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According to Scripture

HAVE YOU DEPARTED FROM FAITH?

I will ask you again have you departed from God? Last week I was at a man's home witnessing to him about Jesus. I told him how Jesus was able to save him from his drinking habit and his language, which he would use God's name in vain. When I began to listen to him and learn why he was not saved, he began to call out people who had done him wrong. People who called themselves Christians. Why, if Jesus was all this and that, why would these people treat one another wrong?

This always leads back to the same lie Satan told Eve in the garden, "No one will know," said Satan. "Go ahead and take of the fruit, you won't die. God won't know what day you eat of the fruit." Genesis 3:1-4.

Some of you are going around telling people once saved, always saved. This is the biggest lie, going around on earth. I'll say it again. It is a lie, going around telling people that God's Grace is not sufficient. His blood is weak and can't keep that which was committed unto him. God doesn't have any problem keeping it as long as it is clean. Don't go to Him with your knowing sins and tell him that's your best. It won't work. It never has and it never will. Eve tried it and it failed. Judas tried it and it failed. And if you try it, it will fail. Not only that, you will lose out with God for he said to be clean, be as wood. You've seen wood. It is white, not spotted or bleached. But God said to be white as wool.

When Paul was a prisoner and just before he was to be murdered, he spoke of his faith with God. Paul said, "I am now ready to be offered." 2 Tim. 4:10. Paul here was ready to die because he knew on whom he had believed and trusted. But in verse 10 he spoke of another who had back slid on God. Paul said he had forsaken him and had gone back into the world. You ask, "Can a man be lost once he has confessed?" He surely can and I will use God's word to show you. I won't have to prove it because God's word has been settled long ago, before you and I ever existed.

"I fear lest any man, as the Devil beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your mind should be corrupted from the simplicity in Christ." 2 Cor. 11:3. Now we know by Eve when she listened to Satan she sinned. You will too if you listen to him, telling you that you can sin against God. That God understands that you are weak, too sorry to ask for repentance, too much pride to say, "Please forgive me Lord." But you would rather believe a lie and try to make God who is holy, unholy.

What do you think will happen to people who are disobedient? Paul said in Eph. 5:6 "Because of these things (sins) cometh the wrath of God upon the disobedient." Some tells that or say my preacher said so and so. If he (preacher) don't have God's word which warns us to hold our first love which we received of God through Christ our Lord, then find a shepherd who is a man after God's own heart.

Listen to what Christ said in Revelations 3:5 "Those that defile their garments will not walk with me." Now it's for sure if you don't walk with Christ then you know whom we serve. (Satan.) Jesus said he that does not over come I will blot his name out of the Book of Life. Revelations 22:18-19. Ex. 32:32-33; Ps. 69:25-36. Now for a name to be blotted out means it was once on the roll written down, but Jesus said Christ could blot it out.

Paul, in 1 Tim. 1:19-20 spoke of two more who went back on God. Hymenaeus and Alexander were in faith. Paul said one time these people were followers of the Lord, but became ship wrecked when they put Christ away. Jesus said, "If the salt has lost its savour it is good for nothing but to be cast out." Matt. 5:13. When I think of Jesus who could, and said he could, call thousands of angels to rescue him, but yet he endured to the end and gave his life.

Paul went all the way. So did James, Stephen, Peter, Thomas. These men died for the cause. And you go around telling others you can flirt with sins when these men gave their life. And the very same is required of you. The Lord tells me I am to labour for eternal life. In 6:7, I am not to compromise with the world or sins. I am to be separated for I have been set free by Jesus. I don't and I have no desire to live in sins for I have Christ on the inside of me and He will not let me do the things I used to do. For when Jesus moved in Satan had to go. There's no way any man can keep that which is committed unto him. If you're born again, he won't let you either. Unless you have been enticed by Satan. My Lord is a holy king, a holy priest, a holy of holies. And, Brothers, you won't and can't drag him back down that trail which led to Golgotha's Hill. When Jesus came off that cross he said it was finished. Telling me that those who trusted him can finish this race. And only those who finish will receive the prize. What prize is that? The face of Jesus my Lord who died for me and you.

But you who sin and claim you know him, and yet you are like the world, I know another man who knew him that was so ignorant to him that he carried the money and even he got to kiss Jesus. And Jesus called him his friend and yet Judas went out and hung himself.

Brothers, Jesus said it was those who endured to the end. There is some of you that have been taught that you can live any kind of way. But it is a lie. Paul said these people were so ignorant of God's righteousness and going about to establish their own, having not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. Romans 10:3.

Did you know at one time Lucifer, the Devil, was sinless. At one time Satan was perfect. The Bible tells me he was sinless and walked in his ways of God, perfectly until he sinned. You say, preacher, he was always a devil, a liar and a cheat. He was not. The Bible said in Ezekiel 28:15 that Lucifer was perfect before God. From the day he was born he walked with God. But God had to throw Satan out of heaven because he was found doing with iniquity in him and God does not and will not allow it in his kingdom. In the 14th verse here God called Lucifer an anointed cherub. The Lord said at one time Satan was upon God's holy mountain. But he fell from his backside on God. Yet Lucifer from God's grace and was cast out of heaven. Read Isa. 14:12-14. Then Satan became sinful and lustful in Jn. 8:44. And destined to eternal hell. Matt. 25:41. Also Rev. 20:1-10. When Lucifer rebelled against God the word said only 1/3 of the angels rebelled with him. These angels were said to be holy angels of God. Rev. 12:3, 7, 12. And they also became destined to hell with Satan. Matt. 25:41.

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you of was Modaf and Abihu. They were holy priests of God, but yet they were cut off from God's grace. Read Lev. 10:1-20 and Num. 3:4. Korah, Doham, Aberam, and other holy men were cut off from God by sin and went to Sheol. Num. 16:1-3, 23-33.

Let me tell you of Saul who had a change of heart and received the holy spirit. 1 Sam. 10:9-13, 21-24, and went into spiritualism 1 Sam. 23. Then in 1 Sam. 16:12-23 Saul back slid. Died of a suicide and cursed-of God. I Sam. 31:1-6.

You say, when Jesus came that changed. My Bible tells me of Disciples of Jesus who left Christ and his grace and followed Christ no more. In 6:66. You see, only for a while did they believe. Lk. 8:13. I have heard that Judas was a devil from the beginning. Not so. Jesus called him his familiar friend. In Ps. 41:9 Jesus said in whom I trusted. Do you think Jesus would have trusted him if Judas had always been this way? In Acts 1:20, Ps. 69:25-28 it says his name was written in the book of life. Then sin came in his life and it was blotted out. You see, at the end of Christ's ministry, Judas allowed Satan to use him and for thirty pieces of silver, Judas betrayed Christ. Judas therefore back slid and became a thief. Jn. 12:6. A devil. Jn. 6:70, or you could be like Ananias and Sapphira. They were saved and of one heart and one soul with all the church. Acts 4:32-51. until they agreed to lie to the holy ghost at which time they were killed. I could go on and on, scripture after scripture warning to all who listen to satan and his lies. You are only fooling yourself when you think you can do such things as to sin against God. Even worse when you try to get someone else to believe it. Jesus said his way was a narrow way, a close way, if you think by some accident or without even preparing for his kingdom that you will stumble in his kingdom, you are wrong, dead wrong. Only those who endure to the end shall be saved. Those who trusted Jesus when times got hard, they were still there praising God for his deliverance, for setting them apart from the things of the world. No desire to turn back, but as Paul once said we look forward, counting all that behind a loss. But reaching on for Christ. If you are still staying awake at night trying to decide what to give up or quit, just turn around and say, Jesus, help me to think on pure things-holy things-things that are righteous and also to live them, mean it from your heart and Christ will help you. Some of you have failed to repent and have went astray. But Jesus's grace is sufficient for all if it comes from the heart. Right now you can do such things as to appear you would be ashamed, ask him to forgive you of your sins.

Let me say this, "Please." Pass this paper on, it could save a soul that is lost and needs Jesus. Not only that, if you know someone who does not receive this paper, get them to subscribe for it. It could save their life. And they could be saved by reading the word of God. I believe Jesus is soon coming. Let's shake ourselves and win the lost for Christ and hear him say well done thy good and faithful servant.

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Board Holds Quiet Session

by Connie Brayboy

Two students representing the Student Government of Fairgrove High School appeared before the Robeson County Board of Education at their regular meeting Tuesday. The students were Ronnie Hunt and Rex Oxendine. They appeared to present Chairman Ralph Hunt, former principal of Fairgrove School, a gavel which had been made in the carpentry shop of the school. The gavel was made of several pieces of wood interwoven to form the gavel. In making the presentation, Oxendine said:

"Mr. Hunt, you and the members of this board have assumed the responsibility for guiding our educational board at a crucial time for both the progress of education and the leadership of our county. This gavel represents how the many pieces and issues

can be guided and firm into a working whole. On behalf of the student body of Fairgrove School and in the interest of students in the Robeson County Schools we hereby charge this board to pick up the pieces, to strive for the unity of purpose, and stand hard as an oak in effecting decisions for the betterment of education in Robeson County."

Chairman Hunt, in accepting the gavel, assured the students that the board would accept their challenge.

And the meeting moved on to routine matters. They heard a report from Rev. Bob Mangum on the proposed Occupational Education Center.

They approved the 1977-78 IEA Project which was presented by Mr. G. R. Barnes. Also approved were bids for media centers for Ashpole, Southside and Union Elementary Schools. Glidewell Construction Co. of Rockingham received the bid for the general construction; Paul Cranfield Plumbing

and Heating will do the plumbing; Robeson Electric the electrical work; and T. R. Driscoll will do the heating and air conditioning. The board also heard a report on steps being taken to conserve energy in the system. Some fuel is being transferred from one location to another. Schools are being encouraged to attempt to keep the temperature at 65 degrees. In accordance with the temperature at the board of education building was on 65 degrees.

Chairman Hunt appointed a committee to seek more local financial support. Appointed were Tommy D. Swett, David Green and Laymon P. Locklear. The chairman will also work with this committee.

The board accepted a policy relating to police officers questioning students on school premises. The policy is as follows:

"No student enrolled in the Robeson County School System may be taken from the school campus for questioning by a police officer unless that officer holds the appropriate legal papers for removal of the student or unless the school official in charge has been given prior parental permission. Exception can be when the removal action is directed by the school official in charge for the welfare of the student or school.

"No student under the age of 16 is to be questioned on the school campus by police officers without prior notification of the parent."

The board passed a resolution commending Mr. James Hooks, Director of the Robeson County Planetarium, for being elected International President-elect of the Planetarium Educators Association.

Third Century Artist Program

The federally funded artists-in-residence program that is putting artists to work in community service across North Carolina is being extended for eight more months.

Effective Feb. 1, the Third Century Artists program has received continued funding that will allow 127 artists working in dozens of North Carolina communities to remain on the job through Sept. 30.

The Third Century Artists are formerly unemployed or underemployed artists who are hired by a grant to the C. Department of Cultural Resources with funds appropriated under Title VI of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA). Since October 1975, this program has served a dual function of hiring the unemployed and developing an understanding and appreciation of the arts throughout North Carolina.

It is the largest government sponsored effort to put artists to work since the Works Progress Administration program of 1935. North Carolina was the first state to administer

state a CETA arts program on a letterable basis.

The name "Third Century" refers to the newly begun third century of this country's history, when these artists and others like them will be trying to integrate the arts into Americans' daily lives.

The program is administered by the N. C. Arts Council, the community development arm of the cultural resources department.

Artists in the program have been involved with community arts organizations, children's theatre, little theatre, small museums, festivals, art guilds, dramatic performances, workshops, lectures and many other community arts activities.

The extension of CETA funding provides for 141 Third Century Artists' jobs. One hundred twenty-seven of these positions are filled. Information about the positions that remain to be filled can be obtained after Feb. 11 by writing to Third Century Artists, N. C. Arts Council, Department of Cultural Resources, Raleigh, 27611.



PSU Grapplers Win Own Invitational

PEMBROKE — Pembroke State, led by most valuable competitor Dave Miller, won its own invitational wrestling tournament here Saturday.

The Braves had 154.5 points to easily outdistance runner-up Washington and Lee, which finished with 111.75 points.

Miller, competing in the 136-pound class, won his last three matches by pins to grab the most valuable

wrestler trophy.

TEAM SCORING
1. Pembroke State, 154.5; 2. Washington and Lee, 111.75; 3. The Citadel, 78.75; 4. The Citadel, 67.5; 5. Pembroke State Junior College, 36.75; 6. The Citadel Junior College, 9.90.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS
136 Pounds: Ramsdell, Pembroke, 4-0; Patterson, Campbell, 3-1; 172 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 198 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 220 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 242 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 265 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 287 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 310 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 330 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 353 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 375 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 400 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 425 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 450 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 475 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 500 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 525 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 550 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 575 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 600 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 625 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 650 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 675 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 700 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 725 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 750 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 775 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 800 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 825 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 850 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 875 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 900 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 925 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 950 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 975 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0; 1000 Pounds: Miller, Pembroke, 4-0.

Bethel Hill Homemakers Meet for Regular Session

The Bethel Hill Homemakers Club of the Saddletree Community held their regular meeting on Feb. 1 at the Bethel Hill Service Center.

The President, Mrs. Wanda Hammonds, presided.

Devotions were led by Mrs. Mazelle Hunt.

A short business meeting was conducted.

Mrs. Lucy Huggins was project leader of the month and presented a timely and very informative program entitled, "Don't Burn Your Money." Mrs. Huggins placed great emphasis on conserving fuel and energy and gave many tips on how this could be accomplished, such as: placing extra insulation in the ceiling.

New Hours by Facilities of N.C. Dept. of Cultural Resources

Facilities operated by the N. C. Department of Cultural Resources will be open on a restricted basis until further notice as part of the statewide effort to save energy.

Following are the schedules effective Feb. 7:

The N. C. Museum of Art will be closed Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, and will remain open extended hours the rest of the week. It will be open from 10a.m. to 7p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

The cooking classes scheduled for Mondays in the art museum and Sunday afternoons in the Concert and Lecture Series are cancelled until energy restrictions are lifted.

Medical Group to Meet

The Advisory Committee of the Southeastern Medical Services Incorporated will meet at the Rowland Town Office on Friday, February 11, 1977 at 7:00 p.m. An up-to-date account of our present efforts to secure medical services and facilities will be given at this meeting.

All members of the Advisory Committee are urged to attend.

The public is cordially invited.

Locals Attend Prayer Services

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Strickland and Mrs. Wanda Lowery, all of Pembroke, participated in the 25th Annual National Prayer Breakfast at the International Ballroom of the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D. C. on Thursday, Jan. 27, 1977.

The breakfast is an annual event at which political figures gather for prayer and brotherhood.

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Others attending from this area (Washington) were Commissioner Brantley Blue of the Indian Claims Commission, Roxanne Flanagan, A. Bruce Jones, Executive Director of the North Carolina Commission on Indian Affairs, Rev. and Mrs. Nash Locklear of the Prospect area, and W. J. Strickland and daughter, Carmelina Strickland.

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Educational View

By Dr. Dalton Brooker

A GOOD TEACHER and much discipline that student learns punishment; it is

in which to classify teachers; fat, skinny; hard, easy; sleeper active; good, bad. I would not deliberate on the first three combinations because they are widespread and a matter of personal likes and dislikes. Yet, what about good and bad teachers as perceived by students.

Since our students are more able skilled in observational task that of making an appropriate analysis of teacher-learning modes, their accuracy in identifying a good teacher is not far off. Some Educational psychologist suggest that if you want to know what kind of a teacher teaches your child ask him.

STUDENTS CONTINUE

Students will continually make individual judgement about the "good" and "bad" teacher. If the teacher fails to motivate the student to learn, the students confidence is shattered and the learning exercises produce boredom

SADDLETREE HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Grace Jones visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Revels.

Mrs. Susan Jane Jacob, Ms. Ore Lee Jacobs, Ms. Teresa Pook, of Cool Mee, North Carolina, visited for a week at the home of Mrs. Flora Jane Harris.

Mrs. Mildred Harris and kids visited Sunday afternoon with her aunt, Mrs. Elma Locklear.

PSHS Student Wins VFW Essay Contest



Regina Oxendine, winner of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Writing Contest at Pembroke State High School, is shown receiving her award check of \$25 from Assistant Principal Fred Lowry. The local award was sponsored by the Pembroke VFW.

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