



Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017

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If you have any questions concerning the message from today, or are interested in obtaining information about church membership, please see the Pastor after the service, drop a note in the offering plate indicating your desire to talk with the Pastor, or call the church office.

Announcements

Wednesday Nights

Dinner menu is **Shepherd's Pie!** Sign up in the hall.

Secret Church

Friday, **April 21**, 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. See more info on page 9, and sign up!

Congregational Meeting

Our quarterly meeting is Sunday afternoon, **April 23**, 5:15 p.m.

Young Adult Bible Study

Thursday, **April 27**, 7:00 p.m., at the Sheffields'.

Youth Outing

The youth will go to Get Air together Saturday, **April 29**. Meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. See Tim if you have any questions.

Home Fellowships

These are scheduled for the evening of **May 7**. At least 3 homes are needed. Hosts need only provide a venue and something to drink. You can get paper products from the kitchen. Your guests will provide the snacks! Contact Dawn in the office if you would like to host!

This Week at FABC

Today

Breakfast	8:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
No Evening Worship	

Wednesday

Dinner - Shepherd's Pie	5:45 p.m.
Youth & Awana	6:30 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

FABC Deacons

Shawn Champion	433-0098
Bobby Deloach (CH)	667-8867
Mickey Fell	920-4557
Ron Fowler	901-409-8628
Jimmy Kicklighter	355-5616
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Steve Posner	704-5617
Kelly Stanford	441-2151
Michael Walker	655-2497
Ric Zittrouer	210-0344

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10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

* Opening Chorus & Greeting

“Worthy Is the Lamb”

Words are on back of bulletin

* Call to Worship

Matthew 28:5-6

*Hymn #138

“Christ Arose”

Scripture Reading & Prayer

Napoleon Martin

Proverbs 31:1-9

Special Music

Receiving of Tithes And
Offerings

* Hymn, bulletin pp. 4 - 5

“Resurrection Hymn”

Message

Bob Dimmitt

#1 What Happens Immediately After Death (and How Do We Know)?

2 Corinthians 5:1-8

Communion

* Hymn, below

“Doxology”

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen

A.M. Notes

#1 What Happens Immediately After Death (& How Do We Know)? 2 Corinthians 5:1-8

Scientific, philosophical, and theological skepticism has nullified the modern belief in heaven and replaced it with teachings that are minimalist, meager, and dry.

When a Christian dies, is he then in an unconscious state awaiting the resurrection? Or does he have a conscious existence living in heaven in an intermediate state between death and the resurrection? and how do we know?

The traditional view that our souls are separable from our bodies has been challenged by many scholars, including evangelicals.... I believe that one must have sufficient reason for denying or completely revising what the historic Christian church has affirmed as the teaching of Scripture and proclaimed to comfort millions of people who have mourned at gravesides.

The Intermediate State = refers to the existence of a believer between death and the resurrection.

Soul Sleep=when believers die they go into a state of unconscious existence, the next thing that they are conscious of will be when Christ returns and raises them to eternal life.

Materialism=that man is totally a material being. This is sometimes referred to as monism.

Monotheism teaches that there is One God

Monism teaches that there is only one reality or thing or substance

Christian dualism is the belief that human beings possess both body and soul/spirit and that when the body dies the soul/spirit continues to exist in a conscious state until the resurrection and the reception of a resurrection body.

Alvin Plantinga it seems to me to be perfectly conceivable that I can exist when my body doesn't.

What enters into the debate once again is one's view or take on the Bible. One's real view, not the one they spout when in church. Does it really affect, guide and direct their thinking....Many people (this includes some Christians) believe that what science cannot observe and substantiate does not exist.

Resurrection Hymn

• 1. See, what a morn-ing, glo - r'ous-ly bright, With the dawn-ing of
 • 2. See Ma-ry weep-ing, "Where is He laid?" As in sor - row she
 • 3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, Thru the Spir - it who

hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave - clothes,
 turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears a voice speak - ing,
 clothes faith with cer - tain - ty; Hon - or and bless - ing,

tomb filled with light, As the an - gels an - nounce, "Christ is
 call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord, raised to
 glo - ry and praise To the King crowned with pow'r and au -

ris - en!" See God's sal - va - tion plan, Wrought in
 life a - gain! The voice that spans the years, Speak - ing
 thor - i - ty! And we are raised with Him; Death is

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

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love, borne in pain, paid in sac - ri - fice; Ful - filled in
 life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing peace to us, Will sound till
 dead, love has won, Christ has con - quered; And we shall

Christ, the Man, For He lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead!
 He ap - pears, For He lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead!
 reign with Him, For He lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead!



Due to all your generosity and service, we have a pile of clean dishes in the fellowship hall waiting for their owners to retrieve them! Please find yours and take it home!



Parenting: 14 Gospel Principles that can Radically Change Your Family

by Paul David Tripp

Wheaton: Crossway, 2016, 216 pp.

Most parents exist in a fog of exhaustion, frustration, and disappointment. We move from battle to battle with our children hoping that the tomorrow will be better, or that we will finally see the breakthrough that we have been hoping for. Even in the families that appear to have everything right, where their children are well mannered, well groomed, and docile, there are moments of bewilderment at the decisions our children make and the behaviors they exhibit. I know this to be true because I have talked to you, and because, well . . . I'm one of you.

Each day that my children grow older, it appears that headway is harder to come by. The strategies that worked when your children were young, when we were able to outmaneuver, outsmart, and physically impose our will on our children seem to wane in effectiveness as our children grow up and catch on. For many of us, our children are more savvy than we give them credit for, and so we end up being made to look like fools by them when they play us like a well-practiced instrument. So how do we parent our kids, young or old, amid these realities? How can we perform this impossible task? In this book, Paul David Tripp attempts to give us the principles that should dictate those answers.

Please understand, **this is not a how-to book for parenting.** Most of us would like that, we want someone to give us the magic words to say, or the most effective discipline strategy that will cause our children's hard hearts to melt and turn to us with affection and to the Lord in faith. Like me, many of you have probably read those books, and attempted to implement those strategies, with varying degrees of success, at least until the next blow-up occurs.

Tripp goes beyond that, **this book is a "why" book.** It provides the principles that should undergird our parenting decisions and strategies and establishes a **biblically based, gospel centered foundation for Christian parents to evaluate their children and themselves.** In it, Tripp emphasizes our primary role is not one of ownership over our children, but ambassadorship for the Lord. Our mission is one of rescue rather than creating well-mannered good citizens.

Most importantly, Tripp shows us convincingly that the main issues that we should be dealing with are not behavior issues, but heart issues. Too often, we spend all our time attempting to control or alter our children's behavior. We threaten, we punish, we reward, we bargain, and we even pray so that their behavior would change, all the while our children's hard, God-hating hearts remain full of sin that will only manifest itself in a different fashion later in life.

Thankfully, God in his mercy empowers us to faithfully be what he has called us to be as parents. This book, when read with healthy introspection, repentance, and prayer, will be a great tool for all families in reorienting our minds to the task at hand.

These principles are vitally important to understand, because **if we fail to establish the correct motives and attitudes in our own hearts and then incorporate those principles into our parenting, we run the risk of raising polite, successful, patriots that will spend eternity in hell.** The stakes are high, and we are woefully incapable of measuring up to the task in front of us. Thankfully, God in his mercy empowers us to faithfully be what he has called us to be as parents. This book, when read with healthy introspection, repentance, and prayer, will be a great tool for all families in reorienting our minds to the task at hand.

Whether your children are infants, or are about to leave home, this book will provide valuable insight that will allow you to redeem the time that you have with them for the glory of God. I urge you to read this book together with your spouse. Humbly discuss times where you have failed as parents with each other, and how you can help one another ensure that these principles guide you in your parenting.

This book will likely reveal areas in which you regularly fail as a parent, but it is not meant to beat you up, instead it will refresh you as it directs you toward our source of hope and grace, not just in salvation, but in parenting as well. Do not fear having these areas of failure exposed in your life, especially in parenting. After all, if you were to find out after framing your house that the foundation is not secure, you would not turn a blind eye and continue with the construction, you would change course immediately.

There are areas in which I must change course with my children. There are areas in which Tripp confesses that he has had to change course with his children, there will be areas where you will need to change course too. Allow this book to be an invaluable resource in the life of your family and in the most important job you will ever have so that our children might be built up together into an eternal monument to the goodness and faithfulness of God.

This \$25 book is on the platform, available for only \$15!

Your fellow bookworm,
Tim Wade



Website News!

If you have a smart phone or tablet, be sure to go to www.fabchurch.com and add an icon to your home screen for quick access. If you don't know how to do this, come by the office and we will try and help you figure

it out. We have added a section to our Calendar page with the announcements from the bulletin. This will be updated often. Go to the Calendar page and scroll down to the News and Announcements section, to see what's going on around here!

Jude Doxology

Cam Huxford

Remember, Jesus brought you out of Egypt.
Remember, He has sought you as His people.
Remember, He has saved you from your sin.
Remember, remember Him.

Remember, Jesus brought you through the Red Sea.
Remember, mighty miracles that you have seen.
Remember, you were slaves and now are free.
Remember, that He is king.

To the only God, our savior, Jesus Christ.
Be glory, honor, power, and dominion.
Before all time, and now, and evermore!

Remember, Jesus reigns above the heavens.
He's coming, He is coming with his kingdom.
Do not forget, He is seated on the throne.
Remember what He has done.

To the only God, our savior, Jesus Christ.
Be glory, honor, power, and dominion.
Before all time, and now, and evermore.
Amen



It has been a long five plus months of chemo. I finally finished this past Tuesday. It has been rough but with God's help and will, I made it. I will start radiation within 2 weeks. I want to thank you all for you faithful prayers, cards, calls, gifts, visits and food. You have blessed my heart and I LOVE you all. I can't wait to get back to church to fellowship and worship with my wonderful Church Family. Sylvia Blue

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for the basket of goodies. I appreciate the encouragement and love from all of you. It's always a good reminder to know that I have people praying for me!
Thank you again for thinking of me!
With love, Haley Bull

SECRET CHURCH

KNOW HIS WORD. KNOW HIS PERSECUTED.

Secret Church will be held on Friday, **April 21**, from 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. David Platt will once again be hosting, and the topic will be *Scripture and Authority in the Age of Skepticism*. Just recently, the cover of Time magazine asked the question, “Is Truth Dead?” In this age of skepticism, no question could be more important than that of biblical authority and truth. According to the Secret Church website, the topic will center around the following discussion:

The Bible is the foundation for faith among followers of Christ in churches around the world. Yet many such Christians never think to ask why this is the case. After all . . .

- **How did we get this holy book?**
- **Who decided what would and wouldn't be included in it?**
- **How do we know it's true? Are there any errors in it?**
- **Is it necessary? Is it sufficient? Is it authoritative for my life?**
- **How can I understand it?**

Even as Christians ask and answer such pivotal questions, the culture around us asks even more pressing questions: Isn't the Bible antiquated and outdated? Isn't it chauvinistic and offensive? Isn't it downright deceptive and ultimately dangerous?

During this Secret Church, we will explore answers to critical questions about the Bible in order to discern what place it should (or should not) have in the lives of Christians and the implications those answers have for our lives, our families, and our churches in the culture around us.

Please make plans to join us for this very special study. Secret Church is always a time of blessed fellowship, gastronomic fortitude due to the preponderance of “good” food that we will be consuming, and a marathon of endurance for the 6 hour Bible study. Grab a quick nap early in the day and plan to join us for the long haul.

Dean McCraw is so grateful for the food, prayers, and all the love shown as Beverley undergoes chemotherapy. He says you can tell by looking at him how much he has enjoyed it! They are all thankful for their church family.

The schedule for twice-weekly meals has been extended, as this round of chemo has really sapped Beverley's energy, and the meals help take a little pressure off the family! To sign up, go to www.takethemameal.com and use McCraw as the last name and password.

Missionary of the Week

Ralph & Elaine Elliott Cru - Turkey



Ralph and Elaine's outreach efforts are directed to the business community of Istanbul, Turkey. They have made some significant steps in the ministry, including a monthly meeting for Turkish Christians in the business community. Elaine holds a Bible study for Turkish women professionals. During the week, the Elliotts host an English conversation group for the purpose of helping them build stronger relationships with the Turkish people as well as helping the Turks learn better English. Along with the classes, they will sometimes hold seminars with topics ranging from the origin of life, intelligent design, healthy relationships and the role of God in our world. In February, they held their Transformers Network (TraNet 2017) for young Christian professionals, and had 230 registered from all over their part of the world, some coming from China, Cambodia, Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

Please pray for:

1. The 1500 contacts they have acquired in their database! They recently had their eleventh straight "Istanbul Young Professionals Summer Outreach". It is promoted as an English Festival to the local Istanbul community.
2. New relationships formed. The Elliotts were assisted this year by many Christians who visited Turkey just to help with this event. These came from the U.S., Kazakhstan, and China, and were able to spend time with the participants even outside of class.
3. The people who have trusted Christ through their ministry in recent years.
4. More and more proficiency in the Turkish language.
5. Their children to continue to grow in Christ.
6. Their recent Leader Led Movements conference met to formulate and continue strategies related to their calling and vision. LLM is an assortment of strategic ministries to adults and leaders in the urban areas of Turkey.
7. Fruit from their TraNet conference in February. In their latest letter, they said, "We would ask your prayers that God would enable us to form a group of volunteer laborers (beginning with the attendees from TraNet) that would coalesce into a group that could effectively serve as a force reaching out and making a difference among the young professionals of Turkey and beyond."

Sunday School Classes & Descriptions

Adult

“Revelation” - Organ Side Overflow Room: Matt Coleman
 “Chronological Survey of the Bible” - Fellowship Hall: Bob Dimmitt
 Evangelism series - Youth House: Steve Posner
Protected by God’s Providence: The Book of Esther- Room 28: Tamera Smith (Women’s Class)

Students & Children

Babies - Room 3: Kay Stanford & Sandra Bridges
 1s & 2s - Room 24: Michael & Ruth Kleinpeter/Danny & Kamee Roberson
 3s & 4s - Room 25: Emily Wise, Susan Su, Donna Martin
 Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grade - Room 200: Jimmy & Angie Creech
 3rd-6th Grade Boys - Room 202: Ric Zittrouer & Richie Mills
 3rd-6th Grade Girls - Room 204: Kelly Zittrouer, Mary Ann Fowler, Amy Horton
 Youth Guys - Room 206: Tim Wade, Bobby Deloach, & Nick Herring
 Youth Girls - Room 207: Sona Bailey, Jessica Dimmitt, & Lauren Wade

Bible Reading Schedule

April 2017

	1	Ecclesiastes 1 & Job 1-2
	2	Ecclesiastes 2 & Job 3
	3	Ecclesiastes 3 & Job 4
	4	Ecclesiastes 4 & Job 5-6
	5	Ecclesiastes 5 & Job 7-8
	6	Ecclesiastes 6 & Job 9-10
	7	Ecclesiastes 7 & Job 11-12
	8	Ecclesiastes 8 & Job 13-14
	9	Ecclesiastes 9 & Job 15
	10	Ecclesiastes 10 & Job 16-17
	11	Ecclesiastes 11 & Job 18-19
	12	Ecclesiastes 12 & Job 20
	13	Job 21-23
	14	Job 24-27
	15	Job 28-30
	16	Ecclesiastes 1 & Job 31
	17	Ecclesiastes 2 & Job 32
	18	Ecclesiastes 3 & Job 33
	19	Ecclesiastes 4 & Job 34-35
	20	Ecclesiastes 5 & Job 36
	21	Ecclesiastes 6 & Job 37-38
	22	Ecclesiastes 7 & Job 39
	23	Ecclesiastes 8 & Job 40
	24	Ecclesiastes 9 & Job 41
	25	Ecclesiastes 10 & Job 42
	26	Ecclesiastes 11 & Daniel 1-2
	27	Ecclesiastes 12 & Daniel 3-4
	28	Daniel 5-7
	29	Daniel 8-10
	30	Daniel 11-12



Worthy Is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain;
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain.
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
to receive
Power and riches and wisdom and
strength
Honor and glory and blessing!
Worthy is the Lamb,
Worthy is the Lamb,
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain.
Worthy is the Lamb!



VBS Volunteers Needed!

Our VBS this year, Operation Arctic, will take place June 19 - 23! We are lining up the helpers we need, and we want to put you to work! Talk to Cindy Wise, Janice Donaldson, or Angie Creech, and let them know where you would like to serve. Note that if you will be working directly with children, you must have taken the Reducing the Risk class. Thanks in advance for your prayers and help!

For Hearing Impaired

If you have difficulties hearing, we have listening aid devices available. Ask any of the ushers, or the technician in the sound booth, if you are in need of one of these devices.

Nursery, Easter, April 16

10:00 A.M.

Babies:

Mary Fowler, Kay Stanford

Toddlers - 4 year olds:

Jimmy & Tammy Kicklighter/

Mike & Elinor Morris

6:00 P.M.

No Evening Service

Nursery April 23

10:30 A.M.

Babies:

Donna Martin, Kirsten Jones

Toddlers - 4 year olds:

Lance & Julie Ficek/

Eric & Amy Horton

6:00 P.M.

Jim & Heather Schraeder,
Tricia Sumner, Bethany Humphrey

Ushers, Easter, April 16

10:00 A.M.

Reggie Brown, Bucky Lanier,

Jack Moore, Mike Morris

6:00 P.M.

No Evening Service

Ushers April 23

10:30 A.M.

Danny Roberson, John Sumner,

Michael Walker, Billy Waters

6:00 P.M.

Joe Morris, Jay Rowe

Sunday Greeters - April 16

Lisa Rowe, Jeanie Groover

April Lock-Up Deacons

Ric Zittrouer, Shawn Champion