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Life With the Hutsons

God has graciously expanded our horizons. For a very long time we have had many of the greatest friends in the world. In the last 2 ½ years He has added hundreds more to our lives. Mrs. Hutson and I consider ourselves two of the most blessed people who ever lived. God has provided for our needs, given us remarkable health and let us serve Him.

Since I resigned the pastorate of Berean Baptist Church in Houston on June 7, 2009, we have been in 166 churches, some several times. We have been in 16 states, many on more than one occasion. I have preached almost 300 times. What a privilege! We

have been received and treated so well. I have represented the Christian Law Association, preached revivals, conducted seminars and workshops and conducted several live radio interviews. God has given us safe travel both by ground and air. Last year He enabled me to write a new book: *Great Bible Truths Revisited*. He also granted us a trip to Israel and allowed me to post three eBooks on [Barnes and Noble](#) (ePub - no DRM) and [Amazon](#) (Kindle - no DRM). He also enabled me to make great strides toward the production of more recorded and written materials. Yes. He has been extraordinarily good to the Hutsons.

We have great 2012 plans. We will continue to travel and write but we have a deep desire to spend more time with our family. We have deliberately scheduled more family time onto our calendar. Also I am happy to say that August 3 of this year, Mrs. Hutson and I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary. We have some very special plans.

Pray for us. We want to be good servants. Our heart is to ever be faithful and fruitful until we make that final move to our permanent home.

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THE CHRISTIAN LAW ASSOCIATION CAN HELP YOU

The first lawsuit in America against a church and pastor for the faith was in 1969. Since then there have been thousands. You would doubtless be amazed, if you knew many of the ways churches and pastors come under legal attack.

The Christian Law Association is a team of legal missionaries dedicated to helping and defending God's churches, pastors and individual Christians who find themselves under legal pressure for simply practicing what the Bible preaches. We will defend you but we'd rather help you stay out of

trouble. We know that prevention is so much better than cure.

One of my main roles as a *National Field Representative* for CLA is helping churches and pastors prevent legal attacks. While it is impossible to fully prevent legal attacks, it is very possible to greatly reduce the risk. Being informed along with simple prevention steps can save you enormous anguish and money. I am not an attorney but I served as senior pastor of two churches for 45 years and am quite familiar with many issues facing churches and pastors.

What one person receives without working for, another person must work for without receiving.

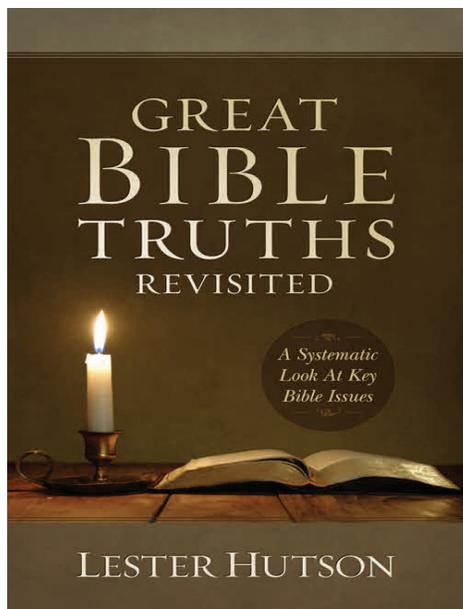
I would like to help you and would gladly come to your church. You would doubtless find the time very informative and enlightening. It could save you much legal trouble. To schedule me, call or write our CLA office: 727-399-8300 or P.O. Box 4010, Seminole, Florida 33775-4010. Visit our website at www.christianlaw.org. Send your address and we would be happy to send you our free monthly newsletter, *The Legal Alert*.

MY NEW BOOK

I am so pleased to announce that my new book is now a reality. Yes! The composition is done and it is in the hands of the publisher: Xulon Press. Paper copies are to be ready in early March. The title is *Great Bible Truths Revisited*. For those with digital readers it is now available as an eBook: [Barnes and Noble](#) (ePub - no DRM) and [Amazon](#) (Kindle - no DRM).

Great Bible Truths Revisited is a collection of 50 essays dealing with difficult (and often misunderstood) Bible passages and issues. The central theme of the book is salvation exclusively by grace apart from works; however, there are many other themes. The book explains the special transition-era miracle powers common to Jesus and His apostles. It addresses abortion, the death penalty and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Other subjects which are examined include congregational church government, church discipline, the eternal security of the believer, sinless perfection, the unpardonable sin, the Trinity and the sin unto death. The book explains how to *try the*

spirits, what it means to be *Spirit filled*, the meaning of being *baptized*



into one body and the difference between natural gifts and spiritual gifts. It even has a chapter on sex from a biblical perspective.

The book is written in complete sentences in annotated outline form making it ideally suited for teaching and conversion into preaching notes. Most Scripture

references are quoted in full; the book is easy to read. While it is especially suited for preachers and teachers, it will greatly benefit the man in the pew who simply wishes to gain a better, deeper understanding of the key truths of the Bible. The book is written in simple, straightforward language however the issues it addresses are far from simple. In this book you will find remarkable insight into tough issues. This is the kind of book that people keep for many years as a reference manual.

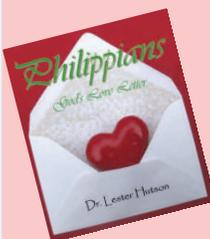
Lesson from a 6 year old:

You should not throw baseballs up when the ceiling fan is on; a ceiling fan can hit a baseball a long way. The glass in windows (even double-pane) doesn't stop a baseball hit by a ceiling fan.

Honesty is not blind

PHILIPPIANS: God's Love Letter

What a privilege it has been to make three eBooks available in 2011! *PHILIPPIANS: God's Love Letter* was first; then came *Basic Bible Truths*. In early December we were able to post *Great Bible Truths Revisited*. All are available at [Barnes and Noble](#) (ePub - no DRM) and [Amazon](#) (Kindle - no DRM).



My special thanks to Phil Rice. He has done all of the specialized computer work that has made this possible.

I am working on several other books. Hopefully they will ultimately be available as both eBooks and paper books.

The children had all been photographed, and the teacher was trying to persuade them each to buy a copy of the group picture. "Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up and say, 'There's Jennifer, she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael, He's a doctor.'" A small voice at the back of the room rang out, "And there's the teacher, she's dead."

Our Prayer List

- ✓ *Humble & Tender Servant Hearts*
- ✓ *To be used of God in true fruitfulness*
- ✓ *That my new book, **Great Bible Truths Revisited** will be used of God*
- ✓ *Good health & good attitudes*
- ✓ *That we will be friends indeed, not merely in name*

OUR WEBSITE HAS UPDATES

Thanks to each of you who has visited my website: www.lesterhutson.org. Many of you have expressed appreciation and encouragement.

The holidays have provided me the opportunity to give the website a facelift. You will find new information about many aspects of our ministry: Our *Holy Land Tour* early next year, my work with the Christian Law Association, a new blog, new sermons including a chapter from my new book, new products page information and new seminars and workshops.

It is my heart to always keep the website fresh and informative. Last year I was very consumed with the writing of my new book: *Great Bible Truths*

"The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not."
-- Thomas Jefferson

Revisited. This year I will be working on a new book but not under a deadline. Among other plans I expect to give more attention to my website.

I invite you to stop by for a visit. I think you will find it interesting and profitable: www.lesterhutson.org.

ONE OF MY 2012 GOALS

My book on church history is essentially done; however, before publishing this book I must do lots of editing. It is a very large undertaking. I cannot put it in the marketplace until I am satisfied with my research, my conclusions and the flow of this book. It must be clear, concise and accurate. Hundreds of hours have already gone into the project. Yes. Hundreds!

I will be continually working on this book this year. My goal is to have it ready to publish by year's end or early next year. I would greatly appreciate your prayers. Many friends have asked me to hurry. The information is potent and needed.

A BOOK I HAVE RECENTLY READ & HIGHLY RECOMMEND

WOW! WHAT A RIDE by Duke Westover
21st Century Press, Springfield, MO
ISBN 978-0-9824428-9-0

Intriguing, concise & informative!
An incredible story! You will both laugh & sit on the edge of your seat.
It's an autobiography but much more: a spotlight into the life of Jerry Falwell & a chilling insight into Islam & the Islamic agenda.
You will enjoy this delightful story.



VERY SOON WE ARE GOING TO THE HOLY LAND

Our *Holy Land Tour* is just over a year away: February 25 – March 8, 2013. The airlines and hotels will not quote firm prices more than a year in advance but that time is almost here. Lord willing, by March we should have a brochure describing the tour. A price will be announced and we will begin receiving reservations.

Dr. and Mrs. David Gibbs will co-host this tour with Mrs. Hutson and me. Many years of experience will make this truly a dream tour. We would be happy to send you tour information. E-mail

us at lesterhutson@gmail.com.

I was blessed to photograph this grand ibex in 2009 at Ein Gedi. Ein Gedi is an oasis at the edge of



Ein Gedi ibex—2009

the Dead Sea. It is in the Great African Rift at the eastern edge of the Judean Wilderness. David hid from Saul in these rugged hills. The situation became so perilous that David fled to the Philistines from this location.

Lord willing, we will see Ein Gedi as we travel to Masada on our 2013 *Holy Land Tour*.

**You might be a redneck if:
You know what you believe
and you aren't afraid to say
so, no matter who is listening.**

NEW BEGINNINGS

Here we are in 2012! Praise God for new starts! *"It is of the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness"* (Jeremiah 3:22-23). *"They are new every morning!"* I like that!

Someone has well said that *"the greatest room in the world is the room for improvement."* I want to improve. I want to be a better husband, father, grandpa, U.S. citizen, Christian and servant. I want to take better care of my body: eat better and exercise. I want a better soul-winning record and to preach better sermons. I need to be more considerate, to listen more and speak less, to pray more and more effectively, to make better decisions and to be a better friend. I want to be a stronger voice for righteousness.

My heart is with the Apostle Paul. *"Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus"* (Philippians 3:13-14).

I have learned that *he who aims at nothing generally hits it.* I'd rather aim high and miss than to aim low and hit it. High on my list of specific goals for 2012 are:

1. A closer walk with God which those around me can see.
2. True humility.
3. To love God, Margaret, family and others more intensely than I ever have.
4. Better stewardship of the time God gives me.
5. A greater investment of myself in my family.
6. To make a difference for the better.
7. No less than 12 souls personally brought to Christ.
8. Finish my book on *A History of Churches.*
9. Digitally record my new book: *Great Bible Truths Revisited.*
10. Improve my physical condition.

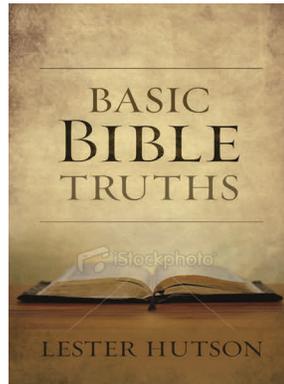
BASIC BIBLE TRUTHS IS NOW AVAILABLE AS AN eBook

This book of mine has been around a long time and has been used by many people. I personally know of several thousand people who have been won to Christ by people using this simple tool. Thanks to my good and extraordinarily competent friend, Philip Rice, this book is now available as an eBook: [Barnes and Noble](#) (ePub - no DRM) and [Amazon](#) (Kindle - no DRM). It works equally well on iPads, Nooks and Kindles. Of course, paper copies are available at www.christianlaw.org.

Basic Bible Truths is a proven soul-winning and evangelism tool. This systematic and thorough way of presenting Christ in six one-hour lessons reduces false professions. It will equip you to reach more souls, especially those who have little knowledge of true Christianity or who are hard to reach or skeptical. This self-explanatory teacher's states in the USA and in memberships of several almost exclusively of those Christ using this method. ularly suited for mission-a new culture.

Basic Bible winner, the person who with the gospel message. equip you to teach six one-systematically set forth thiness of the Bible, the of all who have not come God's salvation is a matter of grace and not works. The entire third lesson is devoted to the person and work of Jesus Christ and why He alone can save sinners. The fourth lesson brings the sinner to the bar; he must decide what he will do with Jesus Christ. Hundreds have trusted Christ during this lesson which explains faith and what it means to believe in Christ. Lessons five and six explain the difference between relationship and fellowship, the priesthood of every believer and why love should be the singular motive of all saved people. They also explain baptism, the merits of church membership and why all saved people are to live right and be servants of God. They are designed to get new believers into the church where they can be nurtured and mentored.

These lessons are to be taught one-on-one in the home or other suitable, private settings. This teacher's manual is concise and full of instructions and practical teaching tips. Each lesson has an instructional chart and a concise teaching outline. One chapter explains how to present Christ when you have only one brief opportunity. Another chapter outlines a step-by-step training course for those who wish to master and use these lessons.



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An old Navy Captain inspected his sailors. *"Boatswain, these men need to change underwear occasionally."* *Aye, aye sir, I'll see to it immediately!"* **The boatswain went straight to the sailors berth deck.** *The Captain thinks you guys smell bad and wants you to change your underwear. Pittman, you change with Jones, McCarthy, you change with Witkowski, and Brown, you change with Schultz. Now GET TO IT!* **THE MORAL OF THE STORY:** *Someone may promise "Change," but don't count on things smelling better.*

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tact us at:
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"Socialism only works in two places: Heaven where they don't need it and hell where they already have it."

-Ronald Reagan