## **Time for Truth News!**

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A rare photo of me with hair!!!

The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good. (Pro 15v3)

#### I'M STAYING!

If you would like to continue to receive TfT! News please fill in the enclosed response form. We shall not be sending out TfT! News to those who do not return their form, with the exception of 'overseas' (i.e. outside of the UK!) If you have decided to come off the mailing list may we take this opportunity of thanking you for showing an interest in 'Time for Truth!'; we pray that the Lord Jesus Christ will continue to lead, guide & bless you. Those of you who are staying with us, we are probably in for a rough ride as the Lord's return approaches! Let us keep encouraging one another!

<u>Please send all completed forms back to us at the above address</u>
<u>AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! Thanks!</u>

## The Big Picture!

David Norris, a staunch AV man, has written a book called 'The Big Picture.' Like 'O Biblios - The Book' (by Alan O'Reilly), this is another great book to add to your library. David Norris runs a ministry called 'AW' (Authentic Word) & I would suggest all TfT! readers write to him asking to be added to his mailing list. He'll certainly be a blessing to you. By the way if you haven't purchased O Biblios yet, you really are missing out on a blessing - order these 2 books TODAY! 1) 'Authentic Word' - PO BOX 22, Cannock, Staffordshire, WS12 4HR, England. 2) 'O Biblios' - can be obtained from The Covenant Publishing Ltd, National Bible College, 121 Low Etherley, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham, DL14 0HA. (Both addresses in UK)

## **Holland Again!**

This time I stayed in a hunting lodge in a forest across the border in Germany; sounds picturesque doesn't it? What a lovely setting! I went for an international sales meeting with people representing the USA, Belgium, Germany, France, Italy, Denmark, etc. We represented England of course! One evening I had a 'seven' course meal! It was probably one of the fanciest (& yet the worst!) meals I've ever had! (Give me beans on toast any day!) I won't bore you with the details. On the whole I enjoyed the trip & my MD was a good laugh as usual. I did leave some tracts around including the train on which I travelled: I also had the chance to witness to the USA guy & a French lady. What amazed me was the whole meeting, even though many 'languages' were present, was in English! What a country we once were! What a country we are now!

## Discipleship Group (DG) Holiday; Long Weekend Away!

For the 'full story' please see separate sheet; but what a weekend! Each day we had a 3 hour Bible study!!! Yes it was a holiday but the DG thrives on Bible studies! Each night the eight of us would all sit together in the lounge & open up our AV Bibles & away we would go! Our time was spent mostly in the Proverbs! On our last evening we had a question & answer session & this proved very profitable.

## **DG** Tracting

We delivered another 500 gospel leaflets around Dudley before the Discipleship Group meeting. It was a great time of fellowship together. Please pray that souls will be saved! We have already had a response left on the mobile!

#### Work

Recently I was involved with interviewing a lady who shall be covering the South East region for the company. This is the first time I have had to run a sales team, please pray I do it well. We have also taken on an agent to cover the rural areas i.e. Devon & Cornwall; & shall be looking for a representative to cover North Yorkshire & 'above' shortly.

#### Pray, Pray, Pray!

For Stephen Scott-Pearson's wife who has recently undergone a brain tumour operation; pray for a full recovery! For Chris Richards (from the Protestant Alliance) as he travels the country preaching, teaching & lecturing; for Peter Yates, Eddie & Rose Geary for continued health & strength; Pam (Donna's friend in

Wales) who needs a touch from the Lord immediately; my dad who desperately needs the Lord Jesus Christ as his Saviour; William, the guy Joe, Chris & I witnessed to in Hereford on the DG holiday; pray for personal revival; pray too for our churches to really make an effort to reach the lost souls around them!

#### **Newsletter Response!**

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Our best yet! THANK YOU to all those who wrote in! It is very encouraging knowing that 'TfT! News' *really* GETS READ! Thank you to all those who wrote encouraging letters, to those who wrote in answering the questions & to those who wrote in 'criticising;' we need all these types of letters!

#### TfT! Buys Church! -nearly!

While travelling recently Donna & I passed a beautiful country church which was up for sale. We thought what a great opportunity this would be of starting a work in this rural area. We 'dreamt' of having a 'Time for Truth!' HQ! It would be great for weekly/monthly meetings, conferences, training sessions, action weekends etc. We sent off for details; tempting? What do you reckon?

#### War against the AV!

More 'very strong' letters have come in against me & the stand I take in regard to the AV i.e. it being THE PERFECT & PRESERVED WORD OF GOD! I cannot believe how upset people get over this issue; they write ridiculous letters trying to prove error's in the word of God, *such buffoons!* Can't God give us His Book PERFECT? Who says He can't? If He is PERFECT why can't He give us His Book PERFECT? There is no logic in saying He can't, He is God! What 'little' people we are trying to prove GOD wrong! God originally gave His word to the human race PERFECT but now it has 'ERRORS' in it does it? Don't be ridiculous; God promised to preserve His word PERFECT & I have a copy in my hand – it is called THE AUTHORISED VERSION!

# Time for Truth! APOLOGISES to King of the Zippers!

If only we had known! I met Zipper Man years ago at Barney's house. At that time we had a 'heated' discussion regarding the NIV & NKJV, so much so that I ended up dragging him off the sofa, pinning him to the floor & 'tickling' him until he admitted he was wrong! (That's the way to deal with all Bible correctors; with the exception of a certain few i.e. Penfold, The Kingston 'Bible Trust' etc; I would like to give them more than a 'tickle!') It must have worked as I recently had a letter from him stating that he was now an AV 'reader' PRAISE THE LORD! So if you know of anyone who reads a PERVERSION I suggest you do as I did! Well done Zipper Man we're proud of you! (Now all Zipper Man needs to do is come out from 'among them' (i.e. the charismaniacs!) & join a sound Biblical church i.e. one that does NOT preach & teach from the NIV! Oh no, do I see another apology coming on?) By the way Barney & Zipper Man, TONGUES HAVE CEASED! (Just thought I'd let you know!)

#### THE WORD for the Rich!

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. (Mat 19v23+24) We have had 5,000 tract cards printed with appropriate Scripture texts on, aimed at the UNSAVED rich! If you would like some of these cards to distribute please drop us a line - they are FREE OF CHARGE! Too many people TRUST in their wealth as security today; they feel they need NOTHING or NO ONE, just MONEY! Let us distribute these cards everywhere including businesses, which are often neglected by Christians BUT 'targeted' by Jehovah's Witnesses! A sample is enclosed for you! For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. (Heb 4v12)

All the words of my mouth are in righteousness; there is nothing froward or perverse in them. They are all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge. (Pro 8v8+9)

#### Sermon Number 9 - what a sermon!!!

Well I'm now on my 11<sup>th</sup> sermon in the Pastoral Epistles (I'm up to 1 Timothy Chapter 3); but it was number 9 that caused all the 'fireworks' & guess what text caused all the eruption? 1Tim 2v11+12 **Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.** What a mess the church is in with regard to the woman's role! The world has had such an influence on the church & the devil has done his job well pushing the woman FORWARD & OUT OF PLACE as he did with Eve in the garden! If you're not sure about women preachers, teachers, 'deaconesses' etc, I suggest you write in requesting a copy of sermon number 9 as soon as possible! It will help clear up any confusion you may have as to women & the 'leadership' role in church. Let us stand upon the Bible rather than being a cowardly milk sop kind of Christian. Let us preach the truth in love, & stand upon the Bible as THE PERFECT, PRESERVED WORD OF GOD which is THE FINAL AUTHORITY! There is no such thing as a woman pastor, elder or deacon IN THE SCRIPTURES! Pentecostal teaching on this subject is as effective as a *chocolate kettle* & is as helpful as a *handbrake in a canoe!* 

#### It is interesting to note the following FACTS from the Bible

- 1) Adam was FIRST formed THEN Eve!
- 2) Christ didn't choose one woman when He chose the 12 apostles, they were ALL men; even when Judas fell & was replaced, it was with a man & not a woman!
- 3) Not one woman was used to record any book of the Scriptures
- 4) Bishops, elders, pastors & deacons are ALL male roles according to Scripture!
- 5) There is no such thing as a 'deaconess' in the Scriptures!
- 6) There is NOT one woman preacher mentioned in the NT church according to the Scriptures!
- 7) Not one sermon preached in the Bible was preached by a woman!
- In Acts 6v1-4 when the 12 apostles chose 7 people to take some of the burden from them so they could continue to give themselves to prayer & to the ministry of the word, they chose 7 MFN
- 9) Moses was told to gather 70 MEN And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee. And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear it not thyself alone. (Num 11v16+17)
- 10) Moses was told to send out MEN to spy out the land of Canaan Num 13v1-3 **And the LORD** spake unto Moses, saying, <u>Send thou men</u>, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: <u>of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a ruler among them.</u> And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paran: <u>all those men were heads of the children of Israel.</u>
- 11) The serpent was in the garden before Adam but he never tried to deceive Adam, he went straight for the woman when she came onto the scene, why?
- 12) When the Bible talks about the gathering together of the saints i.e. in the church, the assembly, it always insists upon male leadership & that has never been a problem UNTIL this Laodicean Church Age!
- 13) God's chosen people, the nation of Israel, descended FROM Patriarchs & NOT Matriarchs they did NOT descend from Sarah, Rebecca & Rachel, they descended from Abraham, Isaac & Jacob
- 14) God established the Messianic line through Kings & NOT Queens
- 15) When God Almighty came into this world in the flesh He came as a MAN & NOT a woman
- 16) The Scriptures state plainly that the woman is a weaker vessel 1 Pet 3v7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.'

Note also in regard to the woman's SILENCE as quoted in 1 Tim 2v11+12...

 $1\text{Co }14\text{:}33 \text{ For God is } \underline{\text{not the author of confusion}}, \text{ but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.}$ 

- 34 Let your women <u>keep silence in the churches</u>: for it is <u>not permitted unto them to speak</u>; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law.
- 35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for <u>it is a shame for women to speak in the church.</u>
- 36 What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?
- 37 If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

The Bible commands WOMEN to be silent in the churches NOT MEN! That is a COMMANDMENT from the Lord! The Scriptures are PLAIN & CLEAR that a woman should not teach, speak or usurp authority over the man IN THE CHURCH GATHERING. They should not usurp authority over the man anywhere, including the home etc. Now that is a hard thing to take in for the carnal worldly woman, **BUT that is what God has stated in His word!** Some woman start jumping up & down because of this, BUT these are NOT godly or spiritual women otherwise they would want to OBEY the Scriptures. (For a complete copy of this sermon please write in requesting it)

## The Coronation Bible (AV 1611)

Presented to her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2<sup>nd</sup>; in Westminster Abbey on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1953 with the words... 'Our gracious Queen: To keep your majesty ever mindful of The Law & the Gospel of God as the rule for the whole life & government of Christian Princes, we present you with this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords.

Here is wisdom; this is the Royal Law; these are the lively Oracles of God.' – Coronation Service. If only the Queen & this whole country would have SUBMITTED to THE BOOK & based EVERY decision upon it! How far we have strayed away from the Holy Scriptures! What awful judgement awaits this country, this world!

#### I've learnt a lot from sitting under Barney's 'ministry'!!!

- 1) Samson slew the Philistines with the axe of the apostles!
- 2) Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives & 700 porcupines
- 3) One day Barney asked his Sunday school class 'Why is it necessary to be quiet in church?' One of his 'brighter' girls replied 'Because most people are sleeping through your sermons!' (What a bright & discerning young lady she was!)
- 4) One Sunday evening a little boy from Barney's church came up to Barney after the service & said... 'When I grow up, I'm going to give you some money (Barney's eyes lit up as you can imagine!) 'Well thank you' Barney replied, 'But why?' The boy replied 'because my daddy says you're one of the poorest preachers we've ever heard!" (Poor ol Barney!)

#### **Update on Boss's Mother!**

My boss said to me the other day that he had a message from his mother for me... 'She has still kicked out all the saints & is just praying to the Lord Jesus Christ!' We pray the Lord will lead, guide & save her if He hasn't already!

## TfT! in Tobago, Trinidad!

Missionaries in Tobago have received a number of parcels containing TfT! tracts & booklets, via Park Lane Gospel Hall. They are distributing our literature out there & through their efforts we had our first letter from a young man wanting more information. We thank the Lord for this encouragement! We have now sent the young man a box full of Christian books & tracts, surface mail.

## Time for Truth! Photo ministry!!!

In our booklet "You Asked The Question!" (Page 26), you will notice a photo of Richard Baxter. The Banner of Truth have republished one of Baxter's works called 'Dying Thoughts' & asked if they could use the photo we took of Richard Baxter's statue; which we agreed to. The Banner of Truth has sent us a complimentary copy of their book with our photo gracing its cover!

## **Another Revival in the Isle of Lewis?**

300 "You Asked The Question!" booklets are now on the way to a church in the Isle of Lewis; pray that people shall be saved through reading it; & the church will be blessed in the work they do.

## The Last Prayer in the Bible!

**He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen.** Even so, come, Lord <u>Jesus.</u> (Rev 22v20) Note the last prayer in the Bible is NOT for world peace, social justice, churches 'together' (*hear that Barney?*), economic security, save the environment, etc. One day all of the world's problems will be sorted but it will ONLY be when the Lord Jesus Christ returns!

## Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

### '2004' GONE! Will '2005' be the year the Lord Jesus Christ returns?

Well, looking back was it a good year for you? What was your Christian walk like this year; have you grown closer to the Lord or have you gone backwards? Who did you try to reach with the gospel this year? What work did you do for the Lord? How much of the Bible did you read; all of it? If the Lord 'tarries' what changes will you make for 2005? Time goes so quickly; let us make every day count for the Lord! Col 3v23 **And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men**. Keep pressing on, not long left!

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