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Editor's Notes



Jim & Mary Fellure

Greetings in Christ's name,
On July 25, Mary and I celebrated our fifty-second wedding anniversary, and I can truly say she has been a Proverbs thirty-one wife. She has been perfectly contented with being a keeper at home and the wife of one husband, mother of three children, grandmother of eight grandchildren and now one great grandchild, with two more coming soon. For the past three or four years, Mary has had a

lot of discomfort in her lower back. She has been to several doctors and to pain management so many times without any significant help, that we don't see any real hope of her being able to walk much longer without the aid of a walker, or maybe even a wheelchair. Our plan now is to claim James 5:14–15. I have already asked Tim, and he has scheduled a service when the men of the church will anoint Mary with oil and pray over her. Please pray with us about her problem, and I will give a report about her progress in the next Newsletter.

For me personally, all is well. Last year I was not able to travel as much as usual, but last December I had a hip replacement which totally removed all of my pain, and I am now doing more meetings than I have for several years. Every worker in the VBP print shop has a love for God, ability, and total dedication to getting the Scriptures printed and distributed to those who need them most. So, with the shop running smoothly without me being there, I am free to travel more in special meetings, and as our readers probably already know, in addition to sending the Scriptures to many different places around the world, we also now have the opportunity to reach into every Spanish-speaking country in South America. With the help of missionary Don Rich in Peru, who is serving as a distribution center, Bibles printed and shipped by VBP have already been distributed into seven of the nine Spanish-speaking countries, and as soon as

he gets the next shipment, missionaries and national pastors in the other two countries will receive Bibles. Also, Dr. Thomas Gilmer, a missionary in Brazil, called a few days ago with a request for Bibles. Even though the official language there is Portuguese, there is a large segment of Spanish-speaking people in that country in need of Bibles. Of course, we put him in contact with Brother Rich who will do what he can to help. I give you all this information just to let the pastors I preach for know that in all of my meetings there will be something said about missions, with an emphasis on *Bibles For South America*. Please pray for this phenomenal opportunity, and if I can be of help in any special meeting, call me at 850-384-4402 or email me at jfellure@biblesforsouthamerica.com.

I have just finished writing a book, *The Church Versus Old Landmarkism* which will hopefully be available before the next issue of this Newsletter. I have a copy of *Old Landmarkism, What Is It?*, by J. R. Graves, who made the Landmark Baptist doctrine popular in the late 1800s. One of the many heresies Graves taught was that the Church will never go to Heaven, but when all the churches are established they will become the kingdom of God on earth.

When I first started preaching more than fifty years ago, I already knew the Church would not bring in the kingdom. (That teaching would mean the Church would make the world better and better until it was good enough for Jesus to come back and set up the earthly kingdom of heaven on earth.) However, if someone would have told me the moral and spiritual condition of America would be as bad as it is today, I would never have believed it. With the norm being the homosexual agenda (which includes same-sex marriage and the destruction of the Christian family), Radical Islamic terrorism operating on American soil, the corrupt political system, and a society that has turned its back on God, who made this nation great, all we can do is pray that God will give us the grace to shine as lights in this dark and sinful society and that Jesus Christ will come soon and rapture us out of this present evil world.

May God be with you till we meet again,

Jim Fellure



Evangelist Jim Fellure recommends John & Brenda French and the *There's Hope Family Ministries*.

While recently preaching for Pastor Doug Powell and the Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church of Milan, TN, I lodged in one of the "cabins" at the *There's Hope Family Ministries*, an outreach of the church directed by Brother John French. In more than fifty years of preaching, I have never had more peaceful or comfortable accommodations.

Brother French says, "Many preachers homes are being destroyed by separation, divorce, and rebellious children. Much of this is because of the pressure of the ministry. God has given us ninety-four acres to develop into a retreat for the man of God and his family . . . this is the perfect place to retreat from the battle. Not a place to quit, but a place to regroup."

For more information, contact Brother French at 731-855-0167 or 731-414-7255.

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Print Shop News

Al & Heidi Berg

Dear Friends and Supporters,
The Bible says in Exodus 40:33, "And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the work." A few weeks ago we finished binding and trimming the last Bible from the previous truckload of paper. Finishing something you started, especially if it is a long project, gives a real sense of accomplishment. Moses in this passage is given credit for finishing

the work, but there were many people that contributed materials and labor to get the job done. Victory Baptist Press is no different. I could not have started, much less finished, without your help and the help of volunteers who come to put the Scriptures together once they are printed. Most of those Bibles were sent to Mexico and Puerto Rico. God promised that His Word would not return void, so please pray that many souls will be saved as a result of these Bibles getting in the hands of many people.

To top things off, we finished binding Bibles on a Friday, and a new truckload of paper arrived the following Monday. We are now well underway printing the next project for South America. Please pray that the equipment will continue to run smoothly and that we will continue to get the volunteers needed to finish this job in a timely fashion. We have also printed over 14,000 bilingual John/Romans that will be used in prisons throughout the United States.

Thank you for your continued prayer and support for all of us here at Victory Baptist Press. Only God knows all that has been accomplished over the years through this ministry, and just being able to see some of that in Heaven will be reward enough for me.

God bless you,
Bro. Albert Berg

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The Duns became field representatives for Victory Baptist Press in September 2010. After pastoring two churches for a total of 24 years, and being heavily involved with printing and distributing the Scriptures, the burden for printing became so real to Brother Dunn and his wife Emma that he resigned as a pastor to become a full-time representative for VBP.

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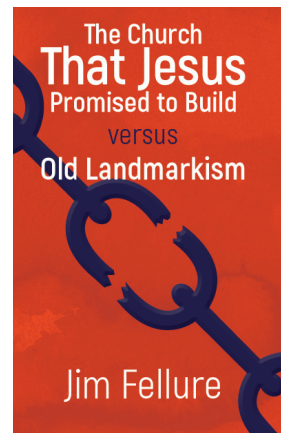
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COMING SOON!

Did J. R. Graves, the founder of Old Landmarkism teach that the church will bring in the kingdom? What about fermented wine and everybody drinking out of the same jug in a communion service? Who makes up the body and bride of Christ? Is water baptism essential for being a part of the church of the first-born? Is there a Holy Ghost baptism in this age? Are Baptists the only ones authorized to preach the gospel? How important is the local church? These and many more questions find very clear and Scriptural answers in this book.



WONDERFUL WORDS OF LIFE

by Jacob Fellure

The first in a series looking at the many wonderful words that describe salvation.

Justification

The definition of justification

What it is not—We sometimes use the term "justify" when we try to provide a sufficient reason for something wrong we have done. This is not a biblical definition of justification. Another popular explanation of justification is to say it is "just-if-I'd" never sinned. This clever explanation only covers about half of justification. We must also not mistake justification with acquittal, for acquittal implies innocence, and we are by no means innocent.

What it is—Justification is a legal term that means "to declare righteous." Justification is the act whereby God declares us righteous, even though we are guilty. As far as the law is concerned, the sinner is free from any consequence. Any record of wrong-doing is erased from the records.

The means of justification

In Romans 3–5, Paul explains the doctrine of justification in great detail. According to Paul's writings, the foundation of justification rests on three principles.

Justification is by grace alone

Romans 3:24—"Being justified freely by his grace."

A quick reading of the first three chapters of Romans will reveal man is desperately depraved. There is nothing good in man. The actions of the natural man display nothing but defiant rebellion against God. But God took it upon Himself to justify man because He is a gracious God.

Justification is through faith alone

Romans 3:28—"Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law."

Faith is the simplest thing in the Bible, yet it is the greatest stumbling block to most men. But why did God choose faith as the means to receive salvation? There are two reasons. First, if it is of faith, it is by God's grace. If God required us to keep the law in order to obtain justification, it could not be by God's grace. The second reason justification is through faith alone is so it might be for God's glory. Romans 4:2—"For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God." When God justifies a man based on faith, it reveals God's grace, which brings glory to God.

Justification is in Christ alone

This answers the dilemma of justification: How can God justify man and remain just? Because He is an impeccably, holy God, He cannot simply forgive and forget your sins. If He has done that, He has become like you and I. Because of His character, sin must be paid for, and the payment must be enough to satisfy the wrath of God. Christ has paid the penalty for man's sin. Second Corinthians 5:21—"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."

When Christ died on the cross, the payment for our sins was paid, God's wrath was poured out on Him, and God's justice was satisfied. Now when I stand before God, because I have placed my faith in what Christ has accomplished, He declares me "Righteous!" Our sin is erased and replaced with the righteousness of Christ. To answer Job's question, "How then can man be justified with God?" By grace, through faith in Christ.

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Each contributor listed below, through their individual contribution, has helped provide 360 Bibles for the mission field.

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"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." (Revelation 14:13)

FROM	IN HONOR OF
Randy & Trish Johnson.....	Brianna

Benefits & Blessings

This Is How I See ItMrs. Pam Leake

There is a passage in the classic, *A Tale of Two Cities*, by Charles Dickens, that contains the phrase, “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.” Considering the times in which we currently live, we could all agree with that thought to some degree. The current state of affairs in our country and the world include both the best of times and the worst of times. So, how do I choose to look at things?

Over the last few months it has been a joy for me, personally, to receive much help from the Word of God in my own reading and study. Surely, His Word is the one solid, sure foundation upon which a child of God can stand. I don’t mean to diminish the effect that my previous Bible reading had on me; it’s just that, as circumstances and events in my own little realm of existence as well as our country and the world seem to quickly spiral downward, the Word of God becomes more precious and meaningful. I guess my ears and mind and heart become keener to what the Lord is saying and thus reinforcing the fact that I must look to Him alone for my hope and my future! As the days fly by, I must make sure that I’m keeping my eyes on Him and not on the boisterous waves about me.

No doubt, in every age it has been said that things are worse than they’ve ever been before; but as my reading through the Old Testament bears out, the world has always been in a mess because of men. However, there are certain benefits and blessings provided by God that help keep me steady in my walk and prevent

me from losing all hope and just giving up. Among the greatest blessings are the assurances that He never changes, His Word never changes, and His promises are just as sure for me today as they were when first penned down! That I possess His eternal and living Word certainly qualifies these as the “best of times.” It’s all in my perspective.

Another benefit is that I have access to the sound preaching and teaching of God’s Word. This past week, my husband and I were once again privileged to attend a camp meeting where we heard some of the finest preaching from men who are not looking to make a big name for themselves or trying to demonstrate their scholarly abilities, but rather who seek to proclaim the truth of God’s Word to challenge and encourage and edify those who listen to them. Though many of these preachers have reached their “senior citizen” status, they are not looking to retire, but “re-fire” for their Lord who called them to preach. I must say that spending three days listening to fourteen different preachers boldly proclaim the Word of God helps me see that these are the “best of times” for a Christian. When hopelessness increases, what better time to share the message of hope in Christ? When evil abounds, what more appropriate time to demonstrate that we can live righteously in this present world?

So, where will my focus be? I will look up and know that my redemption draws nigh! I will thank Him for the knowledge that I am safe in His hands, whether it’s the best of times or worst of times. I pray you can do the same.

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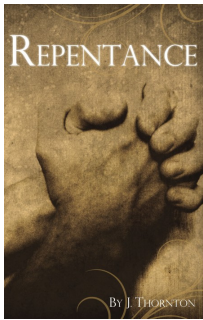
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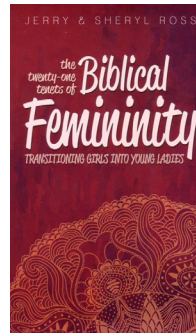
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by J. Thornton

157 pages

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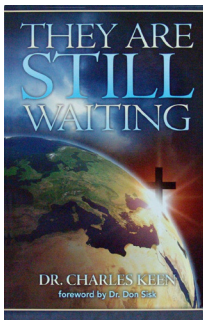
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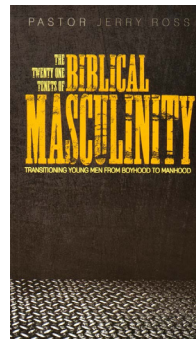
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by Charles Keen

141 pages

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Dr. Don Sisk says, "Since pastors need to preach on missions and . . . missionaries should major on preaching about missions when they are in mission conferences or doing their deputation or furlough, this book could be a great resource for sermons."



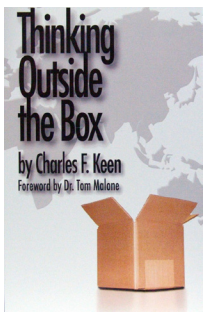
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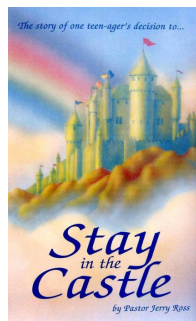
Thinking Outside the Box

by Charles Keen

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The goal of this book is to get the reader to rethink his approach to missions . . . Are we willing to venture outside of our comfort zone of accepted and present practices in our global approach. Dr. Tom Malone, Sr., said "This book has had a tremendous impact on my view of missions. It has helped me to come to a better view of the world, a worldview from the heart."



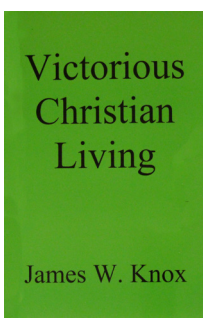
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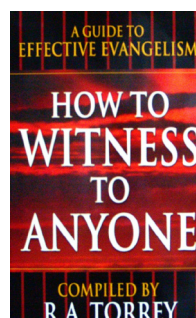
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by James Knox

290 pages

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**The Soul-Winner**

by C. H. Spurgeon

276 pages

\$12.95

For more than forty years Mr. Spurgeon was, by his way of preaching and writing, one of the greatest soul-winners; by his printed word he still continues to be the means of the conversion of many all over the world. It is believed, therefore, that thousands will rejoice to read what he spoke and wrote concerning what he called "the chief business of the Christian minister."

An excerpt from *The Soul-Winner*—

"True conversion is in all men attended by a sense of sin which we have spoken of under the head of conviction; by a sorrow for sin or holy grief at having committed it; by a hatred of sin which proves that its dominion is ended; and by a practical turning from sin which shows the life within the soul is operating upon the life without. True belief and true repentance are twins: it would be idle to attempt to say which is born first. All the spokes of a wheel move at once when the wheel moves, and so all the graces commence action when regeneration is wrought by the Holy Ghost. Repentance, however, there must be. No sinner looks to the Saviour with a dry eye or a hard heart. Aim, therefore, at heart-breaking, at bringing home condemnation to the conscience and weaning the mind from sin, and be not content until the whole mind is deeply and vitally changed in reference to sin.

"Another proof of the conquest of a soul for Christ will be found in a real change of life. If the man does not live differently from what he did before, both at home and abroad, his repentance needs to be repented of, and his conversion is a fiction. Not only action and language, but spirit and temper must be changed."

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The Pastor's Page

Tim Fellure

The Man Who Had a Problem with God

Judges 6:25–32

For seven years, Israel had suffered at the hands of the Midianites as divine judgment for forsaking the Lord. For seven years, bands of the Midianites had swooped down on the farms of the Israelites and pillaged and plundered at will. For seven years, the defenseless Israelites had run away in terror, leaving their

homes and possessions to the enemy. For seven years, Israel had prayed for God to help them, and God had turned away.

But God had raised up a man by the name of Gideon to lead the people in battle against the Midianites. Gideon was the most unlikely candidate for national deliverer you could imagine. He was a farmer not a soldier, he had probably never been in a fight before, and he demonstrated very little leadership ability. But Gideon reluctantly answered the call and God used him mightily at a very important time in Israel's history.

We are all familiar with the great victory Gideon won with his reduced army of 300. But there was another battle Gideon had to fight before he ever got to the Midianites. Before God would send him against the invaders of the land, He sent him against the idols of the land. Gideon thought his first fight would be with Midian, for after all, they were the problem.

But first things first! The night Gideon surrendered to God's call, God came to him in a vision and told him before he was to do war against Midian, there was one other battle that had to be fought. You see, Midian was not the problem—they were the symptom. It would do no good to rid the land of the Midianites if they did not get rid of what brought the Midianites to the land. Israel's greatest problem was not with Midian; it was with Baal. Their spiritual problem was greater than their physical problem. It was their worship of Baal that had caused God to send the Midianites to them. And God was not going to take away the Midianites until they took away Baal. Baal would have to be renounced before Midian could be driven out.

So, God put Gideon to a test. He was to tear down his father's altar to Baal and raise an altar to Jehovah in its stead. With the wood from which the altar to Baal was made, he was to build a fire on the newly erected altar and sacrifice a seven-year-old bullock thereon. Now, the overall lesson in this incident was first things first. Before Gideon could be trusted to deliver a nation, he must first deliver his family. Before he would do war with the Midianites, he must declare war on Baal. First things first!

1.) The Spiritual Must Come Before the Physical!

Israel's greatest problem was a spiritual oppression, not a physical one. Their first concern was the Midianites; God's first concern was their idolatry. They wanted help but not holiness. They wanted revenge

but not righteousness. But God does not deliver people in their sins—He delivers them from their sins. There is no need to build an altar to God if you do not first tear down the altar to Baal. So many people want God to solve their earthly problems (Midian), but they don't want him to deal with their spiritual problems (Baal).

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." This does not mean that we should not be concerned with material things—it is just not to be our first concern. The priority of our life should be spiritual matters first and earthly concerns second.

2.) The Private Must Come Before the Public!

Before Gideon could take the war to the country, he had to fight the war at home. Revival must work from the inside out. Before he could lead others to righteousness, he had to be righteous himself. Before he could reform a nation, he must first reform his home.

In Matthew 6, Jesus turned to the Pharisees in the crowd and nailed their hide to the wall. He called them hypocrites because they were doing in public what they would not do in private. He denounced their giving (6:1–2) their prayers (6:5–6), and their fasting (6:16–18) because they were all done in a superficial show of spirituality. Their private walk did not match their public walk. The private must come before the public. Get your house in order before you go out to win the world.

3.) The Small Must Come Before the Great!

Before you can be trusted to lead an army, you must prove yourself with a household. There may be some tasks too big for you, but there should never be any task too small for you. Do not expect God to call you to a mission field if you won't witness to your neighbor! Do not wait for God to place you in full-time ministry if you are not diligent in volunteer service!

Moses, tend to your father's flocks, and then we'll see about leading Israel out of Egypt! David,

stay in the field watching dumb sheep and then we'll talk about being king. Joshua, be loyal to Moses and then we'll discuss you being his successor. Elisha, serve Elijah faithfully and then we'll talk about that double portion.

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