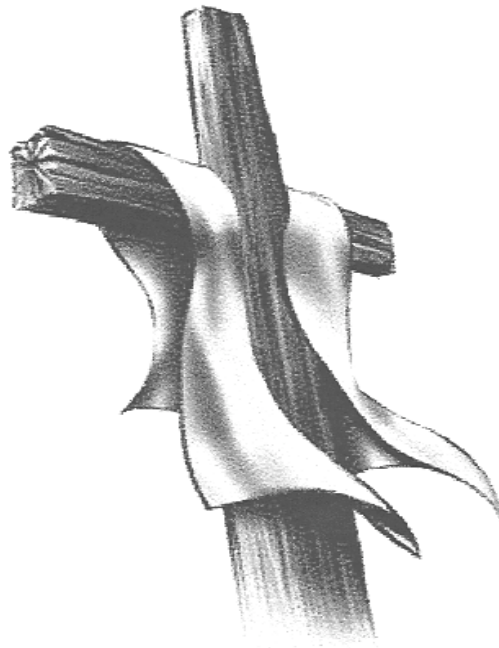


# TAYLOR'S TALK ON CHRIST

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## A Word From Kansas City with Andy Blake

Daniel Nash and Abel Clary are two of my "heroes". They were the "prayer support team" of Charles Finney, the greatest revival preacher of the Second Great Awakening in early-mid 1800's.

The following is a quote from the article "Daniel Nash - The Prevailing Prince of Prayer" by J. Paul Reno:

"During the Rochester meetings [at which Finney preached] there are several accounts of these two men [Nash & Clary] in deep agony of soul while praying day and night...It seems they were together in fasting and prayer much of the time, weeping and crying out to God. Sometimes they lay prostrate without strength to stand up. Their concern over sinners being lost brought great stress to their minds and souls. They groaned under the load, they risked health and gave up comforts that the battle of the heavenlies might be won. Sometimes they 'would writhe and groan in agony' over souls. God honored their burden-bearing and sent revival. Privately they prayed and publicly God answered. 'Practically everyone in the city was converted. The only theater in the city was converted into a livery stable, the only circus into a soap and candle factory, and the grog shops (bars and taverns) were closed.'"

## A Word From Louisiana with Josh Boudreaux

<sup>12</sup> Dear friends, you always followed my instructions when I was with you. And now that I am away, it is even more important. Work hard to show the results of your salvation, obeying God with deep reverence and fear. <sup>13</sup> For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him. Philippians 2:12-13 (NLT)

Oh, the Lord has really been teaching me to embrace this scripture. Because He loves us so much, He is unceasingly working hard in us to give us the desire and power to do what pleases him. Oh, do we see the beauty in this. Do we see that the Lord, who is tireless, who is awesome, who is in love with us, who is patient, who is kind, and who is such a long-suffering man, is taking His endless time to work in us with all of His might that we might have the desire and power to turn from our selfish ways to please Him. This man who has such a beautiful nature, so perfect in love, so perfect in selflessness, is giving all of His might in perfect humility to influence our selfish free will to do things His perfect way. Oh, do you remember in His Word, where we are told that Jesus and the Holy Spirit both never cease in making intercession for us with longings that cannot be understood. God is doing so much behind the scenes, so much that we can't see, to give us that desire to please Him, because He knows how wicked our hearts naturally are and how hard it is for us to drive our free will to do it His way. He sends people to influence us, He does kind deeds to influence us, He brings sermons to influence us, He touches our emotions with special encounters to influence us, and so many other countless works of the Almighty. We have no clue, folks, as to the depths of the work that God puts into influence our will. But, oh, if we cry out to Him and remind ourselves that He is working in us, we will suddenly realize that we are not alone; that He is right there doing all He can to drive us over the edge into 100% obedience. Oh, Praise the Name of the Lord; His mercies surely do endure forever.

So now, to the first part of the passage. When we gaze on the hard work of our Lord, let us give it our all to please Him. Let us work hard to reflect the work that He is doing. Let us fill our minds with His thoughts, let us turn our emotions, desires, and passions to Him, let us express ourselves to others with humility and kindness, and let us give Him our resources so that He will empower them to bless others in ways we cannot imagine. Reach for Him; give all you have to please Him, because, folks, He is giving us all He Has to empower us and build our desire to please Him alone.

# Teaching



For the next couple months, I want to list a few facts that I found on the internet about abortion in this country and in the nations of the earth. Eventually I will share some of my own thoughts on abortion and will comment on a few verses from the Word.

**\*\*All of the following facts and thoughts on abortion were pulled from various articles found on the internet. I gathered and ordered the excerpts together for this paper.\*\***

## **Brief Background of Abortion:**

In 1973, the Supreme Court case *Roe v. Wade* ruled that women have the right to an abortion during the first 6 months (2 trimesters) of pregnancy, thereby legalizing abortion. The court asserted that abortion is a fundamental right under the U.S. Constitution and prohibiting abortion would violate the Due Process Clause of the 14th Amendment (which protects against state actions to deny the right to privacy, including a woman's qualified right to terminate her pregnancy). The court determined that a non-viable fetus (one that cannot survive outside the womb) is not a person according to the terms set forth in section one of the Fourteenth Amendment, so due process rights do not apply to the unborn.

## **The following is an excerpt from a court case in the state of Texas:**

The attorney for the State of Texas argued that preborn humans are protected under the Fifth Amendment. The portion relevant to the argument states:

“No person shall be ... deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law...”

During oral arguments, one of the judges contested this viewpoint by asserting that the Fourteenth Amendment defined what the term “person” meant, and that it did not include preborn humans. The relevant clause reads:

“All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside.”

After some back and forth, the judge retreated from this position and said, “[I suppose] that’s not the definition of a person but that’s the definition of a citizen.” The attorney for the State of Texas responded that the only way to understand what the Constitution means by the word “person” was to go to “the teachings at the time the Constitution was framed.” He then quoted from William Blackstone, who is described in *Simon & Shuster’s New Millennium Encyclopedia* as a “British jurist and legal scholar, whose work *Commentaries on the Laws of England* was used for more than a century as the foundation of all legal education in Great Britain and the U.S.” In this work, Blackstone wrote that life is a “right” that:

“is inherent by nature in every individual, and exists even before the child is born.”

To further support his position, the attorney for the state of Texas appealed to the Declaration of Independence and started to quote the following sentence from it, but was cut off by one of the judges:

“We hold these [cut off] Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.”

**Abortion is legal in the USA at any time throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy... FOR ANY REASON (due to a woman’s “mental health” exception).**

**When the number of abortions are included (as deaths of the unborn child), abortion was the most common cause of death in the United States in 2002.** (Heart disease, with 710,760 deaths, was a distant second.)

**The Consequences of *Roe v. Wade* is 49,551,703 total abortions since 1973.**

34 years after *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court still has a pro-Roe majority. Moreover, since that fateful 1973 ruling, almost 50 million unborn babies have been aborted, and millions of mothers hurt physically, psychologically and spiritually. Abortion is one of the most common medical procedures performed in the United States as approximately 1.3 million abortions performed each year. Data indicates that more than 40% of all women will end a pregnancy by abortion at some time in their reproductive lives. A study by the Guttmacher Institute estimated that nearly 1.3 million abortions took place in the United States in 2002, equivalent to about 148 ABORTIONS PER HOUR.

## **When are Women Having Abortions?**

Approximately 8% of abortions are performed within in the first trimester (3 months) of a pregnancy. Roughly 59% take place within the first eight weeks of pregnancy, 19% in weeks 9 to 10, and 10% in weeks 11 to 12. About 10% of abortions occur during the second trimester (6% in weeks 13 to 15 and 4% by week 20). After 24 weeks or pregnancy, abortions are only provided due to serious health reasons (and account for less than 1% of total abortions). Late term abortions are currently done in three places in the U.S. One late-term abortion mill is in California, one is in Colorado, and one is in Wichita, Kansas. George Tiller in Wichita is the most infamous late-term abortionist in America. Earlier abortions are easier, safer, and tend to be less expensive than abortions taking place later in a pregnancy.

**“fetus: the unborn offspring in the postembryonic period, after major structures have been outlined, in humans from nine weeks after fertilization until birth.”** *Dorland’s Illustrated Medical Dictionary.*

More facts to follow in the teaching section of next month’s newsletter.

## Future Events

April 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

-Children's Equipping Center Leadership Summit

April 30<sup>th</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup>

-African American Forerunner Alliance Leadership Summit

June 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>

-Israel Mandate Conference

July 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>

-Fascinate '09 I

July 30<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>

-Fascinate '09 II

## Looking Forward

Unfortunately the Korea trip that I had been asked to lead with the school of ministry here in Kansas City was cancelled, but I will get the chance to use the passport I purchased this summer!! I have been asked to lead a different trip with the school to Mexico during the first two weeks of July. The area we are going to is about an hour-and-a-half outside of Mexico City. This is a trip for all students who will be entering the Justice Institute in the upcoming fall. The trip provide an opportunity for the students to get a heart for the poor and oppressed of the earth. For more details on the trip, see the email containing this newsletter or email me for more information. The amount that this trip will cost is \$2,000 per person. I am currently raising support, and I would appreciate all donations and prayer support you can offer!

**\*\*PLEASE READ\*\***

**\*NEW SUPPORT & CONTACT INFORMATION\***

From now on please send all your checks to **11315 Grandview Rd #A306, Kansas City, MO 64137**. If you do want your tax deduction, please make your check out to **IHOP-KC** and no longer write my name in the memo blank. If you do not do it this way, it will prevent you from getting any deduction. I will be paying 20% in taxes on all tax deductible contributions. So if you do not want your tax deduction, please continue to make your checks out to **Bobby Taylor** and write anything you would like in the memo.

**\*NEW WEBSITE\***

Reminder my new e-mail address is **bobbytaylor@ihop.org**. Feel free to e-mail any questions or thoughts at any time. I now have my very own **WEBSITE** for you to check out at **bobbyjtaylor.com**. Check it out and enjoy!! Leave any prayer requests or comments that you might have.