



September Greetings From Your Neighbors at Fairfax Baptist Church

You're Invited To A Chili Festival Cook Off & Taste Test

Saturday, October 22nd
12 Noon—2 pm

All Are Welcome

Fairfax Baptist Church
10830 Main Street
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"Isn't it interesting that the same people who laugh at science fiction listen to weather forecasts and economists?"

Kelvin Throop III

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY?

What does the Bible say about accountability? Will God actually hold us accountable one day? Will He come to us and say, "What on earth were you thinking!?" If so, what will that be like? After all, how can a loving God pass judgment on someone else? Isn't that a contradiction? Those are the kinds of questions that many people ask about Christianity. They are extremely important questions, because if all of us will be held accountable for our actions by God someday that has huge implications.

In 2 Timothy 4:1, the apostle Paul tells us that God will indeed judge us all....

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead.

In 1 Peter 4:5, the apostle Peter also tells us that we will have to give an account of what we have done to God....

But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.

If we are not ever going to be held accountable for our actions on earth, then there is not really anything keeping us from doing whatever we want - or at least whatever we can get away with. However, if the God of the universe is going to hold us accountable for what we do on earth, then that puts an entirely different spin on things.



Today's Joke



The Pope, Billy Graham, and Oral Roberts were in a three-way plane crash over the Pacific Ocean. They all died and went to heaven together.

"Oh, this is terrible," exclaims St. Peter, "I know you guys think we summoned you here, but this is just one of those coincidences that happen. Since we weren't expecting you, your living quarters aren't ready... We can't take you in and we can't send you back..."

Then he got an idea. He picked up the phone, "Lucifer, this is Pete. Hey, I got these three guys up here. They're ours, but we weren't expecting them, and we gotta fix the place up for 'em. I was hoping you could put them up for a while. It'll only be a couple of days. What d'ya say?"

Reluctantly, the Devil agreed.

However, two days later, St. Peter got a call.

"Pete, Lu. Hey, you gotta come get these three clowns. This Pope fellow is forgiving everybody, the Graham guy is saving everybody, and that Oral Roberts has raised enough money to buy air conditioning."



In the United States, **Patriot Day** occurs on September 11th of each year, designated in memory of the 2,977 killed in the September 11, 2001 attacks. This year is the 10th anniversary of that fateful day.

THE FARMER'S SON

There is an old, old story about a farmer in China. One year the weather was very good and his crops grew strong and high, and all his neighbors told him how lucky he was to have such a fine crop and he replied, "We'll see".

Then the day before he was going to start the harvest a herd of wild horses came running off the plains and trampled all his crops flat. His neighbors came around and said how unlucky he was to lose his fine crop. The farmer replied, "We'll see".

The next day the farmer's son went out with a length of rope and caught a wild stallion and three mares, and the neighbors came round to admire the horses and told the farmer how lucky he was. The farmer said, "We'll see".

In the morning the farmer's son started to break in the horses and no sooner had he mounted the stallion than it threw him, and as he fell on the ground he broke his leg. The neighbors carried him indoors and commiserated with the farmer, saying how unlucky he was that his only son was so badly injured. The farmer said, "We'll see".

The next day the Emperor's army came to the village on the way to fight a great battle and all the able-bodied young men were press-ganged into the army. But the farmer's son was not taken because of his broken leg. All his neighbors told the farmer how lucky he was that his son had been saved from the army and the farmer said, "We'll see".



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