



The Voice of Victory



The voice of him that crieth... prepare ye the way of the Lord...—Isaiah 40:3

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Upcoming Events:

December 19th: Church Members Meeting
 *Note the Change in Date

December 20th: Christmas Program
 6:00pm
 Sun. PM Service

December 25th:
 Christmas Day
 Celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ!



Visitation
 Every Tuesday Evening
 7:00pm

Prayer Night
 The first Friday Night of Every Month
 7-9pm

Relocating the Baptistery



New Home at Last

Mark Your Calendar:

January 1st:
 Church Prayer Night
 7pm
 Come start off a brand new year in prayer with our church family.

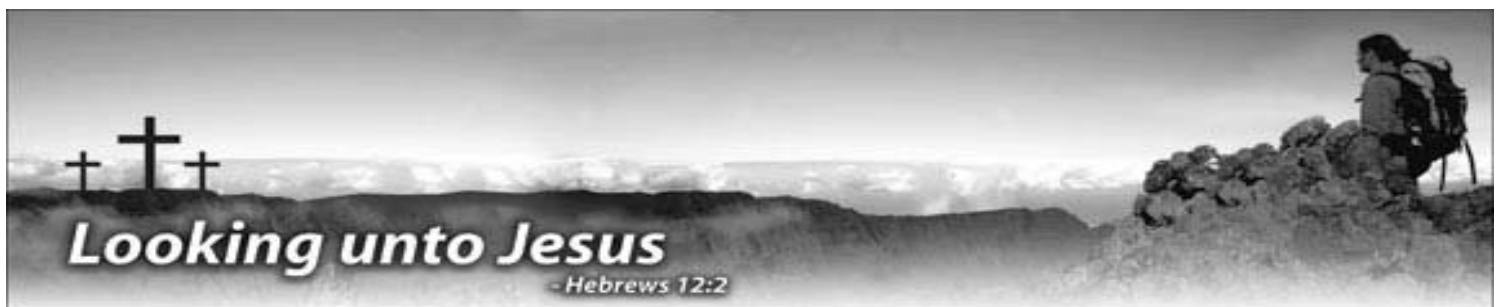
January 3rd:
 Vision Night
 6:00pm
 During Evening Service

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The Pastor's Page



They call it "Traditional Marriage"

By: Pastor Jason M. Myers

Genesis 2:20-24 *And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him. 21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; 22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. 23 And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. 24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.*

What many would title "traditional marriage" God calls his design. We must remember that in the beginning of creation, God made male and female, he made them to reproduce and populate the earth. Where would we be today if God made male and male, there would be no reproduction, therefore no fruit of life? The homosexual & lesbian lifestyles therefore are "fruitless" lifestyles according to the teaching of God's word. When we quote "uphold traditional marriage" in this sense, we are not upholding church history, Baptist theology, traditionalism or Christian ideals; we are in fact upholding the very will and way of Almighty God. It is unpopular to adhere to these kinds of values in today's society, but I assure you, you will be right in the eyes of God and after all isn't that where it matters most.

I want to conclude with this thought. The above statements and the word of God are not out to segregate those who live in these lifestyles, nor write them off as reprobate and hopelessly headed for Hell. In fact the opposite is true. God desires a personal relationship with all who come unto him. God's word may declare their lifestyles as sin but no more sin than that of the thief and the drunk or the liar, murderer, fornicator, gossip and the man that is unkind to his family and neighbors. God does not view one sin greater or lesser, but all sin is a transgression of His holiness. We should never condone their sin, but we should always show compassion to the sinner. God's word says, **"Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.** (Isaiah 45:22) **"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."** (Isaiah 1:18) **"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."** (John 3:16) If God is so concerned with every sinner; then we to should show no less concern. Let's pray for our nation, that she would uphold Gods plans for marriage.

World News & Current Events

A Victory for Marriage

People who were predicting a photo finish for same-sex "marriage" in New York were surprised to see the bill limp over the finish line yesterday after a monster victory for conservatives. The Senate vote was so lopsided--38 to 24--that even Republicans were shocked by the final tally. The bill's sponsor, Gov. David Paterson (D), who may have pushed the issue into an early grave, was stunned by the beating the legislation took in a Senate controlled by liberal Democrats. A 14-vote margin is "pretty substantial," Paterson told reporters. So substantial, in fact, that it may give New Jersey's leaders all the ammunition they need to bury their same-sex "marriage" bill this session. -www.frc.org





Youth Notes



What's in a Name?

By: Bro. Tony Patterson

Matthew 1:20-23-But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

In the Bible times names had a lot more meaning than they do today. Often times names were given to describe the person, sometimes to describe the circumstances surrounding their birth (see Hosea). The name Jesus was a derivative of Joshua it meant "savior." Jesus' very name described the mission that he had on this earth as he came as a babe. But let's make an acrostic from the name of Jesus and see some of the things he brought to us when he came that night in a lowly stable.

J-Joy- 1 Peter 1:8

E-Everlasting Life-John 3:16

S- Sacrifice for sin- Hebrews 7:27

U-Unconditional love- Romans 5:8

S- Salvation- Matthew 1:21

Upcoming Youth Events:

This Month:

December:
Sunday 20th:
Christmas Program
6:00pm
During evening service
Tues. 29th-Thurs. 31st:
Mid-Atlantic Youth Conference
Leaving around 7:30am Dec. 29.

Looking Ahead:

January:
Wednesday 6th:
Y.U.C. Club Kick off
7:00pm
Starting off a new year in our Wed. Night Kids' Club ministry





Missions and Ministries

Giving and Celebration

Bro. Bill Ribbans

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Christmas is a time of giving and celebration. We rejoice in the spirit of giving and celebrate the birth of “God with us”. We often mark the beginning of Jesus’ mission work as when He began choosing and training the Apostles. It can be said though that His ministry began at His birth. In Luke 2:8-20 the angel of the Lord brought the shepherds in the field “good tidings of great joy” that the Saviour is born. The shepherds then “came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen *it*, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.” Having heard the good news of the Gospel, the shepherds began spreading that news and witnessing to others. His birth alone was enough to compel others to glorify and praise God.

Some no-cost ways to give to mission organizations or charities are listed here:

Good Search

You can help save the lost world just by using GoodSearch as your Internet search engine. Search engines generate billions of dollars in revenue from advertisers.

Powered by Yahoo!, GoodSearch sends about a penny to the charity of your choice every time you search the Internet through it. One charity has already received over \$27,000 from GoodSearch and its affiliate GoodShop.

Good Shop

GoodShop, an online shopping portal, works in partnership with GoodSearch to help web users raise money for their favorite charity. More than 1,000 retailers donate an average of 3 percent (some up to 30 percent) of every purchase made through their online stores when you enter them through GoodShop. It won't cost you anything extra, and GoodShop even provides discounts and online coupons.

Donating Airline Miles

Billions of unused airline miles accumulate in frequent flyer accounts, and many of these miles expire before their holders have a good opportunity to use them. When you donate airline miles, you can give a gift to God's Kingdom that is worth hundreds or even thousands of dollars.