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T R U T H E N D U R E S

For the thirty years I've studied under **John MacArthur's** preaching, he has always taken great pains to give the historical and scriptural context behind each verse, reminding the believer that every noun and verb in the Bible is inspired by the Holy Spirit to call us to a holy and obedient life. It's what makes John's sermons so timeless and enduring. And I'm excited that this collection in *Truth Endures* includes some of his best work!

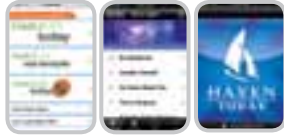
—Joni Eareckson Tada



did you know?

New ministry apps!

Look who's mobile now: FamilyLife (Dennis Rainey and team), AnGel Ministries (Anne Graham Lotz) and HAVEN (Charles Morris)!



Joni and Friends International Disability Center has received a "Four Star" designation from Charity Navigator—something less than 20% of those evaluated attain. Kudos, JAF!



Mercy Ships welcomed dignitaries from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) at their international offices to initiate a process that may ultimately lead to the ministry's services on behalf of the DRC's medical and spiritual needs. The country ranks second to last (168 out of 169) on the World Health Organization's Human Development Index.



Get ready for Fall! Are you a radio station that is planning to have a fall sharathon? Contact us now for assistance with securing custom promos from speakers your listeners hear on-air every day. Plus, add your name to our list for on-air ministry giveaways. Talk with Anna Sinclair to get started at anna@ambaa.com.



fast facts



"BreakPoint": 3:55 M-F with Chuck Colson



"The Point": 1:00 M-F with John Stonestreet



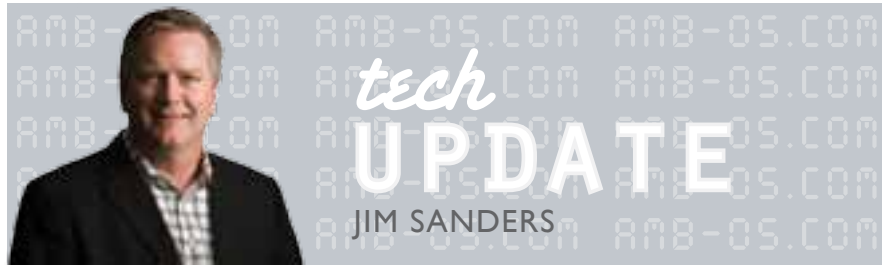
Weekends: A compilation of the week preceding "BreakPoint" features in a 25:00 format.

"Two Minute Warning": Weekly Video

Commentary "Doing the Right Thing": Six-episode series on ethics taped at Princeton, featuring Colson and a panel of experts.

What is a Christian worldview? A simple definition might be, "practicing the Kingship of Jesus," that is, living every area of our lives in obedience to and for the honor of Jesus Christ our Lord.

STATIONS: You are invited to use "The Point" and "Two Minute Warning" VIDEOS on your website as added encouragement to your listeners!



HARVEST GREG LAURIE

Harvest Live!

One of the strengths of Amb-OS is that we can carve out live satellite time whenever the need presents itself in covering important events.



Again this year, we're pleased to carry the Harvest Crusades, which have had tremendous impact in Southern California in years gone by. Since 1990, **Greg Laurie** has led these evangelistic outreaches where over four million people have attended—and more than 350,000 people have indicated decisions for Jesus Christ! The celebrations are filled with great music and solid biblical teaching in a clear, timely message.

As always, there'll be a Friday-Saturday-Sunday night series at Anaheim Stadium (August 12-14). Through the three evenings, you'll hear music from David Crowder Band, Kutless, Crystal Lewis, Red, Phil Wickham, Jeremy Camp, Jars of Clay, Francesca Battistelli and more.

Then, this year, Dodger Stadium is a new venue being added on September 10th. Greg will be teaching and joined by music from Kirk Franklin, Jeremy Camp, and the Katinas.

For more information, check out harvest.org. And to carry any of the evenings on your station, send an email to programs@amb-os.com and we'll permission your receiver.

Is My-Favorite-Program On Amb-OS?

I'm often asked if such-and-such a program is available on Amb-OS. I love hearing that question since it means we're making it easier and easier for stations to syndicate broadcasts. The fact is, our desire is to make Amb-OS delivery available to all Christian radio broadcasters without exception. The more programs we deliver, the more cost-effective it is for you and for program producers.

Often, we've added new broadcasts to the schedule as a result of station operators asking program producers to use Amb-OS. So, here's my request ... if you have a favorite program or two which isn't yet available on Amb-OS, let them know you'd like to capture their program via Amb-OS. We'll be happy to make it happen!

Spotted on the Road: MINIMAX

Well ... we think the license plate says it all (!).

Stations—watch for details on another radio special with Max Lucado this Fall!



June 19 – Father’s Day

Here are a few ways you can be sure the dads in *your* audience know they are appreciated:

- > Special features on “**Real FamilyLife**” hosted by Dennis Rainey will focus on dads—on all men—who make the commitment to “step up” to their responsibilities as God-honoring leaders in their homes.
- > A week-long series leading up to Father’s Day on “**Revive Our Hearts**” where Nancy Leigh DeMoss shares lessons she learned from her father that had a tremendous impact on her life, and what we can do that will leave a godly legacy for others.
- > Many short features including “**A Woman After God’s Own Heart**,” “**Speak Up With Compassion**,” “**The Garlow Perspective**” and more!



June 6 – D-Day’s 67th Anniversary



After a trip to Normandy a year ago, the events of D-Day still resonate for **Dr. James Dobson**. Listen to “Family Talk” this month for a very special series that lauds those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for country . . . and those who remain and should know of our gratitude!

What do you know about “D-Day”?

1. What does the “D” stand for in “D-Day”?
2. What was the code name for the D-Day invasion?
3. Who was Allied Supreme Commander in the European Theater?
4. Who was commander of Allied ground forces on D-Day?
5. What were the code names for the five beachheads at Normandy?
6. Operation Fortitude was the plan to fool Germans into thinking that the main invasion would be around what city?
7. Which Disney character shared their name with the petrol pipeline from England to Port en Bessian in Normandy?
8. Which John Wayne film depicts the invasion of Normandy?

Answers: 1) It does not stand for anything. “D-Day” means the day on which a military operation begins. 2) Operation Overlord. 3) Eisenhower. 4) British General Montgomery. 5) Utah. Omaha. Gold. Juno. Sword. 6) Calais. 7) Pluto. 8) “The Longest Day.”

July 4 – Independence Day



In this new 25:00 special from “LIFE ISSUES” we’re reminded . . . “Don’t forget the sacrifice!” Hosted by **Brad Mattes**, it’s the powerful story of those left behind and what they are experiencing:



A mom whose son died in a tragic accident while serving in Afghanistan, leaving his wife and three young children, who says, “without faith in God, we couldn’t survive this kind of loss.”

A brother who knows his sibling died so we can *live* in freedom.

A young man given up for dead who will never walk again on his own limbs -- but who is grateful for God’s faithfulness even as he adjusts to a life that in no way resembles the one he had before.

A young widow, whose husband lost his life in the Middle East just before the birth of their second son, shares her dependency on her faith as she faces life without her husband, and without the dad for her children.

“A Lifetime Sacrifice” is not to be forgotten! Contact kiyong@ambaa.com for more details.

visitors



G.J. Gerard from WIHS-FM (Middletown, CT) made us a stop while visiting family in California.



Jack Hibbard of The Hibbard Group (far right) stopped in the same day as HAVEN friends **Adrian Crum** and **Charles Morris**.

There's nothing we like more than a good visit with friends right here at our facility in Irvine! Summer plans bringing you our way? Be sure to stop in—the red carpet is always ready (and a box of Al's specialty at its end!).

visiting

Then again . . . we always enjoy a field trip ourselves! Here are some of the recent stops for the AAA team:



Gospel Coalition (Chicago): Robert Jacobsen ran into friends from Revive Our Hearts . . . Michael Neises and Nancy Leigh DeMoss!



Azusa Pacific University (Azusa, CA): Ron & Barb Cline (with children Russell & Gina Cline) saw Peggy Campbell while watching their granddaughter Rheanna graduate at Azusa Pacific University.



K-Wave (Los Angeles): The "HAVEN Today" team visited with new K-Wave friends at their studios. Back Row/L-R: Chad Bishop (HAVEN), Deloy Sterns (K-Wave), Robert Jacobsen, Brian Perez (K-Wave), Charles Morris, Richard McIntosh (GM/K-Wave). Front Row/L-R from K-Wave: Jan Runyon, Anthony Noble and Esther Graves.



FamilyLife HQ (Little Rock): Peggy Campbell and Michelle Blood enjoyed a nice Springtime visit with FamilyLife folks. L-R: Michael DeLon, Bob Lepine, Dennis Rainey and Emmitt Fowler.

Colorado Connection

Katie Burke's recent trip to Colorado Springs afforded the opportunity for not one but *three* ministry stops including . . .



Compassion International Meeting (new & old!) friends at the Global Ministry Center. Top Photo/L-R: Jodi Fuerstenberger, Gayle Call, Mary Lou Elliott, Katie and Angie Lathrop.

Second Photo/L-R: Amber Gaer, Jodi Fuerstenberger, Katie and Jocelyn Clarambeau.



HCJB Global
Outside the ministry headquarters on Garden of the Gods road is Katie with Dick Jacquin.

Family Talk
From the deck of their (one-year-old!) headquarters is Ryan Dobson, Katie and Connie Burhenn.

In the new Family Talk studios Katie (with friends Helen Parks and Nikki Madigan) found Family Talk co-host LuAnne Crane preparing for a recording session.



Photo taken by Katie while hiking at Rampart Reservoir in Colorado Springs.

Where in the World is God at Work?

We invited our good friend, **Ron Harris**, who serves as Sr. Vice President of Strategic Partnerships of NRB, to share a few answers to that question!



See where God is working...and join Him there. That concept, from Dr. Henry Blackaby, has caused us to rethink our mission and ministry efforts. God is not lacking a plan, nor does He need us to “think up” something new for Him to do. Our role is to discern the Holy Spirit’s direction for our lives toward God’s work in our world.

And God is at work. My position at NRB in Strategic Partnerships (read that “International Opportunities”) gives me a great perspective on that fact. My task is never to start some new work...it is to find the people that God has already called and started on His task, and simply see how we can help.

Here are just a few of the places I see the Lord at work:

- Nepal and India – **Major media blitzes** have resulted in over 80,000 calls to receive a book, “The Power to Change” (pointing a person to salvation in Christ). Hannu Haukka and his Great Commission Media Ministry have conducted over 50 of these amazing events.
- Albania – A non-Christian couple is offering to **give their TV station** to Enkelejda Kumaraku of Media 7, a Christian broadcast ministry in the capital of Tirana. The ministry has also secured a broadcast license for Kosovo, a country that is 97% Muslim.
- Bolivia – A shortwave station in Cochabamba beams Christian programming in Quechua to the Indians living in the Andes Mountains, many of whom are inaccessible for much of the year. They have **over one million regular listeners**.
- Indonesia – The largest Muslim nation in the world also has over **100 Christian radio stations** proclaiming His Truth daily. Stories abound of Muslims accepting Christ as Lord. On one island, 800 of the people professed Jesus as their Savior at a Christian radio “listener meeting.”

How can we not be a part of God’s work when we see His Spirit move in such powerful ways? If He speaks to you...let me know. There will be a place where you can get in on the work of God in our world through Christian broadcasting!

You can contact Ron Harris at rharris@nrp.org.

What are your Summer plans?

“Summer afternoon, summer afternoon ... to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.” —Henry James

“In the summer, the song sings itself.” —William C. Williams

“A vacation is what you take when you can no longer take what you’ve been taking.” —Earl Wilson

“My family and I love all aspects of summer. Living in Florida there’s always soooo much to do! ... spending time on the beach at State Parks on the coast or heading an hour north into Georgia for a day at the Summer Waves Water Park on Jekyll Island (a favorite of my 10 year old son especially) ... nature trails at Fort Clinch (and a portrayal of Civil War history when the Park Rangers get into character) or a visit to the nation’s oldest city, St. Augustine—40 minutes away we can experience life as it was over 330 years ago exploring the Castillo de San Marcos National Monument complete in its original glory.”



Jim Collins,
Program Director
at WAYR-AM/FM
(Jacksonville FL)



“Summer has the best food: anything on the grill and homemade ice cream!”

Emily Rein, Senior
Marketing Associate at
The Heritage Foundation



“We always enjoy our two-day vacations to the Ashland, OR, Shakespearean Festival.”

Ted Hering, Program
Director at KVIP-AM/FM
(Redding CA)

“My summer desires ...



Take loads of early, early morning and late night walks during breezy summer days.

Evenings sitting on my front porch with my girlfriend, i.e. wife Evie.

Adirondack Mountain trips.

Picnicking with my family on Lake Ontario.

Baseball at the local Washington Nationals farm team ballpark with the Auburn, NY Doubledays!

No snow for at least 12 weeks.”

Wayne Taylor, General Manager at
Mars Hill Network (Syracuse, NY)



“I’m looking forward to spending time with my grandson, taking in a Bible Conference or two and celebrating 30 years of marriage with my wonderful wife, Mary!!!”

Jeff Ward, Operations Manager at WCRH-FM
(Williamsport MD)

Jeff—the Ambassador family continues to pray for you as you undergo cancer treatment this summer as well!

MEET BILL REITLER



What first got you thinking about the microphone as a career?? I can’t remember NOT having been fascinated by radio. I grew up in SO CAL in the 60’s during the heyday of KFVB, KRLA and KHJ/Boss Radio. I got my first tape recorder when I was 9 and proceeded to put together mock radio shows.

What do you enjoy most about the work you do at Ambassador? It’s pooling our God-given talents to further the cause of providing the light of Truth to a dark world, there’s just a tremendous sense of being in the center of God’s will...exactly where one wants to be!

Other than our own ministries, who has been a spiritual mentor in your life? My wife, Debi, and her family and friends helped bring me to Christ in 1980. Her knowledge of Scripture (much from memory) is astounding. But beyond that, she just has the gift of knowing instinctively the right and biblical thing to do in almost all circumstances. She thus inspires me to be the spiritual leader I need to be for my family (and sets me straight otherwise!).

When you need a break from scripting, editing, voicing . . . what’s your favorite leisure activity? Bike riding on a beautiful day, following our local sports teams with my sons, reading, watching old movies from the 30’s and 40’s, good food and fellowship with friends and family, and travel.

You’ve got three terrific kids—what’s the best thing about being a dad? First there’s the miracle of watching them be born, holding them for the first time, witnessing their seemingly rapid growth into wonderful young adults, having loads of fun mixed in with the scraped knees, wisdom teeth extractions and dating traumas. But I don’t think a man can really understand God’s unconditional love for us until he is a father. Even in the face of the “terrible two’s” or the sometimes rebellious teen years, you just can’t help but love your kids, and you discover there is literally nothing you wouldn’t do for them. You truly learn the meaning of sacrifice and selflessness.

june dates:

On behalf of “Faith & Freedom Coalition,” **Jim Garlow** speaks in Washington DC.

JUNE 3

Ron Cline hosts a journey with friends of HCJB Global, heading to Israel.

Coincidentally ... the **NRB** Executive Committee is in Israel nearly the same dates, thanks to the hosting of Israel’s Ministry of Tourism.

(Also in Israel nearly the same dates -- **Steve Arterburn** with New Life Live listeners and a group from Azusa Pacific University.)

JUNE 6-17

Will Graham (BGEA) heads to West Kenya for “Nakuru Celebration” (7/8-10); “Beyond Suffering--A Christian Perspective on Disability Ministry” conference at **Joni and Friends** HQ (7/12-16); **Max Lucado** and Friends sail to Alaska (7/16-23).

JULY EVENTS



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The Art of Music

One visit to Ambassador and you'll quickly see we are among the many who appreciate the talents of artist Timothy Botts. Our halls hold his rendering of 2 Cor 5:20 as well as many of our "annual" verses. And since we also love singing here, we couldn't be more pleased about Tim's latest project – "Bound for Glory: Celebrating the Gift of African American Spirituals Through Expressive Calligraphy." Here's just a sample!

NOTE: As is true for every artist/author, there's much more to the story on this book's creation. For more information on his work, or to book an interview with Tim, you can reach him at tnbotts@aol.com.