

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK

The First Four Words

To me, some of the most important words in the Bible are the first four, Genesis 1:1,

In the beginning God...

Almost every day I see a new article about the origin of the universe and all things in it. None of the articles will even consider that the possibility that there is a God, and by extension of His existence, the possible creator of all things.

Oftentimes, the Bible is attacked as not giving “scientific evidence.” What people fail to understand is that it was never intended to provide any kind of “scientific evidence.” The Book of Genesis was written by Moses to a nation of people who knew God existed.

It would have been a ridiculous idea to make arguments to convince people who were delivered out of slavery in Egypt by supernatural means that God existed.

So thousands of years later, here I sit, enduring article after article about how everything we know started somehow with nothing.

That’s right. The leading theory of the origins of the universe is that everything came from nothing.

What can we do about this? Simply put, we combat error with truth. I’m not saying to become an expert in biblical apologetics, I’m simply saying that, when given the opportunity, we share what the Bible says.

Paul taught us a very important thing regarding this in Romans 1:19-20 when he wrote,

...that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

There are a couple of things here that I want you to see. One, is that God has made it evident to man that He exists by means of making it, *evident within them*. Paul is referring in vs 19 to what we call the conscience. The conscience is a gift from God that serves not only to help us understand right from wrong, but also serves as evidence of God’s existence. *(continued)*

Two, in vs 20, Paul tells us that God is *clearly seen* in creation, *through what has been made*. And it’s because God gave us a conscience and allowed us to observe creation, that Paul says of all people, *they are without excuse* when it comes to believing in God.

It’s encouraging to me that it’s not my responsibility to convince people that God exists. But that does not relieve me of my responsibility to share what the Bible says, because believing that God exists is not enough to save anyone.

What I encourage you to do is to share what the Bible says. It’s not a mere book. It’s a supernatural book. It is alive. It does God’s good work.

Kindly, and respectfully, answer those who have questions, but when God is rejected, understand it’s not your fault. To God, all are without excuse. All of mankind have a responsibility to seek truth. Our part is to share it when we can.

Thanks for bearing with me as I attempt to share God’s good words with you!

Much love!

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

Wrigley Jenkins—27th
Whitney Newbery—31st

Michael Robinson—30th

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

David Carroll—4th
Wade Pierce—8th
James Moore—12th
Starla Turner—18th
Judy Lewis—23rd
Kaitlin Francisco—27th

Piper Dodds—5th
Ethan Shields—9th
Sawyer Richmond—13th
Natalie Colwell—19th
David Pierce—24th
Bob Brownlee—30th

CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE

May

May 16—Linda Wartick
May 30—Darlene Cooney

May 23—Jill DeJarnett

June

June 06—Jill DeJarnett
June 20—Linda Wartick

June 13—Lynette Turney
June 27—**Volunteer Needed**

July

July 04—Helen Norris
July 18—**Volunteer Needed**

July 11—**Volunteer Needed**
July 25—**Volunteer Needed**

PRAYER LIST:

Larry Helton, Casey Mraz, Joe Brown, Connie Morris, Russell Day, Kendall Brundage, Shirley Stoner, Melinda Miller, Hail-ee Moyer

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

A celebration of life is planned for Dorothy & Jim Lauterbach on Saturday, June 5 at 11:00 a.m. at the Mayfield Cemetery.

YOU’RE INVITED!

Raeann Hines and David Case would like to invite you to join them as they celebrate their wedding on Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at Memorial Road Church of Christ. There will be a reception following in Fellowship Central there at Memorial Road.

YOUTH ACTIVITY

There will be Holy Ghost Stories at the Bradbury’s Sunday’s at 7:30 p.m. starting June 6. This is for all youth in 6th grade through 12th grade. See Sarah or Nathan for questions.

SILVER MAPLE CAMP COUPON CODES

We are excited to announce that Silver Maple Camp has opened registration for the summer 2021 sessions.

1st session: July 11-17 Junior session lead by Steve Sears for children ages 9 thru 13.

2nd session: July 18-24 Senior session lead by Matt Carden for teenagers ages 13 thru 18.

3rd session: July 25-31 Youth session lead by John Dunham for children ages 9 thru 18.

***Camper registration is \$210 and your portion is \$105.00. But if you register before June 6th, you can receive a \$25 discount, and your portion will be \$92.50. See Jennifer for your 1/2 price camp codes. **Spots are currently limited**, so register today at www.silvermaplecamp.com.

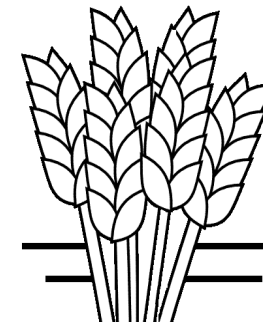
Please visit <https://silvermaplecamp.com/covid19> for more information on our COVID-19 policy.

*You will never look into the eyes
of someone God does not love.
Always be kind.*



THOSE WHO SERVE			
SUNDAY A.M.	23-May 2021	30-May 2021	06-June 2021
Elder in Charge	R. Harris	R. Harris	M. Kline
Opening Prayer	D. Pierce	T. Norris	L. Lewis
Song Leader	A. Shields	A. Shields	T. Norris
Communion Prayer	M. Kline	E. Newberry	T. Norris
Contribution Prayer & Collection	M. Neal P. Dodds	M. Neal P. Dodds	A. Hines L. Turney
Ushers	A. Hines L. Helton	A. Hines L. Helton	J. DeJarnett D. Carroll
Closing Prayer	R. Harris	R. Harris	M. Kline
Deacon in Charge	D. Pierce	D. Pierce	A. Shields
SUNDAY A.M.	13-June 2021	20-June 2021	27-June 2021
Elder in Charge	M. Kline	M. Kline	M. Kline
Opening Prayer	E. Newberry	M. Neal	N. Bradbury
Song Leader	T. Norris	T. Norris	T. Norris
Communion Prayer	R. Harris	M. Kline	M. Kline
Contribution Prayer & Collection	A. Hines L. Turney	A. Hines L. Turney	A. Hines L. Turney
Ushers	J. DeJarnett D. Carroll	J. DeJarnett D. Carroll	J. DeJarnett D. Carroll
Closing Prayer	M. Kline	M. Kline	M. Kline
Deacon in Charge	A. Shields	A. Shields	A. Shields

ELDERS		SCHEDULE OF SERVICE
Rex Harris	Marvin Kline	<i>Sunday</i>
Ed Newberry	Tom Norris	Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.
		Worship.....10:30 a.m.
DEACONS		<i>Wednesday</i>
Kevin Dodds	Aaron Hines	Ladies Bible Class...9:30 a.m.
Leroy Lewis	Mike Neal	Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.
David Pierce	Alan Shields	
MINISTER		
Wes LeFlore		



“Reaching Inward, Outward
Upward, Downward”

Wellington Church of Christ

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 23, 2021

Call to Worship

Song #123 “The Steadfast Love of the Lord”

Song #763 “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Prayer

Song #319 “Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?”

Communion Prayers

Contribution Prayer

Contribution Collection

Lesson

Song #864 “Where the Gates Swing Outward Never”

Closing Prayer

Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children’s Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the Fellowship Room for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.