

Top of the Week: Controversial Pastor Deleted From YouTube, Christians Take Note

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Fiery preaching has been around for a long time.

The apostle Paul was known for his hard-charging stance that got him and Barnabas into a bitter disagreement over whether or not John Mark would accompany them on their mission's trip.

This butting of heads led to the separation of good friends on the mission field. Over time, Paul's attitude toward Mark changed as he extolled the usefulness of Mark in the mission's field in 2 Timothy 4:11.

UMC Promotes First Openly Gay Black Bishop After Franklin Graham Calls Out America's Withering Faith

According to data from the Pew Research Center, Christians across America are losing their faith.

Their research showed that if current trends continue, only 35% of Americans will identify as Christian by 2070, while 52% will be unaffiliated religiously.

To discuss this disturbing trend, "Fox & Friends" talked with evangelist Franklin Graham as to how this has happened in America.

What Does His Endorsement of Stacey Abrams Say About This Well-Known Pentecostal Pastor?

This week Creflo Dollar pastor of Christian World Changers Church International in Georgia welcomed Democrat Gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams to their Sunday morning service. He introduced her as “Governor” Stacey Abrams making his support and intent to vote for her clear to his congregation. Then he encouraged them to do the same. This is Abrams’s second run for the governor’s seat in Georgia.

But how does Pastor Dollar reconcile his Christian beliefs with what candidate Abrams says she stands for because the two are diametrically opposed.

So, what does Abrams stand for? According to her own statements:

Elder at ARC Megachurch Arrested on Charges of Murdering Daughter

The San Diego Sheriff’s department announced the arrest of three people in connection to the death of 11-year-old Aarabella McCormack.

Her adopted mother, Leticia McCormack, played a prominent role at the Rock Church in San Diego, which is a member of the Association of Related Churches (ARC). She was an ordained elder as well as the ministry leadership coordinator for the Rock School of Ministry.

McCormack and her father, Stanley Tom, are both charged with murder, three counts of torture and three counts of willful cruelty to a child.

Why Americans No Longer View the Bible as the Ultimate Authority

As our nation continues to battle over for a set of values that will carry on into the future, A recent study released by the Cultural Research Center at Arizona Christian University reveals that less than one-third of Americans believe that the Bible should serve as the ultimate foundation for determining

right and wrong.

The study notes that 7 out of 10 adults (71%) claim to support traditional moral values in America today. But there is a significant transition in the public perception of the Bible's role in defining traditional moral values.

The survey revealed that traditional moral values included integrity, justice, kindness, non-discrimination, trustworthiness, free expression, property ownership, individual self-expression and self-control. {eoa}

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