

HOPE



BAPTIST CHURCH

*“For whatsoever things were written
aforetime were written for our learning,
that we through patience and comfort of the
scriptures might have hope”.*

Romans 15:4

Welcome to Hope Baptist Church

Sunday 5th of February 2017

531 Elizabeth Dr Sunbury
Service Sundays 10:30am today

Hymn To Remember

I Am Resolved

Author: Palmer Hartsough 1844-1932

Composer: James H Fillmore 1896

Scripture: 1 Samuel 15:22

- 1** I am resolved no longer to linger,
charmed by the world's delight;
things that are higher, things that are nobler,
these have allured my sight. [Chorus]
- 2** I am resolved to go to the Savior,
leaving my sin and strife;
He is the true one; He is the just one,
He has the words of life. [Chorus]
- 3** I am resolved to follow the Savior,
Faithful and true each day;
Heed what He sayeth, do what He willeth,
He is the living way. [Chorus]
- 4.** I am resolved to enter the kingdom
Leaving the paths of sin;
Friends may oppose me, foes may beset me,
Still will I enter in.
- 5.** I am resolved, and who will go with me?
Come, friends, without delay,
Taught by the Bible, led by the Spirit,
We'll walk the heav'nly way.

Chorus:

I will hasten to Him,
hasten so glad and free;
Jesus, greatest, highest,

I will come to Thee.
Order of Service

Welcome

Announcements & Prayer

Hymn – I Am Resolved

Bible Reading Jeremiah 32:17-25

Hymn – I Am Bound For The Promised Land 517

Sermon – The Greatest Controversy In
Christianity

Hymn – We're Marching To Zion 514

A word on The Word

*“To seek God apart from his own self-disclosure in the
Inspired Scriptures is not only futile but dangerous.”*

- A.W. Tozer

R.A.I.N.

The Greatest Controversy of The Bible

Sermon Notes

Did God Promise To Preserve his Words? (Isa 40:1-8, 1 Pet 1:24-25, Zech 1:5-6, Ps 119:89, mt 24:35, Mk 13:31, Lk 21:33, Ps 12:6-7)

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Is God Able to Keep His Promises? (Gen 1:3-25, Isa 46:9-11, Jer 32:17)

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Does God Lie? (Titus 1:1-3)

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Can Man Circumvent Gods Promises? (Pr 19:21, Ps 33:10, Isa 7:6-7, Prov 16:9, Pr 21:1, 21:30, Dan 4:35)

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Is God Limited By Language? (Gen 11:1-9, Acts 2:7-11)

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Deutero Bible Club

- 5 February 2017 SUN [Gen 20-24](#)
- 6 February 2017 MON [Gen 25-30](#)
- 7 February 2017 TUES [Gen 31-34](#)
- 8 February 2017 WED [Gen 35-39](#)
- 9 February 2017 THURS [Gen 40-44](#)
- 10 February 2017 FRI [Gen 45-50](#)
- 11 February 2017 SAT [Exod 1-7](#)

STAND OUT PASSAGE

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The Gospel, Opportunities of Hope.

Tract given

Shared an audio message

Shared About 'The hope you have within you'.

Invited to Church

Gave a Testimony

Gave this Newsletter (or a page of) to

Anecdotes Of Hope

What Could This Ruler Do?

In the second century they brought a Christian before a king, who wanted him to recant and give up Christ and Christianity, but the man spurned the proposition. But the king said:

“If you don’t do it, I will banish you.”

The man smiled and answered, “You can’t banish me from Christ, for He says He will never leave me nor forsake me.”

The king got angry, and said: “Well, I will confiscate your property and take it all from you.”

And the man replied: “My treasures are laid up on high; you cannot get them.”

The king became still more angry, and said: “I will kill you.”

“Why,” the man answered, “I have been dead forty years; I have been dead with Christ, dead to the world, and my life is hid with Christ in God, and you cannot touch it.”

“What are you going to do with such a fanatic?” said the king.

Evidence For Hope

by **Jonathan Sarfati, Ph.D., F.M.**

<http://creation.com/refuting-evolution-chapter-7-astronomy>

Astronomy

First published in *Refuting Evolution*, Chapter 7

Assumptions

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The big bang is actually based on a non-scientific *assumption* called the *cosmological principle*, which states that an observer's view of the universe depends neither on the direction in which he looks nor on his location. That is, the earth is nowhere special. However, there are alternatives to the big bang that reject this assumption. One has been proposed in the book *Starlight and Time*⁶ by Dr Russell Humphreys, a physicist working with Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He has developed a new cosmology which uses the same theoretical foundation as all modern cosmologies including the big-bang—Einstein's theory of general relativity.

This results in a cosmology which allows for the formation of the universe in the biblical time-frame, as well as the traveling of light to earth from stars billions of light years distant. This plausible solution to a commonly raised skeptical problem works because general relativity shows that time is different in different reference frames with different gravitational fields. So the universe could have been made in six ordinary days in earth's reference frame, but the light had ample time to travel in an extraterrestrial reference frame. However, as with all scientific theories, we should not be too dogmatic about this model, although it seems very good.

The solar system

Teaching about Evolution, page 52, states:

The sun, the earth and the rest of the solar system formed from a nebular cloud of dust and gas 4.5 billion years ago.

As usual, the book's authors are dogmatic about what happened, although they weren't there. However, this *nebular hypothesis*

has many problems. One authority summarized: '*The clouds are too hot, too magnetic, and they rotate too rapidly.*'⁷

One major problem can be shown by accomplished skaters spinning on ice. As skaters pull their arms in, they spin faster. This effect is due to what physicists call the *Law of Conservation of Angular Momentum*. Angular momentum = mass x velocity x distance from the center of mass, and always stays constant in an isolated system. When the skaters pull their arms in, the distance from the center decreases, so they spin faster or else angular momentum would not stay constant.

In the alleged formation of our sun from a nebula in space, the same effect would have occurred as the gases contracted into the center to form the sun. This would have caused the sun to spin very rapidly. Actually, our sun spins very slowly, while the planets move very rapidly around the sun. In fact, although the sun has over 99 percent of the mass of the solar system, it has only 2 percent of the angular momentum. This pattern is directly opposite to the pattern predicted for the nebular hypothesis. Evolutionists have tried to solve this problem, but a well-known solar system scientist, Dr Stuart Ross Taylor, has said in a recent book, '*The ultimate origin of the solar system's angular momentum remains obscure.*'⁸

Another problem with the nebular hypothesis is the formation of the gaseous planets. According to this theory, as the gas pulled together into the planets, the young sun would have passed through what is called the *T-Tauri phase*. In this phase, the sun would have given off an intense solar wind, far more intense than at present. This solar wind would have driven excess gas and dust out of the still-forming solar system and thus there would no longer have been enough of the light gases left to form Jupiter and the other three giant gas planets. This would leave these four gas planets smaller than we find them today.⁹

⁷S.F. Dermott, editor, *The Origin of the Solar System*, The Origin of the Solar System, by H. Reeves (New York: John Wiley & Sons, 1978), p. 9.

⁸S.R. Taylor, *Solar System Evolution: A New Perspective* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 1992), p. 53.

⁹W. Spencer, Revelations in the Solar System, *Creation* **19**(3):26-29, June-August 1997.

To be continued...

Words Of Hope

LOWLY

“Though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off” (Ps. 138:6).

“He giveth grace unto the lowly” (Prov. 3:34b).

“When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is wisdom” (Prov. 11:2).

“Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud” (Prov. 16:19).

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: Behold, thy King cometh unto thee: He *is* just, and having salvation; Lowly, and riding upon an ass, And upon a colt the foal of an ass.” (Zech 9:9)

“Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls” (Matt. 11:29).

“Walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” (Eph. 4:1b–3).

“Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves” (Phil. 2:3).

GOLDEN THOUGHT

God gives grace to the lowly.

Devotion for Hope

HOW CAN I REBEL?

I long to know what the apostle calls "*living the life that is lived with Christ in God.*" But I have been doubting whether it is possible. So few, apparently, seem to do it. So often the first fervor of their spirits grows weaker as more progress is made. And if it were possible, could I attain it? No, not I, but Christ working in me both "*to will and to do of His own good pleasure.*" He is able to make me a real Christian—a Christian whose life and conversation will be in Heaven. And I can cast my cares upon Him in perfect confidence; He is, My Saviour and Redeemer; My Shepherd, Husband, Friend; My Prophet, Priest and King; My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End.

Through His merciful loving-kindness I believe I can say this in all sincerity: He has redeemed me from the bondage of sin and death. He has crowned me with the blessings of His love and mercy. He has set my feet in the path which leads to His Kingdom. He has given me the glorious hope of a portion of His inheritance. Oh! my heart cannot recount His mercies and His love. Though my feet often wander from the narrow way, how gently He lead me back, how mercifully he reproves me, how lovingly he increases my strength! How can I rebel against Him?

Oh, Lord, you know the sinfulness of my heart, the pride, the impatience, the indolence, the rebellious thoughts that live there; therefore, I come to you for deliverance from them all.

—Journal, February 25, 1852

The Unpublished Personal Writings of Hannah Whiteall Smith.

Missionaries Of Hope

The Missionary Pioneer, Adoniram Judson

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In June 1810, Judson and three other members of the Brethren Society went to a meeting of the evangelical Congregationalists at Bradford and petitioned for a missionary support agency. A motion was adopted to form a “Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, for the purpose of devising ways and means, and adopting and prosecuting measures, for promoting the spread of the Gospel in foreign lands.” The ministers advised the students to put themselves under the direction of the board and to wait for the “openings and guidance of Providence” for their “great and excellent design.”

At least for Judson, another event of even more momentous significance occurred that weekend in Bradford. He met an attractive, well-educated, and deeply devout 20-year-old schoolteacher named Ann Hasseltine and fell madly in love with her.

After a failed attempt to establish a relationship with the Congregationalist London Missionary Society, the awaited opening finally came: The American Board received a large bequest from a lady in Salem that would enable it to support four missionaries and their families. With war between the United States and Britain imminent, it was imperative to move quickly. On February 5, 1812, Ann and Adoniram were quietly married at her home in Bradford, and the next day a dramatic service took place at the spacious Tabernacle Church in Salem, where Judson, Samuel Newell, Samuel Nott, Gordon Hall, and Luther Rice were ordained as “Christian Missionaries to carry the Gospel of Salvation to the Heathen.”

On the cold, blustery morning of February 19, with the Judsons and the Newells on board, a small, heavily-laden cargo ship called the *Caravan* eased out of Salem harbor to begin the four-month journey to Calcutta.

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Announcements and Things to Come

Studies and Encouragements.

- Hope Baptist Church Sunbury Organisation TODAY. No PM Study .
- **PM Bible Study 4:30 Sunday 12th & 19th February**
- **Communion 1st Sunday of Every Month**
- **Faith Adult Fellowship** (Ages 18 – 40)
 - Date: Saturday 4th February
 - Place: Chocolatier Yarra Glen
 - Time: Meet at the Guglielmo's house
 - 22 Elloura Avenue Wollert at 10.30 a.m.
- **FBC Conference. 10th-12th Feb** “Breaking Down The High Places”
- **19th March. 4:30pm Service to replace morning service.**

• **Prayer & Praise List**

Missionaries

Sunbury

Government

The Gospel to Friends/Family