



The congregation at Brown's Chapel Baptist

Brown's Chapel Baptist Church Columbia, SC April 5

On Easter Sunday Ken Yates was invited to speak at the worship service at Brown's Chapel Baptist Church outside of Columbia, SC. Ken spoke on Romans 5:6-10 and the meaning of Christ's death and resurrection. The church had just opened their new sanctuary. After the service, there was a breakfast. After the breakfast Ken taught the Sunday School class for adults. The topic was the Lord's appearance to the disciples on the road to Damascus. The pastor of Brown's Chapel is Rick Gibson, the chief deputy sheriff in the county. Rick is hoping to attend next year's GES conference.

Regional ETS Conference New Orleans, LA April 10-11

The conference theme was on creation with a strong focus on environmental issues. I (Shawn) presented a paper on Gerhard Forde's theology of proclamation, and explained how he related the power of baptism to the doctrine of *creatio ex nihilo*. In all honesty, I question

whether it is profitable to keep on attending ETS, unless we are able to start a Free Grace Study Group.

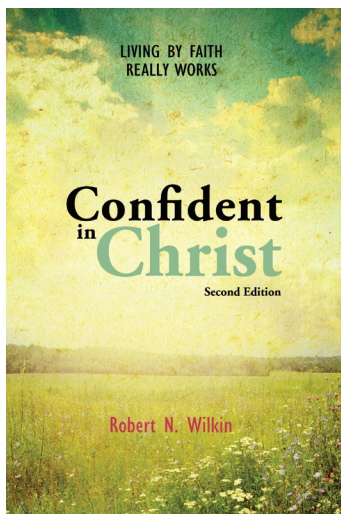
Victor Street Bible Chapel East Dallas, TX April 12

I (Bob) started a new series on First Peter. I preached on our incorruptible inheritance in 1 Pet 1:1-12. I showed that the issue here is not the passive inheritance all believers will have, but an active inheritance that only those believers who endure in the service and suffering for Christ will receive.

In the Lord's Supper we considered Rev 14:12-13 and the idea that the good works of believers follow us. We had a good discussion of other passages in the New Testament which teach that as well.



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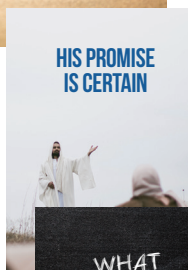
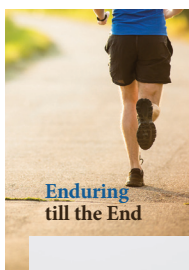
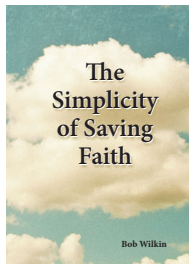


Confident in Christ Back in Print

Bob's first book, originally published in 1999 (and which sold 17,000 copies), has been out of print for quite a while. It is good to have it back in print. We edited it some as well. They arrived on Monday, May 4, one week before the conference.

Four New Booklets Now in Print

We have printed four new booklets on assurance, perseverance, saving faith, and an introduction to Free Grace theology. We expect to do more booklets in the future. And we are changing our pricing to make it easier for people to buy them and give them away. Normally, these would sell for \$1.25-\$2.00. We generally sell our booklets for \$0.60. But we will be selling these for \$0.25. We can do that because ultimately, we are donor supported, not sales supported.



lots of help from Brad Daskocil as well as Shawn Lazar, Kyle Kaumeyer, Paul Carpenter, and Joe Lombardi. My thanks to all of them for their input.

It went on sale on Amazon on Friday May 1 and immediately shot into the top 25,000 in sales, which is excellent considering they have millions of books for sale.

We expect to receive it back from the printer in time for the conference.

20th Annual GES Conference May 11-14

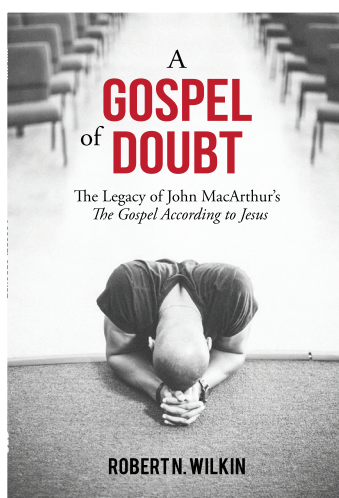
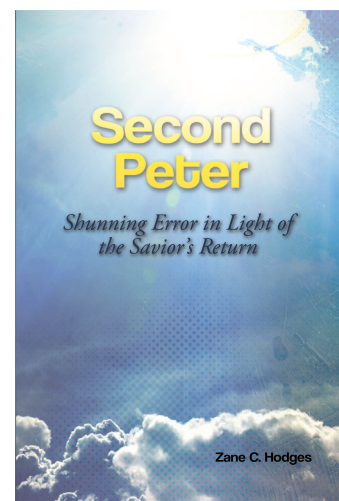
The conference is nearly here. We've been spending lots of time in preparation for it.

You will be receiving this around the time it starts. Please pray that the conferees and those who later hear the conference on mp3 are blessed by the messages and the fellowship at the conference.

Several Books Will Just Miss the Conference

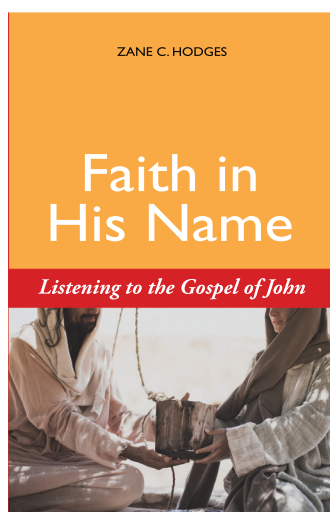
Shawn really pushed all of us to get Zane's commentaries on Second Peter and on John Chapters 1-6 in print in time for the conference. But we ran out of time due to the four new booklets and *A Gospel of Doubt*.

Hopefully these two books will be ready to go by



A Gospel of Doubt Now in Print

My (Bob's) response to John MacArthur's *The Gospel According to Jesus* has been about 3 years in the making. A year ago at the 2014 conference it was essentially done and we released four sample chapters at that time. But in light of feedback, I rewrote the entire book with



mid-June, with *Tough Texts* to be printed in the fall.

Books that are in production include *Chosen to Serve* by Shawn, *Showstoppers for Calvinism* by Bob, a manuscript of Zane Hodges's class notes on Acts, a compilation of Hodges's articles on the Majority Text, and a few other goodies, will follow in the New Year.