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THE NEED TO READ

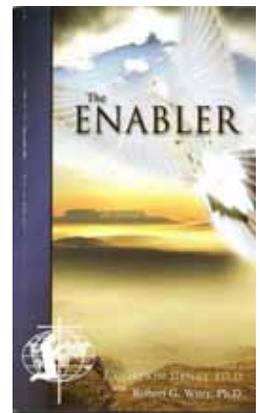
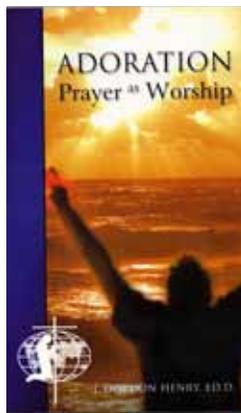
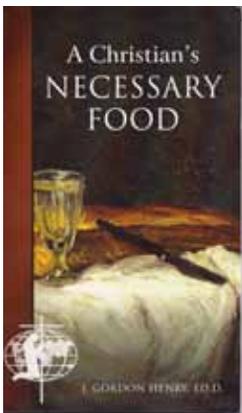
From his cold, damp, dark prison cell (actually, a dungeon as those who have traveled with us to Rome will remember), **Paul** wrote to **Timothy**, his young comrade, in what was his last epistle. As he closed his letter (**2 Timothy 4:9-18**), he explained his situation awaiting imminent execution by **Nero** --“the time of my departure is at hand” (v **6**)--and urged **Timothy** to be diligent to come quickly (v **9**). He asked him to bring **Mark**, his coat, and his books (v **13**); he wanted to be warm and he wanted to read.

For as long as I can remember, books have held a fascination for me. My sister, Pansy, understood this and saw that I had a book for my birthday and for Christmas gifts which I cherished. She gave me my first Bible.

My mom was a reader. Often, when she did not have a crochet needle and thread in her hands, she had something to read. She subscribed to the **Knoxville (TN) Journal**, which I devoured each day as soon as I returned home from school.

As a high school freshman, **Miss Akard Spurgeon**, librarian for White Pine High School, asked me to be her assistant. Since

the library was being moved from another building, there was plenty of work to do. I spent hours each week working in the library. She even entrusted me with keys to the building and to the library so I could work during school breaks and the summers. I read many books. Being in the library was a favorite activity. Since the English and history teachers required reports to be written, I often incorporated things I had learned in my reading. Both teachers encouraged me in this approach. Although I had never traveled physically out of East Tennessee, through my reading I traveled around the world.



One Christmas break, a new book had come to the library and was ready to be processed Jessie Stuart's **A Thread that Runs so True**. Once I started reading it, I could not put it down. It was then that I understand the joy and the importance of teaching.

For decades, I have built "My Library." When I moved to new positions, I felt at home in my new office when my "old friends" were on the shelves. We are in the process of cataloguing this library using the Dewey Decimal System of Classification. Hopefully, one day it can be given to an English-speaking Bible college somewhere in Africa

**"Reading is to the mind
what exercise is to the body."
Sir Richard Steele**

I firmly believe that my readiness for a rigorous, demanding education at **Berea College (KY)** was greatly enhanced by reading books in high school that stretched my mental capabilities. Before I matriculated in college, I already knew how to think critically, in terms of abstract ideas, objective truth, and sustained reflection.

My good friend and professional colleague, **Dr. Henry M. Morris** (1918-2006), who has been termed "the father of modern creationism" was a prolific writer. He published his first Christian book in 1946, **That You Might Believe**. He and **Dr. John Whitcomb** wrote **The Genesis Flood** in 1961. This book catalyzed the modern revival of creationism, leading to a proliferation of other creationist books and ministries around the world. Dr. Morris said that after writing

this book, that writing become sort of an "occupational hazard" and he had averaged about a book a year since catching it.

Dr. Henry Morris
(1918-2006)



When we traveled together for the **Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS)**, between flights he would sit down, get his pad out, and start writing, an image that I will never forget. I have sought to emulate his work-ethic. When he wrote *The Defender's Study Bible* with extensive footnotes and appendices especially written for the purpose of defending and expounding literal biblical Christianity, he asked me to edit the notes. Many of his books have been classics.

Following the publication of a new book, Dr. Morris always sent Sue and me an autographed copy. In early December 2004, his book entitled **For Time and Forever (God's Wonderful Plan)** arrived with the following inscription: "Best wishes and regards in Christ to Sue and Gordon Henry. Henry M. Morris 12-3-2004 **Ephesians 3:20-21**." This is one book I keep close-by and often renew my spirit by reading his marvelous insights. Chapter 3 is entitled "**The Need to Read**" (pages 42-52). Be sure to read his thoughts on "**God's Library in Heaven**" in this month's *PERSPECTIVES*.

During 1978-79, I wrote the **PRAYER SEMINAR WORKBOOK** that soon became the basic teaching tool in the prayer seminar ministry. Over the years, I saw the need to delve more deeply into different areas that

I was teaching. For example, I became convinced that every believer should master **John 13, 14, 15, 16, 17** and said so in the seminar. Finally, the Holy Spirit impressed upon me the thought: "If that is true, you should write a book on the **Upper Room Discourse.**" I obeyed and it is my favorite of the books that I have authored.

For the August issue of the **Reflector**, I want to introduce my books. Most of the books are laid out in lessons that can be taught in a three-month study in Sunday school or in other groups. My style of writing is basically devotional in nature, designed to draw the reader closer to the Lord Jesus Christ and to the Father. We do not "sell" the books, but we indicate a "suggested contribution" that will cover printing costs. The books are written between the 8th grade 10th grade reading level (according to a test applied by **Dr. James Hengoed**, a former teacher at Harvard). Since we have kept a careful inventory record, we know how many books have been disseminated. It is amazing to know that in many places throughout the world, folks have one or more of my books in their libraries.

When I was doing the field research for my doctoral dissertation (**Child-Rearing in the Appalachian Mountains**), my subjects were from homes selected at random with young children with one six-year old. At that time, I found many homes where the children had never held a book in their hands.

Although the pressure of the times will fight against you, turn off the television and the computer and hold a Christian book in your hands. Begin to read. Concentrate on the thoughts laid out on a page. It will not be long until you see the value of reading. **DON'T FORGET THE BIBLE!** Use the enclosed envelope to order.

Perspectives

God's Library in Heaven

Henry M. Morris (1918-2006)

I believe that God must also have a library or at least some system that serves the purpose of a library. There are many, many books there, and the number is constantly increasing. Christ Himself is called "the Word," with the specific purposing of "declaring" God's nature and purpose to man (**John 1:1, 15, 18**)

The core of God's library is, of course, the Word as declared in written form by the Living Word to holy men of old through the Holy Spirit. We call this the 66 "books" of the Bible [a word which means "Book"], and God has assured us that *this* part of His library was established before He created the world. "*For ever, O Lord, Thy Word is settled in heaven*" (**Ps 119:89**).

The books of the New Testament were then "*revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit*" (**Ephesians 3:5**), one by one, until the last book was inscribed by the last living apostle. When John finished writing down the book entitled "***The Revelation of Jesus Christ***" (**Revelation 1:1**), he signaled that the written word from heaven was now complete on earth with a sober warning neither to "*add unto these things*" nor to "*take away from the words of the book of this prophecy*" (**Revelation 22:18-19**).

[In addition to the Old Testament and the New Testament books], there are other books [in heaven] possibly a separate book recording the details of the life of each individual who has ever lived. When believers meet Christ at His judgment seat, there will be rewards assigned (or loss of rewards) "*according to that which he hath done, whether it be good or bad,*" (**1 Corinthians 3:11-15**; **2 Corinthians 5:10**). "*The fire shall try every man's work* [according to] *what sort it is*" (**1 Corinthians 3:13**). Perhaps the fire will burn up those

portions of his “book” that are “bad,” leaving only the “good” on his permanent record.

When unbelievers later go before God’s great judgment throne, John said, *“I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works”* (**Revelation 20:12**).

These books evidently list all the “works” of each person, but since no one has kept all God’s commands, therefore, no one will be saved by his works (**James 2:10; Romans 3:10, 20, 23**). So the Judge will then turn to His “book of life,” in which is inscribed all the names of those redeemed by faith in the shed blood of the Lamb of God, the Lord Jesus Christ (**1 Peter 1:18-21, Revelation 13:8**). *“And whosever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire”* (**Revelation 20:15**).

There is yet another very special book in God’s library. *“Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another; and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name”* (**Malachi 3:16**).

This little insight into the personal library of God was given in connection with the band of Israelites who had returned from exile in Babylon. It is reasonable to think, however, that God is keeping the same kind of book for every group of believers who fear the Lord, think often on His name, and speak frequently to one another about Him.

There could well be a special book written for each of His millions of disciples, describing all that their indwelling Lord accomplished through them as they studied and worked and witnessed in His name. Jesus had promised, when the Holy Spirit would come to *“abide with you forever,”* that *“if a man love Me, He will keep My words; and My Father will love him, and We will come to Him, and make our abode with him”* (**John 14:16,23**). The Lord Jesus thus is continuing

to do and teach” through each of us, and all of these activities and their results could indeed be the subject of literally millions of “books that should be written” (**John 21:25**).

It seems clear that regardless of televisions, the Internet and other modern technologies for conveying information books will always be of primary importance in this component of the Dominion Mandate. So get in the habit of reading especially the Bible, as well as other good books expounding the Word of God, the world of God, and the works of God.

NOTE: I hope that you are challenged by this excerpt from Dr. Morris’ book, **For Time and Forever**, as I am.

The important thing is to be sure that your name is written in the Lamb’s Book of Life, one of the books in Heaven’s Library. The very moment that you trust Christ as your Savior, you have new life. Why? Your spirit comes alive; that which was dead to God because of Adam’s sin, is quickened by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. You are placed into the body of Christ (**1 Corinthians 12:13**), and your name is in the Lamb’s Book of Life.

Yours in Calvary love,

J. Gordon Henry

“In Thy presence is fullness of joy”

Psalms 16:11.

The goal of prayer is the ear of God, a goal that can only be reached by patient and continued and continuous waiting upon Him, pouring out our heart to Him and permitting Him to speak to us. Only by so doing can we expect to know Him, and as we come to know Him better we shall spend more time in His presence and find that presence a constant and ever-increasing delight.

E. M. Bounds

**PRAYER IS THE WORK
THAT MUST COME
BEFORE ALL OTHER WORK.**
John 14:12-14

Charles Spurgeon understood this fact. He said: "Asking is the rule of the kingdom. It is a rule that will never be altered in anyone's case. If the royal and divine Son of God cannot be exempted from the rule, we cannot expect the rule to be relaxed in our favor either. God will send rain on Israel, but Elijah must pray for it. God will allow the chosen nation to prosper, but Samuel must plead for it. If the Jews are to be delivered, Daniel has to intercede. Gentiles shall be converted through Paul, but he must pray. And pray he did, without ceasing, for his epistles show that Paul expected nothing except by asking for it."

When the leaders of the **Venezuela Baptist Convention** envisioned a concerted effort to evangelize four of their western states, they concluded that prayer work must provide the foundation for the effort. They further realized that this would likely not happen until believers understand the purpose and power of prayer. Consequently, prayer seminars were provided in major cities with 1,600 in attendance (140 pastors,

Itinerary

"Finally, brethren, pray for us that the Word of the Lord may have free course."

2 Thessalonians 3:1

August

1-9 Venezuela-- Prayer Seminar

September

15-30 Cuba--Prayer Seminars

183 churches) in March 2010 (**Caracas, Balencia, Barquisimeto, Acarigua, Guanare, Barinas, Merida, Santa Barbara, Valera, Macaibo, and San Cristobal**). This was **PHASE ONE**.

PHASE TWO is scheduled for **July 31-August 9** when 500 pastors are expected at **Camp Carabobo** (130 miles west of Caracas). Dr. Henry will teach the prayer seminar and an evangelism clinic. Then will come **PHASE THREE**, pastors going into the four states to evangelize.

Not only is prayer support needed for the July 31-August 9 ministry, but for the two weeks of evangelism that follows. If you have a prayer list, be sure that Venezuela is included for daily intercession during this significant period. During the month of August, keep Venezuela in your daily prayers.

The knots of prayer

DEAR GOD, please untie the knots that are in my mind. Remove the have nots, the can nots and the do nots that I have in my mind. Erase the will nots, may nots, might nots that may find a home in my heart. Release me from the could nots, would nots, and should nots that obstruct my life. And most of all, dear God, I ask that you remove from my mind, my heart, and my life all of the "am nots" that I have allowed to hold me back, especially the thought that I am not good enough. [In Jesus' name] Amen.

Author Unknown

From the **Hands of Hope** column, The Gloucester County Community Church **Bulletin** (June 25, 2010) **Hands of Hope** supports individuals experiencing life's difficult circumstances including illness, marital crisis, loneliness, or other stressful situations.

The morning watch

The morning watch is essential. You must not face the day until you have faced God, nor look into the face of others before you have looked into His.

You cannot expect to be victorious when the day begins only in your own strength. When you face the day under the influence of time spent with God, it will make a difference throughout the day.

“Be ready in the morning, and come up . . . present yourself to Me there on the top of the mountain. No one is to come with you” (**Exodus 34:2-3a**). Meet Him alone regularly with His Word open before you. **Horatius Bonar** captured the essence of the morning watch when he wrote:

Begin the day with God!

He is thy Sun and Day!
His is the radiance of thy dawn;
To Him address thy day.

Sing a new song at morn!

Join the glad woods and hills;
Join the fresh winds and seas and plains,
Join the flowers and rills.

Sing thy first song to God!

Not to thy fellow men;
Not to the creatures of His hand,
But to the glorious One.

Take thy first walk with God!

Let Him go forth with thee;
By stream, or sea, or mountain path,
Seek still His company.

Thy first transaction be

With God Himself alone;
So shall thy business prosper well,
All the day be love.



NOTES from my BIBLE

Note 1181. How you handle your problems by day

determines how you sleep at night.

Note 1182. His heart is not pure whose tongue is not clean.

Note 1183. When your temper gets the best of you, it reveals the worst of you.

Note 1184. Nagging hinders communication more than it helps.

Note 1185. God does not listen to our prayers if we intend to go back to our sin as soon as we get off our knees (**Prov 28:9**).

DOORKEEPER REPORT

“We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers.”

1 Thessalonians 1:2

June 17--July 23

Regular	72	\$3,895.00
Cuba	1	100.00
Total	73	\$3,945.00



THANKS, DOORKEEPERS!

Welcome! New Doorkeepers!
Richard & Margaret Siegfried (SC)

NEEDED -- 100 PARTNERS TO ANSWER THE CUBAN CALL!
SEPTEMBER 15-30

PRAYER CALENDAR**August 2010**

“I will give myself to prayer...”

Psalm 109:4b**SUNDAY, AUGUST 1**

Wayne & Edie Aardsma (IL)
 Zane & Burma Abbott (VA)
 Burnace Abrams (OH)
 Marie Adams (VA)
 Robert & Susanne Adams (TN)
 Wayne & Jennie Agee (VA)
 Norma Ailes (FL)
 H. L. & Janie Allen (SC)
 Tommy & Pat Apple (NC)

MONDAY, AUGUST 2

JER 1-6 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 Milcie Arnold (VA)
 Leonor Avila (MD)
 Bill & Karen Baker (VA)
 Carolyn Barkley (NY)
 Walter & Marilyn Barry (VA)
 Stan & Emily Baskin (TN)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3

JER 7-10 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 Carter Mylam Baynes (NC)
 Jean Beasley (TN)
 Frank Bell (TN)
 Tommy & Sue Bell (TN)
 Wayne & Barbara Belt (TN)
 Johnny & Juanita Bernard (FL)
 Ron & Teri Bernardi (IL)
 Ed & Loretta Bolen (VA)
 Bob & Beverly Blankenship (TN)
 Everett & Deborah Boston (MD)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4

JER 11-15 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 Bob & Jewel Bouchard (KY)
 Gordon/Chloe Ann Bowyer (VA)
 Curtis & Carol Bradbury (NJ)
 Em & Kim Bradshaw (VA)
 Nancy Bretz (PA)
 Clint & Dorothy Brooks (VA)
 Henry & Ruby Brown (AZ)
 Mary Ann Brown (GA)
 Thomas & Norma Brown (NC)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5

JER 16-20 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 Jack & Arretta Bruce (KY)
 Joe & Martha Bruno (AL)
 Freddie & Yvonne Brunson (DE)
 Don & Gayle Buchanan (KY)
 Janice Bugg (TN)
 Ruby Burger (TN)
 Sunday & Grace Bwanhot (IL)
 Don & Lucy Campbell (VA)
 Mary Campbell (ID)
 Pat & Cindy Caporossi (MI)
 John & Patricia Carter (FL)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6

JER 21-25 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 David & Martha Cecil (VA)
 Merry J Chandler (MD)
 Mary Clarke (VA)
 Harry & Nancy Coffee (VA)
 Margarie Coffee (VA)
 Jim & Kathy Connolly (VA)
 Joe & Carol Coulter (VA)
 Foster & Georgia Covington (VA)
 Terry & Sonja Craig (TN)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

JER 26-29 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 Robert & Charlotte Crout (SC)
 Dufrene Cummings (NC)
 Bill & Beverly Curtis (PA)
 Lin & Barbara Custalow (VA)
 Ida J. Davis (GA)
 John & Margaret Davis (VA)
 Mark & Charmaine Davis (VA)
 Lelia Dean (FL)
 Harold & Tama Decker (NY)
 Nick & Wilma DeGroot (IL)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

Delmarva Evangelist Ch (MD)
 Ruth Chamberlain, Pastor
 Alan & Rebecca Dockrey (KY)
 Emogene Dorsett (TX)
 Mary J. Dugans (LA)
 Walt Edwards (NC)
 Paul & Joyce Eggleston (VA)
 Grace Eldridge (NJ)
 Lynn Elkins (TN)
 Evalena Enoch (VA)
 Gene & Shirley Farley (CA)
 Lynne Farrow (NJ)
 Larry & Cara Fields (VA)

MONDAY, AUGUST 9

JER 30-33 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 June Fisher (TN)
 Claire/Mary Ann Fredstrom (NE)
 Ronald & Brenda Fristoe (VA)
 Raymond & Estelle Gabbard (KY)
 Frank & Pauline Garrett (NJ)
 Frank Geiger (HI)
 Robert & Sara George (GA)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

JER 34-36 (Venezuela 26.4M)
 Frances Glass (AL)
 Gloucester Co Community Ch
 Bruce Sofia, Pastor (NJ)
 Ronald & Maryann Gold (ND)
 Odether Gray (GA)
 Linda Gregory (UT)
 Charles Hale (VA)
 Uel & Hazel Hartless (VA)
 Jim & Joyce Hengoad (FL/CT)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

JER 37-39 (Ethiopia 82.6M)
 Bruce, Gina, Sean Henry (VA)
 Doug Henry (TN)
 J. Gordon & Sue Henry (VA)
 Jacqueline Henry (VA)
 Mark Henry (TN)
 Melody Henry (VA)
 Roger Henry (OH)
 Susan & Jamey Henry (TN)
 Wendy Henry & Caleb (OK)
 Jerry & Sandra Hodge (VA)
 Joanna Holland (VA)
 John & Glenda Holland (VA)
 Jayson & Marylynn Hooker (VA)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

JER 40-45 (European Union 491M)
 Russ & Dorothy Hornbaker (MI)
 Mike & Sonya Hosick (VA)
 Sam & Linda Hough (VA)
 Bonnie Houston (TN)
 Coy Hunsucker (NC)
 Joyce Hunt (TN)
 Wilbert & Almaretha Hupp (PA)
 Ed Hurlow (IN)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13

JER 46-52 (Falkland Is 3,140)
 Oliver & Janie Jackson (NY)
 Louis & May Jenkins (DC)
 Vernelle Jenkins (MD)
 Paul & Suzanne Jennings (TN)
 Peter & Millicent John (NY)
 Dan & Jayne Johnson (KY)
 Jim & Penny Johnson (KY)
 John & Judy Johnson (FL)
 Wilbur & Gwen Johnson (AZ)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14

LAMENT (Faroe Is 48,668)
 James & Genevieve Jones (FL)
 Paul & Deanna Jones (KY)
 W I & Eloise Jones (SC)
 Jean Jonte (SC)
 Mohan Katta (IL)
 Howard & Suzie Kauffmann (GA)
 Harper & Shelia Keebaugh (PA)
 Kerby Knob Baptist Church (KY)
 Bruce Kirby, Pastor
 Larry & Janet King (NC)
 Robert & Rose Klaus (VA)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

Robert & Andrea Klepper (TN)
Sherry Klutz (WA)
Quentin & Mary Knauer (OH)
Thomas Knight Jr (SC)
Kenneth & Amy Kollar (NY)
Irwin & Joyce Koopman (MI)
Soma Kovoov (TX)
Korean Branch:
Dr. Shin Kwang Suk
Joel & Jackie Kramer (VA)
David & Cathy Laing (FL)
Phil Landers (OK)

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

EZEKIEL 1-6 (Fiji 931,741)
Charles & Cynthia Larson (MI)
Bob Lawrence (MD)
Del & Mary Leach (VA)
Raymond & Janet LeMay (VT)
Karl & Rebecca Leonard (NC)
Gaylen & Linda Leverett (VA)
Liberty University (VA)
Jerry Falwell, Jr., Chancellor
Mike & Earlene Lips (MS)
Vincent & Mary Lobisco (MI/FL)
Ray & Bobbie Long (WV)
Brian & Stacey Loomis (VA)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

EZEKIEL 7-8 (Finland 5.2M)
Kenneth & Debra Magee (SC)
Manship Chapel (DE)
Bud & Wilma Marcum (KY)
Dan & Meribeth Martin (VA)
Reginald & Gloria Martin (OH)
Larry & Sue Mason (VA)
Murray & Loretta Mathis (TN)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

EZEKIEL 12-15 (France 64M)
Dan & Fay McConville (VA)
Leonard & Martha Meador (WV)
Don & Barbara Meduna (CO)
Memorial Christian Church (VA)
Virgil & Sue Knipp, Ministers
Mona Merry (SC)
Brenda Merritt (SC)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

EZEK 16-10 (Fr Polyn 283,019)
Terry & Sandra Metzgar (VA)
Ken & Betsy Miedema (MI)
Lewis & Martha Miller (IN)
Lowry & Marjorie Miller (VA)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

EZEK 20-24 (Gabon 1.5M)
Earl & Marvel Mills (VA)
French & Laura Moore (VA)
Ronald & Wilma Moore (NC)
Katherine Morgan (VA)
Bob & Diane Nichols (VA)
Chet & Betty Nichols (VA)

Craton & Helen Noyes (KY)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

EZEK 25-28 (Gambia 1.7M)
Ann Palumbo (NJ)
Ellen Paulson (MN)
Roger & Kay Pede (VA)
Jim & Barb Peterson (MI)
Willis & Joyce Pillow (VA)
Luther & Leslie Poellnitz (MD)
Ben Poplin (VA)
Ayers Porter (TN)
Marshall & Lois Powell (KY)
Brandon Jeanne, Maggie Pribble (VA)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

James & Jeannette Ralph (VA)
Alice Riddick (NC)
Mike & Joyce Riley (KY)
Cynthia Roach (VA)
Dudley & Isabel Robotham (NY)
Clark & Marie Rogers (VA)

MONDAY, AUGUST 23

EZEK 29-32 (Gaza Strip 1.5M)
Fred & Jeannette Rolater (TN)
Bob Rose (MI)
David & Amy Ross (KY)
Sandra Rumore (VA)
Denise Russell (OR)
John Saint (PA)
Don & Marie Satterwhite (CT)
Tyler & Rebecca Scarlett (VA)
Gary & Sandy Schnittjer (PA)
Frank & Alta Schollaert (PA)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

EZEK 33-36 (Georgia 82.4M)
Philip & Wendy Schrank (IL)
John & Peggy Seibert (AL)
Mary Seigner (VA)
Richard/Margaret Siegfried (SC)
Dennis & Monica Shannon (OH)
Shenandoah Valley Bapt Ch (VA)

Eric Farel, Pastor
Nellie F. Shepard (CT)
Sam & Lola Simpson (NY)
His Highest Praise (HI)
Lori Siri, Pastor
Mary Skiles (KS)
Paul & Mary Smith (TX)
Walt & Betty Sommers (VA)
John & Helen Sourlis (MD)
Leroy & Suk Hi Standifer (WA)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

EZEK 37-39 (Germany 82.4M)
Marion J. Stansell (TX)
Tim & Pam Steger (ID)
Carol Snow Stewart (CT)
Jerry & Reba Stinnett (VA)
Charles & Irene Stinson (VA)
Johnny & Rose M. Street (AR)
Clarence/Roselin Stringfield (VA)

Bob & Sandy Swain (VA)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

EZEK 40-43 (Ghana 23.4M)
Tabernacle Baptist Church (DC)
William Stroman, Pastor
Brian & Janice Tarraferro (TX)
Ron & Mazie Taylor (VA)
Stephanie Taylor (GA)
Temple of Praise (TX)
Gilbert Perez, Pastor
Earleen Thigpen (TN)
Mona Henry Thomas (VA)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

EZEK 44-48 (Gibraltar 28,002)
Montez Thompson (CO)
Mildred V. Thompson (GA)
Paula Tipton (TN)
Virginia Trask (VA)
Carrol & Ouida Troutman (KY)
Clay & Lisa Troutman (KY)
Kelly & Janice Troutman (KY)
Malcom Troutman (KY)
Marshall & Mary Troutman (KY)
Willie & Diane Troutman (KY)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

DANIEL 1-6 (Greece 10.7M)
Tommy & Frances Turpin (VA)
Sara Underwood (TN)
Patrick & Patricia Vaden (TN)
Harris & Jane Verkaik (MI/FL)
George/Jeanette Vernarchik (NJ)
Sam & Rita Verghese (NJ)
Doris Snyder Verrall (FL)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

Horace & Becky Ward (NC)
Michael & Sandra Ward (IN)
Beau Ware (VA)

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

DAN 7-9 (Greenland 90,343)
Rodger & Jean Watts (WI)
Gale & Nancy Wetzel (KY)
Allan & Judy Whitmore (VA)
George & Virginia Whitner (FL)
Herbert & Kay Wice (TN)
Paul & Diane Wieland (PA)
Derrick Williams (TX)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

DAN 10-12 (Grenada 90,343)
Edward Williams (NC)
Elijah Williams (NJ)
Jeff & Terri Williamson (FL)
Julie L. Wilson (PA)
Neil & Melinda Wilson (VA)
Roy & Eva Winebarger (VA)
The Word Church (NJ)
Buz Offenbacker, Pastor
Lili Wykle (VA)

Make our hearts pure

A few Sundays ago, the morning worship service in our church included a congregational hymn whose words were written by **Micah Pick**, our Minister of Music. The melody used was familiar to all of us, "Rock of Ages, Clift for Me." As I thought through the words Micah had written, my heart was warmed as I received them as a clear message from the Lord. I encourage you to use them in your church. Actually, I have one word of advice add "Selah" at the end of each stanza to remind you to pause and think on these things.

King of Glory, King of Grace,
We long to see Your holy face,
But our hearts are so impure
We come to You, for the cure.
Make our hearts pure with Christ's blood
So that we can see our God

Break our hearts and make us meek
So You alone our hearts will seek;
Your kingdom first, all else is waste
Longing only for Your face.
Make our hearts pure with Christ's blood
So that we can see our God

On our own we cannot come
Your holiness would strike us down;
But with Christ as great High Priest
We come before the throne of Grace.
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--**Micah Pick**

To pray is to let Jesus into our lives. He knocks and seeks admittance, not only in the solemn hours of secret prayer. He knocks in the midst of your daily work, your daily struggles, your daily "grind." That is when you need Him most.

O. Hallsby

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Thy Word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart" (**Jeremiah 15:16**)

If we wish to pray with confidence and gladness, then the words of Holy Scripture will have to be the solid basis of our prayer. For here we know that Jesus Christ, the Word of God, teaches us to pray. The words that come from God become, then, the step on which we find our way to God.

D. Bonhoffer

"Ye shall . . . find Me, when ye shall search for Me with all your heart" (**Jeremiah 29:13**).

It is only when the whole heart is gripped with the passion of prayer that the life-giving fire descends, for none but the earnest man gets access to the ear of God.

E. M. Bounds

"I sought Him whom my soul loveth."
(**Song of Solomon 3:1**).

It is blessed to know of a place where we can lay our tired head and heart, our heavenly Father's arms, and say to Him, "I can do no more. And I have nothing to tell you. May I lie here a while and rest? Everything will soon be well again if I can only rest in your arms a while."

O. Hallsby

John Wesley's Prayer

Lord, I am no longer my own, but Yours. Put me to what You will, rank me with whom You will. Let me be employed by You or laid aside for You, exalted for You or brought low by You. Let me have all things, let me have nothing; I freely and heartily yield all things to Your pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, You are mine and I am Yours. So be it. Amen.

Extended Ministry

The print and tape ministry provides an opportunity for individuals to study on their own or in small groups either as review or to further their knowledge and understanding of the essentials of the Christian faith: Bible study, prayer, witnessing, stewardship, and walking in the Spirit as a lifestyle.

Our policy, from the beginning of our ministry in 1980, has been not to sell materials, but to depend on contributions. JGHM purchases the material out of our general fund using contributions made to the prayer seminary ministry as love offerings or offerings from materials. We have kept a careful inventory of materials used and number of contributions. Most people make contributions, but some use materials who either do not or cannot make a contribution. Our goal is to provide help to strengthen each person who is in a seminar.

Small Group Study Lithonia, Georgia

Dear Dr. Henry,

I recently ordered the **Prayer Seminar DVD** and ten workbooks. I can tell you that the prayer seminar is a blessing to our Bible study. We find ourselves discussing the lesson and lose track of time because your teaching is so rich and Bible based. Thank you for allowing the Holy Spirit to teach you with the prayer seminar teaching.

Yours in Christ,
Roscoe Richmond

**SCHEDULE A PRAYER SEMINAR
FOR A FAITH LIFT!**

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2. **DVD Prayer Seminar.** The entire prayer seminar featuring twelve thirty-minute segments correlated to guide a study of the Prayer Seminar Workbook. Two workbooks included. (\$20)
3. **Spirit-filled tape (Cassette).** Two hours instructing on Bible teachings dealing with Holy Spirit in OT and NT including what Jesus taught and the coming to "all flesh" in the book of Acts. Vital teaching is included on the meaning of Spirit-baptism and Spirit-filled and how to be filled. (\$3)
4. **Witnessing tape (Cassette).** One-hour instruction on how to share your faith.

Side one. (Thirty minutes) How to develop your personal testimony using Paul's testimony (**Acts 22 & 26**) as a model: 1) *I've not always been a Christian;* 2) *Here's how God got my attention;* 3) *Here's what I did when God got my attention;* 4) *Here's how my life changed.* (thirty minutes)

Side Two. (Thirty minutes) How to use a passage of Scripture (**Romans 10:1-3, 8-13**) to lead a person to Christ. A must for Christians needing practical help in sharing their faith through witnessing to others. (\$3)
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**YOU MAY PLACE YOUR ORDERS
BY TELEPHONE, E-MAIL, OR BY
REGULAR MAIL.**

Some of you have used our books and tapes as Christmas/birthday gifts for friends and family members. We believe that this is a good idea and encourage you to continue this practice. Even now, some are using one of the books in a Sunday school or small group study.

Books:

1. **A Christian's Necessary Food.** Twelve in-depth studies on how to study the Bible practically and profitably. (\$8)
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4. **Hey! I'm Saved!** Designed to help a new believer to get started right, the content deals with ten key areas. Why not get one for each Christian in your family? (\$3)
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10. **Prayer Seminar Workbook.** The basic teaching tool for the prayer seminar. (\$5).
11. **Prayer Seminar Workbook.** An expanded edition (79 pages) that includes content beyond what is taught in a prayer seminar. Both the prayer seminar on cassette and video are correlated to the expanded workbook (\$8).

12. **Lord, Teach Us to Pray** by Sunday Bwanhot. A book that parallels the prayer seminar workbook. Following a prayer seminar in Nigeria, Sunday wrote the book so that other Nigerians could experience a revived prayer life. In written form, this book IS the prayer seminar (\$8).

**USE THE ENCLOSED
ENVELOPE FOR ORDERS.**

A period of deception

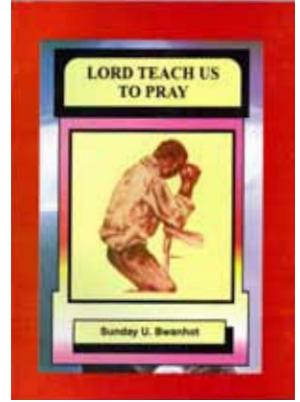
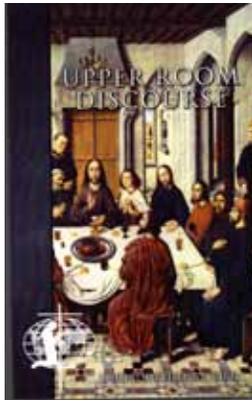
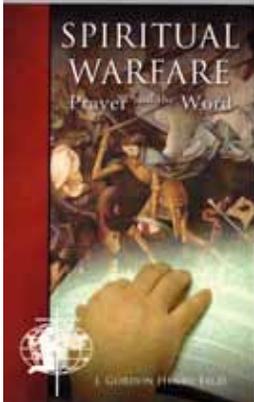
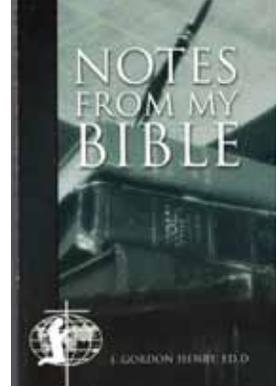
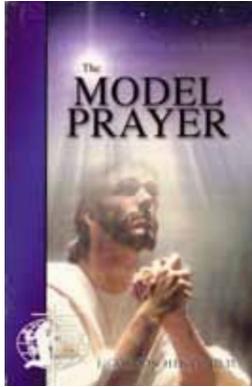
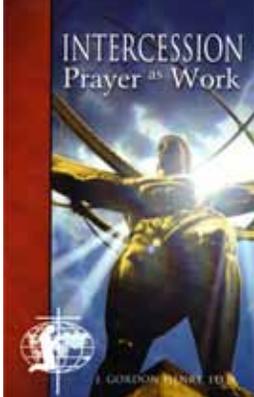
We are living in the worst period of deception in history. Satan is the master deceiver, disguised as an angel of Light. He specializes in simulation. The sin against the Holy Spirit was attributing the work of God to the devil. We are seeing today the work of the devil attributed to God.

I am more afraid of false revival than of no revival a false revival with a false gospel, false evangelists, false converts, false joy. It will seem so genuine that it would deceive, if possible, the very elect. Many church leaders will endorse it. Other good people will be afraid to oppose it for fear that they might be fighting against God.

Dr. Vance Havner (1901-1986)



PAUL TO TIMOTHY: "GIVE YOURSELF TO READING"



“In the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee” (Psalm 5:3).

Tomorrow I plan to work, work, from early until late. In fact, I have so much to do that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer.

Martin Luther



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