Welcome:

The membership of Calvary Baptist Church would like to thank you for visiting with us today.

We are a church that is Baptist in doctrine; we take what we believe directly from the Bible, and we try to teach and preach only what the Bible declares.

There are several ways to learn more about our church. We have a Facebook page and a web-site: http://idahobaptist.com. You can also hear our services by clicking on “Join.me/idahobaptist” on your computer or smart phone, and most of our messages can be heard on “sermonaudio.com/idahobaptist”.

Prayer Requests:

Sis. Winene Nimmo – Arthritis & cancer
Bro. Steve Kjeldgaard – Leukemia & job

Schedule:

Men’s Prayer Meeting – October 5, 6:30 a.m.
Next Fellowship Sunday – October 20.

All such exercises as ...

going to church, giving, and witnessing for Christ are the natural, normal expressions of a healthy Christian. Study courses are not necessary to teach children to play; playing is the natural exercise of a healthy child. A sick child will not play, but we don't make him well by sending him out to play! Young people do not require promotional campaigns on how to fall in love, healthy young people naturally fall in love. We are trying to get disinterested church members to do what they don't want to do instead of developing healthy Christians who will do these things, not from artificial stimulation, but because to a Spirit-filled Christian it is doing what comes naturally.

The pragmatism that has ...

characterized the vast majority of larger Baptist churches since the 1960s was already showing its ugly head in the 19th century. “While it is true that a Baptist church is, in theory, a body of regenerated, baptized believers, it can hardly be doubted that, in our wild scramble for numbers, we of this generation—preachers and people—are becoming less and less disposed to insist upon what our fathers used to call the marks of a genuine ‘grace experience’ on the part of those who offer themselves as candidates for baptism and church membership.

If a long church-roll were any evidence of efficiency, or if large numbers were indication of large graces, it would be easy to understand this all-prevailing anxiety for numbers. But when it is perfectly clear to the dullest apprehension among us, that such is not the case, it must be confessed that this wild desire for counting up our hosts is too highly suggestive of David’s sad sin in numbering Israel.”

Unity based on ...

a sound interpretation of the Bible requires that we know what we believe, and why we believe it. The Christian who plays down the importance of studying and knowing the foundational doctrines of the faith is setting himself up to be deceived by a cheap imitation.
If you would not be taken ... with any of Satan's snares and devices, then keep up your communion with God. Your strength to stand and withstand Satan's fiery darts is from your communion with God. A soul high in communion with God may be tempted but will not easily be conquered. Such a soul will fight it out to the death.

Communion with God furniseth the soul with the greatest and the choicest arguments to withstand Satan's temptations. Communion is the result of union. Communion is a reciprocal exchange between Christ and a gracious soul. Communion is Jacob's ladder, where you have Christ sweetly coming down into the soul, and the soul, by divine influences, sweetly ascending up to Christ. Communion with Christ is very inflaming, raising and strengthening. While Samson kept up his communion with God, no enemy could stand before him, but he goes on conquering and to conquer; but when he was fallen in his communion with God, he quickly falls before the plots of his enemies. It will be so with your souls. So long as your communion with God is kept up, you will be too hard for "spiritual wickedness in high places"; but if you fall from your communion with God, you will fall, as others, before the face of every temptation. So long as David kept up his communion with God, he stands and triumphs over all his enemies; but when he was fallen in his communion with God, then he falls before the enemies that were in his own bosom and flies before those that pursued after his life. It will be so with your souls. So long as your communion with God is kept up, you will be too hard for "spiritual wickedness in high places"; but if you fall from your communion with God, you will fall, as others, before the face of every temptation. So long as David kept up his communion with God, he stands and triumphs over all his enemies; but when he was fallen in his communion with God, then he falls before the enemies that were in his own bosom and flies before those that pursued after his life. It will be so with your souls. So long as your communion with God is kept up, you will be too hard for "spiritual wickedness in high places"; but if you fall from your communion with God, you will fall, as others, before the face of every temptation. So long as David kept up his communion with God, he stands and triumphs over all his enemies; but when he was fallen in his communion with God, then he falls before the enemies that were in his own bosom and flies before those that pursued after his life. It will be so with your souls.

The motto on the escutcheon ... (coat of arms) of the Earl of Lonsdale, is Magistratus indicat virum: the magistracy shows the man. Office-holding is a test of character. He who can resist the temptations to injustice, fraud, deceit, and self-aggrandizement generally, which beset one who either inherits office or obtains it by the popular suffrage, is unquestionably a person of deep convictions of truth, and of high moral principle. For this reason, public life would not be sought by one who distrusts himself. He who puts up the petition, “Lead me not into temptation,” would be thankful for the providence that should forever keep him in the quiet and independent walks of private life. Should the will of God oblige him to assume the responsibility of a judge, a magistrate, or a legislator, he would enter upon them, not because he preferred them, but because duty must be discharged toward God. It was in this spirit that the better class of public men, in the early and better era in American history, entered upon office.

– W. G. T. Shedd

The Waldensian pastor ... Monastier states that there were no high-ranking prelates among his ancient forebears, and that all the pastors held equal rank: ‘No hierarchical distinction was established; the only difference that existed between the pastors was that arising from age, or services performed, and personal respect.’

– T. Williamson

Satan will not prohibit us ... from being religious – if only “self” is the mainspring of our devotion. “Self” is the anagram of “flesh.”

– F. B. Meyer

John Clarke, one of the early ... leaders of Rhode Island, was persuaded that coercion could not accomplish what the power of the gospel through preaching could. People voluntarily receive the message of God, Clarke argued, when the heart is awakened by the quickening Spirit of God. To him, therefore, if this method failed to accomplish the intended result, then no power or force of men on earth could perform the task.

– L.F. Asher