

II Cor. 3:17 -- "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is..."

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THE BLACKBOARD DOWN THE HALL

My teacher came to me one day
 When I was very small.
 She took my hand and led me
 To the blackboard down the hall.
 She had some words for me to write,
 The same ones o'er and o'er.
 I thought I never would get through
 Standing on the floor.
 But I was taught a lesson,
 One I did not forget.
 I knew I had to do my work
 Before I got to sit.
 While standing there, my classmates
 laughed
 I pretended not to care.
 But from that day I done my best
 My assignments to prepare,
 Sometimes in life my tasks seem big,
 Far more than I can do.
 But I try to do my very best,
 And work until I'm through.



By June Scott Shultz(Harter)

In Days Gone By

On Aug. 15, 1935, Will Rogers was killed in an airplane crash in Alaska.

On Aug. 16, 1896, gold was discovered in the Klondike.
Westward Ho, America!

Any "Tate" Members in Your Church?

There is old man Dic Tate who wants to run everything.

Uncle Ro Tate wants to change everything.

Sister Aqi Tate stirs up trouble whenever possible. Her brother Irri Tate helps her, too.

Brother Hesi Tate and Sister Vege Tate pour cold water on any new ideas.

Sister Imi Tate tries to have the church mimic everybody else.

Brother Devas Tate objects to the finances of the church.

Brother Poten Tate wants to be a big shot.

But not all members of the Tate family are bad. Brother Facili Tate is quite helpful and Miss Felici Tate is a delightful member.

What a joy to the pastor is Brother Coqi Tate and his twin brother Medi Tate.

Learn to say no! It will be of more use to you than to be able to read Latin. —C. H. Spurgeon



QUALIFICATIONS OF A PASTOR

as found in
I Timothy
3:1-7 and
in
Titus 1:6-9

- (1) Blameless--never found guilty of external sins.
- (2) Husband of one wife--not an adulterer or whoremonger (in behavior or attitude).
- (3) Vigilant--to be discreet.
- (4) Sober--not giddy or of the nature of telling off color jokes with certain brethren.
- (5) Of good behavior--not ill mannered.
- (6) Given to hospitality--to all the brethren and even the lost world.
- (7) Apt to teach--given over to teach God's Word.
- (8) Not given to wine--not in any form.
- (9) Not a striker--not quarrelsome.
- (10) Not greedy of filthy lucre--fills the office by the calling--not for money.
- (11) Patient--not impatient--not easily excited.
- (12) Not a brawler--to be peaceable, not argumentative.

(13) Not covetous--not desirous of wrongful possessions.

(14) One that ruleth well his own house.

(a) "Likewise ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel" (I Peter 3:7).

(b) "And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4).

(15) Not a novice--not a young convert.

(16) Must have a good report of them which are without--not to be called a dictator or one that is evil spoken of.

(17) Not self-willed--self-pleasing, arrogant--a servant, not a master or overlord.

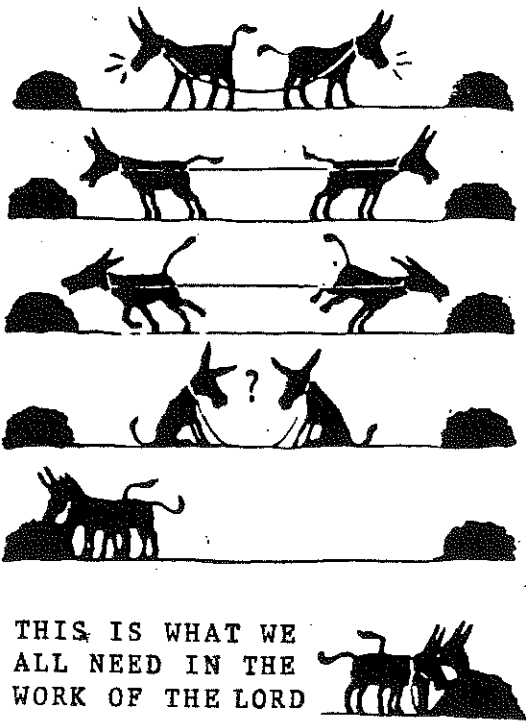
(18) Just--innocent.

(19) Holy--right by intrinsic or divine character.

(20) Temperate--self-controlled, moderate.

(21) "Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught that he may be able by sound doctrine (not by psychological words) both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers."

If the pastor doesn't meet these qualifications, he ought to be in a factory somewhere instead of pretending to be an overseer of God's heritage. Christ Jesus died for His church, and He will not take it lightly for someone to corrupt in any manner His people and church.



THIS IS WHAT WE
ALL NEED IN THE
WORK OF THE LORD

DEAD RIGHT

Here lies the body of Silas O'Day,
Who died defending his right-of-way.
He was right, dead right, as he sped
along,
But he's just as dead as if he'd been
dead wrong.

THE HORRORS OF HELL

Hell is the prison house of despair.

Here are some things that won't be there:

No flowers will bloom on the banks of Hell,
No beauties of nature we love so well;
No comforts of home, music and song;
No friendship of joy will be found in that throng.
No infants to brighten the long, weary night;
No love nor peace nor one ray of light;
No blood-washed soul with face beaming bright;
No loving smile in that region of night.
No mercy, no pity, pardon nor grace,
No water; O God, what a terrible place!
The pangs of the lost no human can tell
Not one moment's ease--there is no rest in Hell!

Hell is the prison house of despair.

Here are some things that will be there:

Fire and brimstone are there, we know,
For God in His Word hath told us so;
Memory, remorse, suffering and pain,
Weeping and wailing, but all in vain;
Blasphemers, swearers, haters of God,
Christ-rejectors while here on earth trod;
Murderers, gamblers, drunkards and liars,
Will have their part in the lake of fire;
The filthy, the vile, the cruel and mean,
What a horrible mob in Hell will be seen!
Yes, more than humans on earth can tell,
Are torments and woes of eternal Hell!

What Cancer

Can't Do

Cancer is so limited . . .
It cannot cripple love,
It cannot shatter hope,
It cannot corrode faith,
It cannot destroy confidence,
It cannot kill friendship,
It cannot shut out memories,
It cannot silence courage,
It cannot invade the soul,
It cannot reduce eternal life,
It cannot quench the Spirit,
It cannot lessen the power of
the resurrection.

Miscellaneous.

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KING DAVID'S NEW CART

As you may know from the story in the Bible, David became the king over all of Israel. After fighting and winning a war with the Philistines, he sought to bring the Ark of the Covenant back to the land of Judah and Bethlehem from where the Philistines had captured it. They got a NEW CART to carry the Ark, but at the threshing floor of Nachon's, when the ARK began to tip over, a man named Ussah put forth his hand and took hold of the Ark to steady it. Immediately God smote him in anger for this error.

One of the messages in this story shows that blessings do not follow even the best intentions in the service of God, unless that service is rendered in God's way. When we try to do God's work in the wrong way we will have constant failure whether we realize it or not. II Timothy 2:5 - "And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully."

God had given explicit instructions as to how the Ark should be carried and moved. It was to be carried with golden staves put through the four rings on the corners of the Ark; but, no one was to touch the Ark. However, David adopted a PHILISTINE SUBSTITUTE. The Philistines used a new cart (I Samuel 6) and even dared to open the Ark and look in. God killed 50,070 men because of it.

I said all of that to say this: the churches of today are full of Philistine ways of trying to do service for Christ. The average church of today is so worldly and ungodly that they could well be described like the church at Corinth that allowed every filthy and wicked abomination to come in. In the modern church of today there is no modesty or Bible standards in dress. Carnal, contemporary music is being used. One person said it sounded like one carnal lover singing to another. Contemporary services have taken the place of hard-hitting Bible preaching. The church moves farther and farther away from the teachings of the Word of God. Many churches have accepted a watered-down, generic version of the Bible and have refused the great King James Bible.

Much of what you see and hear on so-called Christian TV and radio makes good Christians grieve in their hearts. If what I see and hear from them and from some preachers, and I thought that it was Christianity, I wouldn't even want it.

Thank God, at Grace Baptist Church, we still sing the great old, traditional songs and hymns that honor and glorify God and Christ and speaks to our hearts. The preaching is totally based on the Word of God and when we leave we know that we have been to a real church. Not all churches have caved in to the world.