



I-GOD

As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. I recently preached a message on that beloved verse in Joshua 24. Joshua made it crystal clear. To truly serve the Lord, they had to rid themselves of false gods.

We too must rid ourselves of gods. We don't have literal idols, like wooden statues. Idols are still an issue. You may have one with you right now, your phone. Your I-Phone can become your I-God. Your Android might be your Almighty.

Remember the "good old days" when we had land lines? I even remember the old rotary dial phones! We were not always connected to the phone. We went to the store without a phone. We went to church without a phone. We even traveled without one. Now, our phone is always by our side, like a good friend, like a good "god." It is ever-present and ever-knowing. It is calling out to us, demanding a response, demanding our worship.

A phone is not intrinsically bad, but we can become more attached to our phone than to God. We feel incomplete without it. When you lose your phone, or it's damaged, how do you feel? You feel lost. You feel anxious. You feel helpless. Something is not quite right. That is how we should feel about God, not our phone.

Siri and Google are not the ultimate source of information. God is. Social media cannot fill your relationship void. God will. You-Tube will not satisfy your soul. Only God can. As we ask God to revive us, maybe you should consider fasting from your phone for a while. Stop checking Facebook. Seek His face. Don't turn to Google. Turn to God. Listen to Yahweh, not You-tube. Get off Snapchat and chat with God!

Your Pastor,

Jason R. McNaughten

Billy's Legacy

I grew up in Charlotte, NC. I had to drive on the Billy Graham Parkway to visit my dad at work and often thought of Billy's influence and legacy. In fact, I briefly lived in the same small mountain town of Montreat, NC where he spent his last years. What is his legacy and how can we learn from it?

First, Graham worked with different Christian denominations. Prior to his work, many revival leaders refused to work with local churches, or selected only certain churches to work with. As long as Jesus was worshiped and believed in, Graham was willing to work with you.

Second, Graham had a high degree of personal integrity. He established, early in his ministry, that he would not meet privately with members of the opposite sex. Although this decision is not always popular today, it prevented him from straying from his wife of forty years of marriage.

Third, Billy was able to befriend people regardless of their political position. He became America's pastor by meeting with Presidents of both parties. How many of us would give up our political opinions to pray, minister, and read the word to people with different views? Not many.

More than almost any other minister I've seen, Graham embodied the compassion of Christ. As He looked out on the crowds Jesus was filled with compassion. So was Billy. Are we?

Youth Pastor,

Joshua Peeler



March

3 rd Huey Cash	23 rd Audrea Stuart
4 th Charley Saizan	26 th Nikki Chenevert
5 th Mark Couch	26 th Erica Glynn
9 th Mary LeBlanc	27 th Roger Johnson
12 th Stephen Chenevert	29 th Gene Eldridge
14 th Deonna Bossier	30 th Becky Part
14 th Blake Fulmer	

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:15 AM
Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM
Wed. Services: 11:30 AM, 6:00 PM



MARCH EVENTS

- *Ladies' Bible Study, Weds., 9:30am & 6pm*
- *Nursing Home Ministry, Wed., Mar. 7, 1:15pm*
- *Wed. Adult/Youth Bible studies @ 6:00pm*
- *Lifetouch Photography, Mar. 15, 16, 17*
- *Begin 40 Days of Prayer, Mon., Mar. 19*
- *Home Prayer Mtgs., Sun., Mar. 25*

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