

Words of Victory

MINISTRIES

Using every godly means available to cast God's Word like seed as far and as fast as possible. (Matthew 13)



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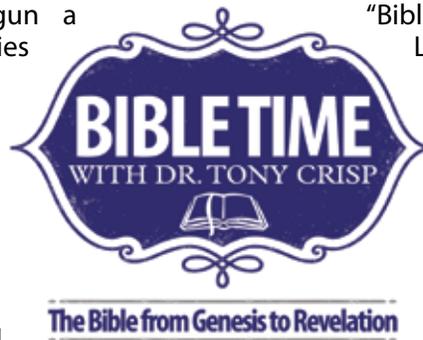
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BIBLE TIME WITH DR. TONY CRISP



Dr. Tony Crisp has begun a monthly Bible-study series at Grove Avenue Baptist Church. Simply titled "Bible Time", it is a journey through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Dr. Crisp is acknowledged and embraced among evangelicals of various denominations as a leading authority on the historical, geographical, and cultural context of both ancient and modern Israel. He brings decades of biblical research in Israel to help understand the Bible and apply its truths to everyday life.



"Bible Time" is sponsored by True Life Concepts Ministries and TLC Holy Land Tours. Words of Victory is recording the Bible-study presentations and will work with Dr. Crisp to edit and post them online as podcasts and On Demand video programming. The series is further being adapted for radio. Current plans call for the programs to be aired in Chattanooga and in Knoxville, Tennessee. This monthly Bible-study series is free to attend and open to the public.



CHURCH ABLAZE

BY MARK JENKINS

Like many of you, I watched the news reports of the fire at Notre Dame in Paris. As the images revealed the flames that leapt from the roof, I couldn't help but think about the state of the church in the West. It is as if Notre Dame was a sign. Today, thousands of churches in Western Europe are simply vacant. When I did the research on stained glass for the book I wrote on the Window of Christ, I learned that there is a market for windows from the churches of Europe. The stained glass is being sold to private collectors as part of a kind of Holy salvage. The churches themselves are closed or the buildings are sold off to become restaurants, guest houses, or, in some cases, a private residence. The Notre Dame fire also reminded me of a fact that is intentionally overlooked by western news agencies—the willful desecration of churches throughout Europe, which is why the fire's source was immediately questioned. Many of the churches that are still active are being vandalized or burned as an act of prejudice against the remaining holdouts for Christianity.



Our work in Israel has put Words of Victory Ministries into relationship with pastors around the world. We have active Christ-born brotherhood with pastors in Russia, Romania, Estonia, and other Eastern European countries. We have similar kinships in African countries, such as Kenya, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Ghana, and South Africa. We have brand-new connections in the Far East, such as in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Indonesia, and even in remote places like Fiji. The good news is that they report of a great movement of the Holy Spirit sweeping through much of the world despite the intense persecution of the church. Many of these same friends look westward and ask, "Where are the believers?" With a few notable exceptions, much of the believing church in Western Europe is gone.

America has historically been one of the greatest evangelical nations in history. We were founded by believers who drew from the Bible for our laws and taught Holy Scripture to generations of our youth as an imperative to preserve the Republic. Today, as we watch the churches "burn" in Europe and the chaos that follows, is it fair to ask if we are going in the same direction?

A recent pew study in America showed that more than 20 percent of the U.S. population identifies as "secular", meaning no faith whatsoever. What will that mean for the church in the days to come?

I don't mean to paint a bleak picture. We know that God will always raise up people to stand for Him in every generation. The true church will never fail. Jesus said in Caesarea Philippi, a place in Israel where our ministry has taken many people, that "not even the gates of hell will prevail against my church."

Now, as the effort to rebuild the historic Notre Dame in Paris has begun, we need to pray that the true church of our Lord Jesus Christ will return to Western Europe—not so much in building or monuments, but in people's hearts.

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WORDS OF VICTORY BROADCASTS TO CHINA

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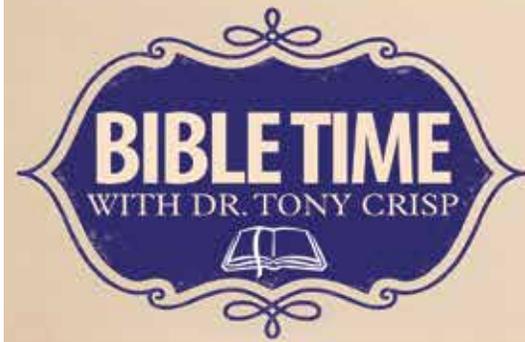
Words of Victory is now broadcasting into mainland China in a cooperative agreement with Good TV of Taiwan. The Asian broadcast company recently aired a Mandarin language version of "A Nation Remembers", the official state ceremony of Israel for the Holocaust.

"A Nation Remembers" is an ongoing education project of Words of Victory that is produced in cooperation with NRB TV and Christian Friends of Yad Vashem. The Taiwanese network will further carry Israel-related programming produced by Words of Victory to the evangelical church in China.

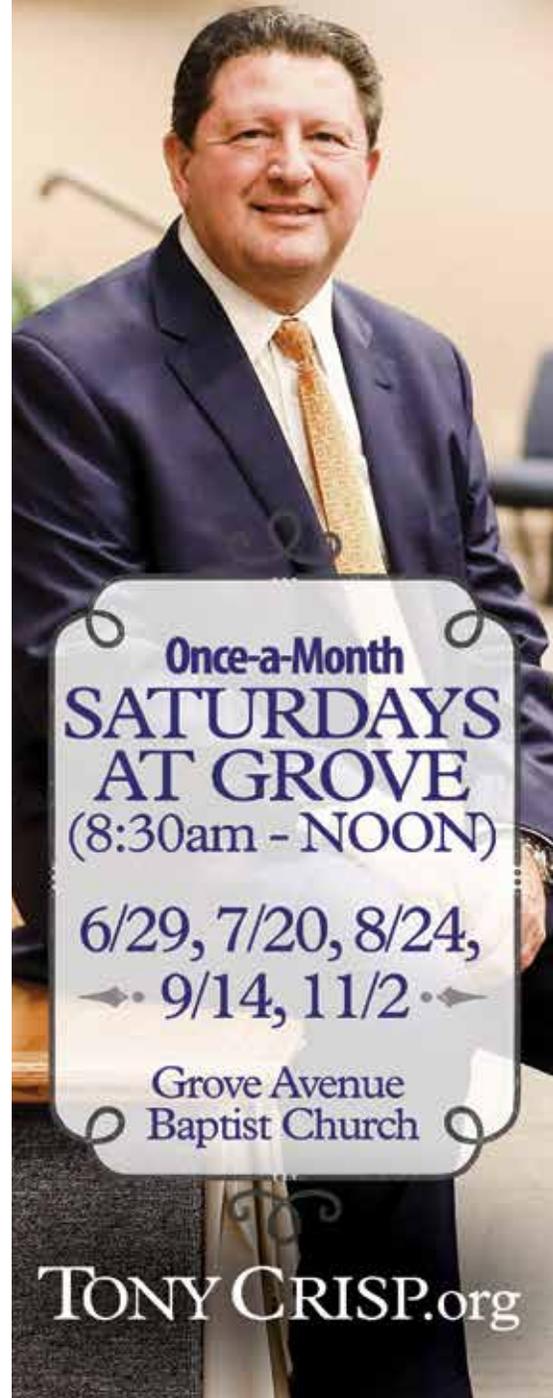


INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN LEADERS GATHER TO STUDY JEWISH HISTORY IN JERUSALEM

Thirty-one pastors and Christian leaders from thirteen nations came to Jerusalem to participate in the "Christian Leadership Seminar", a ten-day intensive course designed to teach Christians about the anti-Semitism that led to the Holocaust. Participants also learn about Jewish and church history. The seminar offers a unique perspective on the issues that confront the nation of Israel today. Words of Victory is working with the International Holocaust Studies Department of Yad Vashem to help facilitate the seminar and host international Christian leaders in Jerusalem.



The Bible from
Genesis to Revelation



Once-a-Month
**SATURDAYS
AT GROVE**
(8:30am - NOON)

6/29, 7/20, 8/24,
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9:30^{AM}

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& SUNDAY GROUPS



11:00^{AM}

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GROUPS &

WORSHIP

(WORSHIP CENTER)

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9:30AM & 11AM

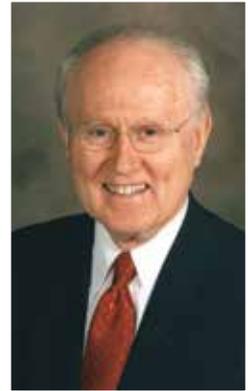
STUDENTS

11AM (Rm 205)

"BE"

DR. VANDER WARNER, JR.

I love Romans 12: 1 and 2. It was the first passage of Scripture I ever chose as my life's verse. Verse two is especially attractive to me: "And be not conformed to this world but, be you transformed by the renewing of your mind that you may prove what is that good, acceptable and perfect will of God." I spoke on this recently at Grove, but here I want to just look at the word "BE". And there is a list of "BE's" that someone sent to me:



- BE understanding to your enemies.
- BE a leader when you see a path others have missed.
- BE loyal to your friends.
- BE strong enough to face the world each day.
- BE a follower when you are shrouded by the mists of uncertainty.
- BE weak enough to know you cannot do everything alone.
- BE the first to congratulate an opponent who succeeds.
- BE generous to those who need your help.
- BE the last to criticize a colleague who falls.
- BE frugal with what you need yourself.
- BE sure where your next step will fall, so that you will not stumble.
- BE wise enough to know that you do not know everything.
- BE sure of your final destination, in case you are going the wrong way.
- BE "foolish" enough to believe in miracles.
- BE loving to those who love you!
- BE willing to share your joys.
- BE loving to those who do not love you, and they may change.
- BE willing to share the sorrows of others.
- Above all, BE yourself!

BE

Well, I'll BE...(smile)...that's worth being! Here am I, Lord. I want to be in the center of your perfect will. Amen.

[Suggestion: Clip this out and put it in your Bible for often perusal.]



Kirk Cameron's



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We also need to pray that the churches in America will return to their “first love” and reclaim the passion they once held for the cause of Christ. I believe this will come only through boldly preaching and teaching from the Word of God and by lifting up Christ so that all may be drawn to Him. This has been distinctive of “The Victory Hour” for its nearly 70 years on television.

Recent conversations with Dr. Brian Autry and Grove’s pastors have centered around this distinction. Grove is known for “preaching the Word”, which has become a rarity today in most churches and is needed more than ever!

I want to thank those who give in support of the broadcasts and in support of our Bible-educational efforts on all of our media platforms. Join us in prayer that more will see our programs, participate in our worship, and be transformed by the message. Pray also that we may experience the movement of the Holy Spirit here in America that is alive and moving throughout the world.

THE NEW HEAVEN AND THE NEW EARTH (REVELATION 20-21)



**PROPHECY
UP CLOSE**
CONFERENCE 2019

Resources
available on foi.org

Nearly 300 people came to Grove Avenue Baptist Church to learn more about the new heaven and the new earth that are detailed in the Book of Revelation. This unique Bible-study series was part of “Prophecy Up Close”, presented by Friends of Israel Gospel Ministries. Dr. Jim Showers, President of FOI, was one of the main speakers. These prophecy-focused meetings are being held at churches all around the country. Words of Victory was honored to work again with FOI as host for this event in Central Virginia.

For future conferences and information on Friends of Israel, please go to www.foi.org.



LETTERS FROM VIEWERS



*Dear WOV,
We love Dr. Brian Autry’s Bible study. I have begun following the Bible again after many years. Dr. Autry is a wonderful minister, and we wish he could remain at Grove.*

*~ A Viewer in King & Queen
Courthouse, VA*

*Dear WOV, Staff & Pastors,
Your amazing production (on special occasions and normal Sundays) continues to be a true blessing to all who watch! God is using you in wonderful ways to touch hearts and souls for His glory. God bless and keep each of you and your families!*

~ A Viewer in North Chesterfield, VA

*Dear Grove Family,
Thank you for a good program. I enjoy “The Victory Hour” very much. I watch every Sunday. God bless all of you! I love my Savior so much! Thank you!*

~ A Viewer in Midlothian, VA

*Dear Rev. Jenkins, Staff & Volunteers,
Thank each and every one of you that continue to make it possible for us to watch “The Victory Hour.” It is a special spirit-lifting hour for us and gives us the Spirit-filled fuel we need for the next week. May God always bless this program and all that is done through His love at Grove Avenue Baptist Church. We continue to pray for you all and support you monetarily as we are able. God bless you all, and may God bless America! God never fails or forsakes us, and that is such a comforting feeling!*

~ A Viewer in Varina, VA

*Dear Words of Victory,
Thanks for all you do to spread the gospel and for Christ!*

~ A Viewer in Quinton, VA



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The Victory Hour
 SUNDAY, 11AM
 on **NBC12** or
www.GroveAve.tv



God is our refuge and strength, a helper who is always found in times of trouble. Therefore, we will not be afraid, though the earth trembles and the mountains topple into the depths of the seas, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with its turmoil.

Psalm 46:1-3 (HCSB)

When we are not on the air due to special programming, we encourage our regular viewers to visit our website at **www.groveave.tv** on those Sundays to watch the live webcast of our full service. You may also view past sermons and TV specials on your computer, tablet, or cell phone.

You Make a Difference

This ministry is made possible by the generous gifts of our faithful viewers. We simply could not afford the airtime without your help. You can see that we are behind in our projected budget needs. Please pray that our budgetary needs will be met so that we may continue with our local broadcasts.

	CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED Year-To-Date	WOV BUDGET NEEDS Year-To-Date
Year-to-Date 2019	\$108,627.90	\$145,000



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