

# But I Felt I Was Right!

I told the dentist I was sure which tooth was giving me problems. After several appointments and even a consultation with another dentist, it turns out it was the other tooth. But I was so sure! He explained that some branches of nerves are closely bundled and our body often gives us bad signals. I was wrong. Just because I felt strongly about something, didn't mean that it was true.

It's not just our bodies that can fool us. So can our thinking and our emotions. And when we get in large groups like society at large (and to be fair, the church as well) it only gets worse. That's why we need a source of truth outside of our error-prone ways. *"There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death"* (Proverbs 14:12). *"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path"* (Psalm 119:24). The scriptures come from a holy God, from the rock of eternity. Their wisdom is beyond human reasoning, our ever changing moods, and shifting worldly cultures.

The zigzags of human history and current events are dizzying. The rate of societal change is accelerating. No wonder people are stirred up! What was wrong is now right; what was right is now wrong. Faster and faster it spins. We can expect dizzy people to walk into this church. When they do, do we offer them love or truth? Both. We are all changing from the broad path that leads to destruction, and moving up to the rising, narrow road that leads to life (Matthew 7:13-14). That means change in our views and behavior.

If you are a Sunday-morning Christian, no different from the world the rest of the week, your life is built on shifting sand. If you build your life always on the rock of God's truth, you will prevail over the storms that come. And come they will. Standing unashamed with Jesus will not make you popular. Society will at times condemn you. You could even end up in court. The best of God's people throughout history, in Bible times and since, have often ended up in jail. Don't expect the world to applaud your faithfulness. We are playing to a different crowd, a heavenly one. If we do, our reward will be there. Meantime, *"don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mold"* (Romans 12:2, Phillips).

*Mark*

## Today, 4:00 PM "The War Room"

**Movie: Bring friends, bring family.** After the movie we will have delicious **Chili** in the Fellowship Hall. Don't miss this powerful, life changing film!

**KFC (Grades 2-5): 3:00 PM today will meet** at the building to make Valentine's Centerpieces for the homeless at the Cathedral Kitchen. There will be a devotional, prayer, discussion, and snacks. Questions? See Hoa.

**Tony Sr. needs to know TODAY** if you are going to the play *"The Diary of Anne Frank"* on Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2PM. Our own Sarah Gafgen (Smith) is in it. Tony Sr. is getting the tickets. Please see Tony for details. **\$11 each (Special price)** please give tony cash if possible. Make out checks to Tony Ceraso

**Cathedral Kitchen Meal for the Homeless:**  
**Tuesday, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 3:30-5:30.** See Vivian to help.

**VBS Planning Meeting After Worship on Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>:** Laura is having a short meeting to see who will help and to give out some information. **VBS** is July 16-19.

**EDP Meeting, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM:** Our Elders, Deacons, and Preacher are meeting for dinner, prayer and making plans for 2017.

### Today's Worship Leaders

**Worship Leader:** Carl Smith

**Welcome & Scripture:** Scott Schoener (Psalm 34:1-7)

**Opening Prayer:** Jack Swinehart

**Lord's Supper:** Darren, Kamal Wall, John Derricott, Ben Churchill

**Scripture Before Message:** Tony Ceraso Sr. (Rom. 10:8-12)

**Announcements & Closing Prayer:** Tony Ceraso Jr.

**Greeters:** Jack Swinehart, Tim Jones, April Jones, Elaine Firman

**Dave Ramsey's "Legacy Journey" Begins THIS Wed., Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>: The Sign-up sheet is on the display table in the foyer.**

This NEW Dave Ramsey video series is about the BIG PICTURE of where you are going financially and spiritually. As before, this 9-week series requires a \$100 kit (let us know if you can't afford it). There will also be a Bible Class alternative to this in Feb/March.

**THE LEGACY Journey**  
BY DAVE RAMSEY

**Begins THIS Wed,**  
**7:00 PM**

*Grow it. Live it. Share it.*  
**Living and Leaving a Legacy**

**Nursery: Sandra M. & Tina** Next Week: Marguerite & Jaela  
**Red Cleaning Team** Feb. 1-4 **Lillian** Coordinates

**OUTREACH/MINISTRY**

Mark Finn – Preacher  
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**ELDERS:**

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**Worship Total** ..... 128  
**Bible Class**..... 90  
**Wed. PM** ..... 43  
**L.I.F.E. Group** ..... 51

**Contribution** ..... **\$2,783**  
**Budget Goal** ..... **\$4,260**

**15-Minutes Daily with GOD: 34**

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“Now faith is being **sure** of what we hope for and **certain** of what we do not see.” (Hebrews 11:1)

FROM THE CREATORS OF FIREPROOF AND COURAGEOUS  
**WAR ROOM**  
PRAYER IS A POWERFUL WEAPON

Today, 4:00 PM