That Horrific Day

Sept. 11, 2001

Victoria O’Neil, a junior PCC nursing student, went about her normal Tuesday morning activities; she did not know until later that an unexpected delay kept her mother safe. She recalls, “My mom was taking a friend from England to tour different sites along the East Coast. They were planning to fly to New York to visit the World Trade Center that morning.” But they received directions to the wrong New York City airport, resulting in an hour delay. Therefore her mother was not in the World Trade Center that morning. Also Victoria’s father visits various job sites, including the Pentagon. But when the plane crashed into the Pentagon, he was at a job site in Virginia. His twelve workers who were originally missing, were later accounted for.

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Another student heard the news at the beginning of his second-hour class. His father had been at the Pentagon early that morning, but had flown to the Midwest before the attack. Not knowing about his father’s trip, he was fearful for his dad’s safety. During the next several hours, before he knew his dad was safe, friends, faculty, and administrators gave him the support and encouragement that he needed to keep going. “I don’t know what I would have done, if I had not been here at Pensacola Christian College,” he said.

As this Tuesday morning began, no one knew that this date, like December 7, 1941, would be remembered as “a day of infamy.” In the aftermath of terrorist attacks on New York City and the Pentagon, some students and staff members at Pensacola Christian College realized how God had directed the steps of family members and friends to keep them from harm.
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When Josh Woodard, a junior mechanical engineering student, heard about the attacks, he was concerned for a close friend assigned to the Pentagon. Josh says, “He had stepped out of his office to go to another wing to make an appointment for a physical. While out of the office, he felt the building shake. Later, he discovered his office was completely destroyed and most of the people working there were killed.” Josh called his friend at noon and left a message. His friend later called back thankful to be alive.

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Pensacola Christian Academy teacher Kathy Ehmann was doing class work during a free hour when a fellow teacher rushed in telling her that the World Trade Center had collapsed. The news hit home because her dad’s office was in that immediate area. “I couldn’t believe it,” she says. “Then my mother called to tell me Dad was safe. Since I didn’t hear the news until just before my mother called, I didn’t have time to get afraid.” But it took awhile for the reality of what happened to sink in.

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Pastor Jim Schettler called Dr. Ray Stagno, a pastor in Staten Island who earned his doctorate from PCC, to ask him how to help people affected by the tragedy. Dr. Stagno said, “People across America have responded in a great way to meet physical needs of New Yorkers. But we need Christian literature to give to rescue workers to read when they take a break.” Campus Church raised over $13,000 in a special Wednesday night offering to purchase 65,000 “America under Attack” tracts along with 1,050 “Somewhere Forever” videos with Pastor Schettler giving the plan of salvation. These were made available to two New York City area churches and Campus Church missionaries John and Joy Gibson. Members of Dr. Stagno’s church distributed 7,000 tracts in one weekend. When President Bush declared Friday, Sept. 14 as a day of prayer, approximately 170 people came to Campus Church’s Rawson Chapel to pray for the President and the nation.
Few things are as awe-inspiring as the canopy of stars that spread across the night sky. This awe changes to worship when one realizes God, the Architect and Creator of the universe, designed the precise position and orbit for each star, planet, and galaxy in the heavens.

In early November, the new PCC Planetarium invited special guests to its premiere show, *The Heavens Declare*. Afterward, Pastor Jim Schettler led a dedicatory prayer.

The large white Planetarium dome crowns the top sixth floor of MacKenzie and can be seen from the campus entrance. Inside the dome, the urban world is left behind. The lights slowly dim and 100 electronically controlled seats recline, darkness settles in, and thousands of stars appear in the night sky.

Mr. Arnie Nelson narrates from his 32 years’ experience in astronomy, as the audience visually explore the stars, planets, and galaxies. The presentation gives a “you are there” feeling while exploring the vast expanse of the universe. Viewers are able to see the night sky from different parts of the world, which makes a planetarium different from an observatory that requires a very large telescope to observe a specific area of the sky.

The mission of the PCC Planetarium is to glorify God through viewing the magnificence of His celestial creation in the universe. The positions and movements of the heavenly bodies give strong evidence of a master Designer and the greatness of God’s power; they are not set in space by chance.

The Planetarium also serves as a laboratory for PCC students from a variety of majors who choose to take astronomy classes. Mr. Nelson, PCC astronomy faculty, has a masters in...
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George Ordway is director of the Planetarium; he has a master’s degree in instructional technology and management from the University of West Florida.

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This 2001 Resolution reveals that the FBF’s authority rests not in Scripture, but in the “historic orthodox doctrine of Bibliology” of only the last 100 years. But Scripture alone can affirm the true “historic orthodox doctrine” of the Bible. Jude exhorts believers to “earnestly contend for the faith, which was once delivered unto the saints” v. 3. The words “once delivered” specify the first century time frame when the New Testament was written. It allows no latitude to base our doctrine on the past 100 years when good men were deceived into believing B. B. Warfield’s teaching, which is reflected in the FBF’s 1998 Resolution (98.18) and states, “Infallibility, inspiration, and inerrancy are posited [rest] only in the autographa [originals] and are not to be ascribed to any manuscript or version of the Holy Scriptures.”

The FBF clearly states that they do not believe that any Bible translation or version is infallible (wholly trustworthy), inspired, or inerrant. Surely, these are not a matter for “soul liberty”; only in liberal institutions would that be condoned.

The FBF position is the same naturalistic result of a historic and scientific (textual criticism) approach to the Bible that came into fashion just prior to the 20th century and is shared today by new evangelicals and liberals. God’s people are to “earnestly contend for the faith.” To point out errors regarding wrong doctrines is not libelous contention but honest discussion which is normal in debates, including the textual debate. All doctrines must rest upon the foundational doctrine of the Word of God.
And if it has errors, eventually all doctrines will succumb to doubt. That has been the stumbling block of theological liberalism. Truth always contends with error, and eventually they divide.

The FBF 2001 Resolution states that those who publicly differ (“earnestly contend for the faith”) with FBF on the textual issue are to be regarded as schismatics who must be rejected as the Word of God instructs."

The Bible references used to support the Resolution reveal their unbiblical position:

1) Rom. 16:17–18 “. . . mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.” The doctrine “ye have learned” in Scripture is the preservation of the inspired, infallible Word of God; and it is not “contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned.” The FBF’s position is what they learned from good men who were deceived by popular teachings during the past century. Thus Rom. 16:17–18 seems to speak about leaders in the Fundamental Baptist Fellowship.

2) Titus 3:10 says, “a man that is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject.” This refers to personal matters; see Matt. 18:15–17.

3) 1 Cor. 3:10–17 is unrelated to the subject ???

To label those who publicly disagree with FBF in the textual debate as “heretics” is unbiblical. In writing to the Galatians, the apostle Paul used harsh words (accursed) in “contending” for the true gospel (Gal. 1:7–9); he spoke of “false brethren” (2:4) and spoke about withholding Peter before others because Peter’s actions endorsed wrong doctrine. Does “to earnestly contend” for the providential preservation of the Word of God make an institution, or persons, a “heretic”? I think not!

The FBF seems to be the one guilty of “libelous contention” in telling their constituency to reject PCC and others as “heretics” because we differ with them on the textual issue.

As an institution training young people to love and obey God’s Word, PCC must be consistent in its stand for truth. It is clear that the Fundamental Baptist Fellowship is wrong in their doctrine denying the providential preservation and inerrancy of Scripture.

Many have observed that the FBF leaders are often “double-tongued” in saying one thing to the general public and another in the textual debate; thus they deceive many good people and some pastors in their “network” churches. Evidently they do not want their people to know what they really believe about the Bible.

The question is—does God’s Word instruct a “denominational network” to call those “heretics” who debate that the Bible has been providentially preserved by God and is therefore infallible (inerrant)? PCC thinks not!

Could it be that the FBF realizes they are losing the textual debate, and instead of correcting their doctrine, they tell their constituency to reject their opponents in the textual debate?

Should our readers hear that PCC is heretical, they will know the source of the false accusation—Fundamental Baptist Fellowship.

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A recent book on the textual issue “From the Mind of God to the Mind of Man” (published by Ambassador-Emerald, Greenville, SC) is widely promoted in some fundamental churches.

Two seminary professors, Dr. Strouse in Connecticut and Dr. Kho in Singapore, wrote critiques of the book, which are printed in the booklet:

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Do you want a degree that will prepare you for a good job after college but will also give you the flexibility to make career changes in the future? The PCC accounting major may be the right program for you, say some graduates who have gone on to a variety of careers.

Derek Griffin (’91) is a co-owner of a technology solutions company. He has had a number of accounting positions that included serving as a chief financial officer for a 20-million dollar manufacturing company before starting a business. He says, “Accounting students have the flexibility to go just about anywhere. The accounting major was critical in each of my positions. It has grown in value as I operate my company because I learned the core business principles of profitability.”

Lee Lowder (’98) works for the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a financial analyst investigating white-collar crime in the Northern Virginia and Washington, DC, area. He says, “Accounting degrees are always in demand. My degree gave me great marketability and flexibility.”

Tammi (Keedy, ’96) Lyons credits the accounting faculty for preparing her for the duties she now performs as a statistics analyst for Caterpillar, Inc. in Morton, Ill. “My teachers at PCC encouraged my questions. They gave me the confidence I now use in yearly planning processes and in daily contacts my position requires.”

Based on her professional experience, she says, “I would encourage accounting students to learn and practice the ‘soft skills’ of friendliness, good attitude, and teamwork during their college years.”

Rick Lott (’97) works for E.G. Conley, CPAs in Pittsburgh, Penn. He says, “PCC’s tax classes give students the opportunity to do the same tax forms used in the accounting field.”

According to Eric Bostwick, PCC accounting faculty, PCC graduates in accounting have a good foundation in business. He says, “Our students see how departments in a business interact together. It has been my experience that PCC’s accounting graduates are easily found in the top ten percent of their class in most graduate schools.”

PCC’s accounting program gives thorough preparation for graduate school. Lee Lowder attends law school at George Mason University. Lee says, “PCC’s accounting program gave me a definite edge when it came time to go to law school.”

Not all accounting graduates choose to take the Certified Public Accountant exam, but for those who do, Rick Lott says, “After I talked with classmates in a CPA review course, it seemed that my classes at PCC gave me more than I required for the exam.”

There is more to the Christian life than time spent on the job. Lee and wife Wendy (Rice, ’97) work with 80 teenagers as youth leaders in Temple Baptist Church in Herndon, Va. Tammi and her husband Marty are active in Cornerstone Baptist Church, Morton, Ill.; she plays the piano and clavina. Derek and wife, Allana (John FS) are active members of Eastside Baptist Church in Marietta, Ga. Rick and wife, Janelle (Hosey, ’97) are active in Calvary Baptist Church in Butler, Penn. Rick serves as treasurer for the Young Republicans of America in Butler County.
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Crowne Centre Nears Completion

The name Crowne Centre was chosen for PCC’s new auditorium and announced at the opening All-Personnel Meeting for the school year. The name reflects the Lord Jesus Christ, crowned as the Lord of PCC and its entire ministry. The Crowne Centre will be used for Campus Church services, chapel, some Fine Arts Series, and other activities.

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PCC is located at 250 Brent Lane, Pensacola, Fla.
This fall, PCC opened a new building called the Graf Clinic, located between Coberly Hall and Bradley Tower. This new 3,045 square-foot outpatient clinic offers undergraduate students a streamlined service that eliminates the need to see an off-campus doctor for treatment of regular illnesses.

The medical personnel are employed by Baptist Health Care of Pensacola; a medical doctor and a nurse practitioner oversee the clinic’s day-by-day operation. Most colleges and universities across the U.S. operate outpatient clinics rather than infirmaries on campus. Baptist Health Care has operated an outpatient clinic at the University of West Florida in Pensacola for many years.

After checking in for medical care, a student is taken to one of the four treatment rooms for examination. Depending on the nature of the complaint, the student will be seen by a registered nurse who will decide if the student needs an appointment with the nurse practitioner or the on-site medical doctor. If this examination shows that further testing is needed for a complete diagnosis, this testing can be done in the clinic’s lab. Some over-the-counter medications are available in the clinic.
Prescription medications, not in inventory, are delivered to the campus.

The Graf Clinic is named after Dr. George P. Graf, the first PCC consulting physician, who donated his time and all the medical equipment used in the College’s first small clinic, located off Ballard Hall lobby. It opened in 1976 and consisted of an outer office, a laboratory, and two examination rooms along with an electrocardiograph and other medical equipment; Dr. Graf and a nurse were the staff.

In 1982, the health center moved to Coberly; it had 14 patient rooms and was staffed by two full-time nurses.

After Bradley Tower was built in 1991, the health center relocated to the first floor of Bradley, with 20 patient rooms and three staff nurses. It was named the “Graf Center.”

As more student residence rooms were needed in 2000–2001, health care was given in two locations: Young Tower and Griffith Tower.

In fall 2001, the new Graf Clinic facility opened.
The Shepherd’s song in Psalm 23 pictures a sheep that follows the good shepherd who takes care of everything the sheep need.

_He maketh me to lie down in green pastures._
The shepherd knows that sheep will not lie down unless conditions are right. They will be restless and not lie down—if they are afraid; if flies or insects bother them; if they cannot find food; or if there is conflict within the flock. The shepherd takes care of these needs and makes sure there are green pastures for his flock so they will lie down.

_Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me._

The shepherd shows his presence with his rod and staff. The rod is for protection and discipline, and the staff is for guidance. The Holy Spirit gives comfort for the child of God, and the Word of God guides him.

The child of God finds still waters for his soul when he reads the Word of God.

_He leadeth me beside the still waters._
Sheep and chickens are the only animals that cannot get up should they roll over on their back. When a shepherd checks his flock, sometimes he finds a sheep that died because it became immobilized while lying on it’s back. If a sheep gets too comfortable, it might go to sleep and fall on its back and later die. A sheep that is not sheared, can pick up sticks, mud, and insects that so weigh it down that the sheep falls on its back. If a sheep gets too fat, it may turn over on its back and die. But when the shepherd is present, he makes sure the sheep are upright.

_God’s child can be so weighed down with sin, sorrow, and suffering that only the Good Shepherd can restore his soul._

_“I am the Lord that healeth thee.”_

_He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness._
The shepherd knows that it is important that he lead the sheep to new pastures at the right time. Large sheep ranches have been wiped out because shepherds failed to move their flocks before the pasture land had time to be replenished with new growth.

The Good Shepherd always leads His flock in “paths of righteousness” found in the Word of God.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.

The shepherd goes ahead of the sheep to a mesa (level place) to clean out wild plants and chase out animals that would harm the sheep. Just so, the Great Shepherd, “the Lord our banner,” goes before His children to defeat their enemies.

Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Near the end of the summer, the sheep need the anointing oil of the shepherd. As flies invade and irritate the sheep, the shepherd’s oil soothes the sheep and kills the flies’ eggs. When a contagious disease afflicts the flock, the shepherd pours oil in their sores. When rams begin to butt each other, the shepherd keeps them from being injured by oiling their horns.

Oil in the Bible represents the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Lord Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd, lays down His life for the sheep and gives blessings to His followers:

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