

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

September 28, 2008

**FIRST SERVICE MESSAGE:
THE FALL OF MANKIND
GENESIS 3:6-7**

Please join us for refreshments between services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday 28 Sep Spanish Bible Class @ 6:p.m.
28 Sep Worldview Conference.
Wednesday 1 Oct Foundations Class 2.
Thursday 2 Oct Ladies' Prayer Meeting.
Sunday 5 Oct The Lord's Table.
5 Oct Missionary Robert Jay from Burma.
5 Oct Informal meeting with Robert Jay. Joanne Martin's house @ 5:00.
Wednesday 8 Oct Foundations Class 3.

- ** Mario Garcia teaches a Spanish Bible Class each Sunday night. Please invite anyone you might know who speaks Spanish to it. It will meet in the education building.
- ** Thanksgiving for the Child Evangelism Fellowship outreach at the State Fair. Estimates indicate that the gospel was given to around 2500 people with 500-600 professions of faith. Praise to the Lord!
- ** The first Wednesday night Foundations class was very well attended and received. The classes will soon be on the Internet so that you may catch up. If you miss a class please come anyway. It is planned to cover the information in 9 classes. Invite someone to join you.
- ** October 11 begins a Basic Theology class that will be taught by Dan Hensley and George Carle 2. Please let Dan or George know if you will be able to attend.
- ** Please increase your prayers for TBC and specifically pray for wisdom and guidance for our participation in the spread of His Kingdom.

	August	Year-to-Date	General Fund	Building Fund
Income	\$10,257.00	\$58,779.50		
Expenses	6,710.51	60,853.92		
Balance	3,546.49	(2,074.42)	\$8,126.83	\$7,567.14

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns

The Message: Fig Leaves
Genesis 3:6-7

AMERICAN FREEDOM ASSEMBLY, INC.

Gary Horton
September 2008

I just finished the four summer youth camps, three of which were in July. What a wonderful honor for me to be a part of these camps. Many young people came to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ while others were encouraged to grow in grace and knowledge. How is it possible to thank all the staff, workers, and teachers who went above and beyond to make these camps a success? I want to remember a young boy at the Arizona Camp who came up to me and said, "I want what you have.: I asked him what he meant and he replied, I want Jesus in my life so He can do for me what He has done for you. To say the least, he believed in Christ right then and there.

ARKANSAS YOUTH CAMP: The theme for the Arkansas Camp was "Sold out for Christ" taken from Philippians 2: 8-10: *"Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the priceless gain of knowing Christ Jesus My Lord. I have discarded everything else, counting it all garbage, so that I may have Christ and become one with Him. I no longer count on my own goodness or my ability to obey God's law, but I trust Christ to save me. For God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith. As a result, I can really come to know Christ (through the constant study of the word of God) and the power of His resurrection (the power that raised Him from the dead which is now available to us in the Church Age) and the fellowship of His suffering (being prepared for anything that comes my way), being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to resurrection from the dead"*. The apostle Paul considered all that he had gained to be lost compared to knowing his Lord and Savior.

SOUTHEASTERN YOUTH CAMP: The Alabama Camp (SEYC) was once again a great success. It was our largest camp of the summer not counting the Adult camp or Junior camp. Our camps are all trying to include the whole family. It was amazing to see young people come together from eight different states. The theme for the Alabama Camp was "Legacy" which is something for all of us to consider. What kind of legacy will we leave for the future? Our key verse was Galatians 2:20: *"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me and the life which I now live in this earthly body I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and delivered Himself up for me."* What does it mean to be crucified with Christ? How do we take up our cross and die daily to the things of this world? I tried to teach such things as the Big Lie, the so-called American dream. I presented the five categories the world tries to represent as the keys to happiness: 1) People 2) Places 3) Power 4) Possessions 5) Pleasure. The counterfeit world of Satan says that these P's can bring happiness but the Word of God says that true happiness come from the content to your soul. Proverbs 2:13 *"Happy is the man who finds wisdom (Bible doctrine) and the man who gains understanding (spiritual maturity)."*

ARIZONIA YOUTH CAMP: The Arizona Camp theme was taken from Colossians 2:9-10. Please note the card entitled "Who an I?" Our identity is not in what our family or this world may think of us but our identity is now in Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:17 *"Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new spiritual species; the old things have passed away (spiritual death); behold, new things have come (all of the assets of our new unique spiritual life)!"* The card is one of many things we send as part of our follow-up packets to young people who write to us.

PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH CAMP: Our last camp in Erie, Pennsylvania was, as always, such a gift to me and all who came. Our theme for that camp was taken from Ephesians 4:13-16: *"Until we come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature and full grown in the Lord measuring up to the full stature of Christ. Then we will no longer be like children, who are forever changing their minds going from one way to thinking to another and being deceived by false doctrine presented by crafty and scheming teachers. But speaking the absolute truth of the work of God in love growing in every way like Christ who is head of the body (church). Under His direction the whole body is filled together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love"*. Another concept I taught was that every decision we make in life affects five areas of our life: 1) Freedom 2) Future 3) Family 4) Friends 5) Faith. Good decisions place us in a position of strength but bad decisions lead to a position of weakness. Galatians 6:7-8: *"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap. Those who only live to satisfy their own sinful desires will harvest the consequences of misery and divine discipline. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit."*

Now a brief update on our grandson Shane. Today at 7 AM we watched our boy get on a school bus and start his first day of school. He insisted on riding the bus. Our hearts overflowed with joy watching him drive away with such courage and enthusiasm. Please continue to pray for our young man's protection and destiny as God continues to fight the battles.

We do not have the words to express our gratitude for all of you who keep praying and supporting this ministry. Thank you so much for keeping this ministry in your spiritual priorities during such difficult economic times. Please note the schedule for the fall. Pray for open doors as we progress through the school year. God is faithful to open doors even though we live in an anti-Christ culture. Please remember our Texas coordinator, Mike Stribling, as he recovers from some recent health concerns. Thanks again for your prayers regarding my physical status. I am trying to finish the race set before me, with my head held high and my spirit strong. We continue to present the gospel to the hungry young people of America. That is our Mission! Because of Him, Gary, Ruthie, TJ, Shane, and the AFA team.

P.S. We have cancelled our trip to Texas due to Mike Stribling's stroke and other closed doors. Hoping to reopen doors soon.

FALL 2008 SCHEDULE

Sept. 28 - Oct. 6 Phoenix, Arizona

Oct. 12 - 18 Iowa Area

Nov. 1 - 8 Washington State

Nov. 9-16 Oregon

Dec. 1 -6 Oklahoma City

Dec. 8- 13 Little Rock Area

Genesis 3:1-7 The Sting.

Gen 3:6 = Snared and Shared.

3:6 C.T. = When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate.

Summary:

1. The Woman's evaluations were true, true, and false.
2. God designed the trees to appeal to taste, nourishment, health and sight.
3. God did not offer additional knowledge of "good and evil" but prohibited the acquisition of it.

Principle: God's prohibitions are from His _____.

4. The most alluring part of the bait was "wisdom."
5. The Woman failed to consider God's exact law and then used her senses to make a purely human analysis that left out obedience.
6. Eve took, ate and gave indicating conscious decisions that were made as a result of the deception.

Principle: Wrong _____ set the course for wrong _____.

7. She thought she had made the right decision.
8. The actual sin was committed at the eating.
9. She was snared and shared.
10. Now she believes that her husband needs to be as smart as her.
11. Adam knew full well what he was doing-and the cost.

Principle: Wrong actions often seek fellowship.

Gen 3:7 = Exposed and Ashamed.

3:7 C.T. = Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.

Summary:

1. The result of sin is a sight that should have been avoided.
2. Their transparency now needs a covering.
3. Their new knowledge changed their innocence.
4. They were now guilty and sought to cover their own nakedness.
5. They covered up their sex organs.
6. In a sense they prepared for a battle that they had just lost, but would be entering into a battle against God.
7. The fig leaves picture man's attempt to take control of life. Be like God-knowing good and evil.

Principle: At the foundation of sin is a lack of _____ in God and a desire to manufacture our own world that is equal with God.

Genesis 3:8-21 The Sentence.

Gen 3:8 = Sin Tries to Hide From Judgment.

3:8 C.T. = And they heard the voice of Yahweh Elohim walking in the garden for the spiritual *time* of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the face of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

Summary:

1. Even in a fallen state they could hear the Lord.
2. They hid themselves away from the prohibited tree among all the trees they were commanded to eat from.

Principle: Sometimes we think God won't _____ our sin.

3. In a fallen state they did not want to see His face.
4. The Lord's face does change to reflect "emotion." 1 Peter 3:12
5. Hearing His voice and seeing His face should be one of the desires of our heart, no matter what expression is on His face. Psa 27:7-14

Principle: Sinful mankind naturally _____ from the voice and face of the Lord.

6. We hide by trying to camouflage ourselves.
7. We have to take the veil off our face to see His. 2 Cor 3:18
8. We also have to stop talking long enough to hear from Him.

Principle: God wants to communicate with us, but _____ are the problem.

Trinity Bible Church Doctrinal Statement

8. Soteriology. (The Study of Salvation)

Genuine Offer of Salvation: Since God is unable to be unfair to any person, loves all men equally, desires all men to be saved, is not willing that any should perish, invites all men to be saved, and atoned for the sins of the entire world, He has used the drawing ministry of Christ and the convicting ministry of the Holy Spirit to make it genuinely possible for any member of the human race to receive the Lord Jesus Christ (John 3:16; 12:32; 16:7-11; Acts 10:34-35; 16:31; Isa 45:21; Rom 5:8; 8:32; 1 Tim 2:4; 1 John 2:2).

Principle: A gospel presentation is never _____.

Election: We believe that in eternity past God, because of His love for and foreknowledge of all those who would respond to His universal invitation to believe in Christ, provided for them to share His eternal destiny (Psa 22:9; 2 Tim 1:9; Eph 1:4; Rom 8:28-30; 1 Pet 1:2).

Principle: God knows but does not _____ some people believe.

Mechanics of Salvation: Salvation was provided totally by the death of Jesus Christ for the sins of all members of the human race, as a free gift. Each person must decide either to reject or accept the offer by God of the gift of salvation. Acceptance of the offer of Salvation is through belief in the Lord Jesus. (Eph 1:7; 2:8-10; John 1:12; 1 Pet 1:18-19; 1 John 5:1).

Principle: Salvation is by faith _____ in Christ _____.

Eternal Security: Having decided to receive Christ as Savior at one point of time the Believer is kept secure forever by the Father and is disciplined in time, as a beloved child (Rom 8:38-39; Heb 10:14; 12:6-13; John 3:3-7; 10:27-30; 1 Cor 12:12).

Principle: God _____ to keep those saved who believed in His Son.

9. Ecclesiology. (The Study of the Church)

The Universal Church: We believe that the Church, which is the body and future Bride of Christ is a spiritual organism, made up of all Believers of this age without regard to their affiliation with Christian organizations (Eph 1:22-23; 4:11-16; 5:25-27; 1 Cor 12:12-14).

Principle: Those who _____ in Jesus Christ are brothers and sisters.

The Local Church: We further believe that the local Church is an assembly of Believers meeting together in a specified location for the purposes of worship, Bible study, fellowship, prayer, and witnessing (Acts 2:41-47; 1 Cor 11:23-26).

Principle: Christians are to _____ together.

Water Baptism: We believe that water baptism by immersion is designed to be a symbolic testimony of the identification of the Believer with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection to a new life. This baptism in no way affects the salvation, the spirituality, or spiritual growth of the Believer (Mark 1:5; Matt 3:16; Acts 8:36-39).

Principle: No _____ of man will provide eternal salvation.

The Lord's Supper: Our Lord instituted the ordinance of the Lord's Supper, which is commanded for all Believers. The two elements of the Lord's Supper, the bread and the cup, represent the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ and His work on the cross. Scripture requires that a partaker of the Lord's Supper be a Believer in Christ, and in fellowship with the Father through confession of known sins to Him (Luke 22:14-20; Matt 26:26-30; 1 Cor 11:23-32). This Church does not require the Believer in Christ to be a Member of this Church in order to partake of the Lord's Supper.

Principle: No _____ of man will provide eternal salvation.

10. Eschatology. (The Study of Prophecy and Last Things)

The Blessed Hope: We believe in the fulfillment of prophecy by the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in the air to receive to Himself the dead in Christ and Believers who are alive at His coming. This is known as the Rapture or Translation of the Church (Titus 2:11-14; 1 Thes 4:13-18; 1 Cor 15:51-57; Php 3:20-21; 1 John 3:2; Luke 24:36-43).

Principle: _____ to meet Him.

The Tribulation: We believe that the Rapture of the Church will be followed by the fulfillment of Israel's seventieth week, the latter half of which is the time of Jacob's trouble, the great tribulation (Dan 9:27ff; Jer 30:7; Matt 24:15-21; Rev 6:1-7).

Principle: Unbelievers of the "last days" will face a " _____ " on earth.

The Second Coming: We believe the great tribulation will be climaxed by the premillennial return of the Lord Jesus Christ to Earth, to set up His Kingdom for the Millennium, a thousand years (Acts 1:11; 2 Thes 1:7-10; Zech 14:4-11; Matt 24:27-31; Rev 19:11-20).

Principle: Jesus will _____ fulfill all His promises.

The Millennium: During the thousand years, Christ will reign over the nations of the Earth with a rod of iron, in righteousness and justice with peace (Rev 20:1-10; Isa 9:6-7).

Principle: One day the _____ will lay down with the _____.

The Eternal State: We believe that the souls of those who have trusted in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation do at death immediately pass into His presence, and there remain in conscious bliss until the resurrection of the body at the Rapture. This is when spirit, soul, and body reunited shall be associated with Him forever in glory.

The souls of unbelievers, however, remain after death in conscious misery, until the final judgment of the Great White Throne, at the close of the Millennium. At that time they shall be cast into the Lake of Fire, not to be annihilated, but to be punished with everlasting torment, eternally separated from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power (Luke 6:19-25; 23:43; 2 Cor 5:8; Php 1:23; 2 Thes 1:2-9; Jude 5-7; Rev 20:11-15).

Principle: Eternity involves a life or death _____ in time.