

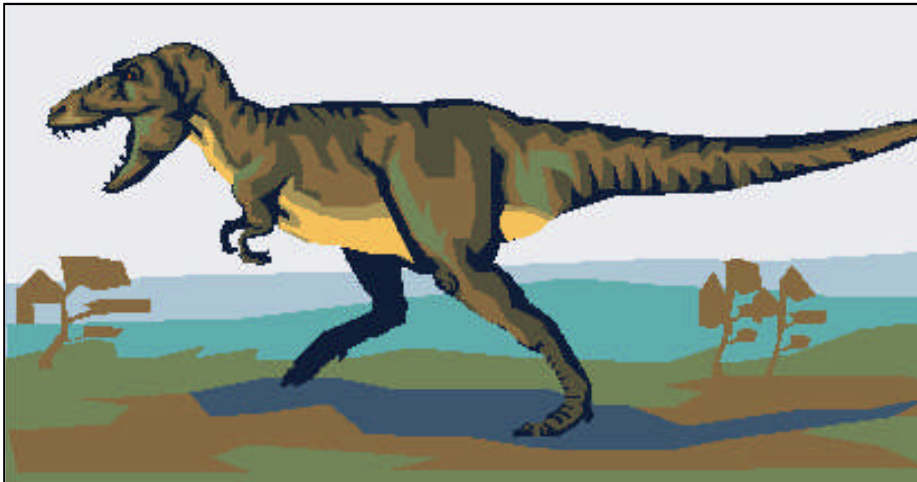
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## The Ole Dinosaur



Typically a dinosaur is thought to be a terrible lizard that lived long ago and now is extinct. Enlightened intellectuals who do not worship at the altar of Darwinian Evolution know that we have dinosaurs today, just not as big! But what about a "Preacher-saurus" - do they still exist? *Yet for love's sake I rather beseech thee, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ, Phil.9.* It is amazing that the elder Paul still had the ability to cross the generation and culture gap. Several young preachers, such as Timothy, Titus and Trophimus, revered the old man. Paul was even adored by a

young slave that he led to the Lord named Onesimus. How did Paul stay so relevant through the years? Did John Mark leave Paul for a more "seeker-sensitive" venue? If John Mark did, he obviously came back. (II Tim. 4:11). There is no other time in church history where the younger generation of preachers viewed the older preachers as irrelevant as today. Nevertheless, Peter told the younger preachers to submit to the elders in I Peter 5:5. I must admit that at times I feel like I am a dinosaur - not because I cannot relate, but because people either humor me or ignore me. Perhaps it is because I still believe that the old

hymns still speak to new hearts, that the King James Version is still the two-edged sword that is powerful enough to soften the stony heart and outlast this world, and I still hold that a minister should carry himself with dignity and not appear as a surfer who just polished off two Strawberry Daiquiris!! I still believe in confrontational evangelism, that the words "fellowship" and "family life center" are inferior to the word "church," and that I should never disenfranchise the older generation by only targeting the young professionals. I refuse to compromise just because my message is not popular. I will NOT be silenced or intimidated because others laugh, smirk, and preach ecumenism! If I am a dinosaur, then I am a Tyrannosaurus Rex!! And by God's Grace I will stand, and with HIS help I will influence others! Who knows.....maybe we will have a Jurassic Park Revival !!?

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**If we have any Preacher-sauruses out there, please come out of your cave and be counted. We are being suppressed into the past by the evolving preachers who would love for us to be forgotten.**

*Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*

*According to the Barna Institute, only 5% of adults and half of all evangelicals have a biblical worldview; and less than half of all born-again adults and only 9% of born-again teenagers believe in absolute moral truth.*

AiG, June 16, 2006

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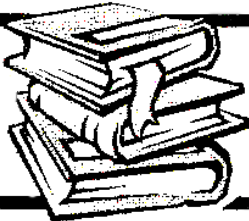
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## Attention Pastors!

If you have high-school graduates this year, please send us their names, and we will send them information about Antioch Baptist College. Every Christian graduate should receive a basic Bible education before going to a secular school of study. This will give a sound basis for understanding the world from a Biblical world view.

Pray about sending your young preacher boys our way. Pray that God will give us new faces next year and a new zeal to plant into the hearts of our students to serve the Lord with all their might.

Thanks. *Bro. Ronnie Wolfe*



## Odds & Ends

By Hillary Howard

### A Thankful Leper

A healed leper lay prostrate at Jesus' feet giving loud and thankful worship! When the Lord asked the question "Where are the nine?" the revived devotee did not criticize or belittle his ungrateful friends. The Lord's question did not need a human answer. Where are the nine? They were absent, negligent, and delinquent as they still are today.

Amazingly it was the stranger, whose heart had been touched, who returned and gave God glory.

The other ninety percent essentially robbed God of receiving His deserved honor. Therefore, the only one who received revival, a double wholeness, was this Samaritan stranger.

What did this man have that the others did not have? Faith! Faith was the root, and gratitude was

the fruit. When this ex-leper was told to arise and go his way, he left not only as a healed man but as a revived and changed man.

Oh, dear Christian, let us return to give loud praise to our Savior for healing us from spiritual leprosy and lying prostrate before Him. He will revive us again!

### Hymns vs. Praise Choruses

An old farmer went to the city one weekend and attended a big city church. He came home, and his wife asked him how it was. "Well," said the farmer, "It was good. They did something different, however. They sang praise choruses instead of hymns." "Praise choruses?" said his wife, "What are those?"

"Oh, they're okay. They're sort

of like hymns only different." said the farmer.

"Well what's the difference?" asked the wife.



The farmer said, "Well its like this. If I were to say to you, Martha, the cows are in the corn, well that would be a hymn. If, on the other hand I was to say to you, Martha, Martha. Martha, Oh Martha, MARTHA, MARTHA, the big cows, the brown cows, the black cows, the white cows, the black and white cows, the COWS, COWS, COWS, are in the corn, are in the corn, are in the corn, are in the corn, well that would be a praise chorus."

# Give Me This Mountain

By Pastor Ronnie Wolfe

*Joshua 14:12 — Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day: for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.*

Each one of us has a mountain, and it is a mountain of our own choosing. As God's children, we choose what endeavors will enrapture our mind and envelop our actions. If we choose the right mountain and are faithful to climbing that mountain, God will supply or need, will strengthen us, and will comfort us and lead us along the way; and we shall be victorious to reach the top of that mountain by God's grace.

Some choose the wrong mountains to climb; and when they climb these wrong mountains, they, too, will receive the reward of their deeds. Let us look at some negative and some positive mountains that we can climb.

## THE MOUNTAIN OF IGNORANCE

All religious people have chosen a mountain to climb. Unbelievers choose the mountain of ignorance, because they are not aware of the gracious knowledge of Jesus Christ. Rom. 10:3 *For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.*

This "going about" is their climbing the mountain of ignorance. They try to climb the mountain of self-righteousness and are never able to reach the top, because there is no righteousness in man; and though he were to climb as far as his strength would allow, he still would not obtain the righteousness of God. Don't climb that mountain, unbeliever, but rush to Jesus Christ and His cross, his death, burial and resurrection, and his grace. He will save you, imputing to you His own righteousness.

## THE MOUNTAIN OF MISSED OPPORTUNITIES

Moses was a mountain climber. He climbed up God's mountain to receive the commandments of God, and in

Deuteronomy 32:49 he climbed the mountain of missed opportunity.

Moses sinned against God when he struck the rock to which God instructed him to speak. This was a great sin in the sight of God. So God took Moses to Mt. Nebo in the land of Moab to behold the great promise that God had given to the children of Israel who believed, but Moses could not enter into that promised land flowing with milk and honey, because he disobeyed God.

Moses here went up the mountain of missed opportunity. Oh, what great opportunity there was for Moses if he had only obeyed his God, but Moses died in the mountain and left behind innumerable opportunities to serve God.

## THE MOUNTAIN OF SERVICE

Exod. 3:12 *And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.*

Each and every Christian should search out this mountain. God will lead you there. Israel was here given the great commandments that they were to live by. Certainly we must receive God's commandments before we can serve Him properly. Study the Scriptures and learn God's commandments for you and His promises to you.

You cannot climb this mountain without God's leadership, just as Moses was not able to climb Mt. Sinai without God's guiding hand.

There Moses served God, building an altar for worship and fellowshiping in God's Word.

## THE MOUNTAIN OF WORSHIP

John 4:20-23 *Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where*

*men ought to worship. 21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. 22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. 23 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.*

The mountain of worship is so important to every believer. Give me this mountain so that I may go there and sit with Christ, singing from my heart the wonderful and gracious words of precious hymns, desiring that God receive my praise, begging his entrance into a close and personal fellowship with Him, speaking to my heart with his Word and his manifest presence!

Do not forsake assembling yourself with other believers as is required by Scripture. Do not fail to be with God's people when they gather together. Always bear in mind that God's house is for worship and that you must climb that mountain whenever the opportunity comes.

## THE MOUNTAIN OF VICTORY

Deut. 2:3 *Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward.* Sometimes God wants us to turn from one mountain and go to another, and in doing so we can go from one plateau to the next in our growth before Almighty God, growing in grace and the knowledge of our Lord. We cannot say much about this because of space, but remember there is victory in our faith in Jesus Christ.

## THE MOUNTAIN OF INHERITANCE

In Joshua 14:12 (which read), Joshua asked for "this mountain," the mountain of inheritance, so that the enemies of God would be driven out and the children called of God could have the inheritance that God had promised to them.

One day believers will stand on the streets of Heaven in thanksgiving to our Savior Who made it all possible. We shall enter into his rest because of faith in Him. If you do not have this mountain, trust him now.

## OUR PROFIT MARGIN

Even though the apostle Paul was serving his last prison term, he was still greatly interested in training young preachers. *Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the Ministry, II Tim. 4:11.*

It sounds a little selfish, but we at Antioch Baptist College want to make huge profits, spiritually that is. If we are faithful in training young men and their wives for the gospel ministry, and they make sizeable contributions, we are assured of handsome profit sharing at the Judgment Seat of Christ. What we need are some Marks that are willing to be taught and trained. What we need are opportunities to invest what we know and what we have experienced. ABC is not only committed to Biblical scholarship and academics but also to the practical concerns of Church Administration and the many methods of local church outreach. We are not "Seeker-Sensitive," but we are Savior-Sensitive.

We want to have profit sharing at ABC. This is why we involve many other pastors as professors and guest lecturers. Training young people for the ministry is big business, and we are equipping young Marks and Marys with a spiritual entrepreneur mentality; but the bottom line is furthering the Kingdom of God for the Lord's Glory. At the end of the day, HE is the ONE who deserves all the profit.

The Savior is gracious to reward, but

our attitude at Antioch Baptist College is that we are unprofitable servants. We have done what we were supposed to do!!

Send us some John Marks won't you!!??

### New Representative

Brother Jordan Ferrell, a 2006 Graduate of ABC, has recently accepted the role of College Representative for ABC. He has a wonderful wife named Scarlett who has recently finished her nursing degree. They are now available to visit churches to share the vision and the passion that we have at Antioch Baptist College. Jordan has developed into a fine preacher, and he loves young people. We know that he will represent us well, and he will make a good contribution to your church ministry.

For appointments call Bro. Wolfe at 513-236-1172 or Jordan at 513-288-7929, and please consider having a "See ABC Day" at your church. We have seasoned preachers and fine students that can come and be a blessing to your church.

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