

BEING ANCHORED TO THE PAST BRINGS REVIVAL TO THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE

2Ti 1:5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

Jud 1:3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort *you* that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

Someone said: A person that has no regard (honor) for his past will forfeit his future.

I know we don't live in the past, but our vision must be connected with the original vision of the past. "go into all the world"

The Western District's Hero's of Faith: Bro. Gray, Bro. Price, Bro. Cantrell, Bro. Vora Shoemake, Bro. Rodey, Bro. Terry, Bro. Berl Stevenson, Bro. Wilson, Bro. Fields, Bro. Clyde Haney, Bro. Reynolds, Bro. Hodges, Odel, and Sam Cagle the list goes on.

1. **These are men that let us preach in their pulpits that put the love for truth deep in our hearts and minds.** TRUTH IS OUR ANCHOR

Heb 11:32 And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and *of* Barak, and *of* Samson, and *of* Jephthae; *of* David also, and Samuel, and *of* the prophets:

Heb 11:33 Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

Heb 11:34 Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

2. **Men like Bro. Price:** "Don't tear down a fence until you find out why it was built."

MUST STAY CONNECTED TO THE PAST

1. Every day the past speaks to us and holds us on course.

Heb 11:4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it **he being dead yet speaketh.**

2. Every time we preach we are relating to the past: The ministry of Jesus Christ and Apostle Paul is daily empowering and inspiring us every day! They are in everyone of our sermons

3. When God related to the his present day prophets: “ I am the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. The promises

4. When Jesus wanted to reveal himself to The Emmaus disciples: He worked of the foundation of the past to bring present revelation.

Luk 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

5. We cannot move away from the examples of the past:

1Pe 2:21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, **that ye should follow his steps:**

6. The Foundation of the Church, shall withstand the onslaught of compromise and multiple gospels of the present and the future.

Built upon the foundations of the apostles and the prophets and Jesus Christ being the chief Corner Stone.

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

1Co 3:10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man **take heed how he buildeth thereupon.**

7. Our preach still has to be : Acts 2;38, Oneness of God, Holiness, Separation from the World,

THE POWER OF THE PAST WILL PULL DOWN THE POWERS OF DARKNESS OF THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE

1. “I do always the things that please the father” The impartation of the Father in him gave him the ability to work the miracles and his mission of the present.
“The Father in me, he doeth the works” I AM THE I AM
2. **David was able to pull down the greatest threat to Israel by drawing from his experiences of the past:**

1Sa 17:33 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou *art but* a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.

1Sa 17:34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:

1Sa 17:35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered *it* out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught *him* by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.

1Sa 17:36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God.

3. **We cannot go in Saul's Armour, but we must go in the name of the lord**

David Said:

1Sa 17:39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved *it*. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; **for I have not proved them**. And David put them off him.

1Sa 17:40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him **five smooth stones** (of past experience) out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling *was* in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.

Convictions of the past will make you strong for the future

Jer 35:4 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber

Jer 35:5 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites pots full of wine, and cups, and I said unto them, Drink ye wine.

Jer 35:6 But they said, We will drink no wine: for Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying, Ye shall drink no wine, *neither* ye, nor your sons for ever:

Jer 35:8 Thus have we obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;

Jer 35:18 And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Because ye have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:

Jer 35:19 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.

Jos 4:1 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over Jordan, that the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,

Jos 4:2 Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man,

Jos 4:3 And command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the **priests' feet stood firm**, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you, and leave them in the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night.

2Ki 13:20 And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year.

2Ki 13:21 And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band *of men*; and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man was let down, **and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.**

This man was empowered by the anointed touch of resurrection power off the bones of the past.