

THE ROCK HILL HERALD

The bulletin of the Rock Hill church of Christ



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Worship Times:

- Bible Class — 9:00AM
- Sunday Worship — 10:00AM
- Sunday PM Worship — 6:00PM
- Wednesday Bible study — 7:00PM

Elders:

- Jim Boles
- Charles Haley
- Doug Jones
- Scott Wallace

Deacons:

- Reiven Holt
- Hugh Ruebush
- John Smetzer
- Burley Stinnett

Preacher:

- Park Linscomb

*"We're Here
and We Care"*

Wherewith They Were Confident

A great conflict was predicted in Genesis 3:15 between the seed of the woman (Christ) and the seed of the serpent...in this case, Satan. The easiest way to understand the idea of the conflict is contained within the battle between the good and the evil or the right and the wrong. No place could the conflict be clearer than the conflict between the Pharisees and Sadducees when Jesus began to introduce the changes under His New Dispensation.

As with any great novel, the conflict became clearly defined with the contrast between the Law of Moses and the introduction of the Kingdom of Christ by way of the Gospel. The 'climax' of the novel resulted in the crucifixion of Jesus on the cross, and his ultimate resurrection on the 3rd day (1 Corinthians 15:1-8). Even though prophecy had predicted the result, those under Moses Law played an important role in God's Plan, wherewith they were confident to the point of their own self-destruction.

In defense of those who declared in John 19:15-16, "away with him...crucify him" before Pilate, there was also recorded in Acts 2:37-38 a reprieve offered by Peter when he said, "repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Many responded to this invitation, providing the first example of those who recognized the result of God's Eternal Plan for salvation under the gift that God prepared for those who respond in like manner.

The conflict began a new order as the great novel continues in the story of salvation in Jesus. Satan has yet to recant his part in the conflict and remains defiant. For in the world, the inspired writers have warned of a new level of deception in Matthew 7:15, "beware of false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravening wolves." They convey a new threat in which they bring a variation in the form of denominationalism, wherewith they are confident. We must prepare with the armor of God (Ephesians 6) and defend the Church from what the Bible calls "other Gospels" in Galatians 1:6-10, "there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the Gospel of Christ...but though we or an angel from heaven preach any other gospel than what we have taught, let him be accursed." Let us be properly prepared.

Doug Jones

Family News

"For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God." Ephesians 2:18,19

If you are visiting our congregation, **welcome!** Please fill out a visitor's card and put it in the collection tray as it is passed. If you have questions, we welcome them; please do not hesitate to ask Park Linscomb, our minister (the tall guy) or any other church member.

N . E . W . S .

OUR 1ST QUARTER BIRTHDAY POTLUCK is today after morning worship. Care Group 2 is in charge of set up and breakdown. All Care Groups will need to bring main dishes and side dishes. The church is providing birthday cakes. All visitors are invited.

A VALENTINE'S PARTY will be on Saturday, February 7th in the fellowship building at 5:00PM. All adults 18 and over are invited. The cost is \$15.00 per person. You can give your money to Nancy Jones or Dianne.



LADIES' CLASS — has resumed meeting at the church fellowship hall at 10AM. Join the great Bible study and fellowship.

IT'S TIME TO START COLLECTING ITEMS for the Children's Hospital "Love Packs." We will have baskets available next week to put stuff in. Last year we delivered 13 large laundry baskets full of goodies. Flyers will be posted with basket filler ideas. This will be our 5th time delivering these. We've always topped our previous baskets and always shock the hospital staff. For those that don't know, This project is an ongoing tribute to Linda

Linscomb and her passion to help children and hospitals."

SPRING MEETING — The date will be March 15-18. The theme will be "Great Passages from Romans". Area preachers that have been confirmed to speak are Wes McAdams (McDermott Rd.), Jack Evans Jr., Seth McDowell (Shawnee Trail), John Wheeler (Crossway), and Park. Plan to come and bring a friend.

DANA BOLEY'S MEMORIAL will be Feb 21 at 11:30 am. at the New York Ave Church of Christ, 5371 New York Ave, Arlington, TX.

UPDATE ON MEGAN AND HER BABY: The doctors determined Wednesday evening that they needed to deliver Megan's baby for Megan's and the baby's health. Megan is good and we all have a 1lb 5-ounce baby girl. She is so tiny but moving around and doing good considering.

We are all so relieved at this point but keep the prayers up because they work. Megan will be in the hospital for a week and Leighton will be there 4 months. Pray please pray for all of the good to continue. The Linebaugh thank everyone for all the support and prayers for them and this newest member of their family.

OUR PRAYER LIST...

- Meghan and Leighton (Linebaugh's granddaughter and great-granddaughter)
- Park, for continued healing after his successful knee surgery.
- Freida R. and her continuing health issues in Medical City, McKinney.
- Charles H.; pray for complete recovery from shoulder surgery.

- Please pray for Burley in India.
- Lynn Turner is now at home.
- Nancy J's brother
- Linda C for her Afib
- Esther M, low blood count
- The Staffords, our missionaries in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, granddaughter Peyton living with them.
- Churches in New England
- Brethren in India
- Our leaders, parents, families, marriages, widows, and singles of our congregation.

LONG TERM PRAYER REQUESTS

- Elizabeth's cousin Tracy with Lupus, and also her cousin Debbie
- Isela H's sister Griselda's illness
- Dale C.
- 10.3 ptJulia's nurse friend, Michaela
- Travis Y. feeding tube

READ-THE-BIBLE-IN-A-YEAR

- 2/1John 4-5
- 2/2John 6-7
- 2/3John 8-9
- 2/4John 10-11
- 2/5John 12-13
- 2/6John 14-16
- 2/7John 17-18
- 2/8John 19-21

People are far more connected to their cable news channel and to their social media community than they are being shaped by the word of God. – Ed Stetzer

A word of Encouragement

"For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it." Hebrews 2:1, NAS95.

SPIRITUAL BRAIN FOG

As most of you know, I've recently had knee surgery. Along with the surgery comes some pain medications that are necessary to control the pain from the surgery. But along with the advantages of pain control comes the disadvantages of "brain fog". "What day is it?" "Have I taken that medication already this morning?" "Did I pay that bill yet?" "What time was that PT appointment supposed to be?" We all have asked ourselves such questions on occasion, but the medication seems to muddle the mind a bit more than "occasionally" and I have to make notes to myself about things as a brain-backup. With time, of course, the pain meds will be a thing of the past and normal clarity (a relative term for some of us — ha) will return.

I would propose to you, however, that there can also be spiritual brain fog. It can be brought on by drugs, of course, but also by a number of other worldly things — things that can muddle our spiritual foundations, our spiritual priorities, and our spiritual judgments. Like the medications, they may have some redeeming value to them as occasional diversions from the stresses of the world, or as a way to communicate with others, or even advancing our education and usefulness to the church, the community, and the Lord. But they can also come with some side effects

that influence how we think, or in some cases whether or not we think at all.

I could begin a list of such things, but it would seem that the list continues to lengthen all the time, so let's just generalize them with the label of worldly activities — some of them necessary, some of them permissible, and others of them dangerous — which is a part of being in the world but not of the world (John 17:14-18).

The "fog" that they bring with them, however, has the power to muddle the clarity of the Scriptures. cloud the certainty of moral understanding, put question marks where established spiritual periods used to stand. and reorder biblical priorities. Now, as was pointed out earlier, we can't escape living our lives in this world — indeed we are commanded to be a light in the world and salt to the earth — but we can make efforts to keep the spiritual fog at bay: church attendance, daily Bible reading, Christian associations. These encouragements are hardly news to anyone who has been a Christian for very long, but this is only intended to be a caution about a real danger (the fog) and the deliberate efforts that must be taken to avoid the tragedy that the fog will bring, if left unchecked. Let the Lord's sunshine clear up the fog and let us walk unhindered on the path leading to Heaven.

Park Linscomb

FAMILY CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK IN FEBRUARY

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 9:00AM Bible classes ■ 10:00AM Worship ■ 11:00AM Potluck Luncheon ■ 6:00PM Worship 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00AM Ladies' Bible class 	<div style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 2px; border: 1px solid #ccc; margin-bottom: 5px;"> Haven B. </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 7:00PM Wed. Bible class 				

SERVICE IN WORSHIP

Week of February 1.....AMPMWed.

Announcements Charles H..... Charles H
 Song Leading Doug J Scott W Reiven H
 Opening Prayer John S John S
 Communion Yaw F Jim B
 Closing Prayer Jim B Kyle J
 A/V Control Scott W Charles H... John S
 Greeter Ralph K

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 Song Leading Scott W Doug J Charles H
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 Communion Chris S Hugh R
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Sermon Notes...
