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It's funny how some phrases and words come into existence. When I was a teenager the word "bad" was good but to be "nice" was not so good. Today when young people say "bad" I have to ask, "bad as in good or bad as in bad, not good?" The generation before me would often express strange ideas by saying, "that's crazier than a man on the moon!" This was a perfectly good or "bad" phrase until we landed on the moon. Nevertheless, here we have this word, stick-to-itiveness. Did I spell it right? I don't know, but no matter, I think we all understand and can appreciate this unwebsterized word. Well, anyway, I am trying to communicate our approach to this work we call Truth For Teens. We are entering into our fifth year of this publication. We are blessed and thankful for the comments we occasionally receive. *Please do not notice the subliminal message that follows: PLEASE SEND US AN EMAIL!*

Sometimes I wonder if we are doing a good, productive, fruit-bearing work. It is only natural that the editors, writers, staff, and supporters question the validity of this publication. Let me share some facts surrounding the Truth For Teens magazine. We have been printing over 500 copies a month to put into the hands of young people throughout the world. Most copies stay in the state of Texas. Copies are being mailed to various parts of the country including Florida, Arkansas, Tennessee, California and Hawaii. We have also delivered copies as far away as Australia. Ninety percent of the issues are delivered at no cost to the young people that desire to have them. Some congregations help by purchasing copies for their teens. We appreciate the support from Texas congregations, Weber Road and Norton Street in Corpus Christi, Killeen, and the Hillsboro congregation in Tennessee. We are thankful to individual supporters as well. But we are most thankful to the major financial support that we have received from the Central church of Christ at Pflugerville. The approximate cost for printing and mailing each copy is a little over \$1.00. If you feel that the magazine provides sound information for your family, a monthly contribution of 50 cents per issue would help us with the cost. That is only \$3.00 this year. Your help will assist us in covering the rise in postage and printing costs.

As you have probably noticed when you didn't receive an issue in February that we, due to financial and budgetary constraints of our major financial supporter, are reducing our mailings to six issues a year, a bimonthly mailing. We hope and pray that this is only a temporary constraint and that we will have the financial requirements to ramp up to the usual frequency of our publication. You will notice that you will be receiving only 6 copies or one every two months.

Our supporters believe that this publication is a very worthy work and the editors, writers, staff and supporters are dedicated to this work and have high hopes for the continuing development of this publication.

During our financial review there was great concern that this good work may have to be put on hold until the necessary financial means could be raised. However, our good brethren and workers have an essence of stick-to-itiveness to see this continue. We covet your prayers for this work. We desire your support and comments and we really need your financial donations. Please contact us as individuals or as a congregation to help support this fantastic, fruit-bearing work for the Lord's Kingdom. Send us an email and let us know that you would like to see this work continue.

**1Co 15:58** *Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*

**A PUBLICATION  
FOR  
TODAY'S TEENS IN TOMORROW'S WORLD**

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**“TRUTH FOR TEENS” – OUR MISSION**

Truth For Teens is a publication with a circulation of over 500 to youth throughout the United States. This is possible because a group of men and women feel a need to provide healthy, helpful information to our youth as they deal with daily situations.

This publication is supported and funded by contributions of individuals and congregations of area churches of Christ. By their support we are able to continue the publication and mailing without charge to our youth. This missionary program is non-profit and tax deductible. All contributions are used appropriately for the printing and mailing of the issues. Financial help from those who would like to join in this outreach program to our youth will allow us to continue publication. Most important are the prayers of Christians for the success of this endeavor.

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**Bible Search – Who Said It?**

1. “Let there be no strife: I pray thee between me and thee, and between my herdsmen and thy herdsmen.” \_\_\_\_\_
  2. “Am I my brother's keeper?” \_\_\_\_\_
  3. “Render therefore unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's.” \_\_\_\_\_
  4. “Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did! Is not this the Christ?” \_\_\_\_\_
  5. “For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.” \_\_\_\_\_
  6. “Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails ... I will not believe.” \_\_\_\_\_
  7. “Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.” \_\_\_\_\_
  8. “Whither thou goest, I will go, and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.” \_\_\_\_\_
  9. “Repent and be baptized everyone of you for the remission of sins.” \_\_\_\_\_
  10. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.” \_\_\_\_\_
- [Choose these characters: Jesus, Mordecia, Ruth, Abraham, Thomas, Cain, Samaritan Woman, Peter, Paul, Jesus.] Answers on back page.

**Questions and Answers**

**Question: The Hebrews did not have the word a cappella – It was invented by the English! The issue is, where are we told NOT to praise God with instrumental music?**

**Answer:** [The Hebrews did not have the word a cappella – it was invented by the English!] – This claim is incorrect. The word a cappella is a LATIN word which means, “in the style of the church.” This means the style of the church was without instrumental accompaniment. The apostate Roman church introduced instrumental music into their worship several hundred years after the establishment of the New Testament church. In fact, most denominations in existence today did not use instrumental music until the last 200 years.

[The issue is, when were we told NOT to praise him with musical instruments?] – This is again incorrect. The issue is, where is the authority in the New Testament to use instruments? Everything we do must be done by the authority of Jesus Christ (Col. 3:17). There is not one single command in the New Testament for the church to use the instrument. Not a single verse can be cited as an example of the church using the instrument. The use of instrumental music is not even implied in the New Testament. The instrument is conspicuously absent from the pages of the New Testament. Therefore, it isn't difficult to see how the word a cappella got its meaning.

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# WHO'RE YOU GONNA BELIEVE?

Have you had a classmate, friend, preacher or relative tell you that **all** a person has to do is to believe that Jesus is the Son of God? Some will tell you to say a prayer called The Sinner's Prayer and profess to "just believe" that Jesus is the Savior. Do they say to just let Jesus into your heart and you will be saved?

This belief and this self-styled prayer are circulating throughout various religious groups and are very accessible in printed material and over the internet. If you ask, could they tell you where this can be found in God's Word? In John 3:16, it is written that "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life." And this probably would be the most frequent answer you would receive. If we believe that one verse, wouldn't a person have to believe the other verses found in the Scriptures? Second Timothy 3:16 tells us that **all** the inspired words in the Scriptures are to be used for our learning and admonition.

Jesus said, *If ye love me, keep my commandments*, John 14:15. If we take one scripture for the truth, then we have to take **all** the scripture for the truth. Jesus said in John 14:6, *I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me*. Jesus, praying for His disciples, said, *Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth*, John 17:17. In chapter 17, verse 19, Jesus continues, *And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth*.

What is "truth"? Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines it as (1) a. *archaic*: fidelity, constancy; b. sincerity in action, character, and utterance; (2) a. (1) the state of being the case: fact, (2) the body of real things, events, and facts, actuality; (3) a. the property (as of a statement) of being in accord with fact or reality, b. *chiefly British* true, c. fidelity to an original or to a standard. Jesus said His Word was Truth, John 17:17. So we must agree that **all** the inspired words in the Bible are true.

What is the "truth" that Jesus told the apostles before His ascension to heaven? Remembering that if we "believe" and we must "keep His commandments" Jesus gives the direction needed to be saved: – *All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Matthew 28:18-19; Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature, He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned, Mark 16:15-16; [KJV]*. Could this inspired writer and chosen apostle have misheard what Jesus was saying? On the day of Pentecost, when the first sermon of the church Jesus died for was preached, Peter answered the question of the penitent sinners, "What shall we do?" saying, *Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins....*" [Acts 2:38]. God's word doesn't change. Today wouldn't that answer be the one we should abide by?

Think logically for a moment. A person has an automobile, he "believes" it will carry him to his destination. Is that enough? Or does he have to get in the driver's seat, place a key in the ignition, turn the key to start the engine, put the car in gear, and steer to that destination. The same logic can be compared to becoming a Christian. We "believe" in Jesus, but to get to our destination we must take the necessary steps – repent, confess, be baptized, becoming a new person, and be faithful until death. God has promised salvation, but unless there is a willingness to take the necessary steps to attain it, there is no hope,. A person has to "put on the brakes" if they cross the line or make a wrong turn in life. Jesus gives us the opportunity. Actions carry us there. We have hope as promised, *In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began, Titus 2:1*

It is futile to pick and choose just what you want to believe and ignore the rest. *Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men, Acts 5:29*

So, **who** are you gonna believe? **What** are you gonna believe?

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# ABORTION – YOUR CHOICE? – WHO HAS THE FINAL SAY?

“Abortion – the inducing of premature delivery in order to destroy offspring.”  
“Pregnant – having an embryo or embryos developing in the uterus; being with child or young.”  
World Book Encyclopedia Dictionary

With the recent approval of two justices for the nation’s Supreme Court, the subject of abortion was a major factor in measuring their qualifications. There was much publicity about the possible overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, a case allowing a woman to choose to end the life of an unborn child. The possibility that the personal opinions of the two nominees would control their rulings in future cases was of major importance to those on the selection committee. We heard pro-choice, pro-life, anti-abortion, pro-abortion, etc., concerning the right to life of a conceived child who had no course of action to be a part of the decision. There are people in our society who will protect endangered species of insects, animals, and such, but will speak long and loud about the right to abort an unborn child.

Millions of babies have their demise chosen by someone else. Conception is a process that produces a baby, fetus, human being. The embryo in the mother’s womb is very much alive in the earliest minutes of their growth. Several techniques are used to abort a fetus – injection of alcohol, burning the baby to death; crushing the head and sucking out the brains; vacuuming out one piece at a time. What About Abortion? For Teens By Teens.

Some of the proponents of abortion claim the baby (fetus) is not viable, or real, until the second or third trimester, denying that it is a breathing soul at conception, denying the medical facts of imagery and the breathing of life. Abortion is sometimes considered by society as birth control that would reduce a population of orphans. We might consider a comment by Joseph Sobran, an editorial columnist: "After tens of millions of [abortion] 'procedures', has America lost anything? Another Edison, perhaps? A Gershwin? A Babe Ruth? A Duke Ellington? ... As it is, we will never know what abortion has cost us all." Let us consider these orphans that were not aborted but were adopted – Former President Gerald Ford and Winston Churchill. Moses was adopted!

God commands that men and women, boys and girls are to use control over their body by living a life of purity, 1 Corinthians 6:18-19. Abortion is considered to be a humane process obliterating physical abuse and an oppressed life style for a single parent. No consideration is given to the fact that the pregnancy was initiated through promiscuous practices by both male and female.

The men chosen for the Supreme Court were reputable, qualified men to fill vacancies on the nation’s highest court rendering opinions on civil and criminal matters. There were months of questioning the nominees; accusations concerning personal opinions of the two were harshly thrown out. The most talked about issue was their feelings on abortion and whether they would vote for or against *Roe v. Wade*. A woman’s choice is the deciding factor – many times the man is not given an opportunity to be a part of a decision. Society tells us that some women may not know who the father of the unborn child is. The most popular argument is that the woman is the one who is placed in an insecure life style as a single parent. Maybe the woman and man should consider the possible hardships before they disobey God’s law on fornication. “It is a poverty [poor quality, ed.] to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish,” Mother Teresa.

Who gets hurt? Psychologically, it is the responsible male and female. It’s difficult to believe that some medical doctors can perform this procedure with a clear conscious. How will he/she answer God on the judgment day? The victim is the child that never gets to experience life. As stated on a bumper sticker, “Abortion: One Dead, One Wounded.” Another bumper sticker reads: “If it’s not a child – you’re not pregnant.” Reread the definition of “pregnant” above!

**Legal Issues** President Bush signed a ban on partial birth abortion into law in November, 2003, but it was not enforced because of legal challenges in several states. The House voted to ban the procedure with a vote of 281-142 The Senate voted 64 to 34 to ban the abortions. The United States Supreme Court overturned the ban as unconstitutional. Kate Michelman, head of NARAL [National Abortion and Reproduction Rights Action League]

declared that they would challenge the law, and trials are going on across the nation. Currently 23 states have passed laws to ban partial birth abortion. The Bush administration has argued that the procedure is cruel and unnecessary, and causes pain to the fetus. The procedure is done after four or five months' development. Eighty percent of the infants are normal and viable in birth. There are laws for abortions if a woman's life is in danger. Most abortion procedures are done because of choice, not necessity. It is important for us to place people on our courts who are qualified and honorable. It is more important to obey the laws of God concerning moral issues.

### What Is The Truth?

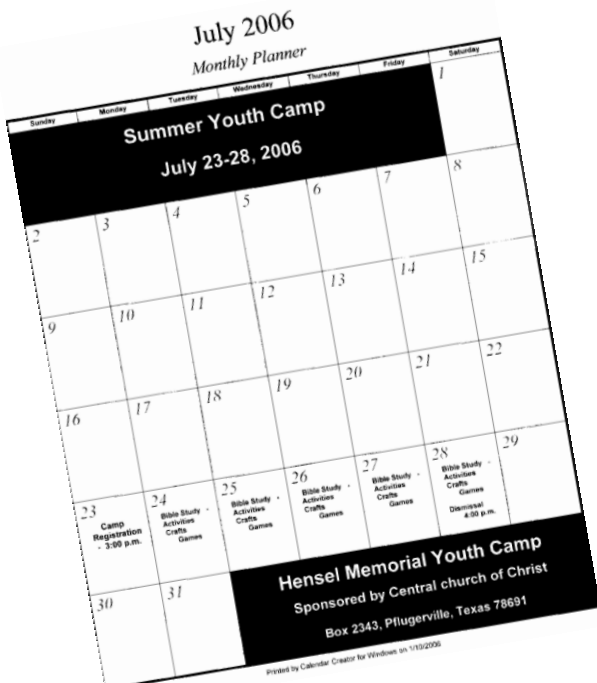
God made us, boys and girls, men and women, in His image with the ability to choose right from wrong, Genesis 1:26. When God breathed into the nostrils the breath of life man became a living soul, Genesis 2:7. Adam was a living soul at the time he was created. God created woman from man and "brought her unto the man," Genesis 2:22. A baby is a living soul when it is created and it is created at conception, Jeremiah 1:5; Isaiah 49:1; Psalm 139:13-16. Killing a baby is killing a soul which is murder and wrong in the eyes of God and man, Matthew 5:21-22; Psalm 127:3.

The Bible identifies the unborn baby as a living, human being. Mary visited Elizabeth to give her the news of her pregnancy. When Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, her unborn child leaped in her womb, Luke 1:41, 44.

### Flee From Temptation

As Christians, the word of God has the final say. *Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man: But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death,* James 1:13-15. *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil,* Ephesians 6:10-11.

God has the final say. Choose life – Your mother did!



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# AN HONORABLE OPPORTUNITY – A PRIVILEGE

*But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. John 4:23-24*

Are you nervous when asked to lead a prayer, a song, read a scripture in worship services? As a young man, what are your leadership responsibilities as a Christian?

Not many people are able to stand before a group without an emotion of fright. Suddenly the mind goes blank, the mouth gets dry; it's an uncomfortable situation. A person doesn't have to be young for this to happen. But, it's a proven fact that the more you practice something, it becomes more familiar and easier to do.

God has entrusted worship leadership to Christian men, and it should be considered a privilege to honor that call, 1 Timothy 2:8; 11-12; 1 Corinthians 14:34. It's a responsibility, and offerings of praise and thanks should be the best it can be, *By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name, Hebrews 13:15.*

## Leading Public Prayers

Prayer is simply talking to God. Disciples asked Jesus how to pray; He complied with their request, which suggests that there are things to learn about prayer. The most important thing is that a prayer should be sincere, offered in faith, from the heart. A long prayer is not necessarily better than a short one.

A public prayer expresses what everyone in the congregation wants to say to God; as the spokesman, phrases such as "we pray" or "our prayer" should be used. "Hey Dad" is not an appropriate way to address our Father in heaven. A respectful "You" and "Your" is proper.

Prayers should be addressed to God the Father; we are not talking to Jesus, who taught us to pray to "Our Father in Heaven," Matthew 6:9. When leading a prayer for the Lord's Supper, it is not proper to speak of "your blood" or to pray in "your name," when directing your prayer to God. Jesus, told His disciples, *And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son, John 14:13.*

Public prayers are not the time or place to voice gripes or criticisms about anything, - sermons, elders' decisions, etc. Matters that are private or delicate should be spoken in private prayer. Words that are spoken in public prayer should not become mechanical. A prayer should be more than a collection of stock phrases and should fit the occasion.

You should speak loudly enough so that everyone can hear you. If you're not being heard, you're not really leading. Even with a microphone, you should speak slightly louder than you normally do. Give thanks for God's blessings, especially those we have all shared as a church. Thank God for specific things He has done for us. As the leader, you are speaking for the congregation. Express praise to God; acknowledge His greatness.

Pray for those who are sick, by name if desired. Some of the names may have been mentioned previously or listed in the bulletin. Pray for specific things the congregation is doing – personal evangelism efforts, classes, preachers, teachers, etc. Prayers should be for strength and encouragement for the preaching of the gospel; pray for the lost. *Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God, Philippians 4:6.* It is proper to ask for favors, knowing that God's answer will be His will, not ours.

Everything we do should be done in the name of the Lord, *And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him, Colossians 3:17.* Jesus is our mediator, *For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, 1 Timothy 2:5.*

## Reading Scripture

Reading scripture is important. **God is speaking** through His inspired Word. In prayer we bow our heads in reverence. When God is speaking to us through a reading of His Word, the assembly should be as quiet and as respectful as when we pray.

The reader should read the passage in advance; if possible, aloud. If there is a word or name that you are not familiar with in pronouncing, ask someone to help you with it. Make a side note to help you remember it.

Announce the passage to be read, wait a moment and repeat it, giving the assembly time to find the passage in their Bible if they want to read along with you. It's easy to catch the name of the book and maybe the chapter but not the verse. Read from a translation that is approved by elders or church leaders, most approved and used by members are King James Version or the New King James Version.

Again, speak clearly and loudly, not too slow or too fast; try not to speak in a monotone, always reading with a feeling of confidence. Remember, you are delivering inspired words from God. Think back to His speaking with Moses on Mount Sinai, and at the burning bush. ... *Surely the Lord our God has shown us His glory and His greatness, and we have heard His voice from the midst of the fire. We have seen this day that God speaks with man; yet He still lives, Deuteronomy 5:24.* **Continued on back page**



## ATTITUDE DETERMINES ATTITUDE

I have responsibilities to fulfill today. I am important. My job is to choose what kind of day I am going to have.

Today I can complain because the weather is rainy or I can be thankful that the grass is getting watered for free.

Today I can feel sad that I don't have more money or I can be glad that my finances encourage me to plan my purchases wisely and guide me away from waste.

Today I can grumble about my health or I can rejoice that I am alive.

Today I can lament over all that my parents didn't give me when I was growing up or I can feel grateful that they allowed me to be born.

Today I can cry because roses have thorns or I can celebrate that thorns have roses.

Today I can mourn my lack of friends or I can excitedly embark upon a quest to discover new relationships.

Today I can whine because I have to go to work or I can shout for joy because I have a job to do.

Today I can murmur dejectedly because I have to do housework or I can feel honored because the Lord has provided shelter for my mind, body and soul.

Today stretches ahead of me, waiting to be shaped. And here I am the sculptor who gets to do the shaping.

What today will be is up to me. I get to choose what kind of day I will have!

Have a great day – unless you have other plans!

Author Unknown

Buy the truth, and sell it not;  
also wisdom, and instruction, and  
understanding.  
Proverbs 23:23

"If you want to learn to love better, you  
should start with a friend who you hate."  
--Nikka, age 6  
see Luke 6:27

**Question – Answer, Continued from page 2:** I will show you the verse expressly forbidding using instruments in worship when you show me the verse expressly forbidding the worship of the Devil. Todd Clippard, Preacher, Burlison church of Christ, Hamilton, Alabama

**Bible Search Answers:** (1) Abraham, Genesis 13:8; (2) Cain, Genesis 4:9; (3) Jesus, Matthew 22:21; (4) Samaritan Woman, John 4:29; (5) Paul, Philippians 1:21; (6) Thomas, John 20:25; (7) Mordecai, Esther 4:13; (8) Ruth, Ruth 1:16; (9) Peter, Acts 2:3; (10) Jesus, John 3:16.

**Double Puzzle Answers:** song, praise, heart, Lord, trust, rejoice. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him. Psalm 28:7

**Word & Letter Play Answers:** 1. vehicular; 2. vocabulary; 3. vicar; 4. Velcro; 5. overcrowded.

### **An Honorable Opportunity, Continued from Page 6 Making Announcements**

Announcements, given before worship services or after worship has been concluded, are not worship but can provide opportunities for service – visits, prayers, benevolence. *Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting [encouraging] one another...*, Hebrews 10:25, presents assembly as a convenient time to give information concerning the interests of the members.

Some guidelines to follow when addressing an assembly are to be cheerful, an approach not too formal or too casual; and to speak in a voice that can be heard. Welcome visitors as honored guests. Be prepared by looking over the announcements before you address the assembly, pronouncing names properly and checking dates of events. Make the announcements as brief as possible. Adapted from Leading God's People in Worship, Steve Kissell, Naples, Fla. Church of Christ

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