April of 2005 they hosted a rock concert. The October 29, 2005, issue of the Chattanooga Times Free Press published a picture of Tennessee Temple University students “...worshipping to contemporary rock music during a Wednesday evening service.”

**Preachers, we will lose our young people** to the flood of apostasy that is destroying our so-called fundamentalism if we shy away from preaching the truth about separation from professed Christians who are actually promoting apostasy.

**We must expose the compromisers or we will lose our young people to their influence.**

If our next generation is not taught to “mark” and “avoid” compromisers they will become compromisers themselves.

## Why Did These Churches Change?

**The answer is simple.** They promoted a perverted gospel that omitted repentance. People prayed a prayer and joined the church. They prayed but they did not repent. Jesus said, “...except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish.” These churches became populated with many unsaved people. As one generation passed off the scene the new mixed multitude of carnal Christians and unsaved professors of salvation took control and introduced the music and messages that made them feel comfortable. There you have it - Laodicean fundamentalism.

## First Baptist Church

I first visited First Baptist Church in Hammond, Indiana, over forty years ago. I went to their annual pastor's school every

year for seven or eight years. I met with Jack Hyles three times in his office. One of the things that opened my eyes to the real Jack Hyles was when I saw the door between his office and his secretary's office that he publicly said did not exist. It was a sad day for me when I realized that my hero was a liar; however, lying was only a small part of his immoral lifestyle.

First Baptist Church, has a history much like a modern day T.V. soap opera. Concerning Hyles, his own daughter Linda can be seen on youtube saying, *"My Dad lived a double life. One of a righteous family man and dynamic speaker in the public eye, but one of sordid sexual secrets privately. Secrets only my siblings, my mother, and me knew. He hated my Mom, hated her. treated her terribly...He had affairs. He had a mistress for many years, the wife of a Sunday School teacher...It was craziness – living one way, preaching another."*

**Linda continues**, *"My brother...became another version of my father...He pastored a church in Texas...was found to be having affairs with fourteen different women...divorced that current wife, married one of the fourteen...My father tried desperately to cover it up...moved him to a another church, where he was found to have seventeen... affairs...he did what he had seen my Dad live...And my Dad did nothing but cover it up."* (See - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ptdxMorD86I>)

## Jack Schaap

When Jack Hyles died in 2001, his son-in-law Jack Schaap, took the helm of First Baptist Church of Hammond. Schaap continued to promote the *defiled, unclean, unholy, perverted* plan of salvation that Hyles had promoted.

## Schaap's Sick Heresy

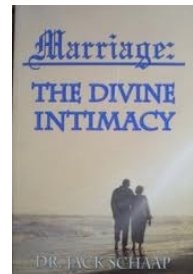
In his book *Marriage: The Divine Intimacy*, Schaap said communion is *"spiritual*

*intercourse"* He said, *"A Christian is the female gender in this spiritual realm and God is the male gender of the spiritual realm. When a person receives Christ as Saviour he is receiving Christ as lover..."* (Marriage: The Divine Intimacy, pp. 42, 43).

## Schaap's Really Sick Heresy

Psalm 119:30 says, *"I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame."*

Jack Schaap wrote *"...that word stuck means 'the act of a man entering his wife'; it is sexual intercourse. God says that the Word of God should be the Christian's lover, and nothing should be closer to him than the Bible. The Words of God are supposed to be the most intimate lover of his life."* (Schaap, Marriage: The Divine Intimacy, p. 44).



**Fundamental preachers will rise up in protest, right? Wrong!!!** David Gibbs, Clarence Sexton, and other very influential leaders joined forces with Schaap, stronger than ever before. It mattered not that at the 2012 pastor's school at Hammond, that Schaap, spent over six minutes praising Geronimo Aguilar and his very worldly Richmond Outreach Center. (See -<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eMk2F-KLYkQ>) Schaap said he met with Geronimo Aguilar every year to teach him how to build a church. Schaap so



highly endorsed the ministry of the Richmond Outreach Center that several times during his endorsement, the large crowd of puppet fundamental pastors clapped for what Pastor Aguilar was accomplishing. (See my article - The New Ways of Today's Fundamentalism - available on our website where I have pictured clips taken from the videos showing the young people are gyrating to the demonic music as they grab at their crotch area. I didn't want to show these vulgar pictures; however, I know of no other way to get sleeping fundamental independent Baptist pastors to wake up.)



Schaap referred to what the Richmond Outreach Center was doing as “...awesome,” and thousands of fundamental independent Baptist pastors applauded.



Clarence Sexton

Pictured here are David Gibbs and Clarence Sexton promoting their friend Jack Schaap. I know both David Gibbs and Clarence Sexton personally. I do not take pleasure in publishing this; however, someday I will answer to God if I am guilty of keeping silent while my friends are compromisers...**AND SO WILL YOU!**

Why do men like Sexton, Gibbs, Jack Treiber and many others continue to support this wicked philosophy of ministry? Why do they continue to be a part of the coverup of immorality that has flowed from First Baptist in Hammond for many, many years? (See - <http://www.chicagomag.com/Chicago-Magazine/January-2013/Let-Us-Prey-Big-Trouble-at-First-Baptist-Church/>)



David Gibbs

Why have influential leaders covered up this trash for years when the word of God commands them to, “...**mark them** which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and **avoid them**.” (Romans 16:17).

**That is a question you cannot answer; however, here is one that you can answer.** Why do you continue to support this so-called fundamentalism, that is contrary to the doctrine you have learned, rather than marking and avoiding them? (For an in depth account of Jack Hyles and Jack Schaap read David Cloud's book - The Hyles Effect: A Spreading Blight.)

**If Romans 16:17 does not refer to First Baptist in Hammond, who does it refer to?**

Even Billy Graham, Jack VanImpe, Bill Gothard, and other leaders on the pathway of apostasy do not have a history of immorality and heresy that runs as rampant as that of in our so-called fundamental camp.

### **Stand Up And Preach The Truth Or Say Goodbye To Your Young People**

It is time for those who will “...earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints,” to rise up and earnestly contend. To contend is to “...**state a fact or belief confidently and forcefully.**” Stand up and be heard. **All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good pastors to say nothing. Silence always gives consent.** A pastor who refuses to contend for the faith should get out of the ministry and get an honest job in the secular world.

**Recent Compromisers**  
**Northland Baptist Bible College, Dunbar, Wisconsin.** I have preached at Northland many times when it was fundamental. Recently; however, they changed the name to Northland International University. They removed the word Baptist and they removed the word Bible. They removed the demerit system. They moved from their position concerning music. They also moved concerning their position of who they fellowship with.

October of 2010, Rick Holland, the Executive Pastor at Grace Community Church in Sun Valley, California, where John MacArthur is senior pastor, spoke in Northland's chapel. Holland heads up the very ecumenical “Resolved” conferences at MacArthur's church where charismatics and CCM are glorified. Their website features MacArthur on a rock-concert-like stage, with drums in the background, speaking in faded jeans and an untucked shirt.



### Resolved Conference 2012

The president of Northland defended the move by explaining that after a face to face meeting between MacArthur and Northland administration, they *"...agreed on the most substantial issues of life and ministry."* (????)

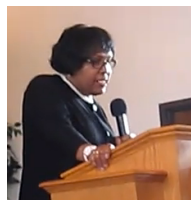
**Northland also welcomes Southern Baptist leaders.** Olson stated that southern Baptist Bruce Ware, currently Professor of Christian Theology at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, would be teaching graduate level courses at Northland, because of his expertise and experience. The compromise within the SBC is well-documented. Northland has changed!

### Clarence Sexton

Although we do not find Sexton promoting Jack Schaap since Schaap landed in jail for having sex with a teenager, Sexton welcomes speakers who are part of the Southern Baptist Convention, where separation is unheard of. Sexton also recently featured Brian Green of England, a hard-line Calvinist. John Stancil was a recent speaker; his marriage ended in divorce and his immorality became public.

### Paul Chappell

**On October 11, 2010, Chappell had Michael Redd**, a Christian NBA player, speak at his church. Redd is a pentecostal who promotes rock and roll. Redd helped purchase a building for the Philadelphia Deliverance Church of Christ, in Columbus, Ohio, that is pastored by his father. The church has a website where all can see that it is obviously a rock and roll organization.



Redd's mother (pictured at the left) is one of the preachers at that church. For an example of the Philadelphia Deliverance Church of Christ rocking out in church. (See - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mwL9FoTILfg>).

Pastor Chappell is also influencing his followers to travel the road to apostasy with his adaptation of CCM songs, as well as opening his church to speakers that are apostasy promoters. One has to wonder what part of Second Thessalonians 6:6 and Second Thessalonians 6:14 is too difficult for our fundamental leaders to understand.

### God's Plain Command

Second Thessalonians 3:6,14

*"Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us. <sup>14</sup> And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed."*

For an in depth look at understanding the failure of fundamentalism and a simple solution to our problem, see our new sixteen chapter book - **Understanding The Failure of Fundamentalism.**

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