



BBC UPDATE

The Quincentennial Anniversary of the Textus Receptus

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In February 1516, Desiderius Erasmus (Oct. 28, 1466 to July 12, 1536) gave Roman Catholic Europe the first printed edition of the Greek New Testament (NT), later known as *Textum nunc ab omnibus receptum* ("the text now received by all"). In all, Erasmus produced five Greek NT editions (1519, 1522, 1527, and 1535), giving foundation to a succession of Greek NT editions of the Received Text, and resulting in translating the NT of Luther's German (1534), of Tyndale's Translation (1534), of the King James Version (1611), and of the Spanish *Reina Valera* (1602).

The Lord has honored the English version built upon the Erasmian *Textus Receptus*, namely the King James Version with over four-hundred years (1611-2011) of Christian popularity and church use. Just as Bible Baptist Theological Seminary honored the Quadricentennial (400th) anniversary of the Authorized Version, it is fitting that Bible Baptist Theological Seminary honor the Quincentennial (500th) anniversary of the *Textus Receptus*. Although the world ignores and most of Christendom rejects the biblical importance and textual value of the Received Text, it is the only Greek text predicted by Scripture (Jn. 17:8). The Critical Text behind the modern versions of the Bible has no biblical basis and cannot possibly be the preserved Greek Scriptures about which the precious Saviour promised verbal preservation (Mt. 24:35).

Understanding the history and biblical value of the *Erasmian Textus Receptus* will result in the following:

1. By giving refutation of the CT and all modern versions.
2. By giving clarity in the errors of Ruckmanism and the "inspired KJV" movement.
3. By giving authority to Biblical Greek teachers as they teach the very words of the preserved and inspired Greek vocabulary and grammatical constructions.
4. By giving confidence to pastors and believers in evaluating the right tools to study the KJV and its underlying text.
5. By giving encouragement to pursue missionary translation work.

The Bible Baptist Theological Seminary 2016 Spring Lecture Series on Friday April 15, 2016 will focus on the "History and Value of the Erasmian *Textus Receptus*" (Dr. Thomas M. Strouse) at 9-11:30 AM, and "The Pastor's Use of the Erasmian *Textus Receptus*" (Dr. Cas Reeves) at 1-3 PM.

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Filipino Module



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Under the aegis of Bible Baptist Church, Bible Baptist Theological Seminary began its seventh year of theological training on Jan. 25, 2016 with many returning seminarians and several new students. The courses include Genesis, Greek I, Revelation, and Hebrew III. As well as local area students, seminarians from various parts of the world are viewing the recorded lectures and taking courses for credit toward graduation. The courses may be viewed at the church web site www.bbc-cromwell.org.

FILIPINO MODULE

During the week of Feb. 15-19, 2016, Dr. Thomas M. Strouse will teach I Kings and I Corinthians in two modules sponsored by Cornerstone Baptist Church (Quezon City, Philippines) and pastored by Dr. Jed Raquintan. Several men have graduated from Bible Baptist Theological Seminary and several more are anticipating graduation from BBTS on May 22, 2016.



2016 BBTS Spring Course Schedule

(Beginning Monday, January 25, 2016)

Monday 9 AM-12 Noon: The Book of Genesis

Monday 1-3 PM : Hebrew III

Wednesday 9-12 Noon: The Book of Revelation

Thursday: 6-9 PM: Greek I

See www.bbc-cromwell.org for more information



Dr. Strouse (center) with adjunct professors Emmanuel Tanerila (left) and Jed Raquintan (right)



Quezon City Module from January 2010

SAVE THE DATE

BBTS 2016

SPRING LECTURE SERIES

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Pastor Cas Reeves

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BBC NEW MEMBER



On Jan. 31, 2016, the Lord set Nakisha Korb into the membership of Bible Baptist Church.

"But now hath God set the members everyone of them in the body, as it pleased him." 1 Corinthians 12:18

<<More details regarding the 2016 BBTS Lecture Series to come!

New BBC Member

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Save the Date!

SAVE THE DATE~LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Ladies Fellowship

Saturday, March 19, 2015

Time TBA

Mrs. Linda Reeves

Guest Speaker

"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." 1 John 5:13



Mrs. Linda Reeves wife of Dr. Cas Reeves (Heritage Baptist Church, Endicott, NY) will share her testimony. The fellowship will include special music, congregational singing, testimonies, brunch, and a craft.

Please RSVP with the number of Ladies attending by March 1 to drtms_bbts@juno.com



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THE REWARD OF SEPARATION



Pastor Cas Reeves

"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty"

(2 Corinthians 6:17-18)

We are commanded by Christian character and by God's Word to live a holy life once we are saved. As the Apostle Peter put it, *"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy"* (1 Peter 1:15-16). That is what separation is; living a pure life separated from that which God calls unclean. This kind of living assures us of a much needed and continued fellowship with the Lord. The Apostle John wrote, *"If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin"* (1 John 1:6-7). It

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

II Timothy 2:15

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is imperative that we live separated lives unto God if we want that close, intimate fellowship with our Lord Jesus.

Look at the reward we get for living a holy and separated life unto the Lord. God declares to us, *"And [I] will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty"* (2 Corinthians 6:18). Now ask yourself, what is a father suppose to do for us? He provides, he protects, he guides, he loves, he fellowships, he cares, he helps. All of this and much more is what our Almighty Father wants to do for us. Our reward for separation is God's Fatherly care. We shouldn't rely on unclean relationships to bless us, but rather upon our relationship with "the Lord Almighty" our heavenly Father. This relationship is expressed on our part by our personal separation from that which is unclean unto that which is holy. *"Wherefore come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord"* (2 Corinthians 6:17).
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Quotes From the Past: George Washington 1732-1799

1st President of the USA



George Washington

"Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains to bring it to light."

Grow in Grace for Women

Luke 18:11-13

"The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner."

Reflection: *To whom, in verse 11, is the Pharisee praying? Did the Pharisee see his sinful condition? Where is his repentant heart? Is it possible for one to come to the cross of Christ and be forgiven while having a spirit of pride?*

What differences do you see in the hearts of these two men? What does the Pharisee's 'prayer' have in common with what you read in Isaiah 14:13-14?

What does Jesus mean when He says, "And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick" (Luke 5:31).

Romans 4:8 *"Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin."*

Challenge: *Blessed is the person that comes to the Lord in humility receiving His pardon for sin. What is the posture of your heart?*

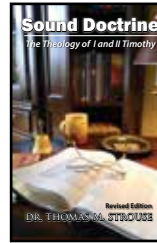
2 Peter 3:18

*"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever.
Amen"*

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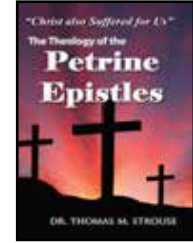
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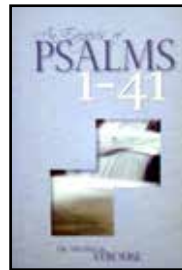
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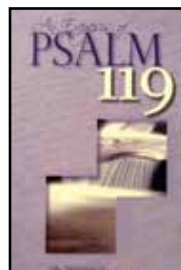
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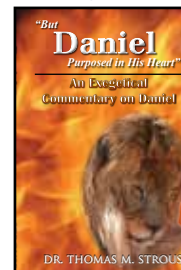
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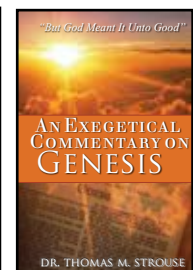
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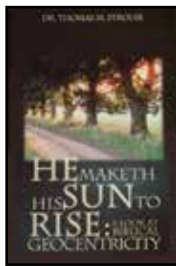
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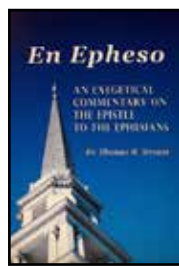
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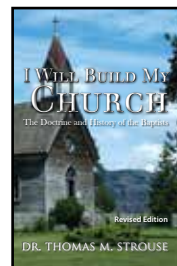
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BBC Calendar of Upcoming Events

March 7-11, 2016

BBTS Modules Endocott, NY
"The Book of Matthew"
"Hebrew Exegesis-The Book of Malachi"

March 19, 2016

Ladies Fellowship

April 15, 2016

BBTS Spring Lecture Series

May 21, 2016

Graduation Banquet

May 22, 2016

BBTS Commencement Service

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