

BBC UPDATE

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH BAPTISMAL SERVICE



Dr. Thomas M. Strouse

On the beautiful Sunday of August 11, 2019, two recent converts to the Lord Jesus Christ received believer's immersion and joined Bible Baptist Church. After a brief Sunday afternoon message, Pastor Thomas Strouse had the privilege to baptize Mr. Kegan Merrero and Ms. Robin Guva in the swimming pool of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gagnon. The precious Lord's commission is the following, *"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen"* (Mt. 28:19-20). Bible Baptist Church seeks to obey the Lord by following His command.



BIBLE BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY BEGINS 11TH YEAR!

On Monday, August 26, 2019, Bible Baptist Theological Seminary will begin her eleventh year offering courses for various seminary degrees including the MBS, MDiv, ThM, and ThD degrees. The following is the course schedule for the Bible Baptist Theological Seminary Fall Semester:

Prison Epistles (Monday, 9 AM to Noon) Dr. T. Strouse

Jeremiah (Tuesday, 6-9 PM) Dr. T. Strouse

Jeremiah (Wednesday, 9 AM to Noon) Dr. T. Strouse

Malachi (Thursday, 6-9 PM), Prof. J. Skorupski

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

TENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On the weekend of December 6-8, 2019, Bible Baptist Church is anticipating her Tenth Anniversary of biblically-authorized existence by the will of God. Having a nucleus of twenty-seven Baptist church members from area churches, Bible Baptist Church organized under the headship of Dr. Thomas M. Strouse as a chartered New Testament assembly known as Bible Baptist Church on Dec. 4, 2009. Key-note speakers for the weekend will include Pastor Jerry Akers, and Pastor Thomas Strouse, as well as key men in the founding of Bible Baptist Church. Please make plans for this Christ-honoring weekend as details unfold.



STROUSE HOUSE LABOR DAY COOKOUT

On Labor Day, September 2, 2019, Pastor and Mrs. Strouse will host the annual Strouse House Labor Day Cookout (2 PM to 7 PM). The cookout is open to Bible Baptist Church members, graduates of Bible Baptist Theological Seminary, and friends of Bible Baptist Church/Bible

CAMP

Recently, several young people from Bible Baptist Church attended the camp of sister church Galilean Baptist Church in Stafford Springs, CT, with Pastor Stephen Hinebaugh hosting the annual camp. Some of the young campers made spiritual decisions for the Lord during the week, while enjoying camping, hiking, eating, and preaching.



Baptist Theological Seminary. Hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, chips, and drinks will be provided along with fresh air and the beauty of God's creation. Please RSVP by August 15, 2019 to drms_bbts@juno.com. 164 Hickory Hill Rd. New Britain, CT 06052.



Pastor Cas Reeves

THE ART OF GIVING

Acts 20:35

"It is more blessed to give than to receive"

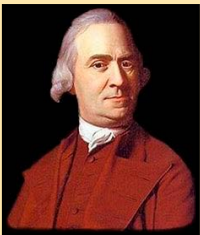
Give according to God's Word. The art of giving always starts by trusting the Lord. "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not into thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy paths" (Proverbs 3:5-6). The word "paths" literally means "road" and figuratively is understood as "way of life." This can include your giving. True help in understanding "giving" comes when you totally commit yourself to the Lord. This gives priority to the words of God rather than human reasoning, and especially helps when you are considering what to give.

You give by first trusting the Lord. Paul spoke of the accomplishment in giving by the brethren in Macedonia when he said, "I bear record, yea, and beyond their power [ability] they were willing of themselves; praying we would receive the gift and this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God" (2 Corinthians 8:3-5).

You should give to those who can't give back. Jesus said, "Thou shalt be blessed; for they can't recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just" (Luke 14:14). So, we learn that charitable giving is not to be paid back. It is a giving with a future and heavenly reward. Don't give in order to receive. When you give, give your all in grateful worship. Note the account of the Samaritan leper, who Christ healed, who "fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks" (Luke 17:16). From this act of giving we learn, one can give in a spirit of worship and gratitude. Simliar, is the maniac of Gadara, who wanted to give himself to Jesus. And he "prayed him that he might be with him" (Mark 5:18). This man was willing to give all of himself. Likewise, we should also.

Finally, you should give to God through your local church. God has chosen to finance his work through His people. Pointedly, he has not chosen to finance his church by secular activities used by secular organizations (raffles, bingo, rummage sales, etc), but rather by the tithes and offerings of His people. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house" (Malachi 3:10a). By doing this God can also bless His people. Notice God's challenge, "and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing" (Malachi 3:10b). So prove God and let God receive the "glory in the church" for your giving, as you first give yourself to the Lord Jesus (Ephesians 3:21). Let God bless you in your giving! -CAR

Quotes From the Past:



Samuel Adams
1722-1803

Founding Father of
the United States

"There is seldom an instance of a man guilty of betraying his country, who had not before lost the feeling of moral obligations in his private connections."

"The Book of James: Context, Interpretation, and Application"

Dr. Thomas Strouse will deal with the introductory issues of James from 9-10 AM.

Mr. Ryan Strouse will give an overview of James with practical application at 10-11:30 AM and 1-2 PM.

Dr. Strouse will deal with the specific topic of "James and Astronomy" (Jam. 1:13-18) from 2-3 PM.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2019,
AT THE COURTYARD MARRIOTT
IN CROMWELL, CT
FROM 9AM-3PM

GROW IN GRACE

DEVOTIONAL FOR WOMEN

I SHALL NOT WANT

Genesis 3:4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Reflection: Can we ever exhaust learning from the account of Adam and Eve?

The Bible describes Satan as an accuser, full of lies, malice, and subtil, which is to say shrew and sly. He is far above our intelligence and has had several thousand years to study how mankind is wired, what we crave, what we desire, how we covet, and how to trip us up.

The heart of David expresses his satisfaction and contentment and reliance on the LORD as shepherd of his soul. Can you say that you shall not want?

Psalm 23:1 (A Psalm of David.) The LORD [is] my shepherd; I shall not want.

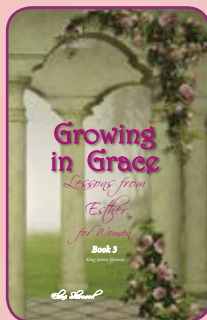
Mankind is never satisfied, nor content. The pattern is the same throughout generations beginning in this account with Adam and Eve, to whom the LORD provided everything they could possibly desire. But even in perfection...Adam and Eve had **thoughts that led to **emotions** that then led to **action**. We are now experiencing the effects of these thoughts, and we are not immune to continuing the same pattern. We may desire to walk in the Spirit, we may grow in our walk in the Spirit, but Satan and his demons are there to effect continually the thoughts we think which cause the choices we make. I wonder if this is why we are continually told to be mindful of our thoughts. Our defeat begins in the mind!**

Challenge: Be honest, does the Lord satisfy your every desire? Pay attention to what you need today in addition to the Lord. What in your life besides the Lord can you **not do** without? Does the Lord Jesus Christ satisfy your every longing or do you still need to supplement with the ways of the world for your satisfaction?

If you would like to receive Grow in Grace morning devotions emailed to you Monday through Friday, please send an email to:

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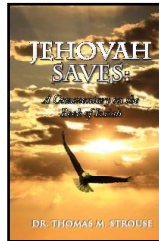


Bible Baptist Church has published the third book in its devotional series for women. If you would like to receive a complimentary copy, please contact the author, Elena Sherwood, at: Elenas6259@gmail.com.

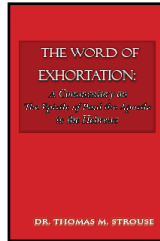
THE BOOK CORNER

These Books may be purchased through Bible Baptist Church: 40 Country Squire Rd. Cromwell, CT 06416 860-229-5387

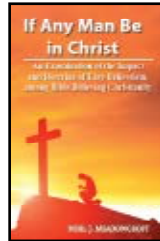
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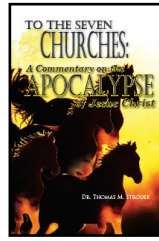
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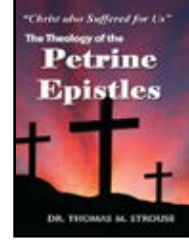
If Any Man Be ... \$10.00



I & II Timothy \$20.00



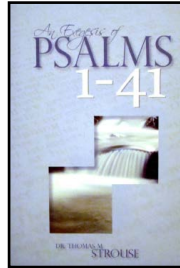
Revelation \$30.00



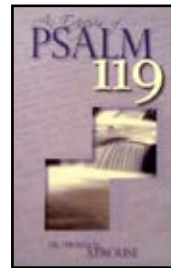
Peter \$20.00



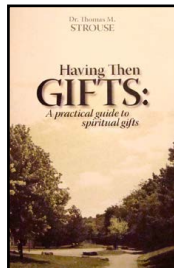
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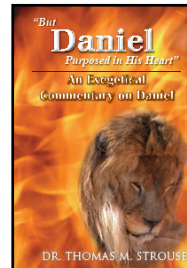
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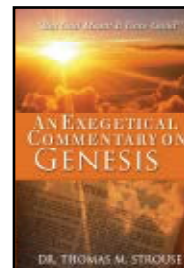
Psalm 119 \$20.00



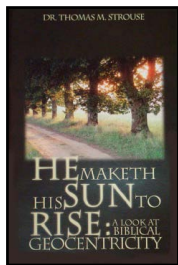
Spiritual Gifts \$8.00



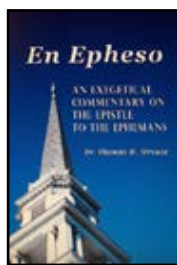
Daniel \$20.00



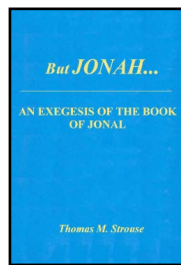
Genesis \$20



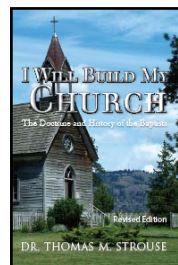
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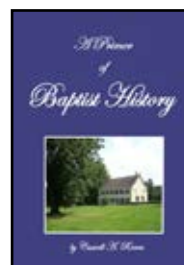
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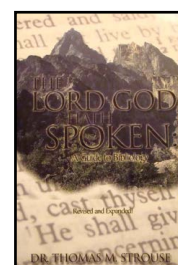
Jonah \$10.00



I Will Build My Church \$15.00



A Primer of Baptist History \$20.00



The Lord God Hath Spoken \$15.00

The Book Corner

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BBC 2019 Schedule

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Aug. 19-23, 2019

Chesterton, IN Module
"Minor Prophets II"

Aug 28th, 2017

BBTS Fall Semester Begins
see page 1 for class times

Sep. 2, 2019

Labor Day Picnic

Sep. 28, 2019

Bible Baptist Church
Nashua, NH
Baptist Heritage Conference

Oct. 13-16

Willow Grove Baptist Church
Waynesburg, PA
Bible Conference

Nov. 15

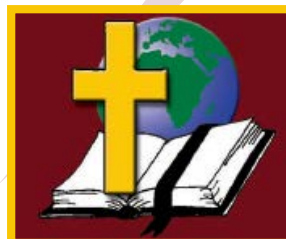
BBTS Fall Lecture Series
Courtyard Marriott, Cromwell

Dec. 6-8

Bible Baptist Church
Tenth Anniversary
Conference

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