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"To the law and to the Testimony; if they speak not according to this word  
it is because there is no light in them."—Isaiah 8:20

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## THANKSGIVING!

What a joy it brings to us to approach this blessed season and every year at this time I feel especially grateful to God for all of His goodness.

The promises that He has made us are so exceedingly rich and precious to me.

Has He not promised to supply all of our needs?

"But my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." — Philippians 4:19.

He has promised to bless our crops.

"And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit

of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee."—Deuteronomy 28:11.

He has promised to rebuke the devourer.

"And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field saith the Lord of hosts."—Malachi 3:11.

He has promised to keep us from sickness and plagues.

"And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the

Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee."—Exodus 15:26.

"There shall no evil befall thee neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling."—Psalm 91:10.

He has promised to be with us in our business.

"And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your business, and to

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we of Grace Baptist Church, will continue to have a part in helping TBE go.

God speed the Calvary Baptist Church, her esteemed pastor, and supporting churches in printing the world's greatest Christian paper.

By grace only,  
ELDER J. C. SETTLEMOIR  
Jackson, Michigan

## Calvary Baptist Church Invites All Who Can Possibly Attend, To Be With Us For Our Thanksgiving Services. U All Are Very Welcome!

TIME: THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 25 — 8:30 A.M.

PLACE: CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH — 3339 - 13TH STREET, ASHLAND, KENTUCKY

## The Real Dissenters

By MILBURN COCKRELL  
Dorsey, Mississippi

Those who hold to election and predestination in the twentieth century are accused of being dissenters from the Baptist ranks and charged with neo-orthodoxy. We sovereign grace independent Baptists are arraigned of following the writings of John Calvin rather than the writings of the New Testament. This is so commonly done that the uninformed public actually believes we are some kind of new deal Baptists of a very modern origin. But the very reverse is true. Sovereign grace Baptists who hold to the five points of theological Calvinism are not modern innovators. We are the only Baptists who are still contending for the faith of the New Testament and of our Baptist forefathers. We alone are walking in the old paths and standing by the old landmarks as we stand unflinchingly for the doctrines of grace.

I am writing in this treatise to prove what I have just said to the satisfaction of all honest minds. The churches of the first century were Calvinistic as the New Testament plainly set forth. I shall not try to prove this to you since countless other books written by scholarly men are easily accessible. The writings of the New Testament are the best and earliest proof that the primitive churches held to the doctrines of grace.

### SECOND CENTURY

Ignatius, bishop of Antioch, wrote in his epistle to the Ephesians in 110 A.D.: "To the predestinated before ages, that is, before the world began; always to be a glory, abiding, immovable united, and chosen in the

true passion by the will of God the Father . . ."

Clemens Alexandrinus, presbyter of the church at Alexandria, in 190 A.D. penned these words: "God distributes his benefits both to the Greeks and to the Barbarians, to them who are predestinated from among them, and are in his own time called, faithful and elect."

Justin Martyn in 150 A.D. inscribed this: "To us is given to hear, and to understand, and to be saved by this Christ, and to know all things of the Father."

Could these distinguished men of the second century pastor Arminian Baptist churches if they lived today? Were these men dissenters? No! They were the leading men of this century. So the doctrines of grace were taught and believed by the vast majority of the churches in this century.

### THIRD CENTURY

The celebrated man of Carthage in North Africa, Tertullian, disclosed such statements as the following in his writings:

" . . . that the elect may be manifested, that the reprobate may be detected."

Still again: "There can be no election without reprobation."

Origines Alexandrinus in his writings reflects a knowledge of

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the doctrines of grace. In 230 A.D. he wrote: "He that is the least of all the disciples of Christ, cannot perish . . ." Here he sets forth eternal security.

Novatian, a presbyter in the church at Rome, Italy, was a predestinarian. "Novatian taught in his book 'De Trinitate,' which was then judged to be orthodox, that a certain number were predestinated to salvation and glory before time" (Principles and Practices of the Church, p. 14). Why do Arminian Baptists claim this man in their church succession and at the same time dub sovereign grace Baptists who believe as Novatian did heretics? Who is the real heretic — the real dissenter?

### FOURTH CENTURY

Many Baptists were called "Donatists" in this century. "The

Donatists and Novatianists very nearly resembled each other in doctrines and discipline" (A Concise History of the Baptists, p. 87). This statement reveals that the Donatists were predestinarians just like the Novatianists.

In 390 A.D. Hieronymus wrote on the subjects of election and predestination: "It must be affirmed, that according to the prescience and predestination of God, those things are already done which are future, for they that are chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world have been already in former ages."

Epiphanius, bishop of Salamis, spoke of restricted redemption: He said that Christ "gave his life for his own sheep."

Macarius Egyptus disclosed his belief in total depravity: "Without that heavenly leaven, which is the power of the Divine Spirit, it is impossible that a soul should be leavened with the goodness of God, and attain life." He stated again: "Man is so wounded, that it is impossible he should be healed but by the Lord alone, to him it is possible."

Gregory, bishop of Nyssa opposed the doctrine of freewill: "Man has changed and has, instead of the freedom of the will, the wicked and base slavery of sin."

Deacon Hilary spoke of perseverance and election: "Whom God is said to call, they persevere in faith; these are they whom He has chosen in Christ before the world began . . ."

This is the century that Augustine appeared. Arminians who know a little history have always delighted in calling sovereign grace Baptists "Augustinians" when they cannot think of the

## The Baptist Examiner Pulpit

A Sermon by Pastor John R. Gilpin

### "WHY GOD HAS BLESSED BRO. GILPIN"

This past week I received a letter from one of our very best friends — a man who has supported, and still supports, all of our work in a very unusual manner.

His letter was a very unusual letter. I am not going to tell you the author of the letter, but I want to give you the content of the letter, because the content of the letter is the basis for what I want to say to you this morning.

The letter was a very endear-

ing one — one that was deeply appreciated by me, and one that helped me much as I read it.

In the course of expressing himself, in appreciation of all our ministry, he said, "I just don't understand why it is that God has blessed you as He has."

I am ready to grant that God has been unusually good to me. Of course, I have had my problems, just like everybody else. I am satisfied that we all have had lots of problems as we look backward across life's experiences.

I am sure that I have had my share of problems as far as this world is concerned. I think about Mrs. Gilpin's illness, which is a lifetime story, as far as that is concerned. I go back to the time when John Jr. was born and her illness at that time. All down through the years, she has had various problems, as well as at the present time.

That is a burden to me, of course, in my ministry; a trial for which I thank the Lord, but

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## We Pray That This Thanksgiving May Be A Special Thanksgiving In Your Life For The Many Blessings Of An Almighty Sovereign God



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## THANKSGIVING OFFERING ANTICIPATED

In this issue you will find a business reply envelope which requires no postage. I hope that God puts it in your heart to send a Thanksgiving offering, the like of which He has never prompted you to send before, and that the offering which you send shall be blessed of God for the furtherance of all the mission work in which we are interested.

Brother Burket and Brother Halliman are both richly deserving of your support as is TBE.

Please make this a Thanksgiving offering that will make us exceedingly happy as we carry on our work in the service of our Lord.



### "God Has Blessed"

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a burden, nevertheless.

I have lots of problems, as most of you know. I have had lots of problems personally, as has most everybody in the world, yet it is true, as this man said, that he just didn't understand why the Lord has blessed me.

He went on to make mention of the fact that God had given me three fine children, and I'll agree with him in that respect. I thank the Lord for the children that He has given me.

He went further and mentioned my grandchildren, that the Lord had given us several splendid grandchildren, and I'll agree with him in that respect also.

He went further and mentioned the fact that God had given me a good church, and I certainly agree with him there.

He talked about the way in true.

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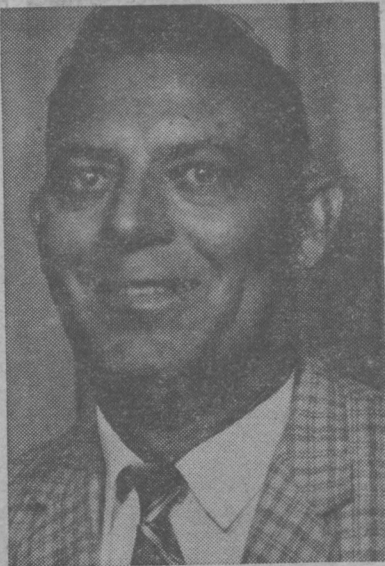
We at Temple Baptist Church of Bristol, Tennessee contribute to the support of The Baptist Examiner, and we thank God for a paper that stands for the Truth of Grace and the Baptist Church.

We believe The Baptist Examiner to be the soundest mission effort that you can find anywhere. We would urge every church and pastor who loves the Truth to support the paper.

We thank God for Brother Gilpin and Calvary Baptist Church for their love for the Truth.

## TBE HAS BEEN A BLESSING TO HIM

I truly thank God for The Baptist Examiner and the truths of the Bible which you so zealously uphold. I was once a member of the largest church of Cleveland which is called a Baptist Church.



But God in His wisdom caused my path to cross with a member of a true New Testament Church, who gave me a subscription to your paper. I began to see the errors of my church. Though I knew I was saved by God's grace, I became convinced that I was not in the church that Jesus built, so I left. After talking it over with my former pastor, I gave up my deacon office and teaching job and went 20 miles away to be baptized into the church that Jesus built, that I might by the grace of God help contend for the faith

once delivered to the saints. I pray that you may continue to expose false teachings, especially the doctrine of universal atonement and free-will decisions of men. These teachings lull men to sleep with a false sense of security.

I do strongly recommend The Baptist Examiner to all that love and desire the truth.

BOBBY C. MORGAN  
Cleveland, Ohio

which the Lord had blessed the church, and I certainly agree with him that God has opened up many avenues of blessing for Calvary Baptist Church. What church is there any place, either large or small, that has had the opportunity to do the work and ministry of Calvary Baptist Church? As this man said, when you think about it, we are supporting undoubtedly the greatest missionary this side of Bible days. He is referring, of course, to Brother Halliman, and I agree with that. I think Brother Halliman's ministry will rank alongside of the ministry of the Apostle Paul. I think Brother Halliman's ministry is an unusual ministry. God has certainly blessed him greatly.

He made mention of the fact of Brother Burket and our radio ministry, and in a very complimentary manner, spoke highly of both of these.

He went further and said that he didn't understand why it was that God had chosen me as pastor of this church, and had seen fit to bless the work of this church as He had.

He made mention of our annual Bible Conference, how it has recognition all over America, which is true. Wherever there are Fundamental Baptists, those Baptists refer to the Bible Conference with glowing praise.

He likewise called attention to the ministry of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER, and in doing so, he said, in a very complimentary manner, that THE BAPTIST EXAMINER was reaching people all over the world, and that I had a world-wide ministry in my preaching in THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. I realize that this is

One enemy said sometime ago, that I had better be right, because I was reaching so many many people, and if I weren't right, I'd be in an awful bad shape. I agree with him. If I am not right, I'll certainly be in a bad shape, because I know that I am reaching a great number of people.

## OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

On Thursday morning November 25, we will observe our annual Thanksgiving services at



JOHN R. GILPIN

Calvary Baptist Church and at that time I will be preaching (D.V.) from the following text:

"As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water. Turn you to the stronghold, ye prisoners of hope: even to-day do I declare that I will render double unto thee." Zechariah 9:11,12.

Brother Jon Rule will be with us to speak each night during Thanksgiving week from November 22 through November 28. Other brethren will be preaching for us each evening during the week. We anticipate a great week in the fellowship of our Lord. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

## A MEMORIAL TO DECEASED HUSBAND

The 27th of this month my beloved husband, Hugh D. Jobe, will have been gone to Glory one year. Needless to say I have missed him greatly.

As a memorial to him, since he had such great love for your church and The Baptist Examiner, please accept this offering (\$100.00) in memory of him.

May the Lord bless all your efforts to advance His kingdom in this wicked world.

LELA K. JOBE  
Gravette, Arkansas

This friend made mention of the tremendous impact and influence of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER. He went on to say he didn't see why it was that God had chosen me, and why God had chosen Calvary Baptist Church—one of the smallest churches, numerically, in the country—he just didn't see why God had chosen us as He had, and was using us in the way that He is.

Then he made mention of the material blessings, and in doing so he called attention to the fact that God has blessed us in our printing shop, and that God has given me a house in which to live. He didn't understand why it was that God has seen fit to bless me as He had, physically, materially, and spiritually.

He knows enough about me physically. For my age, I am in unusually good health. Of course, I have an eye that will always be a burden to me; I have some other disabilities that will always be a problem; but for a man of my age, I have unusual health. He made mention of that.

Then he summed it all up by saying that he just didn't understand why it was that God had blessed us in the measure in which He has, and he said, "If you can tell me, I'd like to have your recipe."

Beloved, I'll give him the recipe now, and will give it to thousands of others, in that I plan to put this message in THE BAPTIST EXAMINER.

I

I BELIEVE GOD HAS BLESSED ME BECAUSE I HAVE TRIED TO WALK UPRIGHTLY.

God blesses not only me, but all of His children, on one basis, that they walk uprightly. Listen:

"No good thing will he withhold from them that walk up-

rightly."—Psa. 84:11.

I am ready to grant that I have failed and come short in walking as uprightly as I would have liked to, yet here is a general statement of promise whereby God tells us that there is nothing that He will withhold, by way of good, from that individual that walks uprightly.

As I say, I am far from perfect. I realize my imperfections more than you realize them. I am more conscious of my imperfections than you are of mine. I plead guilty to the fact that I come far short of being what I would like to be, yet I know, as I look backward across my life, that I have tried to the best of my ability to walk uprightly before the Lord. God's promise is that there is no good thing that He will withhold from that individual who walks uprightly.

Beloved, that is Reason No. One why God has blessed me, and I will say that it could be Reason No. One as to why God would bless any individual. I think that one reason why God would bless any man or woman is because that individual walks uprightly with the Lord.

II

I BELIEVE GOD HAS BLESSED ME BECAUSE OF MY ATTITUDE TOWARD THE JEWISH RACE.

I have been accused of being a Jew lover. That isn't particularly true. There have been some Jews that have aggravated me to death. Some Jews have aggravated me no end, yet I have taken an attitude toward the Jewish race to the extent that I claim God's promise of blessing in this Scripture:

"Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country (Continued on page 3, column 1)

## TESTIMONY OF A MOST LOYAL HELPER

This lady has prepared the manuscripts of my sermons and has kept our books for over twenty-five years, and at no cost to us, for which we are most deeply grateful.—J.R.G.

I consider THE BAPTIST EXAMINER a great paper, in that it stands uncompromisingly for ALL the Word of God.



Through the years, innumerable testimonies have been received from those who have been blessed thereby. Not only have souls been saved, and the saved strengthened spiritually, but especially TBE has been a "teacher," with the Bible as a textbook, to young preachers in understanding the great doctrines of God's Word.

Many, many hours of work go into the editing, printing and mailing of each issue of TBE. This requires a considerable amount of money. For over a quarter of a century, I have had a small part in helping to send forth this great paper, in that I have assisted in preparing the manuscripts.

I am happy for the privilege of thus contributing my time, and I trust that our readers shall likewise contribute of their means, as the Lord may lead.

FLORENCE HUTCHINSON  
Huntington, West Virginia

# TBE Is Thankful For Its Readers, And We Trust You Will Think Of Us When You Pray, Asking God's Blessings To Continue With Us.



## CALVARY'S TREASURER SPEAKS FOR TBE

For over forty years our church treasurer has been one of my closest friends. He has supported TBE with his prayers and offerings ever since its beginning. Now, once a month, when I have gone as far as I can financially, as treasurer of our church he bails me out — always \$500.00 or more each month.—J.R.G.

As a member and treasurer of Calvary Baptist Church, I take this means of thanking you for your loyal support of TBE. Too often the publishing of TBE is thought of as the work of Calvary Baptist Church, but each of you, by your prayers and/or offerings, share in the work.

Each month as I make up the church's financial report I am made to realize how impossible, humanly speaking, it would be for Calvary Baptist Church alone to publish TBE.

I must say with Paul in II Thess. 1:3, "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren," and may His richest blessings rest upon you.

C. T. EVERMAN  
Ashland, Kentucky

## "God Has Blessed"

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try, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:

"And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

"And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee; and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."—Gen. 12:1-3.

This is God speaking primarily unto Abraham, and He gives to Abraham a promise that he is going to make of Abraham a great nation. He tells Abraham

that He not only will make him a great nation, but that He is going to bless him; furthermore, Abraham is going to be a blessing to all the nations of the world, and Abraham's seed is to produce the Christ. Then He says, "I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee."

I read that years ago, and was thoroughly convinced of the truth of it — that God promises a blessing to the individual that blesses Abraham's seed, and likewise He promises a curse to the individual that curses Abraham's seed.

About the time that I read this (passage of Scripture, when I was

just a boy preacher, Henry Ford was on trial in Michigan for having written some stirring, sharp, caustic editorials against the Jews. He had published them in his paper, known as THE DEARBORN INDEPENDENT. It had nation-wide circulation.

Up to that time, the Ford automobile had been the outstanding car in America. It outsold anything and everything.

A shrewd Jew by the name of Aaron Shapiro, out on the West Coast, had organized the fruit growers of California into a cooperative for the marketing of their fruit. That shrewd Jew took up the fight against Henry Ford and carried the case to the highest court, with the result that Henry Ford was compelled to pay a tremendous indemnity to the Jews; had to promise to cease in his editorial tirades against them; and had to publicly apologize for everything that he had written against them.

As I say, that happened just about the time that I became convinced of the truth of Genesis 12:1-3.

Then about that same time, I procured a copy of one of the greatest books that was ever written, by a man by the name of Wilkinson, entitled "Israel, My Glory," whereby the author called attention to the Jewish race as being God's glory. When I read the newspaper accounts of Henry Ford's experience, and when I read this book, "Israel, My Glory," I was thoroughly convinced that what God said in Genesis 12:1-3 was true: "I'll bless the man that blesses you. I'll curse the man that curses you." From that time down to this, I have certainly taken a kindly attitude toward Abraham's race.

I remember that in Egypt the Jews had a hard time. What became of Pharaoh? He drowned in the Red Sea.

I know that the Jews had a hard time in Persia, at the time of Ahasuerus, as recorded in the book of Esther, when Haman himself was hanged upon his own gallows that he had prepared for the hanging of Mordecai. Those of his friends that were standing with him were slaughtered when King Ahasuerus gave an edict whereby he told the Jews to prepare for war and to protect themselves on the day when Haman's enemies should rise against them.

Then I think about the nations down through the years that have opposed the Jews. What has happened to them? What happened to Hitler?

Let me tell you one personal experience. A German officer, priding himself on his German blood, and determined against Jesus and the cause of Christ, and all Jews in particular, brought his wife into a hospital in Germany when she was to be delivered of a child. As soon as he came into her room after the child was delivered, he saw a crucifix on the wall and demanded at once that the crucifix be removed.

The head of the hospital was called, and said, "No, this can't be done. This crucifix has to stay there."

One thing led to another. He tried every way to have this crucifix removed. Finally, in talking to the highest person in the hospital, he said, "My child is of pure descent, and I do not want my child to ever have to look upon that little Jew, Jesus, nor any other Jew."

As he made that statement, a nurse came into the room and said, "Sir, you have your request

## THINKS TBE DESPERATELY NEEDED

I have had articles in The Baptist Examiner for a period of many years, and for several years now have served with



three others in answering Bible questions each week in the Forum. The question has been raised, "Doesn't it take quite a bit of your time to answer those questions, and do you receive any pay?"

"No," I don't receive any pay, and "yes," it does take quite a bit of time. I gladly devote the time necessary for the answering of questions. Why? Because I believe — and intensely — the things that are taught in the Examiner. The time was when Baptist papers generally held to the doctrines and teachings such as are to be found in the Examiner, but that time has just about vanished. Most of

such papers are now denominationally owned, and they have degenerated into promotional sheets designed to promote denominational organizations. The Examiner is just about all that is left in the way of a good sized religious periodical, that dares stand for the whole truth of God's Word. It is needed desperately in these loose times, and I am glad to bestow some time and effort in its behalf, without thought of earthly reward.

Many of you do not aid The Examiner in the way just mentioned, but there is one thing that each and every one of you can do to help. You can contribute a gift — large or small — according to your ability, to help keep the paper going forth on its badly needed mission.

Do you really believe in the old-time faith promoted by The Examiner? The best proof would be a gift to help the editor keep on sending it forth.

ELD. ROY MASON  
Aripeka, Florida

## APPRECIATES THE BAPTIST EXAMINER

It surely is most appropriate for me, that ever now and then, I should express my appreciation for The Baptist Examiner. When some person or thing has been a great blessing we should speak out our appreciation. This paper has been a great blessing to me, and has had a tremendous influence upon my life and ministry. My ministry today is largely what it is, because of what God has done through this paper and its influences.

The paper has been used of God to strengthen me in Truth already known. It has been used to teach me truths that I did not know, when I first began receiving this paper. I praise God for the many blessings I have received through the reading of TBE.

The Baptist Examiner has been a great blessing to the fine church I am honored to

pastor. I feel that it was largely through the influence of TBE that our church came together. Many of our folk came with us because of truths they already had learned through the influence of TBE. This paper has been used of God to greatly assist me in the pastorate of Grace Baptist Church. We see that all our members get this paper. I constantly call attention to, and comment upon, articles in the paper. My ministry is strengthened to the people through the ministry of TBE.

I feel that one of the great works of our church is its support of The Baptist Examiner. We regularly send \$50.00 monthly for TBE. We send on occasion, an extra offering to help support the paper. Surely, this great paper is worthy of the support of every sound Baptist Church. I feel that TBE is the greatest single missionary work in the world today. It is a surprise to me, as I travel around the country, that so many churches, where pastors and members are greatly blessed by TBE — still do not contribute regularly to its support. I am constantly urging pastors to lead their churches to give regular monthly offerings for this paper. I would now urge every reader of this article — every believer in sound doctrine — every sound church — to support regularly this great Baptist paper. Truly, it is the greatest paper in print.

I thank and praise God for the privilege of having a part in the ministry of The Baptist Examiner. God bless you all.

JOSEPH M. WILSON, Pastor  
Grace Baptist Church,  
Winston-Salem, N.C.

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granted. Your wife has just delivered a child who is totally blind."

I think often of that experience — how God has blessed and cursed the individual who blesses or curses Jews.

How about Hitler himself? I don't know what happened to him. I have never been thoroughly convinced that he and his lady friend died as is generally supposed they did. But there is one thing certain: there was a time when Hitler and his legions goose-stepped all over the low countries of Holland and Belgium, and it looked like Hitler had the world at his feet. I think everybody trembled, thinking that Hitler was going to conquer

the world.

The only persons who didn't believe he would, were those who believed the book of Daniel. The man who believed the book of Daniel knew that Hitler couldn't succeed, because God had said there was going to be four world empires, and no more, and they had already been in existence. Hitler couldn't succeed.

But it looked to the world like Hitler was going to succeed. And why didn't he succeed? I don't know why, but I know one thing: Hitler hated the Jews. Oh, with a passion, he hated the Jews! Lampshades by the hundreds and thousands were made of Jewish skin. The many, many (Continued on page 5, column 4)

## PASTOR TELLS WHY HE SUPPORTS TBE

I want to offer a personal testimony concerning The Baptist Examiner. I was saved when I was a young boy. I



profess, as did Paul in the Scripture, that in my flesh "dwells no good thing." But from the time I was saved, I have had a strong desire to believe the truth. After I started preaching I believed in the perpetuity of the Baptist Church. I was sound on church truth, but I was not sound on the doctrines of Grace. The Baptist Examiner was used of the Lord to show me and teach me the Sovereignty of God and salvation by the marvelous Grace of God. The Baptist Examiner and Bro. Gilpin have meant so much to me that only eternity will reveal.

Human words cannot express the praise I have for Bro. Gilpin and The Baptist Examiner. They have taught me so many truths of God's Word.

This is why I want to support The Baptist Examiner and have my church do so.

BILL MITCHELL, Pastor  
Cumberland River Baptist  
Church,  
Williamsburg, Kentucky

Only As God's People Support Us Will We Be Able To Continue Our Written Ministry. An Offering From You Will Bless Us This Day.



*Pride was the sin of the angels in heaven.*

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# THANKSGIVING WEEK SERVICES

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**MARVIN FULTON**  
WAYNE, WEST VIRGINIA

**THURSDAY EVENING**



**WILLARD PYLE**  
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**AUSTIN FIELDS**  
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**MAKE THIS A BETTER THAN EVER WEEK OF YOUR LIFE!**



## WE THANK GOD FOR LONG-TIME FRIEND

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to write this note commending both The Baptist Examiner and the very capable editor of same. I have been receiving The Baptist Examiner for over twenty years, and I can truly say that as far as I am concerned it is the soundest Baptist paper in print.



Over the years I led the church of which I was pastor to support the paper, and I shall encourage my present pastorate (the Grace Memorial Baptist Church) to support The Baptist Examiner.

I think of The Baptist Examiner as a Missionary endeavor, and believe that when we support it we are supporting missions. I cannot find words adequate in recommending the paper to all who may read this note, as I am sure

that there will be many people who will read this issue of The Baptist Examiner who have never supported, nor subscribed to it, but have been reading it for years at the expense of someone who has been good enough to either subscribe for them, or gave them their own copy, out of the goodness of their heart.

People who support the paper realize the tremendous worth of The Baptist Examiner, and therefore are willing to share their copy with others, but every one that reads the paper should help to support it.

WAYNE COX, Pastor  
Grace Memorial Baptist Church  
Memphis, Tennessee.

## ADAM'S RIB

WRITTEN BY A WOMAN  
AND FOR WOMEN

### "BE YE THANKFUL"

"So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks forever: we will show forth thy praise to all generation.—Psalm 79:13.

A thankful heart is like a rare exotic flower. Very difficult to find. It should be as common as a dandelion, among the Lord's people. We have so much to be thankful for that most of our thoughts and time should be taken up with praises to our God for His goodness to us. But alas, it is not so. For too much of our time and conversation is given

over to criticism and fault-finding. Just in case you think I am exaggerating, think back to last Sunday after church. How much fault did you find with the pastor? His sermon? The Sunday School teacher? His lesson? The music? Your children? Other children? Your husband? Another member of the church? etc. How much genuine thankfulness did you enjoy? It's brutal to be honest sometimes, isn't it? Especially with ourselves. Yet we need to be reminded lest we forget to be thankful.

Some people would grumble at the accommodations in Heaven. They take their blessings here so much as a matter of course that even a day of general thanksgiving once a year is more than they feel any need of. And if their personal blessings in any measure fail, gratitude for what they have had or still enjoy is the last thing they think of.

You have all met the woman who is always sick. She runs to every doctor in town. Her case is the worst any doctor has ever

seen. For all the advances in medical science, no one can seem to help her. Yet, this same woman is never too sick to go where ever she really wants to go, or do the things she really wants to do. One thing you can be sure of, you'll never hear her being thankful for anything. Her aches and pains are all she ever talks about.

Then there is the woman who never has anything good to say about anyone. She can not give thanks in someone else's behalf. She finds fault with everything and everybody. If she does say some kind words, she will spoil it with "but" and "however" and then go into a lengthy discourse. Tearing down any good she might have said. All she has is left-handed thanks.

We wouldn't want to forget the woman who is a natural pessimist. You know her too. She may even go to your church. She wouldn't know a blessing if it walked up and said "good morning." Her days are filled with dark clouds. A good ray of sunshine would not dare to shine through. She always looks for the worst in everything and everybody. And if she finds it, she is quick to say "I told you so." There is not a "Thank" left in her anywhere.

But, oh, this should not be so. What does our Bible say? "We will give THANKS forever." Who shall? We, the people of God. The sheep of His pasture. As sheep we ought to give thanks. Did not the Shepherd give His life for His sheep? And in Col. 1:12 it says, "Giving THANKS unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light."

We can be thankful that He has also added us to His church. "And let the peace of God rule in your hearts to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye THANKFUL." Col. 3:15. If you are not yet a member of His church, then you should be, if you are saved. For herein lies many things in which to be thankful. We are told that the Lord's church is the ground and pillar of the truth. (1 Tim. 3:15). And it has the commission to teach the all things of the Scriptures. (Matt. 28:19,20). This is the only way we can claim Col. 2:7 in a practical way in our lives. "Rooted and built up in Him, and established in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with THANKSGIVING."

One of the hardest things is to thank the Lord for our troubles. I mean while we are in the midst of them. We forget that the rainbow comes after the shower — that the sunrise is more glorious against a dark horizon. And yet we are admonished in 1 Thes. 5:1 "In everything give THANKS: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

Our text closes with, "We will show forth thy praise to all generations." How can we do this? Through our children. Some of us are so busy complaining about our children, you would think that the Lord made a mistake in giving them to us. We criticize them so much we don't seem to have any time to be thankful for them. How still the home would be without their laughter. Even that irritating chatter would be welcome if for some reason it should cease.

The people of God, the sheep of His pasture should be a thankful people. They should show it by way of their speech and lives. We need to show this forth before our children that they might be thankful also. Psalm 26:7, "That I may publish with the

## OUR FAITHFUL PROOF-READER BELIEVES IN THE MINISTRY OF TBE

I consider TBE one of the greatest missionary endeavors of our day. It stands, without apology, for the gospel and all doctrines taught in God's Holy Word. Saints are taught the Truth, and thereby are strengthened and encouraged to be faithful, looking forward to the Second Coming of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.



TBE has a world-wide circulation, indoctrinating many preachers, and reaching many people who are not providentially privileged to attend a true Baptist Church regularly. We, of Calvary Baptist Church, thank the Lord for the privilege of sponsoring this missionary work. I, as a member, count it a joy and privilege to help in its publication by giving of my time as one of TBE's proof-readers.

May it be pleasing unto the Lord that each of you will count this work worthy of your support, by your prayers and means as the Lord leads.

HAZEL F. HUTCHINSON,  
Huntington, West Virginia

voice of THANKSGIVING, and tell of all thy wondrous works."

O Thou whose bounty fills my cup  
With every blessing meet,  
I give Thee thanks for every drop  
The bitter and the sweet.

I praise Thee for the desert road  
And for the riverside.  
For all Thy goodness hath bestowed  
And all Thy grace denied.

### "God Has Blessed"

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instances that history has recorded of his atrocities, and the way in which he put people to death, for no other reason than that they were of Jewish descent, is impossible to describe or believe.

Can you imagine a man so ferocious that he would lay logs down one beside the other, and

lay Jews down cross-wise, and a man would walk alongside with a Luger pistol and shoot each one of those Jews in the head; and lay another row of logs down and another row of Jews, walk along and shoot them in the head; and another row of logs and another row of Jews, until they had a pyre some 12 feet in height, and then set fire to it? It doesn't seem possible that a man could be so depraved, yet this took place.

The poisonings and the poison gas, and all the things that were done to the Jews by Hitler, seem utterly reprehensible to us — an impossibility, but it took place.

What happened to Hitler? I don't know, but I know one thing: Hitler lost. He had to lose, because God said, "I'll bless the man that blesses the Jews; I'll curse the man that curses the Jews."

You ask me why that God has blessed me as He has? I'll say this: I am as thoroughly convinced as can be that I have (Continued on page 6, column 1)

## SAYS TBE HAS BEEN CONSISTENT

As the Pastor of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, we thank the Lord for the help TBE has been to our own life, and to the lives of many of the members. It has been used to edify, enlighten, and encourage.



It is a paper for the Lord's churches, since it proclaims the whole counsel of God. Therefore if churches have been helped, they should help.

I can recommend TBE because it has been consistent over the years. No, not perfect, but one of the best papers Scripturally, you can find.

WILLARD PYLE, Pastor  
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church  
Chesapeake, Ohio

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JAMES E. HOBBS  
McDermott, Ohio

## THINKS TBE STANDS STEADFASTLY

As I travel around to the various churches in the country there is one thing that I find prevalent most every where.



The Baptist Examiner is used as an effective aid to help the members become stronger in the knowledge of the precious teachings of the Word of God. Many churches send gift subscriptions to every member and all visitors.

To me, The Baptist Examiner is the only paper that stands steadfastly on the doctrines of the Bible. For this reason, I enjoy taking the time for the Forum and other articles from time to time.

Our church considers the support of TBE to be a part of its mission efforts. Let me urge all who read the paper to support it both in prayers and financially. Of course, I

believe that all churches should make the support as part of their mission ventures.

# Show Your Thankfulness This Year By An Offering Equal To The Blessings You Have Received From The Reading Of This Publication!

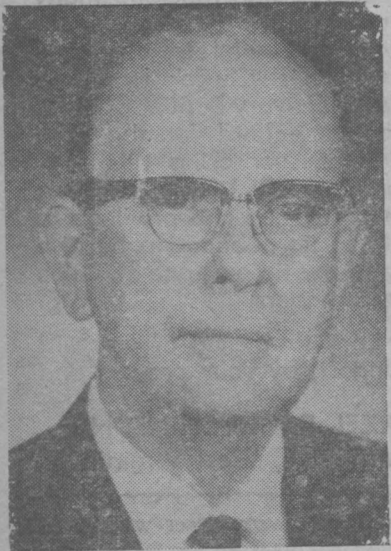


In prosperity men ask too little of God; in adversity they are likely to ask too much.

# The Best Way To Tell Us You Are Thankful For TBE Is To Shout So We Hear From You. Money Really Talks. Your Support Is Needed Now!

## "IF YOU APPRECIATE TBE — SAY IT WITH CASH!"

For many years now it has been my happy, and I believe my God-given privilege to give much time and labor to the



readers of The Baptist Examiner. It has been a labor of love for my precious Lord, and then for His precious saints. And what a joy it has been through the years to labor along side of men like Brother Gilpin, Brother Mason, Brother Fields, Brother Hobbs, Brother Cockrell, Brother Farmer and a host of others who contribute to our growth in our Christian life. And how my heart was thrilled by our beloved Brother McCrum's letter to Brother Halliman. He expressed my sentiments so much better than I could have.

If The Baptist Examiner were to fold up today, if this were to be the last issue you would ever be able to read, the old religious world would probably throw a party like unto the one we see in Rev. 11:10.

But what about you? Would you exchange gifts with your friends and rejoice with exceedingly great joy because The Baptist Examiner is no more?

We need to remember that all the wonderful people who labor day in and day out, week in and week out in order that you and I may receive this wonderful paper each week must meet the high cost of living just as you and I do. They are struggling with inflation continually just as we are.

So if you really appreciate The Baptist Examiner along with all it stands for, SAY IT WITH CASH. After all, that is what it takes for the dear people up in Ashland who print and mail the paper to us to be able to meet the high cost of living.

ELD. E. G. COOK  
Birmingham, Alabama

## "God Has Blessed"

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had a blessing from the Lord because of the attitude I have toward the Jewish race.

There is a Baptist preacher I know that has been on a tirade against the Jews for the last twenty years. I used to think quite highly of him until I learned his position in that he hates the thought of the Jews, and does everything he can contrary to them. In his preaching, he has denounced them, and done everything possible contrary to the Jews. What has been the result? He has traveled about from one pastorate to another,

one church to another. He has a list of broken churches behind him. God has never blessed his ministry, and God has never put His stamp of approval upon his ministry. I think I know why. God has said, "I will bless the man that blesses thee, and I'll curse the man that curseth thee."

That is Reason No. Two why I think God has been good to me and has blessed me personally.

III

I BELIEVE THAT GOD HAS BLESSED ME BECAUSE I TITHE.

We read:

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say,

Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

"Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."—Mal. 3:8-10.

The nation of Israel had robbed God of His tithes. What had been the result? God had cursed them.

I think, beloved, that this passage of Scripture is to be taken literally. I am satisfied that God blesses the individual who tithes. I have said repeatedly, and I repeat it to you this morning, you cannot expect God's blessings if you fail to tithe. I tell everybody, when you get a job, whether you are saint or sinner, take one-tenth of what you get and put it in the house of God every time you go to church, if you want God to bless you.

I was in college when this lesson of tithing was thoroughly impressed upon me. I was having a hard time. When I went to college, my father wasn't in favor of it at all. He didn't want me to go. He wouldn't help me financially, and I went to college with only \$40 and one suit, and the gable end of the britches was mighty thin. I went to college with no money and no clothes, and I worked hard in Cumberland College to get through.

As soon as school was over for the day, I would go to one of the school buildings and was janitor for two rooms in that school building. Then I would eat supper, and after supper I would paint until after 9:00 o'clock each night. Then I studied after that.

I had a hard time. I'll be frank with you, I had such a hard time getting through school that I have actually opened a dime can of sardines and used those sardines for my supper and my breakfast. I had that hard a time.

When I was thinking about how I was going to get through college, lo and behold, this text came to my mind. God said, "Tithe." I said, "Lord, I can't tithe. I am having a hard time staying in college now. How am I going to be able to tithe?"

I tried my best to argue with the Lord. I said, "When I get out of college, then I'll tithe." Beloved, if I had kept my promise that I would start tithing when I got out of college, I wouldn't be out of college yet. The Lord said, "You tithe. I'll take care of college." Do you know what He did? He took care of my college expenses, and in my senior year, I was not only able to put myself through college, but I paid \$500 on another person's expenses going through college.

Don't tell me God doesn't bless if you tithe. I know He does. I started tithing when I was in Cumberland College, and God has blessed me over and over again.

I don't think all the blessings He promises are material blessings.

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## URGES FRIENDS TO MAKE A SPECIAL OFFERING THIS THANKSGIVING SEASON

The East Side Baptist Church is indeed thankful for the publication of the great paper, The Baptist Examiner. That

is why that we have included the paper in the budget of the church. A certain per cent of every penny that this church receives goes to help in this work.

We realize that there is no possible way for the paper to be published without much more financial help than simply the subscription price, even if the price should be many times the regular price itself. Without the extra efforts of the friends and churches in giving offerings to help defray the increased costs of sending forth this paper, we know that it would not be possible to bear the load of its publication.



It would seem to me that every one of the lovers of TBE would give careful consideration to the fact that inflation is hitting publishers extremely hard. This would lead us to the conclusion that there is an extraordinary need for an increase of giving.

The special appeal that will be made for a generous Thanksgiving offering should not be lightly considered. We pray that the Lord's people will pray and give the extra gift to make the burden lighter for the publisher of TBE.

JOE SHEL NUTT, Pastor  
East Side Baptist Church  
Benton, Arkansas

## PRACTICED THE GREAT COMMISSION.

Jesus said:

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."—Mt. 28:19, 20.

Jesus is saying, "Take me at my word. You go, you make disciples, baptize and teach them, and I'll be with you always, even to the end of your days."

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IV  
I BELIEVE GOD HAS BLESSED ME BECAUSE I HAVE

## THINKS TBE A GREAT BAPTIST PAPER

As the Pastor of the Missionary Faith Baptist Church in Hollywood, Florida, I speak for the membership as to why we support TBE.



We feel it is one of God's greatest Baptist newspapers in print today. TBE is a Missionary Baptist paper that is "earnestly contending for the faith," Jude 1:3. TBE is teaching "One Lord, one faith, one baptism," Ephesians 4:5.

There are people who at first hate it as they did the teaching of our Lord in John 6:66. But also we find God's people rejoice as in John 6:68. May it please our Lord to stir God's churches and God's people up to stand behind TBE with their prayers and money.

"Wherefore He saith awake thou that sleepest and arise from the dead and Christ will give thee light." Eph. 5:14. May the Lord bless this ministry.

JIM WASHER, Pastor  
Missionary Faith Baptist Church,  
Hollywood, Florida

## BELIEVES THE BAPTIST EXAMINER THE GREATEST MISSION WORK

Someone told me one time that supporting "The Baptist Examiner" was not the same as supporting mission work.



I told him that if mission work is preaching the gospel under the authority of a local church (and that is mission work, period) then "The Baptist Examiner" is the greatest mission work in existence today. Enclosed find ten subscriptions with the hope and prayer that 10 people will learn of the sovereign grace of God and the authority and communion of the one kind of church that Jesus Christ established.

Yours in Christ,  
ELD. MEDFORD CAUDILL  
Hanover, Michigan

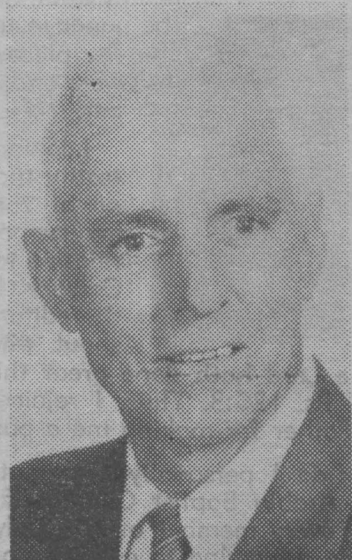
# We Are Grateful To Be Able To Edit TBE. Are You Thankful For It? Your Offering Will Be Most Deeply Appreciated At This Time!



# Many Do Not Know About TBE. If You Love It, Others Might Like It. Show Your Thankfulness . . . . Send It To Someone Else Today!

## THANKFUL FOR TBE

Many times when we are down in the valley, it is well for us to stop and count our blessings. As we approach the Thanksgiving season we have so many things to be thankful for.



I certainly feel that one of the many blessings we have to be thankful for is the publication of TBE.

We urge all true Baptists everywhere who love the truth to give generously to the support of TBE. In so doing, I'm sure the Lord will richly bless you.

RAYMOND WILLIS, Pastor  
Emmanuel Baptist Church,  
Garrison, Kentucky

## "God Has Blessed"

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Beloved, let me say to you emphatically, I have tried through all my ministry to live my life by this passage of Scripture. God in Heaven knows that I have never compromised the Great Commission. He says, "Make disciples," but He doesn't stop there. "Baptize them, and teach them." How long? "Always."

It is a lot easier to teach some things and leave off some things. I'll say to you frankly, the easiest thing I know of today would

be to compromise.

A man said to me a few days ago, "Brother Gilpin, if you would just take the attitude of the average preacher, you could own the Ohio Valley. Everybody in the country would love you. The thing that hurts you is the fact that you take a stand whereby that you say that Baptists are the only people that Jesus started with, and they are His church, and that God doesn't bless the others; therefore you make people mad and they hate you because of it."

That is probably true. I didn't

deny what he said. But I do reject what he said, when he declared that if I took the stand of the average preacher, then I could own the entire Ohio Valley. I don't want the Ohio Valley in the first place. I want to please the Lord. I say frankly, I would rather have His smile of approval than to have the entire Ohio Valley. But I am convinced that one reason why God has blessed me as He has, and one reason why God has given me the blessings that He has through the years, is because of the fact that I have never compromised the Great Commission.

Several years ago, as some of you know, I was in legal trouble in Greenup County. It was in a legal matter, and I had enemies that were determined to send me to the penitentiary. They tried it. They tried their best. They weren't content to make it an ordinary case. They made it an extraordinary case. The worst murder trial in the country would have been tried two or three times and then dropped, but they tried me nine times; they were so certain they were going to get a conviction.

They tried everything within their power. They even brought the FBI in to testify against me. They brought a man from Washington, who was supposed to be a handwriting expert with the FBI, to testify against me. They brought the handwriting expert who had testified in the Lindbergh-Hoffman trial. Remember when Hoffman was supposed to have kidnapped Lindbergh's baby, and murdered it. They brought the man who testified in that, at a tremendous expense, to testify against me.

I might say this, before they hired him, he had approached me, and I have the letter which he wrote me, in which he said, "I haven't seen the records, but I always testify for the man who pays me." I have that letter today where he told me that he would testify for the man who paid him.

Well, I didn't want that kind of individual on my side. Nevertheless, my enemies did all within their power to put me in the penitentiary and failed, and when the Attorney-General of the State of Kentucky wrote his brief about it, he said that "it is the worst case of persecution that I have ever seen." Notice, he didn't say "prosecution," but "persecution."

I might say this, it was the business of the Attorney-General to prosecute the case before the Court of Appeals. Instead of doing so, he wrote a brief in my favor, asking the Court of Appeals to reverse the case in my behalf. It was a complete victory in every respect.

I look back upon it. Some of those days were mighty dark. I remember a man came to me one day as I was ready to catch a bus, and said, "Brother Gilpin, how do you think this thing is coming out?" I said, "Oh, it is going to be all right in the end." "But it looks like you are losing badly." I said, "It isn't the skirmish that counts; it is the final battle."

He said, "Upon what basis do you think that you will ever be able to overpower this crowd?"

## HAS BEEN SUPPORTING US A LONG TIME

As pastor of Grace Baptist Church, I am glad that we as a church have selected THE BAPTIST EXAMINER as a



home mission project. We firmly believe that it is the religious paper most worthy of support of any in print. It stands for the great truths of the Bible as none other in our knowledge. We just wish that there was some way that we could urge everyone who reads the paper to support it to the fullest of their ability.

We took the occasion to look at some back copies of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER (1960). We note that the subscription rate is the same as for the most recent copy which we received. We wonder how you can continue to publish THE BAPTIST EXAMINER in view of the frantic price rise of everything else, unless all of us who love the paper and the truth for which it stands will go all out to prayerfully support the paper.

We are a new church, and of small number. We have elected at this time to increase our support of THE BAPTIST EXAMINER an additional \$5.00 per month. And, with God's blessing, we hope to be able to increase it more by December.

Again, we at Grace Baptist Church feel that THE BAPTIST EXAMINER merits everyone's support. We pray they will give it.

W. DALE FISHER, Pastor  
Grace Baptist Church,  
Camp Springs, Maryland

I said, "Matthew 28:18-20." He said "I don't see anything there." I said, "Just read it. It says, 'You go, you teach, you baptize, you teach all things and I am with you all the way.' I have that promise. My enemies haven't a thing in the world, but I have a promise, and I believe that God will keep His word. I believe I am going to be victorious." Beloved, I was.

## CONCLUSION

To my friend, and to your friend, who wrote the letter this

past week (and it was a very precious letter to me), I would say to him, and to you, follow the suggestions that I have offered today, and see if God does not bless.

There are four of them: "No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly" (Psalm 84:11); take the right attitude toward the Jewish nation (Genesis 12:1-3); always put your tithe in the church; if you are not a church member, (Continued on page 8, column 3)

## SUPPORTS TBE ON A MONTHLY BASIS

We, the membership of the West Griffin Baptist Church of Griffin, Georgia are indeed honored to be receivers of and contributors to TBE on a monthly basis. Our God has used this paper as means to make me a better preacher and the church a better people.



I would like to encourage every preacher that knows the value of this paper to lead his people to contribute to TBE on a regular basis. Then I would like to encourage every church to follow the leadership of such a pastor.

This without doubt will redound to the glory of our God.

GORDON BUCHANAN, Pastor  
West Griffin Baptist Church,  
Griffin, Georgia

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## URGES CHURCHES TO SUPPORT TBE

Reading The Baptist Examiner for the past seventeen years has been a great blessing to me. I have sent in several subscriptions over the years that others might share this blessing also.



Our church pays for, and renews a subscription for each family of our church each year that they might not miss a single copy. We have become a sound and strong church because of it. I would encourage each pastor to have his church subscribe for each family of his church and get this great paper to everyone you can. Also, this Thanksgiving, send a little extra, just to show your gratitude for the paper.

DAN PHILLIPS, Pastor  
New Testament Baptist Church  
Bristol, Tennessee

# In Trying To Show Your Thankfulness To God This Year, Why Not Remember Our Publishing Work With A Most Worthy Offering?



## SINCE AUG. 5, 1971, HE HAS SENT 669 SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR FRIENDS

The Baptist Examiner has meant much to my life by giving me a constant source of Bible teaching that I had not found previously. It was in 1969 that a Baptist pastor in



Frankfort, Kentucky gave me a copy of The Baptist Examiner. After reading the copy of The Baptist Examiner, I felt that it was imperative that I subscribe to The Baptist Examiner. For in reading that one copy of The Baptist Examiner I had been truly blessed by the great Bible sermon by Editor John R. Gilpin, and the Scriptural explanations by the writers of The Baptist Forum.

The Baptist preachers that write for The Baptist Examiner were the only Baptist preachers that I had ever known to explain and teach the various doctrines of the Bible. I was born and reared

in Southern Kentucky, and the Baptist preachers I knew believed in being saved, and called to preach the Word of God, but in most instances the only Scripture that they used in their sermon was the chapter or a portion of the chapter they read from before they started on their sermon. In fact, most of the sermons by the local pastors were evangelistic sermons, and about the only doctrinal sermons that one ever heard was on the eternal security of the believer at the annual association.

It was not until I started reading The Baptist Examiner, that I received a Scriptural explanation for many of the doctrines in the Bible that I had wondered about but was hesitant to ask about! In fact, there were many doctrines in the Bible that I had never heard a Baptist pastor ever mention or interpret in private or public. For example most of the Baptist pastors in Southern Kentucky are Post-Millennial believers that believe and teach that there will be a general resurrection and a general judgment that is foreign to the Scriptures.

I do appreciate the editor of The Baptist Examiner, and the contributing writers, for believing and teaching the doctrines of the Bible. The Scriptural explanations given by these men have been a source of knowledge and strength to me. On several occasions after giving my tithe to the local church that I pastor I have mailed The Baptist Examiner a personal check to help support and promote the teaching ministry of The Baptist Examiner. On others I call to do the same. Your support will be the means of bringing light and strength into the lives of your fellow man! (John 9:4).

ELD. WENDELL FURLONG  
Frankfort, Kentucky

### Thanksgiving

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work with your hands, as we commanded you; That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing." — I Thess. 4:11,12.

He has promised that our barns will be filled with plenty.

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." — Proverbs 3:9,10.

He has promised honor unto us. "Wherefore the Lord God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy

### TBE IS MOST FAITHFUL TEACHER

May I bear testimony to the fact that The Baptist Examiner has been my most faithful and informed teacher these many years.



The church that I am now a part of, I am happy to say, has put the paper in its budget for a gift once a month, and another church nearby, I understand, has done the same.

The churches who support TBE are surely doing the right thing. What better way to carry out the commission to the churches than supporting the paper I would not know. More power to such ministry and may the Lord move many churches and many pastors to do the same all in, and for our

great God and Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ.

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father, should walk before me for ever: but now the Lord saith, Be it far from me; for them that honor me I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed." — I Samuel 2:30.

He has promised to open unto us the windows of Heaven.

"Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." — Malachi 3:8-10.

He has promised to bless our children.

"The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him." — Proverbs 20:7.

"He is merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed." — Psalm 37:26.

"But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children." — Psalm 103:7.

He has promised to give us all good things.

"For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly." — Psalm 4:11.

In the light of all these promises which are conditioned on our cooperation, I look forward each year to the Thanksgiving season, trusting that God shall make the year that is before me a blessed one, and at the same time I look backward across the preceding year, just to thank Him and praise Him for the blessings He has given me.

What a wonderful year we have had in the past twelve months. In all of our problems He has lead us safely through.

"Some through the waters — some through the flood, Some through the fire, but all through the blood. Some through great trials, but God gives a song, In the night season, and all the day long."

In the light of all of His blessings and His promises, I can truly thank God for His goodness in the past twelve months and I pray God's richest blessings upon each and everyone of our readers.

### "God Has Blessed"

(Continued from page seven) put your tithe where you go to church (Malachi 3:8-10); the Great Commission — follow it implicitly (Matthew 28:18-20).

I say to you, any individual who will take these four positions that I have enumerated, can expect God to bless him, and he can claim the promises of God, and can anticipate every day that God is going to pour out His blessings upon him.

### "Real Dissenters"

(Continued from Page One) name "Calvinists." But did Augustine invent the doctrines of grace? I shall let a well known Baptist historian, G. H. Orchard, answer this. "The advocates of Pelagianism, say, that Augustine first discovered and propagated those sentiments since termed Calvinistic, but this is in error. The early writers expressed themselves equally decisive on

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## ONE OF OUR DEAREST FRIENDS DEEPLY APPRECIATES TBE

I have been a subscriber to TBE for over 25 years. The Lord used the ministry of this paper to teach me of His greatness and to enlighten my understanding relative to the doctrines of His Word.



For the past six or seven years, it has been my privilege to have personally contributed to the support of this paper in the capacity of a writer in answering questions for The Forum. Writing for The Forum has taken many hours of study and meditation, but it has been my pleasure to seek the answers and contribute to the paper.

Looking into the past, I can testify that I have been blessed of the Lord in giving of my support to TBE. Thinking relative to the fellowship with Calvary Baptist Church and the editor of this paper, I can shout with the Jews of days

gone by, "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad." Ps. 126:3. Thus, I rejoice and give thanks to my heavenly Father for making me a part of this ministry.

Not only do I personally contribute to the support of TBE, but the Arabia Baptist Church of which I am pastor, subscribes for every member of her body. Believing that this paper would be a blessing to everyone of them, she not only supports it with subscriptions, but also sends a monthly offering to help in its finances. This church in supporting TBE does not intend to convey that she is in agreement with every sermon on its pages, nevertheless, she believes, as does her pastor, that it is the best paper in the world. Therefore, she encourages others to do as she is doing in supporting TBE.

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election, predestination, etc., with grace in these persecuting times Austin, though not so frequently; were the Waldenses. They were and it is equally evident, that located at the foot of the Alps the early churches held his views" (A Concise History of Baptists, pp. 91-92).

FIFTH CENTURY TO NINTH CENTURY  
The Novatianists and Donatists who held to election and predestination continued during part of this period of obscurity. But the most numerous and best known defenders of the doctrines of Genebrard asserted that the Henricians, Petrobrussians, Arnaldists, Apostolicis, with the Waldenses and the Albigenses, were similar in doctrinal views with Luther and Calvin (See Leger's History, p. 155). (To Be Continued Next Week)

### PUTS TBE AT THE TOP

God giving deserves our thanksgiving. During this season of the year, my mind reflects upon the many ways the Lord has crowned another year with His goodness. I am thankful for many things.

At the top of the list is "The Baptist Examiner." How I thank God for its defense of the gospel.



The Union Grove Baptist Church and I are glad to have a small part in keeping the "Examiner" in business.

I would urge all who read these words to express their appreciation to the editor and to Calvary Baptist Church for the "Examiner" by sending an offering to help in the ever increasing cost of printing this great paper.

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