



TRINITY

BAPTIST CHURCH

Monthly Newsletter

June 2018

Weekly Reports

May 6	
Sunday School	42
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$2,286.85
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
May 13	
Sunday School	46
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$1,574.00
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
May 20	
Sunday School	36
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$2,915.25
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69
May 27	
Sunday School	37
Discipleship Training	50
Offering	\$1,478.50
Bdgt. Requirement	\$2,720.69

Offering Surplus or Deficit

Four Weeks:	- \$ 2,628.16
YTD through May 27	- \$11,804.00

From Pastor Dale

1 John 3:10 NASB - "By this the children of God and the children of the devil are obvious: anyone who does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor the one who does not love his brother."

In my previous article I set before you some characters from the book, *The Marrow of Modern Divinity*. The book, first printed in 1645, contains a dialogue between fictional characters discussing matters of eternal importance; matters that deal with a man's eternal soul and his hopes of eternal life. **Evangelista** is the Gospel minister carefully applying Gospel truths to a legalist by the name of **Nomista** and an antinomian by the name of **Antinomista**. Previously, we looked at Nomista and the dangers and subtleties of legalism. We are always in danger of fixing our hope upon our own actions rather than upon Christ alone.

Equally insidious, however, is the one who vainly believes he has eternal life, while insisting he is exempt from the Law of God. Evangelista addresses Antinomista: "If either you, or any man else, shall under a pretense of being in Christ, exempt yourselves from being under the law of the ten commands, as they are the law of Christ, I tell you truly, it is a shrewd sign you are not yet in Christ; for if you were, then Christ were in you; and if Christ were in you, then would he govern you, and you would be subject to him."

As with legalism, antinomianism can be subtle. Satan has many tricks and tools to lead a man to perdition. A man can believe in justification by faith alone and yet deny the Christ upon whom we must believe. **Antinomista** argues, "Me thinks, when a man is perfectly justified by faith, it is a very needless thing for him to endeavor to keep the law, and do good works." At this a fourth character speaks. It is **Neophytus**, a yet unconverted but sincere seeker of Christ. "I do much marvel that this my friend Antinomista should be so confident of his faith in Christ, and yet so little regard holiness of life, and keeping of Christ's commandments, as it seems he does."

To this **Evangelista** replies: "If our friend Antinomista do content himself with a mere gospel knowledge, and yet is not fetched in by the power of Christ, let us pity him, and pray for him."

And so we have the Law/Gospel balance. We are saved by grace alone through faith in Christ alone. Salvation is wrought through the work of Christ apart from the works of the Law. At the same time, with saving faith comes deliverance from the power of sin. The Christian loves the Law of God as His standard of righteousness. He obeys, not as a means of gaining any form of merit from Christ, but because Christ has so captivated his heart that he delights in reflecting the beauty of holiness. His grief over sin is not because he fears the consequence of sin but because he has dishonored the One he loves.

Morsels For Meditation

"The sublimest virtue according to philosophy is to live the life of nature, but Scripture points us to the perfect Christ as our example."

- John Calvin

Pastor Dale Crawford

Ladies' Fellowship



Tuesday, June 5

6:30 pm

Monthly Calendar at a Glance

June 2 - Men's Study/Work Day

June 3 - Elder's Meeting

June 5 - Ladies' Fellowship

June 10 - Fellowship Meal

June 17 - Deacon's Meeting

June 24 - Fellowship Meal

June 28 - Men's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship



Thursday, June 28

6:30 pm



June 3 A.M. - Angela & Pat
 P.M. - Will & Anisa
 DT - Pat & Amy S.

June 10 A.M. - Carlo & Melody
 P.M. - Karen, Nicole
 DT - Pat & Angela

June 17 A.M. - Chad & Amy
 P.M. - Nancy & Angela
 DT - Pat & Angela

June 24 A.M. - Will & Anisa
 P.M. - Amy S. & Pat
 DT - Pat & Angela



Kitchen Duty

June 10 Nancy Russell
 Angela Slayton
 Emma Shelby
 Grace Gayos

June 24 Sue Lanclos
 Karen Dykes
 Melody Gonzaga
 Anna Slayton



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Men's Study/ Work Day
3 Elder's Meeting	4	5 Ladies' Fellowship 6:30 pm	6	7	8	9
10 Fellowship Meal	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Deacon's Meeting 4:00 pm	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Fellowship Meal	25	26	27	28 Men's Fellowship 6:30 pm	29	30