



# The PROJECTOR

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*"Projecting the Light of the Word of God on the Issues of the Day"*

## Worship and Personal Music Standards for God's Glory

by Dr. Randy Cornelius

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"Why are your children calling the evil spirits?" That was the sincere question asked by some native Christians from an "up country" (jungle) village in West Africa. The question was addressed to a Christian missionary couple and the incident took place in the mid-1960's. I was born in Liberia, West Africa, where my parents were missionaries serving the Lord with a large Christian radio station, ELWA. We lived on the coast, not far from the modern capitol city of Monrovia. Across the multi-lane highway that semi-circled the city was the jungle. It was like living with "one foot in civilization and the other in the bush."<sup>(1)</sup>

Worship that glorifies God is not an experience confined to a day, a feeling, or to a certain type of music. **Worship that glorifies**

**God is a life laid down as a living sacrifice in obedience to the Word of God.** Romans 12:1 puts it this way: *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service [of worship]*. Smell the aroma of Old Testament worship in that verse! We must ask ourselves, "Is what I am presenting unto God in my everyday living separated (holy) and acceptable to Him? Am I truly worshiping God with my life?" We need to look well into this matter of worshiping God. In Proverbs 14:15-16 it says, *The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going. A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident*. Do we have a sincere desire to truly worship God "in spirit and in truth?" God is looking for people who have that desire. God is looking for people who will look well into this matter. Holy personal music standards will supernaturally grow out of a life laid down as a holy, acceptable sacrifice to God.

**Worship that glorifies God must be defined according to God's Word, not by what I**

**think.** Foundational to a sincere desire to worship God is a knowledge of God's Word. We have to read the Bible carefully all the way through! We cannot be like King Jehoiakim and reject what we do not agree with (Jeremiah 36). We must beware of saying that we will do all God commands in His Word but afterward refuse what seems unreasonable like the Jews did in Jeremiah 42. *Now all these things happened unto them for examples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come* (1 Corinthians 10). What happened to "our fathers" in the wilderness? They all experienced God's miraculous provision and protection every day, but God says He was not well pleased with most of them. All but two died in the wilderness! Experiencing God's blessing is not proof that God is well pleased! We are expected to learn something about God when reading these accounts – what God loves, what He hates, what pleases Him, what is displeasing to Him. The entire Bible must be read and studied and taken seriously. We cannot adjust Scripture to fit our concept or our culture. We must not be like the

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## EDITOR'S DESK

by Pastor Tod Brainard

### The CROSS Conference and Dr. Tim Keesee of Frontline Missions International

Recently, I read, with overwhelming grief and utter dismay, an article in the periodical, **DISPATCHES**, Winter 2014, by Dr. Tim Keesee, Director of Frontline Missions International. He chronicled his recent trip to and participation with the CROSS conference in Louisville, KY back in December. Pictured in the article is Pastor David Platt of The Church at Brook Hills, a Southern Baptist church in Birmingham, Alabama. Platt has written three books in three years, *Radical: Taking Back Your Faith from the American Dream*; *Radical Together: Unleashing the People of God for the Purpose of God* in April, 2011. And in February, 2013, he released *Follow Me: A Call to Die, a Call to Live* that has rocketed him to notoriety in the Southern Baptist Convention and beyond. Critique's of his book are available through Dr. Gary Gilley at his website, at [svchapel.org](http://svchapel.org). (I am not fully endorsing the ministry of Dr. Gary Gilley; however, he has insightful commentary and warnings regarding a number of the New Calvinist writers.) In addition, Platt has started a new web resource ministry titled *Radical.net*. He is Reformed in doctrine and is a leader of the New Calvinist movement in America.

Dr. Tim Keesee wrote in his article a glowing report of the CROSS conference in Louisville. He told of weeping as he heard David Platt read Romans Chapters 1 through 8:39. He spoke of the hundreds that took their first steps in the journey of carrying the Gospel to the world, "an army rising." Yet, the Gos-

pel of the New Calvinists is not the Gospel of the Scriptures. (I recommend to our readers Dr. Rob Congdon's booklet, *New Calvinism's Upside-Down Gospel* and his other materials exposing the errors of New Calvinism.) There is no mention in the article of the compromise of the speakers at the CROSS conference. Dr. Keesee glosses over the whole conference with no mention of the New Calvinism that pervades their Gospel interpretation. No mention of the music at the conference highlighted by the "Christian" rapper, Trip Lee. No mention of worldliness! Just tacit approval of the conference as if there were no issues at all with the compromising leadership and message of the conference.

Read for yourself this list of the speakers and workshop directors for the CROSS 2013 Conference that was held in December, 2013:

#### Speakers -

<b>Al Mohler</b>	<b>Andy Davis</b>
<b>Brian Chan</b>	<b>Brian Parks</b>
<b>Carl Ellis</b>	<b>Catherine Pratt</b>
<b>Conrad Mbewe</b>	<b>D.A. Carson</b>
<b>David Furman</b>	<b>David Lawrence</b>
<b>David Platt</b>	<b>David Sills</b>
<b>David Sitton</b>	<b>Elias Medeiros</b>
<b>Gloria Furman</b>	<b>Greg Gilbert</b>
<b>Harshit Singh</b>	<b>Joanne Parks</b>
<b>John Folmar</b>	<b>John Piper</b>
<b>Juan Sanchez</b>	<b>Kathleen Nielson</b>
<b>Keri Folmar</b>	<b>Kevin DeYoung</b>
<b>Kristie Anyabwile</b>	<b>Leann Stiles</b>
<b>Ligon Duncan</b>	<b>Mack Stiles</b>
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Jews in Judges 17:6 - Every man doing what is right in his own eyes. God warns us about failing to look well into this matter.

In Jeremiah 29:19-20a, God warns us about not listening to His words. ...they have not hearkened to my words, saith the Lord, which I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; but ye would not hear, saith the Lord. Hear ye therefore the word of the Lord... If we do not hear the word of the Lord, we cannot look well into this matter and will likely end up leading people astray! In Jeremiah 23:1-2, God warns... Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the Lord. Therefore thus saith the Lord God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the Lord.

Ezekiel 34:2 states, Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

Ezekiel 33 instructs us that the watchman's job is to warn of impending danger. In order to do that, he must know what is dangerous... That watchman needs to look well into the matter!

We need to beware of hypocrisy - saying one thing but doing another. Jesus says in Matthew 15:7-9: Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophe-

sy of you, saying, This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is **far from** me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. Most of what is called "worship" of God today can indeed be called "worship" but it is far from the worship of God! God says they have deliberately removed their heart far from Him as Isaiah 29:13 tells us. Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men. 1 Timothy 4: 1-2 is more explicit - they are worshipping demons! Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron.

**Worship that glorifies God must be demonstrated by saying all God's words.** Do we speak "all the words" that God has commanded us in the Bible to speak? Jeremiah did in chapter 26 of his book. We need to be like Jeremiah and speak "all the words" - both the wonderful words and the warning words. Paul was careful to speak "all the words." Acts 20:26-31: Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. (You have a responsibility both to yourself and to the flock - especially if you are a pastor.) Take heed therefore unto

yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. Much of what those wolves (false prophets) say sounds "good," but it is not always what they say that is dangerous. Very often it is what they do not and will not say that is dangerous. Even their lies sound good, reasonable and even "biblical" until you look carefully into the matter.

**Worship that glorifies God is displayed by recognizing, identifying, and not listening to false prophets.** God says that there are false prophets telling us lies. Do we really believe God? Jeremiah warns about false prophets in Jeremiah 27:9-10. *Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.* Are we warning about false prophets? Do we know any? No doubt there are some in our church and among our acquaintances. John tells us there will be many and helps us identify them in 1 John 4:1-

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# FOCUS ON RELIGION

## Recognizing the Enemy

By Pastor Adam Watt

Throughout the history of warfare, some battles have been won through keen deception. During the Tet Offensive of the Vietnam War, for example, the Viet Cong soldiers disguised themselves as normal citizens and strategically infiltrated South Vietnam. On one occasion, the soldiers pretended to be in a funeral procession, using the coffins to sneak in weapons and ammunition. In a battle, an army must always be aware of the enemy, being able to recognize them despite intricate disguises.

### Enemy Badges

In I John 4, John reminds the beloved that a battle against God's truth is raging, and the world system of Satan uses whatever means of trickery necessary in its attempt to defeat the truth. Many false prophets have gone out into the world, empowered with the spirit of Anti-Christ, and the believer must be able to recognize this enemy. In verse 5, John gives several characteristics of the false prophets that, when compared with the Word of God, reveal their hidden Anti-Christ spirit. God's people must actively be involved in this "testing" of the spirits rather than gullibly accepting everything the world system offers. Such testing involves the search for three badges displayed on the enemy uniform.

### Commitment

In assessing the enemy, the believer must first search for the **commitment badge**, asking, "Who do they

follow?" In verse 5, John writes that the false prophets are of the world, or literally, *out of the world*. This statement indicates their spiritual derivation and consequent personal allegiance as being the world system. Despite their pretense of loving truth, the true commitment badge will ultimately be displayed. For example, even though Demas was a fellow laborer who was involved in the work of the churches, he ultimately forsook Paul "having loved this present evil world." The commitment may not be obvious at first, but over time, the believer who is testing the spirits will notice the false prophet's undying allegiance to the world.

### Communication

Second, the believer must also search for the **communication badge** of the false prophet, asking, "Of whom do they speak?" John writes that the false prophets speak of the world. They may be very deceptive in choosing their words, but their true commitment will come out in communication. The world's language of rebellion against authority, complaining, bitterness, perversion, and hatred is easy to diagnose if the believer is listening. Heibert writes, "In adjusting and formulating their message to conform to the spirit and interests of the world, they distort and deform the message of God." Being committed to his "country of origin," the false prophet mixes his worldly message with elements of truth.

### Comradeship

Third, the believer must also watch for the **comradeship badge** of the false prophet, asking, "Who do they attract?" The end of verse 5 states that the world hears the false prophet. Whereas the message of God's Word brings one to a decision of acceptance or rejection, the message of the false prophet is overwhelmingly received by the world. A preacher who is successful in the world's eyes is attracting the wrong comrades; the world desires the teachers who will please and comfort them (II Timothy 4:3). As Herschel Hobbs wrote, "Because the world goes to hear what it wants to hear anyway, it is no compliment to a preacher to say, 'He speaks my language.' It is condemnation when the world says 'He is one of us' or 'He is my kind of preacher.'" Sadly, many preachers are lured into the trap of being successful in the world's eyes rather than faithfully preaching God's Word and resting in God's Spirit to bring the results.

### Note the Badges

The children of God who are engaged in the fight must take up the responsibility of investigating the enemy and noticing the badges that are worn. The ability to recognize these characteristics extends from the believer's knowledge of and trust in God's Word. May we allow its authority to reign supreme in our lives so that the deceptive enemy remains obvious. Ω



# Proverb Practicals

by Ludwig Opager

Proverbs 31:28,29, **Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.**

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After speaking of the faithful mother's virtues, King Lemuel of Chapter 31 turns to an expected result of those virtues, that of praise by her children and her husband.

Children of a virtuous mother will conclude that she is a special woman, a woman to be called "blessed". But Mothers, if you look for that conclusion early you may be disappointed. Don't expect your children to realize immediately what you do for them worthy of you being called "blessed". The blessing that you have been to your children may not necessarily be appreciated by them until they have come of age. Well-trained children will come to this conclusion in time, thanking God for the blessing of a godly mother.

The late nights of work invested on children's behalf, the early mornings of food preparation, the washing of clothing, the giving of aid to others, the words of wisdom and kindness expressed, the care to personal appearance and the support of her husband will in time reap the rewards of praise.

Children need to grow to an awareness of these virtues; however, it must be understood that much time is needed for some children to realize what it takes to be a godly, genuine, caring mother. It may take some folks 40 years to rise up and call their mother blessed. Mothers, be careful to not be disappointed in your children if it doesn't happen early.

Rearing children is an act of faith. The Bible tells us that faith is "the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). Mothers, your physical eyes may not allow you to see your children as grownups. But you can see them through the eyes of faith by obeying the Word of God in their rearing. The Bible tells you what they can be when they grow up if they are reared "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). Faith in the Word of God gives you sight to see the outcome of obedience to the Word of God.

For many years my wife received a greeting card from a relative with a picture enclosed of her daughter sitting at a piano. Each year the daughter's progress was chronicled and praised. But that rejoicing was premature.

The premature rejoicing was silenced when her daughter became addicted to drugs, and became the mother of several children outside of marriage. In addition, her father committed suicide, not able to bear the heartache of a wayward daughter. This mother rejoiced in her child before it was time to rejoice. We are to rejoice in children when it is time to rejoice. What are they doing for God? Are they faithful to God?

What about the boasting in children that takes place on car bumpers? "My child is an honor student at ABC Middle School!" Too many mothers rejoice in their children prematurely. The workmanship is not yet finished.

How many folks would boast in an unfinished house during the building? Come to my housewarming and see the foundation, see the house frame! Do we not wait until the work is finished before we rejoice? Do we rejoice in a cake that is half-baked? How many mothers try to grab rewards of motherhood before it is time and in so doing sacrifice the permanent of the child on the altar of immediate rewards?

The woman of virtue saves her rejoicing for a time to come. Her gift for the present ought to be that her virtues are praised by her husband. He is accountable for this, for he is of age and should take up the duty to praise his virtuous wife. That is where her rejoicing comes from. Husbands don't forget to rise up and call her "blessed". Praise ought to be expressed to your wife, and it ought to be often!

**"Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."** The husband recognizes his wife's value to the family and he makes those values publicly known to them. His praise is designed to teach the children to value what a virtuous woman is and to learn to bless their mother. Children are to plainly know and see their mother as their father's crown. Ω

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6: Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world. They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them. We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. God concedes that speaking "out of" the world will "work" - it will broaden our appeal and catch the ear of the world. But using the world's "way with words" is not of God! Anyone who uses the world's philosophy to attempt to communicate God's Word clearly demonstrates that he is a false prophet. False prophets are not ashamed to speak "out of" the culture and philosophy of this age (the world). Sadly, many professing Christian people do not know the Word of God well enough not to be easily deceived by these many false prophets.

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## Why Should You Care about New Calvinism?

The teachings of New Calvinism may have invaded your local church and you don't even realize it. **Time Magazine** declares New Calvinism to be one of "10 Ideas Changing the World Right Now."

Have you noticed your pastor changing his views on the nature of the Gospel recently? Has he started using phrases such as "**Gospel-driven life**," "**Gospel-driven ministry**", "**Gospel contemplation**?" How about his associations and conferences attended? T4G (Together for the Gospel), CROSS conference, TGC (The Gospel Coalition), ACTS29, 9MARKS, Desiring God Conferences??? These are New Calvinists' enclaves that perpetuate their false Gospel teachings!

New Calvinist, John Piper, has called the conservative, Fundamental, true Gospel of grace, "*The Upside-Down Gospel*." John Piper's materials are now welcomed and used on many Bible college and university campuses yet with no warnings concerning their false teachings on the atonement of Christ.

Dr. Robert Congdon has written a booklet on "**New Calvinism's Upside-Down Gospel**" that is an eye-opening expose' on what is wrong with the gospel teachings of men, such as Al Mohler and John Piper.

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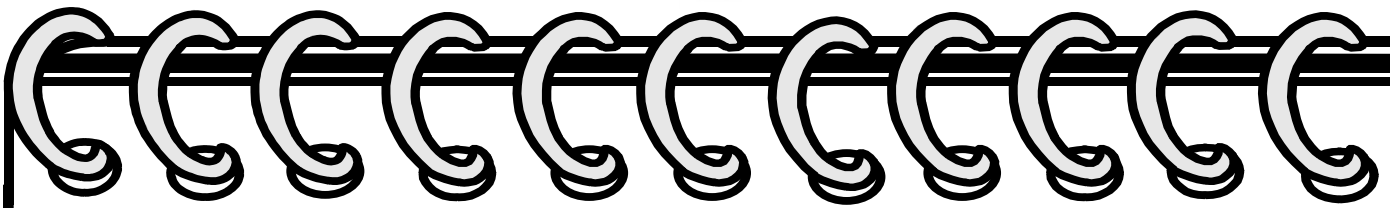
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It's time to sound the alarm! Be informed! Separate from false teachers and their teaching!

"Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us" (1 John 2:18-19).

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*Teaching Tips*

*by Doris Peppard*

## **FLIPPED CLASSROOMS**

### **What Is A “Flipped” Classroom?**

I first heard of the “flipped” classroom situation at a Christian School Convention. The Dean of Education of a Christian college was explaining it and encouraging teachers to utilize this new method. Later, I saw an online news article highlighting this method at another Christian school. That school ran a pilot program during the summer, and this year, integrated this method into the core subjects for their ninth grade students. It is of deep concern that these proponents of Christian education are unknowingly utilizing humanistic methods in their Christian schools.

### **Where Did It Come From?**

The “flipped” or inverted classroom was developed in 2004 at Woodland Park High School in Colorado. Jonathan Bergmann and Aaron Sams, developed the idea of recording their “lectures” for students who were absent. Their recordings were then posted online (YouTube), and soon they began recording all their lectures so that students could access them at will. They later began “flipping” their schedules. Students were to watch the videos at home for homework, and work their homework problems during class time. “Instead of listening to old-fashioned lectures in school, they are watching their teachers’ lessons on computers or cellphones at home. Then, when they come back into the classroom the next day, they tackle the kind of problems that used to be assigned as homework. Only now, a teacher or their peers can help them immediately when they get stuck.” There are many educators who are embracing this method saying that “it allows students to learn at their own pace, saves precious class time, and clears the way for more engaging group projects.” ([www.northjersey.com](http://www.northjersey.com))

### **How Does It Work?**

The idea is that “the instructor is no longer at the center of the interaction and application of knowledge.” While the instructor is available as a resource, “students are at the center of knowledge obtainment.” (This should have been a red flag warning immediately. Student-centered/child-centered education is not

Christian. Bible centered/Christ centered education is Christian.) . . . “The value of a flipped class is in the repurposing of class time into a workshop where students can inquire about lecture content, test their skills in applying knowledge, and interact with one another in hands-on activities. During class sessions, instructors function as coaches or advisors, encouraging students in individual inquiry and collaborative effort.” ([www.educause.edu/eli](http://www.educause.edu/eli)) Jonathan Bergmann wrote in his blog of Sunday, March 6, 2011, that he and Aaron Sams talked about how they had to “give up the control of the learning to our students. . . . What we meant is that the Flipped Classroom by its very nature is chaotic and those teachers who want total control of their classes won’t be very successful. We argue however, students WILL, and DO learn better when they are given the control.” (<http://blendedclassroom.blogspot.com>) (“Chaotic” is not Christian education. Biblical education requires order. I Cor. 14:40 – “Let all things be done decently and in order.”)

### **False Premise**

This model has taken off in many public schools in many states. “In just two years, the Flipped Learning Network’s ‘community of practice’ has grown from 2,500 to nearly 17,000. . . . Educators called it going from a teacher-centered to a student-centered approach.” (Kari Arfstrom, executive director of Flipped Learning Network) “The premise behind a flipped classroom is to initiate a new way of delivering content that appeals to today’s students. . . . Students will become self-paced learners who have ownership in making choices of when and where extended learning will occur.” “(Few students are self-motivated. Even fewer know what they need to learn. They need a solid curriculum and an excellent teacher to teach them.) Free videos are already available on sites like SchoolTube, CrashCourse, Ted-Ed and the Khan Academy. Khan Academy is backed financially by liberal foundations such as the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and Google. ([www.digitalsandbox.weebly.com/flipped-classroom.html](http://www.digitalsandbox.weebly.com/flipped-classroom.html))

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This is a “who's who” list of compromising Neo-Evangelicals, Southern Baptists and New Calvinist thinkers and leaders.

It is amazing to me to think that this once Fundamental mission agency director has embraced reformed dogma and turned to the Southern Baptists for visionary thinking regarding missions, while still trying to collect dollars from Fundamental, Independent Baptist churches? What is going on? Why is this happening?

In my opinion, here are a few reasons:

1. The overwhelming desire for **Emotional Affirmation** of ministry over and against the Biblical command of Doctrinal purity and Biblical separation in ministry. Emotional Affirmation is a psychological concept that asserts that inner connections to personal and powerful emotions about life issues are more important and more real than adherence to objective truth and what we would call “eternal absolutes” related to life issues. Read the article by Tim Keesee (Frontline Missions – Winter 2014 edition). You read of tears and emotions due to the aura of the confer-

ence. But what do you not read? There is not one word of warning against the utter worldliness of the leaders of the CROSS Convention. No word of warning concerning the reformed Southern Baptist movement and New Calvinist teachings. No word of warning concerning the music of the CROSS conference with Tripp Lee droning his rap. (He states that the hip-hop culture cannot be reached with the Gospel without using their rap medium to communicate. Can you find any biblical support for such an idea? We are in the world, but not of the world!) Just full support and affirmation of the CROSS conference and the emotional connections that were generated from the event! This is clearly a case of emotional affirmation over doctrinal purity and Biblical separation from disobedient brothers and sisters. *“Now we command you, brethren, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us...And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother”* (II Thessalonians 3:6, 14-15.)

2. The **allure of allegorical Reformed Theology** over the Literal, Historical, Grammatical

Interpretation of the Bible. New Calvinism is awash in allegory. How else can you account for Replacement Theology, the hellish teaching of Limited Atonement, the “Gospel in the Air” teaching, the false teaching of Regeneration **before** repentance and faith, the teaching of “the Restoration of Creation” as an Environmental theology? These do not come from a literal, historical and grammatical interpretation of the Bible, but rather a nuanced, allegorical approach to the Scriptures. No warning from Dr. Keesee regarding these errors? Maybe in his mind these are not errors at all.

3. **Popularity over Principle.**

Let's face it, New Calvinism is the popular new kid on the block. Reformed theology with a rock and roll flavor is fast gaining popularity and power in Conservative circles. Popularity over Principle. Worldliness over the WORD!

4. The concept of anything **“radical”** is alluring to the “Gospel-Driven” crowd. Catch-words and phrases are trendy these days, but they are as transient as the cabbage-patch dolls of the 80's. Again, emotionalism is at the heart of this addiction to anything new. As long as it is new, it is fine. There is no Biblical foundation for this kind of thinking, and yet that is what is being promoted in many churches, Bible colleges

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and universities today. The authority of the Word of God is being overthrown in favor of the authority of **emotional affirmation**. What makes me feel good? What feels right? What radical new thing can I get behind to feel that I am doing something worthwhile? What do others feel and think? These are emotional affirmation questions that are foreign to Biblical truth. What is right according to the Scriptures? What is godly according to the Scriptures? What saith the LORD? These are objective, emotion-neutral questions that prick the conscience, rather than pet the emotions!

5. **"Music is neutral. Music is amoral."** What was settled generations ago about the moral foundation of music has now been up-ended by none other than the religious right. Rock performers, scientists, and Conservative Biblicists have all confirmed for generations what we know to be true, that is, that music is not neutral, rather it is moral (it can be right and it can be wrong), and it is powerful. Today, anything goes. So-called "Christian" church services, "Christian" weddings, "Christian" concerts are rife with immoral Country and Western, Rock, CCM, rap music, etc. The

world's music paired with "Christian" words is now the accepted standard. The "holy and the profane" are joined together and labeled "acceptable" by the "as you like it" religionists of our time. Trip Lee is now a musical theologian. God help us!

My heart is sick. Why is a man like Dr. Tim Keese, a director of what was a Fundamental Mission agency, so enamored with the dress down, casual, guitar and drum playing, Christian rapping, arm swaying emotionalism of the Southern Baptist CROSS Convention? Has the loose, counter-Fundamentalist culture now prevalent in Greenville so captivated him that he cannot see the Truth for the error that surrounds him? "Radical" acceptance of anything that is new and trendy has become the new normal. Know this, it is nothing more than rebellion against the authority of the Word of God.

Our Almighty God needs warriors today who will stand against the culture of worldliness in the church. When we lose our Biblical distinctiveness we lose our power with God. Frontline Missions International has evidently crossed the Rubicon. There seems to be no turning back to Separation truths. Dr. Keese is our brother, and we admonish him to return to Biblical truth con-

cerning the Gospel and Biblical separation as taught in the Scriptures. Our sad experience has tragically been this through the years with those who compromise, they rarely return. Their mantra by and large is, "Full steam ahead for the cause of the Gospel!" But it is Another Gospel (Galatians 1:6-9), not the true Gospel of Jesus Christ! Who will be next???? Ω

**"If we suffer, we shall also reign with him"**  
(II Timothy 2:12).

"We must not imagine that we are suffering for and with Christ if we are not **"in Christ"**. Are you trusting Jesus only? If not, whatever you may mourn over on earth is not "suffering" with Christ. Such suffering gives no hope of reigning with Him in heaven. We must not conclude that all of a Christian's suffering are sufferings with Christ. It is **essential** that he be **called by God** to suffer. If we are rash and imprudent and run into positions for which neither providence nor grace has prepared us, we should question whether we are sinning rather than communing with Jesus. If we let our emotions take the place of judgment and permit self-will to reign instead of Scriptural authority, we will fight the Lord's battles with the devil's weapons. When troubles come upon us **as the result of sin**, we must not dream that we are suffering with Christ. Suffer-

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### Christian Goals Require Biblical Methods

In order to provide a truly “Christian” education, you must use methods in line with the Word of God. “The Humanist and the Christian are diametrically opposed. . . they go off in different directions, each to develop a philosophy, a curriculum, and a methodology in harmony with his view of man.” In Dr. Dayton Hobbs’ book, *Teaching Methods – The Scriptural Viewpoint*, he states “Methods in harmony with their (Humanistic) philosophy of ‘learning by experiencing’ had to be devised, replacing such Bible methods as repetition, memorization, drill, and lecture. Humanistic goals required humanistic methods to accomplish those goals. Sad to say, many Christian educators fail to recognize this and often incorporate humanistic methods in attempting to accomplish Christian education.” (p. VII) Dr. Hobbs listed characteristics to identify:

#### The Humanistic classroom:

1. Strong emphasis on self-activity.
2. Unstructured classroom.
3. Strong emphasis on Group Activity.
4. Non-Authoritarian.
5. Questioning of old or established values.
6. Discovering truth for yourself.
7. Weak emphasis on academics or the “Three R’s.”
8. Constantly changing ideas and methods.

#### The Christian classroom:

Order (I Cor. 14:40)  
 Authoritarian (Matt 28:18)  
 Repetition, Drill, and Memorization  
 (Isa. 28, 9-10)  
 Homework (II Tim. 2:15)

Dr. Hobbs further states,

“If he (an educator) views the child as an evolving organism, his responsibility will be to guide and enrich this development, allowing the pupil to experience for himself each learning situation. If, however, he (an educator) views the child as the creation of an intelligent and all wise God, his goal for his pupils will be quite different. It becomes important that the child develop those abilities given him by his Creator in order that he might faithfully and obediently serve his Creator. Hearing, understanding, knowing, obeying – these are the qualities for which the Christian educator strives. Experiencing, sensing, feeling, touching – these are the qualities for which the Humanistic educator strives. Methods, of course, are the means by which either of these goals are accomplished” (p. 87 – 88).

### The Humanist “Flip”

The “flipped” classroom is a rehash of John Dewey’s “learning by doing” philosophy. It is a “child-centered” approach. “The activities (in a flipped classroom) can be student-led, and communication among students can become the determining dynamic of a session devoted to learning through hands-on work” ([www.educause.edu/eli](http://www.educause.edu/eli)). Dewey was a humanist, the men who developed the flipped classroom idea are humanists, those preparing videos for online use are humanists, and those who financially support the online videos are humanists. Even though some Christian colleges and schools are creating their own videos, the methodology is the same. Dr. Hobbs says, “The problem with some in Christian education is that they attempt to ‘Christianize’ their methods; that is, they define them the way they want to define them and try to put them into the framework of a Christian philosophy. This is not good educational practice and is not being honest. . . . Humanistic methods will accomplish humanistic results even in a Christian school where the material being taught is Christian” (p. 86).

Christian school teachers must be vigilant to do God’s work in God’s way. We should not employ humanistic ideas and methods and try to “Christianize” them. We must study the Scriptures to seek out Biblical methods to educate our young people. God’s Word is authoritative; it must be our guide for Christian education. It is not right to modify any humanistic system made popular in today’s culture. May we be found faithful to the Lord Jesus Christ as we strive to serve Him and utilize a “Christ-centered” approach in Christian education! Ω



# Stars of the Morning



## MOM'S HOOKED! by Aunt Carolyn



"No, Dad! I'm telling you, Mom is hooked! She's hung up on it! She's hooked!"

"Oh, come on, Bret. Give her a break. Mom's all right!"

"Oh, you may think so, but if you had to go with her you would see it yourself! She's hooked!"

"Oh, I don't think it's that bad, Son. I think your mother is quite normal. She takes good care of all of us. Supper is always ready on time, and quite good supper if I may say so. I don't suppose you and your sister could turn out such a good meal every evening no matter how you tried!"

"No, Dad, you know we couldn't, but that's not what I mean. If you had to go antiquing with her like Peggy and I, you'd see it, too! Mom won't let us stay by ourselves. We have to tag along."

"Now, my boy, what's so bad about looking at a few antiques? Some are quite interesting and some quite valuable," Dad continued.

"I suppose so, but it gets pretty old walking up and down looking at old stuff. Old dishes, old furniture, old books, old pictures, old, old, old!"

Dad laid his paper down and continued, "Have you gone up in

the attic lately, Bret?"

"Not lately, but there's a bunch of old stuff up there, too."

"Yes, some of the antiques are precious and have been handed down to us through the family, and some are ones Mom has bought herself."

"But what good is all that old stuff? It just sits up there gathering dust. It's creepy!"

"Well, now, some of those things are precious to us family-wise. But do you remember that tall five-drawer chest that was up there? It was beautiful wood and in excellent condition. We hauled it all the way from Illinois because it had belonged to your Mom's great Aunt Maggie. It was very valuable, but when our missionaries in West Africa sent word of an urgent need, the pastor wanted the church to give for it. We didn't have much money, but your Mom took that chest and other special pieces to antique dealers. She sold them for the highest offer and gave the money for the missionaries. Your Mom may like those nice things, and she has a good eye for them, but she also has a heart for the Lord and His work. She is doing more than 'collecting' for herself when she attends those antique shows."

"Oh," Bret mumbled. He didn't

know about all that.

A couple of weeks later, Bret and Peggy were off again with Mom to an antique mall. There were antiques everywhere. There was an old curved wood chair from some great general in the Civil War. It had a big price tag! There was a chess set that had belonged to Napoleon, they said. Who knew how much that would sell for? They found a photo and baseball signed by the great Babe Ruth. It was unbelievable that somebody hadn't already bought that! They walked until they couldn't go any longer. The kids were tired and hungry, and Mom hadn't bought a thing but was still interested in a beautiful lamp that she was sure was a Tiffany.

As they drove home, Bret couldn't shake off thinking about the antiques. At last he blurted, "Peggy, do you like seeing all that old junk? Are you interested in all that old stuff?"

Peggy answered slowly, "Well, not exactly, but I'm learning from Mom how to watch for things that may be worth something."

"Well, good for you, but it's not for me! Everything there once belonged to somebody, and now they are dead! Dead! The only reason all those things, valuable

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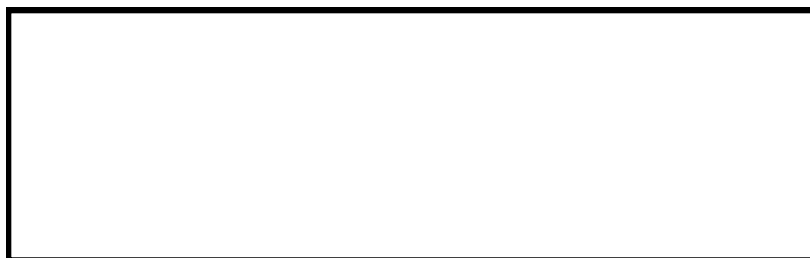


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 or not, are on display is that they  
 once belonged to someone who  
 died! That General died,  
 Napoleon died, Tiffany died, Babe  
 Ruth died, Great Aunt Maggie  
 died! Everybody died! Somebody  
 else has their stuff, because they  
 died! They couldn't use it any  
 more, and they couldn't take it  
 with them! They're dead!"  
 Peggy was speechless at Bret's  
 outburst, and Mom eased into the  
 conversation. "That's good  
 thinking for a boy your age,  
 Bret. It's true. The Bible says,  
 'The wages of sin is death.' It is  
 appointed unto man, once to die,  
 and after that the  
 judgment.' Everyone will have to  
 die someday and face God. The  
 things you owned in this world  
 will mean nothing. Your  
 achievements will mean nothing  
 unless you were a Christian and  
 did them for God's glory. The  
 richest man in the world, if not  
 saved, will leave his wealth and  
 go empty-handed to meet God  
 with no covering for his sin, but  
 the least pauper, who knows  
 Christ will go with joy to meet  
 the Lord."  
 Bret was quiet. What Mom said  
 made sense. Maybe he would  
 learn to help her on her antique  
 quests. Maybe he could give out  
 a few Gospel tracts, so others,  
 too, could see that important  
 lesson behind antiques. And  
 about that verse, "The wages of  
 sin is death", maybe he could tell  
 someone how it ends, "But the  
 gift of God is eternal life through  
 Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans  
 6:23).  
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 ing which God accepts must have  
 God's glory as its end. If I suffer  
 that I may earn a name or win ap-  
 plause, I will get no other reward  
 than that of the Pharisee. Love for  
 Jesus and our brothers and sisters  
 must be the reason for all our pa-  
 tience. We should manifest the  
 character of Christ in meekness,  
 gentleness, and forgiveness...."

Charles H. Spurgeon, **Evening by Even-  
 ing**, Whitaker House, p. 187



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