

***The Forecast***  
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Sometimes, the Holy Spirit will prompt us to pray for favor with a certain person, or in a specific situation. We can pray for favor with our spouses, our children, our parents, our coworkers, and our bosses. If our car breaks down, we can pray for favor for its repair and restoration. In times of sickness or injury, we can pray for favor for our healing. When we are facing a troubling financial situation, we can pray for favor for divine provision and prosperity.

Being favor-minded can make the difference between success and failure, debt and lack, sickness and health. Pastor Lynwood's message this week will help us to live in the "now" moment and in the favor of God. You don't want to miss it!

***Join Us This Sunday 10:00 am, as we continue our life-changing message series, "A Better Way." –  
Join the excitement as more people continue to return and new people are joining HBC each week for a life-changing encounter with God!***



## ***NOW is the Time of God's Favor and Salvation!***

*"For He says, 'In the time of My favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you.' I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation." - 2 Corinthians 6:2 NIV*

I have recently discovered a new appreciation for this verse penned by the apostle Paul. For years, I read it and passed it over because I thought it no longer applied to those who had already received God's precious gift of salvation. But recently, God gave me fresh revelation of how I can apply the truth of these principles in my daily life.

First, the Lord tells us, *"In the time of My favor I heard you."* Favor is an awesome biblical word. It can represent God's approval, grace, or mercy. Scripture says that through Jesus, God "received us into favor". (2 Corinthians 5:18 AMP) When we receive Christ as our personal Savior, God accepts us and crowns us with His divine favor.

When the Lord says, "In the time of My favor I heard you," He is speaking of a very intimate and interactive relationship. When we acknowledge the favor of God on our lives, we will pray with more confidence and boldness. And we will demonstrate a spiritual strength that will enable the Lord to use us in mighty ways for His glory.

The next thing that the Lord tells us in 2 Corinthians 6:2 is, *"In the day of salvation I helped you"*. The word "salvation" can mean deliverance, rescue, release, restoration, healing, or victory. It can also represent God's "saving acts" in the numerous short- and long-term circumstances. We all face situations on a daily basis that cry out for this kind of salvation that only the Lord can work. As soldiers of Christ, we are in a constant battle with the forces of darkness, and we can call upon our Commander-in-Chief at any time to fight for us.

Whether we need deliverance from disease, pain, debt, heartbreak, addiction, or anything else, our God will save and deliver us as we walk in close fellowship with Him on a moment-by-moment basis. The prophet Jeremiah wrote: *"It is good that one should hope in and wait quietly for the salvation (the safety and ease) of the Lord."* Lamentations 3:26. In dangerous or tense situations, praying for the salvation of the Lord offers us and our loved ones the privileged gift of God's protection and peace.

Paul ends Second Corinthians 6:2 with these words: *"I tell you, NOW is the time of God's favor, NOW is the day of salvation."* (2 Corinthians 6:2) When I am facing tough circumstances, I declare this verse out loud, and I literally shout the word "NOW" over my situation, calling God's favor and salvation power to manifest on my behalf. What situations are you facing today that are begging for the favor and salvation of the Lord?

*On the grace journey together with you, Pastor Lynwood*

# The Hilton Baptist Church Record

Lynwood Wells, Pastor

May 31, 2022

*Serving our Community with the Love of Jesus!*

## Deposit

Budget \$4084.00

PORT \$500.00

Total Deposit \$ 4584.00



Collected to date \$135.00

## Calendar

### Monday May 30th

Church office closed

### Tuesday, May 31st

1pm– 2pm Food Distribution

### Wednesday, June 1st

7pm Facebook Bible Study

### Thursday, June 2nd

1pm-2pm Food Distribution

### Sunday, June 5th

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

10am Sonshine Kids

\*\*Please note, Dreama will be out of town, Monday, June 6th– 8th. If you have an emergency you can call the church office and the phone will be forwarded to her phone.

### Monday, June 6th

Church Office Closed

### Tuesday, June 7th

Church Office Closed

No Food Distribution

### Wednesday, June 8th

Church office closed

No Wednesday Night Bible Study

### Thursday, June 9th

1pm– 2pm Food Distribution

### Sunday, June 12th

10am Live Worship at HBC

Virtual Worship Online

10am Sonshine Kids

Lock up/ Hall Monitor 6/5 Joe Wircenske 6/12 Pam Cooke

Counter 6/9 (Thurs) Sue Monfalcone 6/13 Myrna Powell

Kids Church Helper 6/5 Tracy Venable 6/12 Youth

## **Bazaar Information**

We will be having our annual bazaar this year. September 24th 9am -3pm. We are taking application for Vendors. If you know someone that would like to participate have them contact the church office.

We are already signing people up to help. Please see Tim Humphreys or contact the church office for information.

Quilt Tickets are available for everyone to take and sell. See Tracy to get your Quilt tickets. The quilt is displayed in the sanctuary. We are looking forward to a great show!



## **Vacation Bible School is coming!**

**August 8th– 12th**

**6:00pm – 8:30pm**

Workers are needed in all areas. Please contact the office if you can volunteer.

## **Children's Worker and VBS Worker Meeting**

All children's volunteer workers and VBS workers please mark your calendars now for **Tuesday, July 19th at 6:30pm**. This will be our annual meeting to go through all the policies of our children's programs. At that time, we will also go over the schedule and information for VBS. Please let Dreama know now if you can not attend. We will have another meeting for those who can not be here on the date listed.

## **Salvation Army Summer Camp Donations**

How can you help the children on the peninsula this summer? By helping us host 25 children each day, Monday through Friday in the Summer Day Camp Program. You can assist by providing some of the items listed below. Bring them to the church and we will deliver them to the Salvation Army.



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Apple sauce (cups only)      Popcorn      Canned fruit (mixture)  
Pretzels (bite size)      Cereal      Pudding (small cups)      Cookies      Raisins (small boxes)  
Crackers      Ravioli's      Fruit cups      Slim Jim's      Fruit juice box      spaghetti Noodles  
Gatorade- Small bottles      Spaghetti Sauce (can)      Jell-O-cups      Spaghetti O's  
Nutri- Grains Bars      Veggie Chips/ Straws      Pop Tarts      Welch's Fruit Snacks  
See Pam Cooke for more information!

**Missions Outreach—Pam Cooke 660-4226**

**WMU June Focus Project**

Our June Focus for WMU is Lackey Free Clinic . Lackey Clinic is a faith-based, free and charitable healthcare center — providing high-quality healthcare services for uninsured adults in Virginia. We will be taking monetary offerings through the month of June.

**Food Pantry at HBC**

HBC gives food away on Tuesdays and Thursday. See Sue Monfalcone to volunteer and for more information on how you can help. Bring your non-perishable food to restock the pantry the last Sunday of every month.

**Aluminum Cans**

Recycle your cans at HBC and help Support missions! Bring them to HBC and place them in the gym or the church office. All money collected goes to missions!

**Pray for our Missionaries**

SH (Central Asian People) LK (East Asian People) Cameron Phillips (European Peoples) JJ, AK (South Asian People) KH, LW (Southeast Asian People) Gabriel De Vega (IN) Jose Fasolino (Ontario) Dylan Pentecost (Quebec) John Barnette (VY)  
Tom Stark (WI)

**Serve The City**

There are many ways you can serve. Go to the website [STCpeninsula.com](http://STCpeninsula.com) to see how you can serve. You don't have to build anything, there are so many ways to serve.

**Community Dinner**

Next Community Dinner is Friday, June 24th 5:30pm– 6:30pm. If you would like to help see Pam Cooke

**Happy Birthday in May**

5/30 David Gibson

**Happy Birthday in June**

6/1 Joe Caskie

6/22 Jean Parker

6/11 Dave Gwaltney

6/23 William Duke

6/14 Scott Kuhlne

6/27 Doug Miller

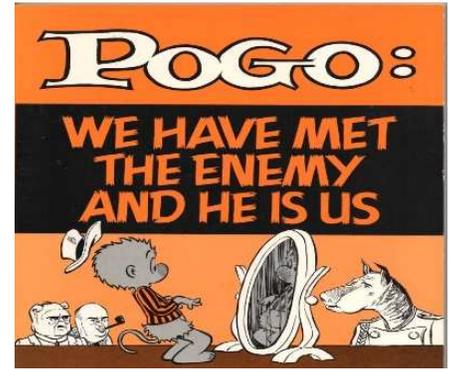
6/18 Lloyd Ware

6/27 Patricia Simmons



## ***When the Enemy is Us***

Our refusal to bend and break and be humbled causes us to be God's enemy. Yet we can also have another enemy throughout this process of brokenness—ourselves. We are often our greatest enemy in seeing the work of the cross reign in our lives.



Watchman Nee said this:

*“Anyone who serves God will discover sooner or later that the great hindrance he has in the Lord’s work is not others, but himself.*

*He will discover that his outward man (soul) is not in harmony with his inward man (spirit). Both tend to go toward two opposite directions from each other. He will also sense the inability of his outward man to submit to the inner control. . . . Thus he is rendered incapable of obeying God’s highest commands.”*

You see, Scripture speaks of an inner battle that takes place in all of us. It even goes as far as to call it a war, one that rages between our *inner man* and our *outward man*. Consider what Paul wrote in Romans 7:22—*“For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; but I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war . . .”* (NIV, *emphasis added*).

There is a clear distinction between our inner man and our outward man.

There is a battle, which can have only one winner. If our outward man can be broken and crushed, the inward man can shine through and the beauty of Christ within seen.

Much like the expensive alabaster box of perfume the woman brought to anoint Jesus, it had to be broken and spilled out to be of any use. So, please understand. *“The inward man cannot come forth, because he is resisted and blocked by an exhausted outward man. That is why we have repeatedly suggested that this outward man must be broken.”*

Founder of Christian and Missionary Alliance, A.B. Simpson, once wrote a hymn entitled, *“Not I, but Christ,”* in which he captures perfectly the need in each of our lives:

*Oh to be saved from myself, dear Lord*

*Oh to be lost in Thee;*

*Oh that it may be no more I, But Christ that lives in me.*

Oh to be saved, not from adultery and thievery and lying and cheating and all the gross, visible sins that are happening out there, but from myself. Oh to be lost in Thee, that it may be no more I, but Christ. That is the brokenness I desire for myself and for all of us.



## ***How to Get Over Your Past***

All of us have chapters we wish we could rewrite. To get over your past you must first start looking at it differently.

Reframe it. Ask, "How did it make me stronger? What do I know now that I didn't know then?" Don't focus on what you lost, but on what you gained.

Second, understand the difference between guilt and shame. Guilt is feeling bad about what you've done – it's healthy; shame is feeling bad about whom you are – it's toxic and debilitating.

All of us have things we'd like to change about ourselves, but when God created us He said, "...it was very good..." (Gen 1:31), so start seeing yourself as He sees you.

Third, stop punishing yourself with the "if only's." After stumbling badly and having God pick him up, David wrote, "Happy is the person whose sins are forgiven... whom the Lord does not consider guilty..." (Ps 32:1-2) Forgive yourself; God has. Because He sees you through the Cross, you are "accepted" (Eph 1:6).

Finally, move from pain to gain. Healing takes time, so expect some anger, fear and sadness. Don't disown them; they're part of the process.

But don't adopt them either; know when it's time to move on. You can't walk backwards into the future, and the future God has in mind contains more happiness than any past you can remember.

## ***The Last Impression***

Three elderly gents were talking about what their grandchildren would be saying about them fifty years from now.

"I would like my grandchildren to say, 'He was successful in business,'" declared the first man.



"Fifty years from now," said the second, "I want them to say, 'He was a loyal family man.'"

Turning to the third gent, he asked, "So what do you want them to say about you in fifty years?"

"Me?" the third one replied. "I want them to say, 'He certainly looks good for his age.'"



# Welcome to Online Giving

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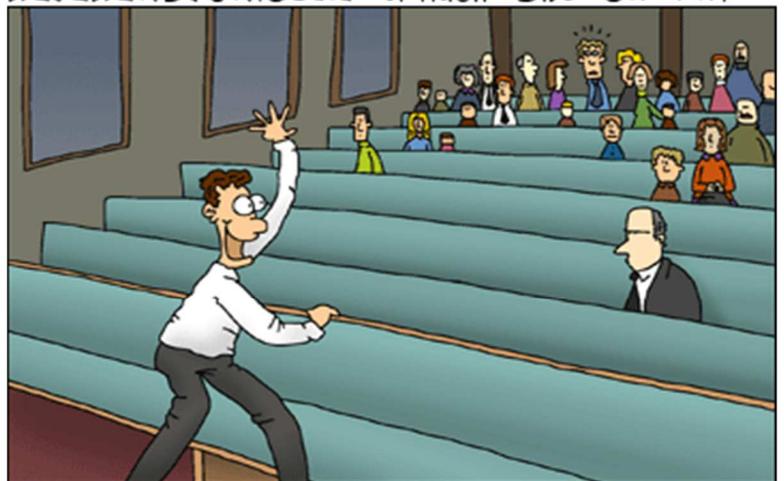
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## ***The Law Was Given By Moses... Grace And Truth By Jesus!***

*“Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. For the law was given through Moses; but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.” John 1:16*

Notice the words “grace” and “truth,” and the contrast which John draws between them and the Law and Moses. The Law makes demands. It is hard, cold, unyielding, without mercy. The symbol of it today is the IRS — the Tax Man. If we do not give up what the law requires we are subject to penalty. John says that the Law was given by Moses. Moses did not originate it, but he gave it. Moses may disappear, but the Law remains — cold, unyielding, demanding, without mercy.

But, John says, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. Take away Jesus and you take away grace and truth; he is the channel of them. What John is saying in this section is that law is all about demand, but grace and truth are all about supply, and are designed to meet that demand.

I like to think that law and grace supplement one another. Law makes its demands, rightfully and justly, and no one can meet them, but grace and truth is given in order to meet that demand.

In Exodus 20 there is the remarkable account of the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai — the Law, which came with smoke, thunder, earthquake, fire, fear and trembling. But in the very next section we read the detailed plans for the building of the tabernacle — God's provision to meet the demands of the Law.

That tabernacle is a picture of Jesus, the meeting place where God's demands are fully met in terms of the sacrifice of blood, of a life poured out. John saw in the coming of Jesus the fulfillment of that tabernacle. So it is with us. We can say with John, Out of his fullness (of grace and truth), we have all received, grace upon grace.

God has a daily supply of grace for us. Grace is the generosity of love reaching out toward us, giving itself to us. To those who come to Christ, God's promise is that every day we can take a new supply of his love.

We can know that we are loved. We know we are cherished, protected, and blessed. We are strengthened, kept, and supported by his love; grace upon grace, day after day, like the manna to the Israelites in the wilderness. God gives us a daily supply of love.

Because we have been loved, when we reach out in love to someone else, when we give as fully and freely as we have received, then we fulfill the Law, for love is the fulfilling of the Law.

## ***What We Have To Fear***

It was the first camping experience for Jed. As soon as he had pitched his tent, he went for a hike in the woods. In about fifteen minutes he rushed back into camp, bleeding and disheveled.

"What happened?" asked a fellow camper. "I was chased by a black snake!" cried the frightened Jed.

The camper laughed and retorted, "A black snake isn't deadly."

"Listen," groaned Jed, "If he can make you jump off a fifty-foot cliff, he is!"

There are any number of things in this world that may frighten us. For some of you, it may be snakes, or spiders or rats. For others, it may be great heights or the thought of flying in an airplane. For others, there is a fear of losing your health or losing your job. For most, there is a fear of death.

It was Franklin D. Roosevelt who once said, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." I understand him to mean that the way we react to fear is often more dangerous than the thing we fear. Fear can cause us to make rash decisions. At other times, fear can paralyze us so that we do nothing at all.

It is significant to me that the command Jesus gave his disciples more than any other was "Fear not" or "Do not be afraid." The storm is raging. "Fear not!" There are those who seek to do us harm. "Fear not!" The girl has died. "Fear not!" We would regard all of those situations as legitimate reasons to fear. But Jesus made it clear that when He is present, fear is inappropriate. He is capable of handling anything we face, including death!

So what is it that causes you to live in fear? What is it that produces such anxiety that you have trouble going to sleep at night? Turn it over to the One who has promised to watch over you. "Fear not!" Trust Him.

The Psalmist David said, *"I sought the LORD, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears."* (Psalm 34:4)

As Rick Warren often points out, there are 365 specific places in the Bible where we were told by Go, "Fear Not" – one for each day of the year!

So whatever you might be facing today, be encouraged by those words and know today is one of those days that God is going to see you through, no matter what!



## ***Sitting on the Fence***

There was an incredibly large group of people assembled. On one side of the group stood a man, Jesus. On the other side of the group stood another man, Satan. Separating them, running through the group was a fence. The scene set, both Jesus and Satan began calling to the people in the group and, one by one, each having made up his or her mind, each went to either Jesus or Satan.



This kept going, and eventually Jesus had gathered around him a group of people from the larger crowds, as did Satan. But one man joined neither group. He climbed the fence that was there and just sat down on it. Then Jesus and his people left. So too did Satan and his people.

And the man on the fence sat alone. As this man sat there, Satan came back, and appeared to be looking for something that he'd lost. The man said, "Have you lost something?" Satan looked straight at him and replied, "No, there you are. Come with me." "But," said the man, "I sat on the fence. I chose neither you nor Him.

"That's okay," said Satan. "I own the fence."



## ***Life On The Edge***

Did you ever come home at 11:30pm for a midnight curfew? It's not likely. As a teenager, I remember waiting on my front steps until 11:59pm before going inside. When given the opportunity, it seems to be in our nature to push the limits to the very farthest degree. How far is too far?

We like living on the edge. The problem is that when we do it for too long, we might not realize we're in real danger until it's too late. It's essential that we pay attention to the path we're on. It's like driving on a winding mountain road: as you near the edge, you'll hit a series of warning grooves that cause you to start bumping along. They are there to remind you to get back on the right track.

The Christian life is much the same. I used to think some of the rules in the Bible were cumbersome. I have come to realize, however, that it is these very guidelines – like warning grooves on a road – that help keep me from flying over the edge and losing control in my life.

God's commandments and principles are there for our protection so we can experience all God wants us to experience. The Scriptures, the Holy Spirit, and our brothers and sisters in Christ provide us with the warning grooves and guardrails we need to prevent us from going over the edge.

## ***Faith Like a Mustard Seed***

*"For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you shall say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it shall move; and nothing shall be impossible to you."  
Matthew 17:20*



If we want to exercise the kind of faith that God desires, it's important to understand what faith is...and what it's not. Faith isn't the ability to predict the outcome of future circumstances. At the same time, faith is not the complete absence of any doubt.

God isn't concerned about the quantity of our faith. Jesus Himself observed that even faith the size of a mustard seed – one of the smallest seeds in the vegetable world – can produce great results.

The kind of faith that God desires from us doesn't require us to rid ourselves of all uncertainty before we obey Him. All we need is just enough faith to act, and then we'll enjoy the benefits of God's promises.

Faith believes that God will do what He has promised... and then act accordingly!



## ***Better Than a Zap***

God puts good things into us when we're not even paying attention.

He just does. And that's part of what's so amazing about the apostle Paul, the Christ-hater who became the number one spokesman for Christianity.

After Paul's incredible conversion, the Lord could have made it easy on Himself and just zapped Paul with a long list of great abilities – whatever he needed for doing what God had in mind. But instead, God reached back into a part of Paul's background that was pretty much formed before he became a Christian – and He found some very useful things there.

These were good things exactly as we defined good... those things that are helpful, beneficial, that keep you moving forward in life. They gave Paul a real jump start when God finally began to use him to set forth the Christian faith. And, just as may be the case with you, these qualities in Paul weren't all spiritual things. They were also academic, cultural, and biological.

What are some of the similar things that could be found in your life?