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A Message from your
Director of Assessment:

Do you know you need to take about 15 units per quarter to graduate in four years? The Scope & Sequence for both day and evening programs is available for you to keep track of your progress toward your degree. I recommend that you pick up a copy in the office and then contact your advisor to make sure you are on track toward graduation.

God bless you,

Dr. David Roper



Healed And Set Free By Jennifer Johnson

Going to a Bible college you hear all the time that Jesus wants to set you free from all of your sins, your hardships, and anything else that you lay at his feet. However, because we hear it so much, sometimes it doesn't really sink in.

Recently I went to a women's retreat and our theme was "Healed and Set Free," with the scripture John 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (NIV). I have been going through a lot personally with my husband always gone (he's in the military), three small children (sometimes I feel like a single parent), going to school

(wondering if I am doing the right thing), and just life in general. It was not until I went to the retreat that I actually absorbed and realized that with Jesus I am healed and set free.

At the retreat I went out into the woods and spent time reflecting on my personal life as well as my spiritual life. After about two hours of crying I finally got it! Through all my troubles I cannot heal myself, only Jesus can. Until I give all my troubles and anxieties to Him, He cannot heal me.

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Go Into All the World By Mark Bohanan

"And he said to them, Go into all the world, and give the good news to everyone" (Mk.16:15 BBE).

Last week we heard from D Oakley about his summer mission invasion. Now, around campus whenever you see D, his friend J is usually somewhere around. I thought it would be appropriate to include J's testimony this week.

J is sixteen years old and has already graduated high school. He has been attending Trinity Life Bible College for two years and is pursuing his B.A. degree.

J also traveled with the Urban Training Center to Los Angeles, Seattle and Vancouver. The trip began in Los Angeles where the team prepared for their invasion into urban cities. J's team was based in Seattle, Washington and invaded urban cities in Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver and Yakima.

Each day in preparation for the invasion, J's group would pray for one hour then set out for the urban fields of harvest. J said "I could see the brokenness on the faces of many as I approached and began to testify of Christ." J also said he is very conservative and shy and this trip took him out of his comfort zone, but when he began to evangelize he found the strength to speak up. He was amazed to see miracles taking place in front of his eyes, the miracle of salvation and restoration.

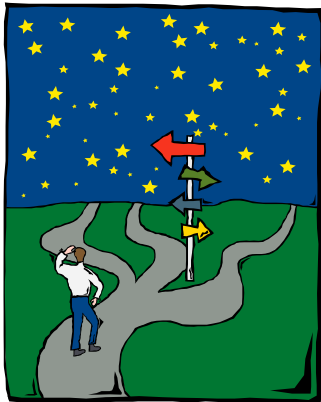
Before his invasion experience J was excited and filled with anticipation. He did not know what to expect because he had never been on a mission trip. J says "I have learned what it means to live by faith alone" and that he has "experienced God in a whole new way."

Is Steve Irwin a Hero? By Dutch Henry

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If life has thrown you a curve ball perhaps with a relationship, in school, or just in life in general, whether it is something from your past or something in your life presently, if you want Jesus to heal you He Will! I would encourage everyone to take time this week and reflect on life. If there is healing that needs to be done ask Jesus to bring it to your attention and free you. I can say from personal experience that once Jesus heals you, you will be free, and you will feel set free!

The most awesome part about Jesus' healing power is once you are healed; you are healed forever from whatever you lay at His feet! Through all of life's trials and tribulations always remember that you are *Healed And Set Free By The Blood Of Jesus*, and nothing has more power than that!!



The Crocodile Hunter, who fascinated many and annoyed others by his animal kingdom escapades, died in an accident last month. Since his death, people from across the globe have shared their pain over his ill-fated death. Researchers at Regent University's Center for Digital Media "have confirmed what millions of television viewers have been saying through thousands of cards, flowers, and emails – the late Steve Irwin is a hero."

A web-based survey following the death of Irwin, discovered 77 percent of the nearly two thousand participants viewed Steve Irwin as a hero. Also, 83 percent said Irwin was a good role model. Amazing to me is the 68 percent who said they felt they knew him and the 57 percent that

said his death was "like losing a brother." It is obvious that Steve Irwin was highly thought of by millions he never personally met.

Is Steve Irwin simply a celebrity or is he a hero? The American Heritage Dictionary defines a hero as "one noted for feats of courage or nobility of purpose;" plus, "A person noted for special achievements in a particular field and endowed with great courage and strength." With this definition, Steve Irwin seems to be a hero. However, some might disagree. To those I ask the question, "Who is to say who is a hero and who is not?"

Irwin more than likely was a hero to his two children, daughter

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What is ahead? By Gary Winchester

What is ahead of my generation? What is ahead of the younger generation? These are two questions I ask others and myself often. It is my belief that one generation leads the next generation. The older generation starts something and usually the younger generation adds to it or they end it. Often what starts is some kind of habit, ideology, law, or belief. An example is smoking. I noticed that my parents' generation smoked a lot so it became a habit for my generation.

The point is, we are nurturing the younger generation to be our future leaders. They will eventually lead us. We need to take responsibility for the things we do that will affect younger generations. We have that responsibility, regardless if we decide to accept it or not. When we get older and the younger generation begins to take the lead

if we do not like what is going on, we'll have to remember: we first led them.

As the next "leading generation" we need to learn to lead like Jesus. This means we need to be servant leaders. There is a book I am currently reading called "Lead like Jesus" by Ken Blanchard and Phil Hodges, which talks about being a servant leader. Jesus is the perfect example of the servant leader, he not only led the disciples but he served them. Jesus taught the disciples various principles of life as a Christian but he also washed their feet. If we want to lead our generation, and the next, we need to serve them. Then they will be destined to become great leaders. We must meet their needs, as much as we need them to meet our needs. If we decided to lead like Jesus, can you just image what would happen?

Be Aware By: Mandy Lamphiear

Attending Trinity Life Bible College states to the world that you are a Christian, but not just any Christian - a leader. Sacrificing time, money, and energy to learn God's word and follow His purpose, definitely places you in leadership training. Scripture tells us, in God's eyes, a leader should be a servant, and the best way to serve is to help others come to know Christ as their savior.

Sometimes in my leadership role at church, I get so wrapped up in the schedule of the service, the children's Bible study and all the details, I forget to slow down, and look around. If I did, I would see the lost and hurting people instead of walking on by consumed with

all I need to do.

Not long ago I went with a friend to a college group at another church. I had never been to this church before. My friend went to go find out information about the children's ministry while I went into the sanctuary where there were numerous tables set up and about 70 people standing around in fellowship. I went and sat at a table by myself. I sat there for a long time. Then I noticed a guy sitting at another table by himself. After awhile he came and sat with me and he told me he had recently received Christ, stopped using drugs, and was now looking for a church to attend.

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Psalm 37

My fellow students, this week God has impressed upon my heart to share Psalm 37 with you. [The psalm follows the newsletter.] This psalm is an acrostic poem, the stanzas of which begin with the successive letters of the Hebrew alphabet. I pray that you will meditate on God's word and 'hide it in your hearts.'

Temesha Koontz

Always Prayer at School By: Scott Seman

"Prayer cannot be a part of your class." "You can't recite the 'Pledge of Allegiance' in class." "Don't pray as a team before your school sporting event." "Leave all references to 'God' or 'Jesus' out of your speech." No, I'm not talking about Communist Cuba, but the USA. Despite efforts to keep God out, there will always be prayer in school, and the annual "See You at the Pole" event is the greatest example.

Every year, on the 4th Wednesday of September, students around the country gather at school for prayer. They don't meet in secrecy, afraid to be discovered, but openly gather around their school's flagpole. Gathering in full view, these seemingly defiant students seek God in prayer for their schools, friends, communities, and country. Are they defying the law? No, they are within their legal rights. As long as their prayer time is before school. Their desire is simply to see God move in people's lives.

This student led movement began in 1990. According to the official "See You at the



Pole" website (www.syatp.com), a group of teenagers had attended a "Discipleship Now" weekend in Burleson, TX. They came away with a desire to see God move in a powerful way. Not really knowing what to do with this burden, they drove around to three different schools and prayed at the flagpoles of the schools. Along with other teens across Texas, a united vision was birthed for students to meet simultaneously around the flagpoles of their schools to pray. That September, 45,000 teenagers met at the flagpoles of their schools to pray. Today, this movement has grown to include over 3 million students across the USA, and 20 countries worldwide.

As adults, I urge you to do your part and keep our teens in prayer throughout the year - and let's "See You At The Pole" next year.

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... Bindi Sue, age eight and son Robert, age two and a half. It seems Irwin honored his covenant in marriage to his wife Terri, so chances are he was a hero to her. Steve Irwin mentioned in an interview that all he ever wanted to be was like his father. His father stated, after his son's death, that he missed his son immensely; "we were the best of mates." Yes, hero does seem to fit well in the context of Irwin's life, family, friends, as well as the millions impacted around the world that knew him as "that crazy guy who wrestled crocodiles."

Steve Irwin appeared to be a nice guy. He might not fit everyone's picture of a hero but one can learn from his life.

So, how about you, as a Christian? Are you making an impression on your world? If you died today, would your death compel people to call you their hero, *or* say it was "like losing a brother"?

Steve Irwin was a hero to those he touched. He was not a savior and we must remember to not confuse the two. Jesus is the one who saves and the one who gives life abundantly so one can influence and affect others. Be a hero! Live your life to the glory of the Father. Affect those around you for His Kingdom. And, if wrestling crocodiles is your gig then wrestle away.

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The entire time I was at that church, out of the 70 people that were there, not one introduced themselves to me, or the recently saved guy. I did know Jesus and I did have a home church, but what if I didn't? What if they missed an opportunity to lead someone to Christ; or, to show God's love to someone needing that love? Just like the guy that sat with me, looking for Christian friends.

Book Review Frozen in Time, Part 4 By Andrew Johnson

Genesis 11 records what was probably one of the most significant events in human history since the Flood itself. Noah's descendants, in opposition to God's intention that they should fill the earth (10:1), stopped and settled "a plain in Shinar" (11:1 NIV). At this time, the "whole world had one language and a common speech." The people began to build a tower to reach "to the heavens" to "make a name" for themselves. To prevent this venture, God confused the languages of the people and scattered them. When this occurred, about 100 years or so after the Flood, the Ice Age was "well under way," says retired meteorologist Michael Oard.

That the Ice Age was under way meant the people of the Babel Diaspora who traveled northwest to Europe "had to be hearty." In the Ice Age conditions they came to live under, agriculture was out of the question; these people had to live off the land. Oard conjectures that big game animals were a factor in the people's moving further north. These "hearty" people were likely those identified by modern scientists as Neanderthals and Cro-Magnons.

The Neanderthals arrived first, with the Cro-Magnon following later. Both would live in caves and use stone tools, since the metal tools they carried from Babel would have eventually worn out, Oard speculates. The unusual features of the Neanderthals may have been the result of inbreeding or disease, such as arthritis or rickets (a bone-softening disease caused by vitamin

D deficiency). The Neanderthals and Cro-Magnon likely interacted, and even intermarried. Oard notes that Ice Age skeletons show a mixture of features.

Far from being "brutish or ape-like," the Neanderthals and Cro-Magnon were intelligent humans with a brain size a little larger than that of modern humans. It may be the case, then, that they were somewhat more intelligent. They knew well enough how to survive in a harsh Ice Age environment with only stone tools, caves, wild plants, and big game off which to live. The apparent extinction of Neanderthals may be attributed to the loss or mixing of Neanderthaloid features as they intermarried with Cro-Magnon and other people groups.

My hope is that you have found this review series on *Frozen in Time* informative. Evolution has dominated the modern scientific worldview for over a century since the publication of Darwin's *Origin of Species*. The scientific research of men and women like Michael Oard have demonstrated that one does not need to abandon the Biblical truth of special creation or the Genesis Flood. We can rationally believe Genesis 1-11, Exodus 20:11, Psalm 33:6-9, Jeremiah 10:12, John 1:1-3, Colossians 1:15-16, Hebrews 11:3 and not be forced to dismiss scientific fact [as opposed to theory]. As we have seen, Scripture does actually provide a solid foundation for science.