



Conference Attendees

Gulf Coast (Mississippi) Bible Conference

July 10-13

This Bible Conference has been going since 1941. It was a great privilege to teach the wonderful people there.

I spoke six times on six key words: heaven, hell, judgment, saved, faith, and everlasting. My messages were all well received. This was a very friendly and receptive group.

The Conference also invited a second speaker, Bryan Osborne with Answers in Genesis. He gave six messages on creation, the young earth, the flood, world views, etc. It was good to meet him and his wife Marla.

My thanks to the head of the conference, Duane Naddy, and to his wife Carol. We went out to eat several times together and they even loaned me their car so that I could get around while there.

I was pleased to learn that next year Dr. Charlie Bing is one of their speakers. I believe that may be due to the fact that I recommended him.

Trinity Bible Church

Biloxi, Mississippi

July 14

On Sunday I spoke at the church of my friend, Loren Faul. He and I graduated from DTS together. I spoke on

the parable of the four soils from Luke 8:1-18. I tied that parable in with the parable of the minas in Luke 19:11-27. I felt like the message was clearer than it has been in the past.



The Congregation at Trinity Bible Church

Duane Naddy is an elder at this church and after the service a bunch of us went out for a nice lunch right on the coast. I had jumbo fried shrimp. Delicious. Best ever.

Hawthorne (New Jersey) Gospel Church

July 21

The Pastor of this large church, John Minnema, was another contemporary of mine at DTS. We played against each other in the DTS basketball league. He and I are the same height. We see things eye to eye.

As part of their summer Bible conference, I spoke on 2 Cor 5:1-11 and the need we have to keep our purpose in life before us at all times. We will soon be judged by Christ for how we did in our service for Him. What we do with the bodies He has given us matters. Eternal security is not a license to sin.

The church has three different services. The second service (see back photo) had a lot of people. I imagine there were 800 or so in that one service. But they were with me and gave me lots of energy. So it was a challenging but fulfilling morning.

I met one of John's sons, Jonathan, who is a student at

Dallas Theological Seminary (DTS). I gave him my card and we plan to get together for lunch. I may start doing brown bag (lunch) messages at DTS again if there is enough interest. Jonathan said he loved the idea.

My thanks to John and the people and staff of the church. They made me feel right at home, even if my accent was not quite right for New Jersey.



Big Crowd at Hawthorne Gospel Church



Bob with Pastor John Minnema from Hawthorne Gospel

at the *Final Judgment*. I have read your [Bob's] chapter and the responses to what you have written. I have mixed feelings.

"First of all I want you to know that I thank God for you and your stand on the Gospel of Grace as it is revealed in the Bible. Keep up the good work.

"But I am horrified at the responses of your critics. We are closer to a return to Rome than I ever dreamed."

~Pastor DLM (retired), email

Zondervan *Final Judgment* Book in House

My first book by Zondervan arrived in our office the week of July 15. I am one of four authors who wrote on the role of works at the final judgment. I argued that believers will *not* be judged at the Great White Throne Judgment and that the judgment of believers concerns rewards, not destiny. The other contributors are Michael Barber, a Catholic scholar, and two world renowned New Testament scholars, Tom Schreiner and James D. G. Dunn. They all argued that believers must persevere in faith and good works in order to obtain what they call *final salvation*.

If you don't have this book yet, it is available from us for just \$12.00. If you need ten or more copies, you can get it for just \$10 each, and then shipping is free too (since orders over \$100 ship free).

Notes & Letters

"Bob, thanks for speaking at the Gulf Coast Bible Conference. We enjoyed your messages and our time of fellowship. Next time bring Sharon."

~T&D Lee, MS

"I have purchased...*Four Views on the Role of Works*

Spotlight on Your Support

As you can see below, we had a great month of July in terms of revenue. This was due in part to the fact that we received several large checks in June which we were not able to deposit until July. Thus if you look back on the July Partner's letter, our annual deficit was not quite as bad as it looks.

We are now starting our next fiscal year with a cushion, which is great since we typically fall way behind in July, August, and September, and hope to catch up by December.

I feel like we are entering the second of Joseph's seven lean years. I hope I'm wrong. But we did store up grain during the seven fat years. So we have reserves due to your generous giving. Thank you for that.

July Finances

July Budget	\$35,413	
July Revenue	\$56,192	+\$20,779
YTD Budget	\$35,413	
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