

Creation Breakfast Club Sunday Online Sept 13th, 2020

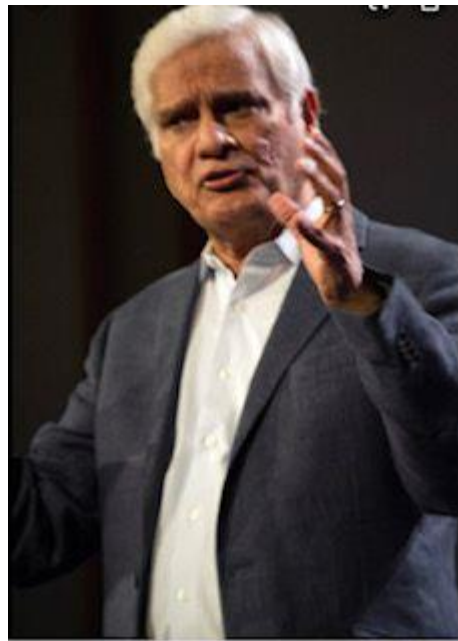
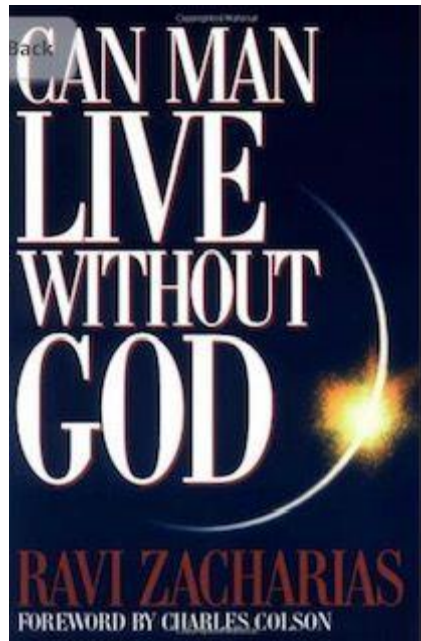
“Why God Made You” – Rick Warren

So last week we looked at one of the sermons of a pastor in Oahu named J.D. Farag as he spoke on the passages in 2nd Thessalonians on *lawlessness*. You obviously figured out that he is strongly in the pre-Trib Rapture camp and I think he makes a good case for it in his presentation. However, please be aware that there are others at FBC that would take a different position and the timing on this is not in the Nicene or Apostles Creed and certainly not an issue to part company with other Christians over.

That being said, when we start meeting face to face, there is another one of his sermons that we will look at on how TV and the media have been paving the way for the coming of the Anti-Christ. If you are like me, besides the news, I no longer watch regular TV. Sports have become irrelevant to many Americans (including me) and the History Channel now predictably will eventually get to “aliens” in virtually every episode. (Talk about re-writing history)

In the last couple of months, we have looked at the subject of *Imago Dei* or what it means to be created in the image of God. When I was a young Christian (at the age of 35) and still sorting out my faith, I remember reading a Ravi Zacharias classic entitled “Can Man Live Without God” with a foreward by Chuck Colson. In the first chapter, Zacharias argues that a coherent worldview must be able to satisfactorily answer four questions: that of origin, meaning of life, morality, and destiny. Let me simplify that for you:

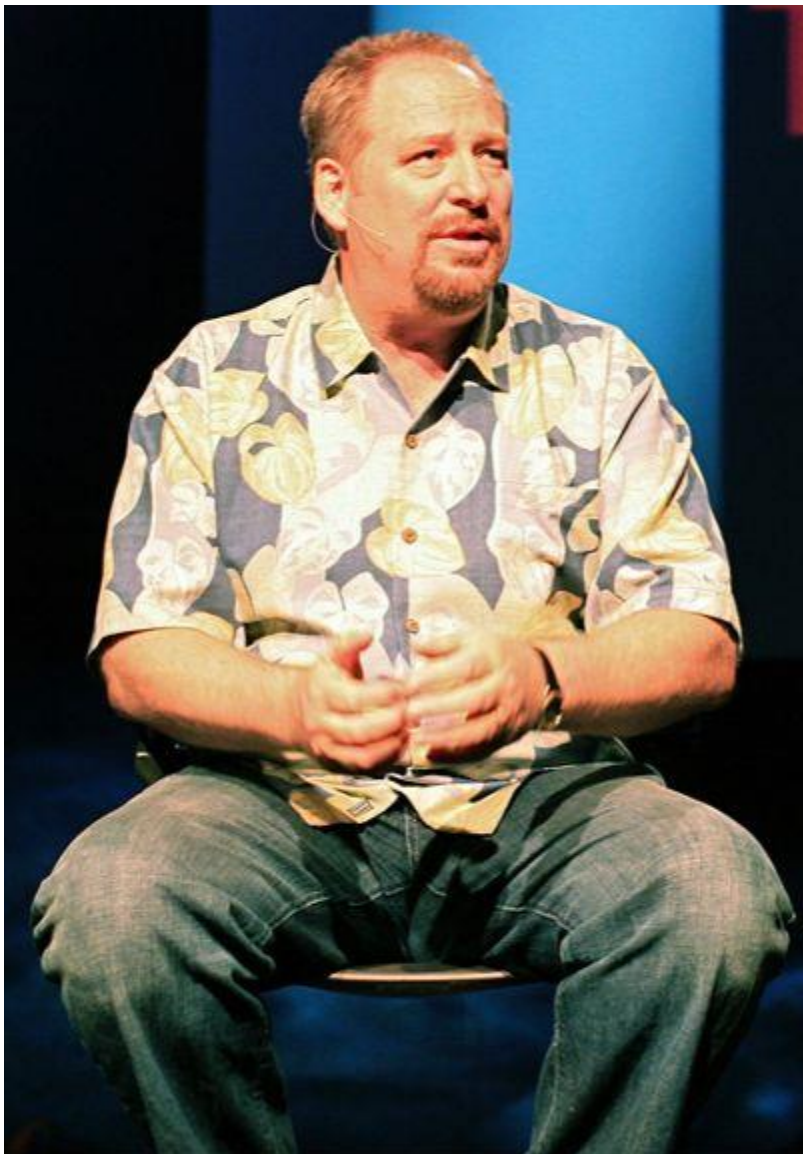
- 1) Where did I come from?
- 2) Why am I here?
- 3) How should I live?
- 4) What happens when I die?



Zacharias said that while every major religion makes exclusive claims about the truth, the Christian faith is unique in its ability to answer all four of these questions. I found this rather profound for me as a new Christian, but it really sank home when a few years later I sorted out the whole Evolution scam and understood the Bible in its proper context with God as our Creator. I think this is why Del Tackett's The Truth Project has been so enlightening. Once you figure this out, it transforms your Christian walk and your worldview. Eventually we all have to decide whether the Book is true or not. In that venue, this week's lesson will deal with why God made you. You might want to take notes on this one.

Richard Duane Warren is an American Baptist evangelical Christian pastor and author (most famously of *The Purpose Driven Church & The Purpose Driven Life*). He is the founder and senior pastor of Saddleback Church, an evangelical mega-church affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention in Lake Forest, California, that is the sixth-largest mega-church in the United States. Ruth & I have actually attended that church once as it is only about 15 minutes south of where our kids live in Orange County.

Rick Warren was born in San Jose, California and earned a Bachelor of Arts from California Baptist University, a Master of Divinity from Southwestern Theological Seminary, and a Doctor of Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary. He and his wife Kay founded Saddleback Church when he was just 26 years old and he continues to serve as the senior pastor. He is definitely not what urban slang would define as a “clothes horse”.



If I Could Only Teach You One Thing: Why God Made You – Rick Warren

Check out this video on YouTube:

<https://youtu.be/d5xyYI9tNV8>

Hope you were blessed by this one. Have a great week!!

Larry & Ruth