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And what does Christ do that would demonstrate this great love for His chosen bride? The explanation is in the following verses: "That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word" -Ephes. 5:26. When we become followers of our Savior, it is His Word that cleanses us (see John 15:5 and Psalm 119:9). Not only is Jesus able to save us completely from our sins, justifying us by His grace, but He also sanctifies us in our daily walk through His most powerful Word. In fact, God wants us to walk with Him and to fellowship with Him daily. This walk should be progressive in nature, with us being cleansed anew with each fresh day. We should move toward becoming more and more into the image of our Lord. There must be a constant progression of conviction, confession, forgiveness and restoration while we are in this life, full of daily conflicts with the world, the flesh and the devil. But we are on the winning side, with a glorious future in store for us as we go to live with our Savior.

"Who Loved us First?"

Rev. David J. Bauer

A college professor had his sociology class go into the Baltimore slums to get case histories of 200 young boys. They were asked to write an evaluation of each boy's future. In every case the students wrote, "He hasn't got a chance." Twenty-five years later another sociology professor came across the earlier study. He had his students follow up on the project to see what had happened to these boys. With the exception of 20 boys who had moved away or died, the students learned that 176 of the remaining 180 had achieved more than ordinary success as lawyers, doctors and businessmen.

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Our future as the Bride of Christ will be a glorious one: "That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish" -Ephes. 5:27. But we might note that we are not presently without spot, wrinkle or blemish. But our bridegroom (Jesus) does not see us in all our present failures, but sees what we are to *become* one day when we will be like Him and see Him as He is -1 John 3:2! One day our Lord will come for us, His bride. He will be perfectly on time. We will all be wearing the proper white garment and the marriage supper of the Lamb will be perfect! We will live with Him forever and ever in an eternal sinless state!

"For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones" -Ephes. 5:30. Just as there is a "oneness" between Jesus Christ and His church, with us as His "flesh and bones," so the oneness exists between the husband and his wife in our earthly unions. As husbands we are to love as Christ loves us. That means we are to overlook imperfection in our spouses, knowing that the perfect is yet to come. Our Lord does exactly that when He looks at us in our present state. Love covers a multitude of sins.

Christ is the key to love, since He loves us first and much more deeply than we can ever love him. We are told to love our wives like Christ loves the church. It can be noted that nowhere in the Scriptures are women told to love their husbands. But we are told to love one another. The key to marital love is the husband's love for his wife. If he properly loves her, she will then grow to love her husband. Like us and our growing love for Christ.

So, all married men out there: Do yourself a favor and love your wife. She will love you in the measure in which she is loved. Let us also realize the love of Christ for us. "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ...?" See Romans 8:35-39

Words of Wisdom

Dr. Charles Svoboda



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A Valentine's Day Heart

Valentine's Day is a day of exchanges of cards expressing an interest in one another. The biggest heart in history is God's heart! Here is what God says about hearts: God is the healer of BROKEN HEARTS. - -Psalm 34:18
God can give us a NEW HEART. -Ezek. 36:26
God can give us a GLAD HEART. -Psalm 4:7
God can give us a PRAYERFUL HEART. -Psalm 27:8
GIVE GOD YOUR HEART:
He won't break it - He'll replace it.
He won't harden it - He'll soften it.
He won't abuse it - He'll use it.
He won't empty it - He'll fill it.
He won't reject it - He'll accept it.



Delicious Meat Loaf

- 1 ½ Lb Ground Beef
- 1 Cup Milk
- 2/3 Cup Bread Crumbs
- 2 Eggs
- 1 Tsp. Salt
- 1 Onion Minced

Mix all together with hands

Sauce for top:

- ¼ cup Catsup
- 3 Tbsps. Brown sugar
- ¼ Cup Nutmeg
- 1 Tsp. Dry Mustard

Mix these ingredients and pour on top.

Bake at 400 degrees for at least one hour.

Helpful Hints

How to Disable a Stolen Phone? To check your mobile device's serial number, key in the following digits: *#06# A 15 digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your cell phone.

If your phone is stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will be able to block your cell phone so that even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless. This will protect private info stored in phone as well. If everyone did this there would be no point in stealing phones.

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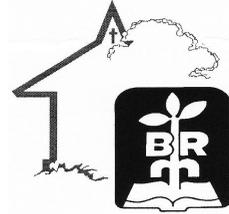
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February Itinerary



Feb. 5,12, Mt. Prospect Bible Church, Mt. Prospect, IL
19, & 26 9:30 a.m. Dr. Jim Rodgers

Feb. 12 Glenwood Bible Church, Glenwood, IL
11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Rev. David Bauer

Feb. 16 Pacific Garden Mission, Chicago, IL
12:00 noon Rev. David Bauer

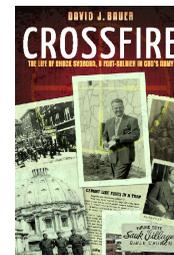
Feb. 19 Glenwood Bible Church, Glenwood, IL
11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Rev. David Bauer

On The Lighter Side:

One evening, watching her neighborhood from her front porch, a wife pointed out one young couple on their street to her husband. "Do you see that couple? They are so devoted. He kisses her every time they meet. Why don't you do that?"

"I would love to," replied the husband, "but I don't know her well enough."

Behind every successful man, there is a surprised mother-in-law.



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BRM Field Report #Two

.It has been a busy month in and out of our office. Lots of church related issues have been a priority since the holidays, with very little time for a breather.

On January 2, Rev. Steve Barack began his new duties as an interim pastor in Lisle Bible Church. Steve has consented to a three day schedule in the church and will do whatever is needed to move the congregation forward in this western suburb. Steve also continues with his Messianic congregation on Saturdays and has worked with us as well on several tense church situations. We appreciate his willingness to serve in any capacity.

On February 2, Dr. Jim Rodgers begins a three month commitment as interim pastor at Mt. Prospect Bible Church. We offered the position to a couple other men who were qualified, but they politely declined. Jim and myself have been analyzing this church, its history, its people and its location over the past several months. Jim believed that the Lord was leading him to take the position part time. The congregation unanimously consented. Pray for Jim and this church, that we would see a genuine heart felt revival in this community. We believe there is great potential and that there are still folks gifted in ministry left in the church.

Our office has been the site of lots of meetings with pastors and pastoral hopefuls this month In one particular week we met with 5 pastors. Three had lunch with us. It is a tough time for pastors these days, as the "Last Days" description of the Apostle Paul becomes more of a reality -See 2 Timothy 3. Ministry is harder than ever, but more needful today than it was during the first century.

So in a world with temptations like never before, with a severe loss of respect for authority figures like the pastor, where faith and commitment are quickly fading, we send pastors out as sheep among vicious wolves. Pray for your pastor...and be sure to tell him that you are behind him 100%. Ask him what you can do to make his job easier.

Sincerely,

Rev. David J. Bauer -1 John 4:18