

Chapter 1 : A Letter to Pastors and Church Leaders - God, Genesis and the big bang

Some sample tributes to a pastor are the Tribute to Pastor Scruggs offered for the 29th pastoral anniversary of Pastor Julius R. Scruggs and Theme and Tribute by David Julian Hodges. Another tribute to a pastor is a tribute to Eric Sims that thanks Sims for following God's heart.

Related Media August The fall semester was two weeks away and I was getting desperate. As most of you know, I had been quite ill for over six months with some sort of viral encephalitis. I was not able to finish the last two weeks of the spring semester because of this virus. I had already spent over three weeks in various hospitals, was largely confined to a wheelchair, and had absolutely no energy. I needed to sleep at least 14 hours a day. I intended to teach my classes in the fall, but my health was simply not coming back as quickly as I had hoped. Still, I thought that I could fulfill my duties—provided that I got a lot of help. Students who lived close by had already volunteered to drive me to school every day. But I needed assistance once I got to campus, too. So I prayed that the Lord would provide someone who could be my feet, someone who could grade papers, run errands, tutor students, and basically do damage control in the wake of all my miscues. Even though I had asked the Lord for such an assistant, I could not in good conscience directly ask any student for such help. Normally I have a few interns every year—students who sign up to work hours in close contact with a professor, learning what the academic life is all about. Remarkably, students even pay for this course! I could not train them, I could only need them. I simply could not ask any students to work with me this past school year; I could only ask the Lord. Two days after my prayer of desperation, Kris Boring called up. He wanted to be my intern for the year. Kris had taken some Greek courses from me before; I knew he was sharp and quite capable. What I did not know at the time was that he came from a godly family that is a model of charity and hospitality. I did not know of his passion for missions and evangelism, that he had gone on several home mission trips with the Baptist Student Union—to such tough mission fields as East St. Louis, Atlanta, and New Orleans. I did not know that, in college, Kris took a year of koine Greek in the midst of a heavy German curriculum, nor that his non-Christian professors at Rhodes thought so highly of him that they recommended him for Dallas Seminary without any reservation at all. I did not know any of this when Kris called. At the time, I knew that he had been one of my best students in the Greek classes that he took from me. I remembered that he sat on the very back row in my classes, though I did not know that he always sat in the back row of all his classes. As you all know, the back row is normally reserved for students who are lazy, goof-offs, or all-night dock workers who need to catch 40 winks. But Kris never complained. And his papers kept coming up with high marks: Why was he back there? He was a mystery man. Every once in a while I would hear a low rumble of a whisper—one with a trace of a Tennessee accent—and the back row would start to laugh. He was the instigator! He had a dry wit and he used it every time he heard me say something silly. The back row was laughing a lot! He had that rare gift of taking his studies seriously, but not himself seriously—and not his professors seriously, either. This is what I knew of Kris Boring when he called. He wanted to be my intern. But I hesitated simply because I could not offer him anything. I warned him about getting very little out of the internship. In the early weeks of the semester I was spending as much time in the emergency room as I was at school. Kris knew about all my liabilities. He knew the risks. Yet he wanted to do his hour internship with me. I had prayed that the Lord would send an assistant; Kris listened to the Spirit of God and responded. Here was a young man who had both a sharp mind and a soft heart—a student at this school, facing his senior year, who had not compartmentalized his studies from his service to Christ. The school year would have been a disaster for me and my students had it not been for Kris. I came to know him and know him well this past year. I want to tell you about the Kris Boring that I knew. The academic internship usually involves grading, research, academic meetings, gophering, and a little teaching. Kris did all this and more. He was my legs. I spoke and he acted. He would check on me every day, just to see if I needed anything. He brought me coffee, did my photocopying, took back my overdue books to the library, passed out handouts to students when I had forgotten them. Even with all this, I was surprised when he asked if he could cook a meal for my family. He knew that my wife had been working way too hard, taking on the roles of both

father and mother. I let it go; a couple of weeks later, he brought it up again. I let it go; and he brought it up again. The Wallace family which includes four teenage boys took two nights to devour the meal! Kris came to our house fairly often and offered to come even more. His desire was always the same: Repeatedly, Kris would ask if there was more he could do. We had dozens of conversations in which he offered his services in any way I needed them. It is my pleasure to serve you. Some of his classroom efforts were videotaped. We reviewed them together. Kris was an excellent teacher, a skillful communicator. He mastered the material well—a rare feat for a student intern, especially when he was on call all the time, and often had very little time to prepare. He also connected with the students. His dry wit brought instant rapport; he was quietly confident, a natural teacher. He kept showing me up! Kris was especially effective in teaching second-year Greek. Some of you were in that class and remember the great job he did. The textbook we use is an page tome, filled with depressingly small point type. Some think the author should be flogged for his insensitivity to students! Each student has to read 75 pages every week, then get quizzed over all the material that they are supposed to memorize. I figured that I knew the book pretty well and that I could communicate it clearly enough. But students complained and complained. The first time Kris taught the class, he closed the book and marched through the material in a remarkably clear way. He would make a point, and I would have to look up the reference to see if he was right. Frankly, I did not know the material as well as he did—which is all the more significant since I am the author of the book! Kris was so effective that I changed my own teaching style because of him. Not only did he gently show me how to teach my own material better, he had the courage to do so! I have learned much from Kris Boring. That was Kris in the classroom. Later in the school year, I saw another dimension to this fine young man. As many of you know, a number of biblical scholars have been working for the past couple of years on a new translation of the Bible. This work—the New English Translation, or the NET Bible—is intended to be readable, accurate, and elegant—in short, the most faithful translation ever done, with comprehensive aids for the reader. It has more extensive notes than any other study Bible ever produced. The New Testament alone has more than 15, notes and over half a million words in those notes. It is our hope and prayer that this translation will be used of God in a mighty way. Kris worked on it. Part of his internship was to proofread portions of the New Testament. His first assignment was to proofread Revelation. Kris not only proofread, he also made several judicious editing suggestions, almost all of which were followed. His work, though not completed, is a monument to his devotion to the Scriptures. What kind of a student was Kris Boring? He graduated from Dallas Seminary magna cum laude and was a fraction away from summa cum laude.

Chapter 2 : Father Malachi Martin and the Roman Ritual

A Tribute to a Pastor. March 13, Consistently ministering to a flock, of which God has given you the privilege to do so, is an incredible opportunity.

A Letter to Pastors and Church Leaders Welcome, A lot of people have stopped by, just as you have, to read the articles on this site. Many of them have written me. They often say no one has ever shown them their faith really is logical, even in light of modern scientific investigation. They want to believe the accounts in the Bible are true, and indeed they are, but they are uncertain because they do not believe the stories as they were taught to them as children. They are hungry for the things of God, but their faith is often shaky at best because of their unsettled questions concerning modern science. Pastors, Leaders, it grieves me to tell you this, but you need to know: In all fairness, you may have never given the Biblical creation account very much thought from their point of view until now. You grew up in a Christian home. You most likely graduated from a Christian college. Science was probably never of great interest to you. So you took as little of it as you could, and your brain glazed over in the courses you did have to take. But is it any wonder? You know God is real in your life. You know His Word is true. You probably have a strong family heritage of Christian tradition to draw from. You have indeed been privileged. Plenty, I believe, and some of the people you are shepherding need you to learn it. Think about this for a moment; when you pick up the morning paper and see a story on the big bang or the latest fossil discovery, do you pass by it? Do you get mad at, or pray for or even laugh at, all those blind scientists? Do you bind Satan, demanding his lies be exposed? Or is there maybe just a little bit of doubt in your own heart concerning the truth of what you have believed all these years? More and more, the findings of science are pointing towards the Biblical God of creation - just as we knew it should all along. The problem is science is not finding the God of our traditions. The God of our traditions is a tiny little caricature of the true and living God. What God has done is so much bigger and more glorious than we could ever have imagined. But I am afraid the Church is missing much of what God is revealing about Himself to us through creation. There was a time, nearly two thousand years ago, when the Lord revealed Himself physically to His chosen people and they refused to acknowledge Him. Because their hearts were hardened by their traditions, they could not see what was clearly shown to them. He took the form of a servant and died for our sins may He be forever praised! Indeed that is just what He did, but not the way they expected. So they missed Him. The works of many Christian authors have claimed to prove it scientifically. In the eyes of many Christians, they have built quite a convincing picture for the young earth. Our tradition expects it to be true. The claims for a young earth fall apart when all the evidence is openly examined. That is why science is attacked. We are afraid if we examine the evidence it will be stacked against God. But it is not. The evidence is only stacked against tradition. You must dig into the words beyond the traditional interpretation to see how it agrees with modern science. One reason you may be reluctant to consider an old earth is that questioning a long held tradition only leads to more questions. You might wonder where it will all end. May I suggest it will end with the truth. However, one thing I have learned is that questions that cannot be asked do not strengthen faith, they erode it. Many of the people writing me tell me they are not allowed to discuss the scientific evidence of an old earth with you. Please, ask yourself honestly the following questions. Are you more interested in controlling your congregation or in setting them free? Is it more important to protect tradition, or are you interested in discovering the truth? Have you ever suggested to a member of your congregation they were not saved because they questioned the young earth tradition? Have you ever told one of them they could not serve in a ministry capacity in the Church just for believing the earth is old? Now let me ask you some more questions. Do you know how to measure how far away a star is from the earth? Do know how to tell how fast it is moving and in what direction? Do you know how to tell the age of a fossil? Do you know how radiometric dating methods work? Do you know when carbon dating is the appropriate method to use in dating a fossil and when it is the wrong method? Have you ever listened to what the scientists many of them are Christians are saying, and why they believe it? These are important questions, consider: If they find a Christian mistaken in a field which they themselves know well and hear him maintaining his foolish opinions about our books, how

are they going to believe those books in matters concerning the resurrection of the dead, the hope of eternal life, and the kingdom of heaven, when they think their pages are full of falsehoods and on facts which they themselves have learnt from experience and the light of reason? Augustine I doubt you would ever intentionally mislead your congregation but you probably feel completely out of your element when trying to deal with this subject. In all likelihood you have turned it over to an outside Christian ministry to educate your people. God bless you for trying. Invariably it was a young-earth group and they overwhelmed your people with material. Most people enjoyed it. They are not intentionally being dishonest. The truth is they will never see the conflict in their statements. My concern is not for most people. It is for the one in your congregation who is always accused of thinking too much. It is for the teen that is so turned off by cartoon pictures of Eve riding a triceratops they will not even listen to the gospel. For most people the young earth creation story is sufficient. Others will not be reached in this way. They require more meat. I am not implying there is hidden mystical knowledge in Genesis. What I am saying is the traditional interpretation is not the only way to read the text. If you are unwilling to accept this you are putting stumbling blocks in the way of their salvation instead of helping to remove them. Please help clear the path for them. It would be wonderful if the evidence of God from science could be more openly discussed, but I realize traditions die hard so it may not happen any time soon. One thing I ask, please, please, be ready to encourage those who come to you with anxiety over this issue. I am not a great scientist or a learned theologian; I am just like one of your people. The difference is my faith is now a little stronger because someone shared with me what I am about to share with you in the pages that follow. Be ready to help your questioning brothers and sisters.

Chapter 3 : God, Genesis and the big bang

Pastor Willie L. Joyner Jr. "Pastor J" Pastor Joyner aka Pastor "J" is truly a man of God. He is a very good educator, teacher, and preacher of the Baptist doctrine. He is a very good educator, teacher, and preacher of the Baptist doctrine.

A Tribute to a Pastor A Tribute to a Pastor March 13, Consistently ministering to a flock, of which God has given you the privilege to do so, is an incredible opportunity. Wow, what a heritage. Today, however " he retires. So, what do you say to someone who has left this kind of legacy? Well, you offer biblical reasons to appreciate and value him as a pastor; a shepherd. Here Paul admonishes Timothy to be an example. This means to offer oneself as an impression; an impression that is used as a mold to shape someone or something else. How is this to be done? Paul continues in verse Basically he is admonishing Timothy to immerse himself in the biblical text, encourage others to godliness and while doing so, emphasize the centrality of the text through study, devotion and life. His lifestyle is to be characterized as a devotion to, and immersion in, the biblical text. As Paul states later in the text v. The second passage comes from the first letter written by Peter. The pastor is to feed the flock; that is, consistently use the word of God to grow your people toward godliness. He is also to look after, or inspect the flock. Inspecting the people to ensure that their lives are God-pleasing to the church and community at large. How is the pastor to do these things? Willingly, eagerly, and with humility; exhibiting the godly character for others to emulate. This is not always easy. He has loved people. He is an ambassador for Christ 2 Cor 5: He has paid careful attention to and devoted his life to the Scriptures. He has taught the Scriptures in order to exhort others to growth in godliness. He has done it without complaint. He truly understands Hebrews Thanks dad for your example. Thanks for being a Paul to this Timothy. Pastor Bob Baker and wife Donna.

Chapter 4 : Frequently Asked Questions

As long as I can remember going to church, there has been "Brother Bobby", as we call him. Growing up in the community around Gospel Light Baptist Church of Walkertown, North Carolina, I have seen the effectiveness of his ministry.

A district party conference was under way in Moscow Province. It was presided over by a new secretary of the District Party Committee, replacing one recently arrested. At the conclusion of the conference, a tribute to Comrade Stalin was called for. Of course, everyone stood up just as everyone had leaped to his feet during the conference with every mention of his name. But palms were getting sore and raised arms were already aching. And the older people were panting from exhaustion. It was becoming insufferably silly even to those who adored Stalin. However, who would dare to be the first to stop? The secretary of the District Party could have done it. He was standing on the platform, and it was he who had just called for the ovation. But he was a newcomer. After all, NKVD men were standing in the hall applauding and watching to see who would quit first! They were done for! Their goose was cooked! Aware of all the falsity and all the impossibility of the situation, he still kept on applauding! In anguish he watched the secretary of the District Party Committee, but the latter dared not stop. To the last man! With make-believe enthusiasm on their faces, looking at each other with faint hope, the district leaders were just going to go on and on applauding till they fell where they stood, till they were carried out of the hall on stretchers! And even then those who were left would not falter. Then, after eleven minutes, the director of the paper factory assumed a businesslike expression and sat down in his seat. And, oh, a miracle took place! Where had the universal, uninhibited, indescribable enthusiasm gone? To a man, everyone else stopped dead and sat down. They had been saved! The squirrel had been smart enough to jump off his revolving wheel. That, however, was how they discovered who the independent people were. And that was how they went about eliminating them. That same night the factory director was arrested. They easily pasted ten years on him on the pretext of something quite different. But after he had signed Form , the final document of the interrogation, his interrogator reminded him:

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A Tribute Service to Pastor Mark Downey. Mark Downey passed away from this life on March 26, He was nearly a week from his 69th birthday.

Her mother was a schoolteacher and her father was a cowboy-turned-shoemaker. She had four sisters and two brothers. Roberta loved to sing, and as a teen sang in a trio with two of her sisters at churches, the nearby army base, and on the radio. She also loved to read books, and always had a love for flowers and poetry. But from her youth the most important thing in her life was her deeply personal walk with God. During her college years she trained to be a missionary nurse, working at the LA County hospital, and graduated from USC at the top of her class. A whirlwind courtship ask for the booklet "Five Months and a Week" led to their marriage in , Roberta worked side by side with Ralph as he completed Page his doctoral degree, as well as doing special-duty nursing to help with expenses. During this period, her work alongside Ralph established a life-long intellectual partnership that would be a hallmark of their life and ministry together for almost 50 years. Roberta continued to work as a nurse, writing a medical handbook for rural pastors, and raising a family now consisting of four daughters. She also found time to develop an adult education course. She continued to partner with Ralph as he, along with others, developed the global Theological Education by Extension movement. After their return to So. California in , while Ralph was teaching at the Fuller School of World Mission, Roberta continued to partner with him, working with him in his office and even teaching his classes when he was away. When the School of World Mission needed missions books to be published, Roberta gladly took the lead in helping to found and direct the William Carey Library Publishers. During this time she learned much about publishing books. She also edited the first "Perspectives" Reader Crucial Dimensions in World Evangelization , fine-tuning her own writing gift. Center for World Mission. She often said that being married to Ralph was like holding onto the tail of a comet. Center she filled many roles, but the two that have endeared her to the most people worldwide have been her history teaching in the "Perspectives" classes and the book she wrote about the founding of the U. Originally titled Once More Around Jericho and most recently printed as I Will Do a New Thing, more than , copies have been distributed in different editions, and even Page today people are reading her book for the first time and feeling like they have come to know her personally as a result. Even after she was diagnosed with multiple myeloma in , she continued to teach and write and began revising her book one more time, but was unable to complete the revision. One of her greatest achievements is that, in spite of all she accomplished in ministry, she managed to raise four daughters who not only love the Lord, but are also as committed in missions as she was. Never satisfied to simply deal with the knowledge she currently had, she boldly attacked any new challenge with the passion of a researcher. Even while battling cancer she corresponded with myeloma victims worldwide, keeping abreast of the latest research and treatments, as would a serious nurse. She is survived by her younger sister, Vangie, her husband Ralph and her four daughters, Beth, Becky, Linda and Tricia. The family has requested that memorial gifts be given to the: Roberta Winter Institute U.

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First, people wanting to pay tribute to the pastor are what I call Pastor Appreciation Champions. In contrast are those I call Pastor Bullies. Every church should have a Pastor Appreciation Champion, positive people who understand that pastor appreciation is a sign of a healthy church.

Special Sections Editor Igracey altoonamirror. When Lutheran Pastor Denise Arpino retired recently, it was a bittersweet moment. Although she knew God was telling her to do so, she was leaving a church family that she had grown to know and love for two-thirds of her ministry life. Many pastors only serve a church a few years before moving on. It was her third call after seminary and the third time that she filled the pulpit at a church that had never had a female minister. It was also a unique call in that she would preside over a congregation that was affiliated with both the Lutheran and Methodist denominations. In the s, Simpson Methodist and Temple Lutheran churches merged with Methodist and Lutheran clergy altering as their pastors. She even preached at a wedding that took place at the Catholic Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. She has been with the members in difficult times, too, such as illness and death. In turn, she has shared her life with the parishioners. She noted that her children were able to grow up in one congregation with Isaiah being 5 and Sarah being 2 when she began her ministry at Simpson-Temple United Parish. Not only have the congregation and the Arpino family been there for each other, they also have been a viable part of the community. Simpson-Temple is also known for its Patriotic Musical Tributes that were held annually for 10 years after the terrorist attacks on Sept. Speakers for the event always had a direct connection to that tragic day when airplanes flew into the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon, as well as Flight 93 that crashed near Shanksville, averting what is believed to have been another attack on Washington. Locally, they were supported by musicians, singers, dancers and area leaders. In one of her more quiet community roles, Arpino served bereaving families by presiding at funeral services when they did not have a church affiliation in town. The bishops from both faith traditions visited a service at Simpson-Temple annually. But through the years, the division between the two faiths has become less identifiable. The church became federated in every aspect about 15 years ago, legally becoming one congregation accountable to two denominations. The churches can now work and study together and celebrate Communion together “something Simpson-Temple United Parish had already been doing for almost four decades. A special service to celebrate the historic full Communion agreement was held Nov. Members of the two congregations worshipping under one roof began in when Temple Lutheran Church was without a pastor. The Methodist pastor from Simpson, with approval from authorities in both faith traditions, agreed to lead services because the churches are next to each other. Another merger occurred in when St. Paul Lutheran Church closed and Simpson-Temple welcomed its members to the congregation. About being recognized she said: No reward is ever solely for me or because of me, but includes many who have shaped and influenced me, taught by their example, and been faithful disciples in my life. The strength to overcome what is often a fatal form of the disease came from God and the power of prayer, she said. I would not be alive today without them having used their gifts for medicine with such expertise. As a way of giving back, she serves on the board for the Brian Morden Foundation. Looking back on 30 years of ministry, Arpino said it has been a blessing and privilege to share life with people and to walk alongside them in all circumstances and situations. But through it all, Simpson-Temple has a special place in her heart. Reflecting on her ministry there, she said: I love the people of this parish.

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He is most recognized for his work as an author who challenged the Roman Catholic Church for its increasing liberalism and encroaching apostasy. I choose to focus on Father Malachi Martin for the exorcist of thirty years that he was, and for his excellent study on deliverance from satans, demons and devils. I call this field of study Exorcistology. In his book *Hostage to the Devil* Father Martin gave us the best insight into a Roman Catholic traditional exorcism of the 20th Century. I recommend that every Christian pastor, deacon, or lay person that is involved with deliverance and exorcisms get a copy of *Hostage to the Devil*. By Chris Ward, D. The original *Ritual Romana* may be purchased through any Catholic bookstore. Because both demonic Possession and its remedy, the Rite of Exorcism, are thus seen by many officials and their advisors to be irrelevant Instructions to the Exorcist. The main parts of the Ritual are performed, of course, by the exorcist alone. His assistants indicated in the text by the letter A join him in Psalm and Gospel readings and in responding Amen to nine Prayers and Addresses. Some exorcists add two or three assistants to the usual four; and the additional assistants, recite the Rosary or chant hymns right through the exorcism. Whenever a printed cross appears in the following text, the exorcist makes the Sign of the cross in the general direction of the exorcisee, unless the text indicates a precise place or direction as, the forehead or the exorcisee, the assistants, or etc. The priest who with the particular and explicit permission of his Bishop is about to exorcise those tormented by Evil Spirit, must have the necessary piety, prudence, and personal integrity. He should perform this most heroic work humbly and courageously, not relying on his own strength, but on the power of God; and he must have no greed for material benefit. Besides, he should be of mature age and be respected as a virtuous person. To perform his task correctly, he should be acquainted with the many practical writings of approved authors on the subject of Exorcism. These are omitted here for the sake of brevity. He should, in addition, carefully observe the following few rules which are of major importance. Above all, he must not easily believe that someone is possessed by Evil Spirit. He must be thoroughly acquainted with those signs by which he can distinguish the possessed person from those who suffer from a physical illness. The signs of possession by Evil Spirit are of a peculiar genre. Among others; when the subject speaks unknown languages with many words or understands unknown languages; when he clearly knows about things that are distant or hidden; when he shows a physical strength far above his age or normal condition. These manifestations together with others of the same kind are major indications. To be all the surer, the exorcist should interrogate the subject after one or two exorcism addresses, asking him what he feels in his spirit or in his body. In this way, also, he will find out what words disturb Evil Spirit more than others; and thus he can repeat such words and have greater effect on Evil Spirit. Let the exorcist note for himself the tricks and deceits which Evil Spirits use in order to lead him astray. For they are accustomed to answering falsely. They manifest themselves only under pressure--in the hope that the exorcist will get tired and desist from pressuring them. Or they make it appear that the subject of Exorcism is not possessed at all. Sometimes, Evil Spirit betrays its presence, and then goes into hiding. It appears to have left the body of the possessed free from all molestation, so that the possessed thinks he is completely rid of it. But the exorcist should not, for all that desist until he sees the signs of liberation. Sometimes, also, Evil Spirit throws up every possible obstacle in order to stop the possessed from submitting to Exorcism. Or it tries to persuade him that his affliction is quite natural. Sometimes, during Exorcism, it gets the possessee to go to sleep; or it shows him some vision. But it hides itself, so that the possessed appears to be freed from it. Some Evil Spirits reveal an occult spell and by whom it was made, and the way in which it can be loosened. But the exorcist must beware of having recourse in such matters to witches or warlocks or sorcerers or to any others beyond Church ministers. And let him not rely on any superstitious practice or any other illicit method. Sometimes, Evil Spirit leaves the possessed in peace and even allows him to receive Holy Communion, so that It seems to have gone away. In sum, innumerable are the stratagems and deceits of the which Evil Spirit uses in order to deceive men. The exorcist must practice caution in order not to be deceived by any of them. He must remember, therefore, that Our Lord said there is a

species of Evil Spirit which cannot be expelled except by prayer and fasting. Let Him make sure that he and others follow the example of the Holy Fathers and make use of these two principal means of obtaining divine help and of repelling Evil Spirit. If it is convenient, the possessed can be exorcised in a church or in some other religious and appropriate place apart from the public eye. If the subject is ill, or if there is any other good reason, he can be exorcised in a private home. The possessed must be encouraged to pray to God, to fast, and to get spiritual strength from the Sacraments of Confessions and Holy Communion, if he enjoys mental and physical health. The possessed should hold a Crucifix in his hands or have it in front of him. Whenever available, the relics of the saints can be placed on his chest, or on his head. They should be appropriately and safely covered. But let care be taken that these holy things are not treated irreverently and damaged by Evil Spirit. The Holy Eucharist should not be placed on the head or anywhere on the body of the possessed. There is a danger that it will be treated irreverently. The exorcist must not make great speeches or put superfluous questions out of vain curiosity, especially about future events and hidden matters which have nothing to do with his work. He should command the unclean spirit to keep silent and only to respond to what is asked of it. And he must give no credence to Evil Spirit, if it claims to be the soul of some saint or of a dead person or to be the Good Angel. Questions he must ask the possessing Evil Spirit are, for example, the number and name of possessing spirits; when they entered the possessed; why they entered him; and other questions of the same kind. Let the exorcist restrain the other vanities, mockeries, and foolishnesses of Evil Spirit. He should treat them with contempt. And he should admonish those who are present--who should be few in number--not to take any notice of what Evil Spirit says and not to put any questions to the possessed, Let them pray humbly and fervently to God for the deliverance of the possessed. The exorcist should perform and read the exorcism with command, authority, great faith, humility, and fervor. And, when he sees that the possessing spirit is being tortured mightily, he should multiply all these efforts at pressuring it. Let him pay attention also to the words and expressions which disturb Evil Spirit most, and repeat them very often. And when he arrives at the point of Expulsion, let him pronounce that Expulsion again and again, always increasing the punishment. And, if he sees that he is succeeding, let him persevere until he is finally victorious. All this he should leave to the medical doctors. If he is exorcising a woman, he should have with him some reputable women who will hold the possessed when she is tormented and shaken by Evil Spirit. Such women should be of great patience and belong to the family of the possessed. The exorcist must be mindful of scandal and avoid doing or saying anything which could provoke ill for himself or for others. For the exorcism to succeed, the possessed must surrender them. If he has swallowed something like that, he will vomit it up. If it is outside his body in some place or other, Evil Spirit must tell the exorcist where it is. When the exorcist finds it, he must burn it. If the possessed person is freed from Evil Spirit, he should be advised to be diligent in avoiding sinful actions and thoughts. If he does not, he could give Evil Spirit a fresh occasion for returning and possessing him. In that case, he would be in a much worse condition than before. Before starting the exorcism, the priest appointed by the Bishop should make a good Confession--or at least, renew in his heart sincere contrition for all his sins. Then, wearing a surplice and purple stole, he should stand in front of the possessed. The possessed should be tied down, if there is any danger of violence. The exorcist is then to invoke protection on the possessed, on himself, and on his assistants, by making the Sign of the Cross and sprinkling Holy Water. Then, kneeling down, he is to recite the following invocations, to which his assistants respond: But deliver us from evil. Psalm 53 "See this man women your servant. God, it is an attribute of yours to have mercy and to forgive. Hear our prayer, so that this servant of yours who is bound with the chain of sins, be mercifully freed by the compassion of your goodness. Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ! You who destined that recalcitrant and apostate Tyrant to the fires of Hell; you who sent your only son into this world in order that He might crush this Roaring Lion: Look speedily and snatch from damnation and from this Devil of our times this man woman who was created in your image and likeness. Throw your terror, Lord, over the Beast who is destroying what belongs to you. Give faith to your servants against this most Evil Serpent, to fight most bravely. Summoning of Evil Spirit: Whoever you are, and all your companions who possess this servant of God, by the mysteries of the incarnation, the Sufferings and Death, the Resurrection, and the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ: Tell me, with some sign, your name, the day and the hour of your damnation. Obey me me

in everything, although I am an unworthy servant of God. Do no damage to this creature the possessed , or to my assistants, or to any of their goods. Word of God, the Father! God and Lord of all creation! You gave power to your Apostles to pass through dangers unharmed.

Chapter 8 : A Tribute to Pastor Chuck Smith

This Tribute to Honor a Pastor's Wife gift plaque is one of the most elegant pieces in our entire collection. Consider the cross, blanketed in flowers at the top of the award. The holy bouquet includes the rose, lily and columbine; three flowers to represent the Trinity.

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Appendix One "A Tribute to Roberta Winter" January 8, - October 28, After a courageous and defiant five-year struggle against multiple myeloma (a rare form of bone cancer) Roberta Winter, co-founder of the U.S. Center for World Mission with her husband Ralph Winter, passed away on Sunday, October 28,