



TAKEN FROM THE SANTA CLARA WEEKLY

## Milestone Events at Resurrection Lutheran Church

By Christy Kinney

Fifty years ago, Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points in a single NBA basketball game, West Side Story was the best picture winner at the Academy Awards, Andy Warhol's famous Campbell's Soup Cans premiered in Los Angeles, Johnny Carson took over as host of The Tonight Show, and Resurrection Lutheran Church in Santa Clara opened its doors. Fifty years prior, the Titanic sank, Universal Pictures became incorporated, Albania declared independence from the Ottoman Empire, New Mexico became the 47th US state and Dan Schaefer was born in Garland, Nebraska.

Resurrection Lutheran Church combined its 50-year marker and the birth of Schaefer in a joint celebration on Sunday, January 15.

Schaefer, who was born on Sunday, January 14, 1912, was drafted by the Navy during World War II, served on the Ingersal destroyer during its attack and believes "a sense of humor is essential to longevity."

"I can do everything I could do at 21, but it just takes me longer to recover," claims Schaefer.

Also taking place on a Sunday, and exactly one week prior to Schaefer's 50th birthday, was the birth of Resurrection Lutheran Church. The church, which originally met in a converted house on Sheridan Drive, officially became a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod on Sunday, January 7, 1962.



*Dan Schaefer celebrated his 100th birthday  
At Resurrection Lutheran's 50th*



Over 100 people came to enjoy the food and fun that made up our 50th and Dan Schaefer's 100th celebrations. We all made new friends and came to some interesting information.

Dan was born January 14, 1912, and we discovered that our favorite Square Dance caller, Roger Smith, was born January 14, 1937, making Dan a century, Roger three quarters

of a century and Resurrection half a century old. But wait, that wasn't all of the birthdays. It turns out (Gloria Tanery's friend) our favorite caterer, Steve Martin, was also born on January 14th, we almost ran out of air singing,

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Resurrection Lutheran Church will proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ on Sundays and other special days throughout the Church Year for the benefit of the members and the people of our community. Resurrection Lutheran Church will deliver worship and service opportunities in our facility and out in the community. The members of Resurrection Lutheran Church will distinguish themselves as the most friendly, most caring, and most dedicated Christians in the community. Resurrection Lutheran Church will accomplish this through an active and dynamic worship life, and service and collaboration with and to the community. The members of Resurrection Lutheran Church will be known for radiating Christian Values at all times and in all situations.

# THEOLOGY PAGE

# LAST THINGS

Dr. Francis Pieper

This article is heavily edited do to the volume of theological jargon, and Latin and Greek terms used by Dr Pieper. It can be found (as a PDF) with this month's Newsletter on the website. rlc-ms.com.

## ***ETERNAL DAMNATION***

The conscience of a man still convinces him that punishment awaits men after this life because of their sins. This knowledge belongs to the sphere of the Law, and the Law is still active in a man not only as norm, but also as condemning judge. Rom. 2:15. Accordingly, belief in Hell with its punishments after this life prevails among the unbelievers."

The Bible teaches the truth of an eternal punishment so clearly and emphatically that one cannot deny it without at the same time rejecting the authority of Scripture. It parallels the eternal salvation of the believers and the eternal punishment of the unbelievers. Whoever therefore denies the one must, to be consistent, deny the other.

The objections raised in all ages to the endlessness of the punishment are understandable; for the thought of a never-ending agony of rational beings, fully realizing their distressing plight, is so appalling that it exceeds comprehension. All objections are based on the false principle that it is proper and reasonable to make our human sentiments and judgments the measure of God's essence and activity. This is the case with those who contend that an everlasting punishment of a part of mankind does not agree with the unity of God's world plan ("dualism"), or that it is not compatible with divine love nor with divine justice. These want to substitute an eventual salvation by gradual improvement in the next life or an immediate or later annihilation of the wicked. Against such views we must maintain the general principle that God's essence, attributes, and actions exceed our comprehension. We can therefore not know apart from God's revelation in His Word, what agrees, or conflicts, with God's essence and attributes.

The nature of eternal punishment consists in eternal banishment from the sight of God, or, in other words, in being forever excluded from communion with God. In describing the state of punishment, Scripture uses a variety of terms, but all of them express intense agony of body and soul. The man who is banished from communion with God must by God's judgment live on.

Is hell-fire physical or hyperphysical fire? As a rule we conclude it is wiser to be concerned about escaping this eternal fire by true repentance than to engage in an unprofitable argument as to the nature of this fire. One thing is sure, hell contains no atheists, because the damned actually experience God as the righteous Judge. There is no more room in hell for the lie that there is no God.

Degrees of torment, determined by the nature of the sins are plainly taught in the Bible. The severest punishment follows on the rejection of the Gospel by those to whom it had been preached in rich measure.

The location of Hell is uncertain. Some say it is within the universe, or at the center of the earth; others say that it is outside the universe, and this seems probable. Positively we can only say that hell is where God pours out His endless righteous wrath on the condemned by banishing them forever from His face.

The Bible expressly declares that since Christ by His vicarious satisfaction is the Propitiation for the sins of the whole world, only faith can save and only unbelief can actually condemn sinners. All sins, original sin and actual sins, are indeed damnable in themselves and this truth must be urged against all who minimize sin; but in fact only unbelief results in punishment. This truth must be brought home to all who minimize the work of Christ, the complete reconciliation He brought about through His vicarious satisfaction.

The purpose of this shocking doctrine of eternal punishment is to warn against unbelief and carnal security and thus to save from eternal punishment. When Christ admonishes that it would be better for a person to cut off his offending hand or foot than be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched (Mark 9:43 ff.), He impressively reminds also believers of the necessity of merciless crucifixion of the flesh in order to escape eternal destruction.

This purpose is thwarted by all theologians who treat the Scripture doctrine of eternal punishment as if it were debatable and subject to the expert opinion of theologians and consequently either deny eternal punishment outright or substitute for it doctrines that are "more worthy of God" and more in accord with "human consciousness," or "Christian consciousness. The annihilation of the wicked, "conditional punishment," the possibility of a probation after death, etc., are such substitutes. A Christian theologian must insist that the doctrine of eternal punishment is not something submitted in Holy Scripture for human criticism, but eternal punishment is taught as an incontestable fact which the Christian Church should preach to the world as well as to Christians without reservation or apology. The "mercy theologians"; the deniers and critics of this Scripture doctrine, actually are most merciless. Instead of sounding the alarm against the menace of hell, they actually, as far as they are concerned, plunge men into eternal perdition.

Also the Calvinistic doctrine that God's will is twofold from the outset, that is, God from eternity willed to exhibit the glory of His grace in the case of some people and the glory of His punitive justice in the case of all the rest, thwarts the end God would attain through the Scriptural doctrine of eternal punishment.

Of course, eternal punishment ultimately serves to demonstrate also the punitive justice of God. But such retribution overtakes only those who decline to avail themselves of the first and original will of grace that God for Christ's sake has toward all men. If it is objected that this distinction would impose the relation of time on the eternal God, we answer that our human conceptions are bound by time and space.

## MOVIES: An Oscar surprise -- only one R-rated nomination

By Phil Boatwright / Baptist Press

This year's nominated selections for best film are a potpourri of genres and themes, with each of the films containing moments of insight, instruction or just uplifting entertainment. But this year's lineup reverses itself from recent tradition. In years past, R-rated movies have dominated this list. The 84th Academy Award nominations, however, only contain one R-rated movie. That said, the content of each film should be examined before viewing. The critiques contain the reason for the rating.



### BEST PICTURE

--**The Artist** (PG-13). Hollywood 1927: George Valentin is a successful silent movie star; talking pictures will mark the end of his career; Peppy Miller, a young woman extra, becomes a major movie star; their lives intertwine and both find meaning. Rated PG-13 for a crude gesture and a disturbing image. I'm kind of careful about recommending movies. Most are made from a secular perspective and no matter how uplifting the theme, there's always going to be something that someone can object to. But this is an imaginative film, compelling and resonant. So, if I were to recommend a film from this year it would be *The Artist*. Oh, and *War Horse*. And *The Tree of Life*.

--**The Descendants** (R). Matt King (George Clooney) finds his life suddenly dysfunctional. His adulterous wife is in a coma, he's lost his connection to his daughters, and his relatives want him to sell the land that has been in their family ever since the days of Hawaiian royalty. But I can't recommend a movie to you wherein the 10-year-old gives the finger to people on two occasions, the older girl uses the f-word throughout and Clooney once again profanes God's name? Rated R for violence, disturbing images, and language.

--**Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close** (PG-13). Horn, Tom Hanks, Sandra Bullock, Max von Sydow, are featured in this tale about a boy who tries to solve a mystery left by his father after he is killed on 9/11. I wanted to like this film. But unlike, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, which dealt with a child discovering the realities of life, *Extremely Loud* is forced and too eccentric. Rated PG-13 for disturbing images, thematic material and language.

--**The Help** (PG-13). This is an empowering story about very different and extraordinary women in the 1960s South who build an unlikely friendship around a secret writing project. *The Help* is funny, poignant and inspiring; one of the best films of the year. Rated PG-13 for thematic material and language.

--**Hugo** (PG). A young orphan lives in a Paris train station, having taken over his drunken uncle's profession as the caretaker of the station's giant clock. Rated PG for mild thematic material, some action/peril and smoking. A clean film, here language is lifted up rather than molested, and tragedy, while incorporated to reveal the darker side of man's nature, is never allowed to bombard viewers.

--**Midnight in Paris** (PG-13). Realizing that he has little in common with his fiancée, a writer (Owen Wilson) roams the streets of Paris at night, thinking of a better life in a better time. His illusions become a reality. It's mostly a clean film. There's little if any crudity in conversation or action, and with the exception of two misuses of Christ's name, there's no other profanity or obscenity. Rated PG-13 for some sexual references and smoking.

--**Moneyball** (PG-13). This sports biopic is based on the true story of Billy Beane -- once a would-be baseball superstar who turned his fiercely competitive nature to management. Fascinating, funny, and moving. Rated PG-13 for some strong language.

--**The Tree of Life** (PG-13). Director Terrence Malick ("*Badlands*," "*Days of Heaven*," "*The Thin Red Line*," "*The New World*") offers up his fifth film, an impressionistic story of a Midwestern family coping with a death, embittered relationships, and haunting questions concerning God and the afterlife. In this film, the director uses language; he doesn't abuse it. Rated PG-13 for some thematic material and brief language.

--**War Horse** (PG-13). A boy-and-his-horse story progresses into a World War I epic tale, with the animal affecting the lives of several people. Not enough can be said about the look of *War Horse*. The cinematography, the lighting, the set and art direction are as good as any film I've ever seen. Rated PG-13 for intense sequences of war action.

Phil Boatwright reviews films from a Christian perspective for Baptist Press and is the author of "Movies: The Good, The Bad, and the Really, Really Bad," available on Amazon.com. He also writes about Hollywood for [previewonline.org](http://previewonline.org) and [moviereporter.com](http://moviereporter.com). Get Baptist Press headlines and breaking news on Twitter (@BaptistPress), Facebook ([Facebook.com/BaptistPress](http://Facebook.com/BaptistPress)) and in your email ([baptistpress.com/SubscribeBP.asp](http://baptistpress.com/SubscribeBP.asp)).

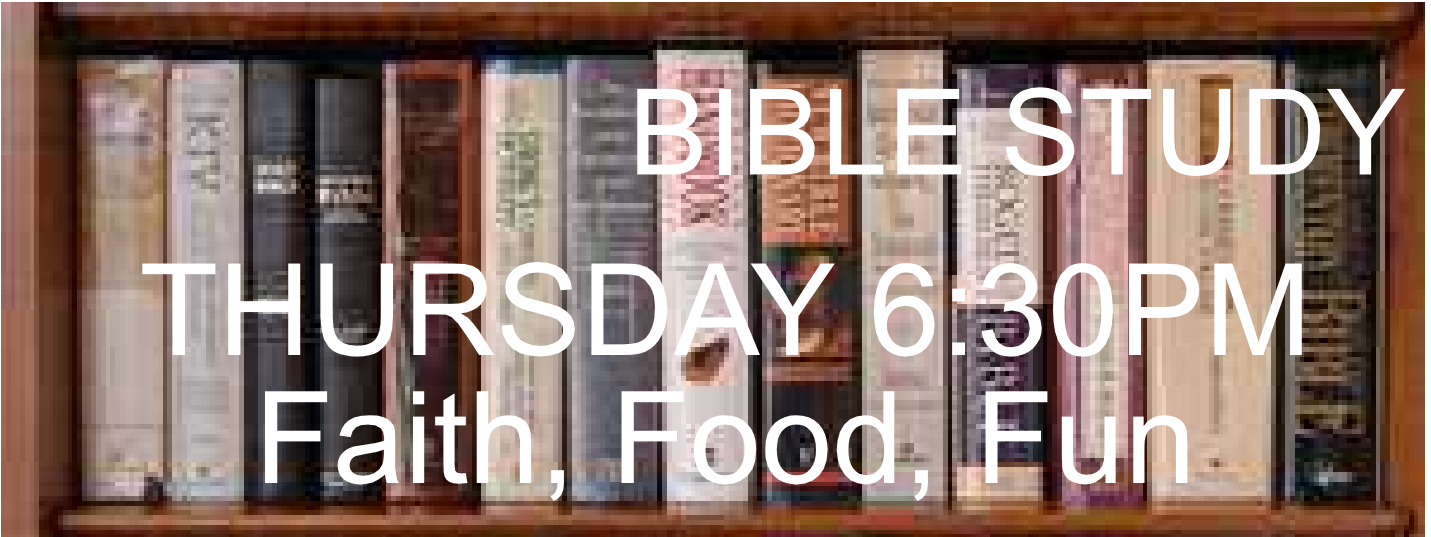
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# Youth Chess Club/Class

## Most Mondays 6:30PM

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# SQUARE DANCE CLASS

## FRIDAYS 7PM

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**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2012**  
Chili Cheese Hot Dog Banana Split  
Sunday Feeding starts at 11:20ish and  
ends when you are full.

Invite your friends and neighbors  
There can't be any left-overs (that's a Fat Tuesday rule!)



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### ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22 @ 7:30PM

Lent always begins with Ash Wednesday. This year that means February 22. Worship begins at 7:30PM and includes the Lord's Supper. Our Ash Wednesday service is slightly abbreviated, but it will not lack anything of worship and piety.

**There are no special services planned for the Wednesdays in Lent.**

### SOUP FOR ASH WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM

As an extra special treat our bread and soup for Ash Wednesday will be bread bowls full of creamy (no fat) vegetable soup. (The bread will be made with only water and no fats, no eggs (all in keeping with the ancient churches idea of giving up fats for Lent.) And If we can figure out the timing, the bread bowls should be just out of the oven.



# Leap Year Hoedown

## February 25, 2012



# Basic/Mainstream Roger Smith

**King Frog**

Resurrection Lutheran Church  
2495 Cabrillo Ave  
Santa Clara Ca 95051

**7:00 PM -- 10:00 PM**

\$8.00 per person  
Singles Rotation Board

# Jim Osborne

**Monster Toad**

Outside of a dog, a book is probably man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read. *Groucho Marx*

No one appreciates the very special genius of your conversation as the dog does. *Christopher Morley*

When a man's best friend is his dog, that dog has a problem. *Edward Abbey*

Did you ever walk into a room and forget why you walked in? I think that's how dogs spend their lives. *Sue Murphy*

If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went. *Will Rogers*

The average dog is a nicer person than the average person. *Andrew A. Rooney*

I wonder if other dogs think poodles are members of a weird religious cult. *Rita Rudner*

I loathe people who keep dogs. They are cowards who haven't got the guts to bite people themselves. *August Strindberg*

If I have any beliefs about immortality, it is that certain dogs I have known will go to heaven, and very, very few persons. *James Thurber*

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you; that is the principal difference between a dog and a man. *Mark Twain*

Whoever said you can't buy happiness forgot about puppies. *Gene Hill*

To his dog, every man is Napoleon; hence the constant popularity of dogs. *Aldous Huxley*

A dog teaches a boy fidelity, perseverance, and to turn around three times before lying down. *Robert Benchley*

No animal should ever jump up on the dining room furniture unless absolutely certain that he can hold his own in the conversation. *Fran Lebowitz*

Ever consider what they must think of us? I mean, here we come back from a grocery store with the most amazing haul; chicken, pork, half a cow. They must think we're the greatest hunters on earth! *Anne Tyler*

"My dog is worried about the economy because Alpo is up to 99 cents a can. That's almost \$7.00 in dog money. *Joe Weinstein*

You enter into a certain amount of madness when you marry a person with pets. *Nora Ephron*

Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful. *Ann Landers*

Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea. *Robert A. Heinlein*

In order to keep a true perspective of one's importance, everyone should have a dog that will worship him and a cat that will ignore him. *Dereke Bruce*

There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face. *Ben Williams*

No one appreciates the very special genius of your conversation as the dog does. *Christopher Morley*

A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself. *Josh Billings*

Man is a dog's idea of what God should be. *Holbrook Jackson*

He is your friend, your partner, your defender, your dog. You are his life, his love, his leader. He will be yours, faithful and true, to the last beat of his heart. You owe it to him to be worthy of such devotion.

Things that upset a terrier may pass virtually unnoticed by a Great Dane. *Smiley Blanton*

I've seen a look in dogs eyes, a quickly vanishing look of amazed contempt, and I am convinced that basically dogs think humans are nuts. *John Steinbeck*

The greatness of a Nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. *Mahatma Gandhi*

If a dog will not come to you after having looked you in the face, you should go home and examine your conscience. *Woodrow Wilson*

The dog is mentioned in the Bible eighteen times, the cat not even once. *W. E. Farbstein*

The more I see of men, the more I admire dogs. *Jeanne-Marie Roland*

When a man's dog turns against him, it is time for his wife to pack her trunk and go home to mama. *Mark Twain*

# FAREWELL JOAN AND BILL

Our loss is St. Matthew's gain. Joan and Bill Cannon, members at Resurrection continuously from December of 1963 are moving to Sonora. On Sunday January 22, we had the going away party.

With Subs and beans and cake, we bade farewell and Godspeed as they make their move to Sonora.

Joining us were daughters Kathy and Patty along with son-in-law Larry, and their grandsons and grand daughters-in-law.

We will truly miss the Cannon's, not only for all they have done and continued to do at Resurrection, but mainly for their can-do spirit. When things needed to be done, they could be counted on to get the job done.

From volunteering to work the 4th of July booth, to mowing the lawn and making the bread for communion, the Cannons have been involved during all of their 48 years at Resurrection.

The community of Santa Clara will also be a laugh lighter. Joan and Bill have been a mainstay of the Melodrama, which was started by our own Cleo Stuckrath (35 years ago.) They have been various characters, although over the past several years the villain role has been their bread and butter. Bill and his high school buddy Lou, have been the Madhatters (doing Spike Lee routines) for the Olios equally as many years.

The move came perhaps more quickly than anyone anticipated. The house here in Santa Clara sold within days of being listed. The Cannons had previously viewed homes in Sonora, so they simply picked the one that would best serve their desires. Both houses will close within days of each other, with barely a gap between. The move is happening so fast we barely had time for the luncheon.

Farewell Joan and Bill. May God bless your every day.



Cannon family c 1970

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## VOTERS MEETING SUNDAY JANUARY 29

This is the meeting of all meetings, the one not to be missed. This is the end of the year meeting (that is always delayed until January because we are all too busy in December and no one wants to meet in November.) At this meeting we will approve the budget for the year, hear the reports from all of the Council Members, and -- perhaps of utmost importance -- consider how we are going to find people to take on all of the hats currently worn by Bill and Joan Cannon. Make it your duty to be at the meeting.

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And speaking of Steve; As usual, he out did himself in scrumptious fare. Glazed Ham and Turkey in gravy was only the beginning. The vegetables, pasta and breads were delicious. For desert we had two cakes. One of them specially made by Pat Angotti.

Many members of Dan's extended family were in attendance. At least 4 generations came, although it is reported that there are 5 generations in all.

Among our current members, Chris Hollosi, (who has been at Resurrection continuously from the day of the first worship service, and Gloria Tannery, (who is currently our only remaining Charter Member) were with us (of course.) The majority of the Krogen family were with us. They represented the Charter Members who are still in this Earthly Kingdom. Several of the "children" of the charter members, (notably Sharon and Theresa, joined Chris as having been here from the beginning.

On Charter Sunday, January 7, 1962 there were two adult Baptisms, (Gerald Payton and Theodore Plemons) and three infant/child Baptisms (Bryan Eanke, Gary Plemons and Theodore Plemons.) Bryan's 50th birthday was 11/12, and it would have been exciting to have him join to celebrate together our 50ths (his Baptism our anniversary,) but we are not aware of his contact information.

A big thank you goes out to Bev Schuler and her committee. We are truly blessed to have such a dedicated crew.



# The Christian Steward: Remarkably Changed!

1 Corinthians 15:51–53, 58

## GOD'S WORD

*Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. (1 Corinthians 15:51–53, 58)*

## FOR SHARING

1. What a remarkable change had come over the Lord Jesus! Standing on the Mount of Transfiguration with Moses and Elijah, the face of the Fulfiller of the Law and prophets shone like the sun and His garments were white as light (**Matthew 17:2**). How did the Lord's three disciples react to this glorious transfiguration? Why?

2. What remarkable change awaits us on the Last Day?

3. Since in Christ we have received victory over sin and death, how does the Christian steward live in this present life (**1 Corinthians 15:58**)?

4. How can the Christian steward's labor have an eternal effect on others?

## PRAYER

Lord Jesus, even as You were transfigured, come soon and change us. As we wait for that great Last Day, enable us to give ourselves fully to Your work, knowing that in You we never labor in vain. Amen.

# "Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores."

Luke 16:21

There is a Coyote (actually the Coyotes, but I have only seen it one time) who lives near us in Sanibel Park. It has a very bad reputation and has been blamed for killing several cats in the neighborhood. I have always found it to be pleasant, not rather weary.

Most of you know that I ride my bicycle up the hill most mornings. There are any number of animals that I meet. The Coyote is the least of my problems. The deer that like to jump out in front of me when I spook them passing the trail head are my biggest worry. I can only assume they can't hear me until I am next to them, because they don't jump out in front of the cars.

Coyotes belong to the canine family and as such I like to think of them as dogs. I like dogs, some of my best days are times I spent hanging out with dogs.

One time, I was cold and wet in Copper Harbor, Michigan. I was pretty unhappy, and was trying to figure out where to spend the night. A dog came running down the beach with a stick in its mouth. He dropped it at my feet as if we were old friends. I threw it and he retrieved for the better part of a half hour. Finally rather than bringing back the stick, he simply walked on down the beach and I felt better.

While growing up, my youngest sister was afraid of dogs, all dogs. The tale is that she was bitten by a dog. I never understood my sister's fear. Well, that isn't completely accurate. I have never felt my sister's fear. I'm not above giving a snarling, teeth bared dog a wide berth, but I drop a dog biscuit (from my every handy supply) for the Coyote when I see it.

Which is all my way to say that I don't understand people who are so afraid of God that they want His very existence wiped off the face of the Earth. When did God ever bite them.

The other day a man who called himself an Atheist, tried to enlist me in his cause to wipe the Name of God from all things. He wanted it off of the money, out of the pledge, and off of all state, county, city and federal buildings. He thought that he could get me to agree with him that the First Amendment prohibits the government from using the Name, "God."



was afraid of. He sort of, during which time he moral (well he called my reading of the Constitution, il.) I'm afraid I got angry at that point and said that had better be very, very careful with that word.

I still wonder. I realize that most of you don't read the Dr Pieper article on page 2. I attempted to edit it a little rather than usual, so perhaps you could take a minute

and try, because I wonder if that is what Atheists fear. They are afraid of their sin, or whatever name they use for their failure, their inability to live up to whatever standard they apply to themselves.

I'm pretty sure that Atheists fall under Ann Landers admonition: "Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful." None of us lives up to our dogs admiration. And it is only because of the blood of Jesus that we have even the slightest bit of hope for Salvation.

Jesus has high admiration for us, after all He was willing to pay the ultimate price to redeem us from sin, death and Satan. Jesus was willing to pay for our life with His life. He was willing to take His sinlessness, He was willing to take the reward He earned with His sinless life, and use that as payment for our sin.

My wife had a dog who was willing to die for her. His willingness to attack anyone he saw as a threat to her, became his downfall, but it is no less of a fact. I never had a second thought for her safety when that dog was with her. He would have attacked a moose if he saw it as a threat against Sheila.

Your dog doesn't know your inmost thoughts. It is enough that he is a dog and you are a people.

The most amazing thing about God, is that even while knowing our failings He still sent His Son into the world to be the Way, the Truth and the Life of our Salvation. Jesus Who knows all your inmost secrets and yet, He still willingly gave Himself for you. There is nothing to fear in faith.

*Pastor Schultz*

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**SUNDAY MORNING**

**8:45AM Sunday School**

**9:00AM Adult Bible Study**

**10:00AM Worship Service**

## Chilli Cheese Hot Dog



## Banana Split Sunday, February 19