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## I. Minority Groups

### A. *Joy in Living*

Mrs. Mina Oglesby

A program designed to encourage and disciple ladies in the faith. Topical lessons and in-depth Bible studies are taught by mature women who love the lord. This fifteen-minute program airs at the following times:

Saturday	2:30 -2:45 a.m. 10:30 – 10:45 a.m.
Sunday	11:30 – 11:45 p.m.

## II. The Family

### A. *This Is the Day*

A hosted broadcast with inspirational music and timely comments to help families face each new day. *This Is the Day* airs at the following time:

Host:	Mr. Craig Mattson
Monday-Friday	6:05 a.m.-8:00 a.m.

### B. *Family Prayer Time*

A time set aside to encourage listeners to pray for various aspects of life each day. The host shares a thought and then leads the listeners in prayer about a particular subject. Many listeners are able to take a part through prayer and receive a blessing by developing a stronger prayer life. *Family Prayer Time* airs at the following time:

Host:	Dr. Dan Rushing
Monday-Friday	1:05 p.m.-1:15 p.m.

### C. *Adventures from the Bookshelf*

A children's program featuring a variety of stories such as but not limited to "The Sugar Creek Gang," "The Preacher's Kids," and others. *Adventures in Drama* airs at the following time:

Monday-Friday	3:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
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### D. *Drive Time*

A hosted broadcast with delightful inspirational music and timely comments to help families as they return home in the evenings. *Drive Time* airs at the following time:

Host:	Mr. John Collier
Monday-Friday	4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

### E. *Adventures in Odyssey*

A children's program featuring stories illustrating Biblical principles. *Adventures in Odyssey* airs at the following time:

Monday - Friday	7:15 – 7:45 p.m.
Saturday	3:15 – 3:45 a.m. 9:00 – 9:30 a.m.

F. *Ranger Bill*

A children's program featuring the adventures of Bill and the gang. *Ranger Bill* airs at the following time:

Saturday 8:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

G. *Focus on the Family Minute*

The *Focus on the Family Minute* is a daily 60-second "nugget of truth" taken from the daily 30-minute *Focus on the Family* radio broadcast. Hosted by Dr. Bill Maier, the "Focus on the Family Minute" features the very best of "Focus on the Family" tips for building strong families. *Focus on the Family Minute* airs at the following time:

Monday-Friday 8:15 – 8:16 a.m.  
 4:30 – 4:31 p.m.  
 11:45 – 11:46 p.m.

Saturday 6:30 – 6:31 a.m.

Date	Guest	Issues
10/1	Sam & Pauline Doerksen / Marshall & Merrie Eizenga	Sparked Hope - Marshall Eizenga remembers a moment God spoke to a fellow pastor as he prayed.
10/2	Amber Lia / Wendy Speake	The Worst Mom on the Planet - Amber Lia offers encouragement to moms who might feel they reacted poorly to their children.
10/3	Amber Lia / Wendy Speake	Throwing Spaghetti at a Wall - Wendy Speake explains how as a parent, you need a plan ... and God's grace.
10/4	Gary Thomas	Be Influenced by God - Gary Thomas reminds you, as a wife, to find your worth in God in order to influence your husband.
10/5	Gary Thomas	Going to God - Gary Thomas describes how he prays for his wife.
10/6		Illustration of how those in pain lash out at and wound others and encouragement to guard your reactions.
10/8	Jonathan / Wynter Pitts	What You Were Doing with Me
10/9	Bill Farrel	Keep the Emotional Connection - Bill Farrel shares why it's important to hold tightly to the connection you have with your spouse.
10/10	Pam Farrel	Give God Time to Be Good - Pam Farrel shares some encouragement for when difficult situations arise in life.
10/11	Kelly J. Stigliano	The First Step
10/12	Kelly J. Stigliano	A Freedom of Choice - Kelly Stigliano shares a concise version of the Gospel.
10/13		Advice to be your teen child's "parent" and don't try to be their "friend." Enforce boundaries when they are out of line.
10/15	Pam Vredevelt	What God Can Do - Pam Vredevelt describes a Bible story that impacted her life.
10/16	Lee Strobel	Year Seven - Lee Strobel relates a story of a woman who prayed for her brother's salvation for eight years.

10/17	Ed Stetzer	Mission Isn't Optional - Ed Stetzer suggests that we need to be sharing the Gospel as we engage people, not spreading bitterness.
10/18	Mark Batterson	Famous in My Home - Mark Batterson encourages you to strive to be famous in your home.
10/19	Mark Batterson	The God of Second Chances - Mark Batterson reminds you of God's grace in terms of fatherhood.
10/20		Overcoming the urge to protect your child. A reminder that suffering can actually build character in your child.
10/22	Ted & Nancie Lowe	Voice Work - Ted Lowe suggests treating your spouse with the same kindness and courtesy you would show a co-worker.
10/23	Jeramy & Jerusha Clark	In a Construction Zone - Jerusha Clark suggests thinking of a construction zone when it comes to your teen.
10/24	Jeramy & Jerusha Clark	Speak That Truth - Jeramy Clark describes how he tries to speak truth into his daughters' lives when the world speaks lies.
10/25	Kay Warren	The Lego Will Kill You - Kay Warren describes resiliency as the sturdiness of a Lego.
10/26	Kay Warren	You're a Conqueror - Kay Warren explains how you can be a conqueror in difficult situations.
10/27		Practical advice for how to encourage your husband to be the spiritual leader in your home.
10/29		Parents want real, authentic children and not perfect children. When your children stumble, respond with grace. God can hear even silliness in children's prayers.
10/30		Churches can help marriages. Encouragement for churches to help strengthen marriages and prevent crisis.
10/31		Build your marriage on the grace of Jesus. When your spouse does something to annoy you, let that trigger you to do something nice to them. Practice forgiveness and grace.
11/1		Tendency of parents is to jump in and fix children's problems but we need to resist this tendency and instead work to listen and understand. Show empathy to your bullied child.
11/2	Jonathan McKee	One Friend - : Bullies can have an impact on your children's life. Encouragement for kid's to have a different kind of impact. One friend can make the difference in a downhill spiral of a kid's life.
11/3		Illustration of a parent as a tether ball and the danger of becoming disconnected.
11/5	Mike & Kristin Berry	Waiting for Your Spouse to Care for Kids - Kristin Berry suggests waiting and praying if your spouse is unsure about becoming a parent through adoption.
11/6	Mac & Mary Owen	Something Just Hit Me - Mac Owen shares a moment of revelation when he was trapped in drug

		addiction.
11/7	Mac & Mary Owen	Work on Myself - Mary Owen remembers when she realized she can only work on her own heart, not others.
11/8	Jocelyn Green	Understand Your Military Spouse - Jocelyn Green reflects on an example of true love and understanding in the military life.
11/9	Gary Chapman	I Wanna Hold Your Hand - Dr. Gary Chapman shares how military couples separated by deployment found a way to fulfill the love language of physical touch.
11/10		How to spend more time together as a couple. The happiest couples deliberately schedule time together even if it's inconvenient. Look at your schedule and make time for your mate.
11/12	Ted Cunningham	Enjoy Life Together - Ted Cunningham encourages you to choose to have fun with your spouse.
11/13	Lysa TerKeurst	The Lord Sees What's Coming
11/14	Lysa TerKeurst	Drowned in Their Own Sorrow - Despite the trials she faced, Lysa TerKeurst proclaims God's goodness and encourages you to do the same.
11/15	Mark Regnerus	They Belong to God - The balance between instructing children and guiding their decision making while realizing they will make mistakes and hopefully learn from them. Know who their friends are. Watch their electronic usage. Trust your child in God's hands.
11/16	Deborah Pegues	Preeminent in Our Minds - Deborah Pegues reminds us to lean into and trust God when it comes to our fears.
11/17		Encouragement for couples to find ways to spend more time together as research has shown the happiest couples schedule time together even when it's not convenient. (from 6-25-14)
11/19	Kathi Lipp / Cheri Gregory	Over the Turkey Dinner - Kathi Lipp offers a way to handle uncomfortable conversations and keep the peace with relatives during the holidays.
11/20	Kathi Lipp / Cheri Gregory	Feeling Persecuted - Cheri Gregory reflects on how her family made the holidays a more pleasant and less stressful experience.
11/21	Erin Hawley	Power Through My Weakness - Erin Hawley reminds us that God has a plan for our families.
11/22	Jay Milbrandt	After the Pilgrims - Jay Milbrandt shares the history behind the Thanksgiving holiday.
11/23	Alexandra Kuykendall	When Life Isn't Perfect
11/24		Challenging the idea of a perfect Christian...a reminder that God loves you for who you are, not who you should be.
11/26	Dr. Kenneth Wilgus	The Primary Need of Teenagers

11/27	Dr. Kenneth Wilgus	They Own Everything - Dr. Ken Wilgus offers parents a solid way to discipline teens – by taking away their stuff!
11/28	Paul & Melody Westbrook	Lowering the Bar - Paul Westbrook shares the hope he discovered after seeking marriage counseling with his wife, Melody.
11/29	Kim Meeder	The Light in That Black Place - Kim Meeder encourages you to surrender your pain to God and trust in His love.
11/30	Kim Meeder	Wild Perspective - Kim Meeder recalls how God shoed her His perspective through a woman she encountered.
12/1		Advice to make sure, as a married couple, you're both thinking the same thing when it comes to what the other is expecting. This helps with your communication with each other.
12/3	Scott Klusendorf	The Science is Settled
12/4	Scott Klusendorf	What is It? - Discussing pro-life issues can be uncomfortable. Scott Klusendorf offers a simple way to stand up for human life.
12/5	Kevin Leman	Don't Should on Your Kid - Look beyond the flaws and help your child to see that his <i>effort</i> is important.
12/6	Kevin Leman	Sheep are Not Stupid - As a parent, you shepherd you child. Genuine love is the best thing for your child.
12/7	Milan & KayYerkovich	They All Fall Short - Kay Yerkovich describes how Jesus models an ideal love style.
12/8		Adolescence brings tough challenges for parents. Stay connected and stay the course with your teen even if they try to push you away.
12/10	Hettie Brittz	Help Them on Their Route - Hettie Britz describes the difference between indulging and shaping your child and why it's important to balance those.
12/11	Hettie Brittz	Crashing Monumentally - Hettie Britz remembers the difficulty she faced in raising a child who had an opposing personality from hers.
12/12	Dave Carder	A 2 p.m. Phone Call - An affair can being with a simple interaction, as Dave Carder suggests.
12/13	Dave Carder	Those Three Big A's - Dave Carder offers insight on how to affair-proof your marriage.
12/14		Christmas Thankfulness - During the busy Christmas rush, it's important to be thankful for God's blessings. Even for little things.
12/15		Advice for how to encourage your husband without trying to be in control.
12/17	Ray VanderLaan	A Living Witness - Ray Vander Laan shares why your life should be a testimony of God.

12/18	Amy Carroll	Rest in God's Love - Amy Carroll offers an encouraging reminder to rest in God's love.
12/19	Amber Lia / Wendy Speake / Jean Daly	They Ran Me Ragged - While parenting is a wonderful experience, it does come with moments of frustration. Hear ways to combat that anger.
12/20	Amber Lia / Wendy Speake / Jean Daly	He Wants a Relationship
12/21	Brant Hansen	Extending Forgiveness
12/22		Being thankful for the little things during the holiday season.
12/24		Encouragement to tell loved ones what they mean to you and not to wait until it's too late
12/25		A special Christmas memory recalling a letter reminding a child of the true meaning of Christmas.
12/26		: Your child's value is more than what they see on their phones and social media. Give your child a break from technology.
12/27		Reflections on how marriage and family affect how you can serve the Lord. Be wise in choices on how to serve. Serve together as a couple and a family.
12/28		Talk openly with your kids about protecting their bodies. Help your child protect themselves.
12/29		Overcoming the urge to protect your child.
12/31		A challenge about taming your tongue and telling the truth. A half-truth is a whole lie.

I. *Lamplighter Moments*

*Lamplighter Moments*, is a daily two-minute program where Mark Hamby gives practical insights on culture, parenting, teens, marriage, education and more. *Lamplighter Moments* airs at the following time:

Monday-Friday	5:15 – 5:17 a.m. 8:15 – 8:17 p.m.
Saturday	6:30 – 6:32 a.m.

Date	Issues
10/1	<b>Cure For Irritability</b>
10/2	<b>Cleaning Fish</b>
10/3	<b>Clogging The Filters</b>
10/4	<b>Curiosity Killed The Cat - Robert Fulton</b>
10/5	<b>Do You Lead Others Or Follow Them?</b>
10/6	<b>Cleaning Fish</b>
10/8	<b>Delegation</b>
10/9	<b>Digging Ditches-I</b>
10/10	<b>Digging Ditches-II</b>
10/11	<b>Four Pillars Of A Man's Heart</b>
10/12	<b>God's Power in Action</b>
10/13	<b>Digging Ditches-I</b>
10/15	<b>Big People, Small God -- Judges 6</b>

10/16	<b>Chapman Family</b>
10/17	<b>Hay Wired</b>
10/18	<b>In Gentleness He Has Made Me Great</b>
10/19	<b>Joseph Hyden: Boys of Grit</b>
10/20	<b>Chapman Family</b>
10/22	<b>Lightening Bugs</b>
10/23	<b>Little By Little</b>
10/24	<b>Promises Promises</b>
10/25	<b>Swallowing Pride</b>
10/26	<b>Ignorance, Innocence, And Inevitable Consequences</b>
10/27	<b>Little By Little</b>
10/29	<b>Quit Ye Like Men</b>
10/30	<b>Raise Them Up</b>
10/31	<b>Shouts of Joy or Miserable Silence</b>
11/1	<b>Sorrowful Curse</b>
11/2	<b>Sorrowful Curse</b>
11/3	<b>Raise Them Up</b>
11/5	<b>Anger And Humility</b>
11/6	<b>Strength for Today; Bright Hope For Tomorrow</b>
11/7	<b>The Unfairness Doctrine</b>
11/8	<b>Bearing His Yoke-I</b>
11/9	<b>Bearing His Yoke-II</b>
11/10	<b>Strength for Today; Bright Hope For Tomorrow</b>
11/12	<b>Bearing His Yoke-II</b>
11/13	<b>Be Careful What You Say-It Might Cost You!</b>
11/14	<b>Funeral Home Chairs</b>
11/15	<b>Blinded By Love Falling Down The Hill</b>
11/16	<b>Boundaries Of Righteousness</b>
11/17	<b>Be Careful What You Say-It Might Cost You!</b>
11/19	<b>Clue-I</b>
11/20	<b>Clue-II</b>
11/21	<b>Two Men Who Divorced Their Wives</b>
11/22	<b>Everything's Falling Apart! Or Is It?</b>
11/23	<b>Fish Hooks, Nostrils, And A Humble Prayer</b>
11/24	<b>Clue-II</b>
11/26	<b>Hide And Seek</b>
11/27	<b>Humiliation</b>
11/28	<b>Chambers</b>
11/29	<b>Dragged By The Scalp</b>
11/30	<b>God's Adversaries</b>
12/1	<b>Humiliation</b>
12/3	<b>A Day Of Great Necessity</b>
12/4	<b>Let God's Creatures Be The Teachers</b>
12/5	<b>Idols of the Heart</b>
12/6	<b>Small Defeats</b>
12/7	<b>The Art of Spear Throwing</b>
12/8	<b>Let God's Creatures Be The Teachers</b>

12/10	<b>Jonah and the Cows-I</b>
12/11	<b>Jonah and the Cows-II</b>
12/12	<b>Missing Ring-I</b>
12/13	<b>Missing Ring-II</b>
12/14	<b>Still Small Voice</b>
12/15	<b>Jonah and the Cows-II</b>
12/17	<b>Eucharisteo</b>
12/18	<b>Love That Grows Cold</b>
12/19	<b>Disconnected Holidays</b>
12/20	<b>Cars For Sale?</b>
12/21	<b>Catcher In The Rye</b>
12/22	<b>Love That Grows Cold</b>
12/24	<b>Too Close for Comfort-I</b>
12/25	<b>Too Close for Comfort-II</b>
12/26	<b>Are You Reading Twaddle To Your Children?</b>
12/27	<b>Cure For Irritability</b>
12/28	<b>Wandering Memories</b>
12/29	<b>Too Close for Comfort-II</b>
12/31	<b>Reestablish The Image Of God On The Earth</b>

J. *Crosstalk*

A live one-hour national call-in program, *Crosstalk* covers the issues that affect our world, our nation, our families and the Christian church from a perspective centered in the Word of God. *Crosstalk* airs at the following time:

Monday-Friday

2:00 – 2:55 p.m.

Issues covered during this quarter:

Date	Issues	Speaker(s)	Description
10/1	Remembering the Persecuted	Jim Schneider	<p>This edition of <i>Crosstalk</i> was a reminder of the persecution that is taking place against Christians throughout the world. As Hebrews 13:3 says, 'Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them...'</p> <p>Here's just a sample of what Jim covered on this broadcast:</p> <p>--The government is ratcheting up a crackdown on Christian congregations in Beijing and several provinces, destroying crosses, burning Bibles, shutting down churches, and ordering followers to sign papers renouncing their faith.</p> <p>--In spite of this persecution, the church appears to be growing. If the present trend continues, China is projected to be the nation with the greatest number of Christians worldwide despite all attempts to eradicate the church.</p> <p>--Chinese intellectuals are coming around to the view that it is its Christian heritage that has made the West so successful.</p> <p>--Over 2,000 crosses have already been burned or ripped down from church buildings, many churches have been demolished; pastors have been arrested, beaten, tortured or sentenced to years in prison.</p> <p>--By 2020, 600 million CCTV cameras, nearly one for every 2 Chinese citizens, will blanket the nation. They're being forcibly installed in church</p>

			<p>buildings to record 24/7 the church entrances, the stairwells, the offering boxes, and Bible counters to monitor who attends church, who buys Bibles, and where those Bibles are taken.</p> <p>--In the midst of the Chinese government crackdown, 344 pastors have come forth and signed a public statement standing up to the regime.</p> <p>From there, Jim talked about persecution in other parts of the world such as:</p> <p>--The Muslim slaughter of Christians taking place in Pakistan.</p> <p>--A young Christian was killed by his commanding officer in Egypt.</p> <p>--A Christian doctor was stabbed to death in Iraq.</p> <p>--Orphans, whose parents are killed for their Christian faith, are growing in number.</p> <p>--6 unknown individuals firebomb a church in Indonesia.</p> <p>--2 Christian brothers fined \$900 each in Algeria for transporting over 50 Bibles in their car.</p> <p>These are just some of the persecution headlines that Jim presented, while Crosstalk listeners followed up with their comments.</p>
10/2	Another Gospel: Rosary Rallies	Jim Schneider / Mike Gendron	<p>We are living in the day and age of 'another gospel.' Which is not another. Galatians 1:6-9...</p> <p>Recently, VCY received a press release regarding a coming event titled 'Rosary Coast to Coast.' The information details how that since March 31st of 2018, 'Rosary Coast to Coast' has quickly been embraced across the country. To date, there are close to 1,000 rosary event locations registered, with more being added every day for this Sunday's (October 7th) event.</p> <p>Joining us to discuss this issue is Mike Gendron. Mike was a devout Catholic for over three decades. He was taught to rely upon the authority of the church above all else. Mike searched the Scriptures and was amazed to find that what he read in Scripture contradicted the teaching and tradition of the church he had been a part of for so long. He trusted Jesus as his Savior and now the Bible has become his sole Authority in all matters of faith. For these Truths found in the Bible alone, Mike has devoted his life to helping Roman Catholics (once like himself) to see the error in this teaching and tradition. He refutes that he himself is 'disgruntled' and says 'No one knows they are deceived until they are confronted with the Truth.'</p> <p>Gendron explains just exactly what the rosary is. He says the rosary is a 'form of devotion to Mary, in which five sets of ten 'hail Marys' are repeated - intermixed with prayers to the father and prayers to the trinity.' However, he says that the major number of prayers are to Mary. Gendron says there are also mysteries – 'joyful mysteries, sorrowful mysteries and glorious mysteries.' These 'mysteries' include meditations on the assumption that Mary is in Heaven coroneted as 'queen' – a term Mike says is not biblical in regards to the birth mother of Jesus Christ.</p> <p>With the Bible as his platform, Mike holds nothing back in regards to refuting these upcoming rallies and encouraging Roman Catholics to actually read the Bible. He warns of the 'total deception going on' and that it is all fueled by Satan himself. Satan who Jesus called the 'father of lies.' (John 8:44) Mike contends that not only do Roman Catholics have another gospel (Galatians 1) but, they also have 'another Mary' and gives three biblical reasons for never praying to her. These include: 1) Mary is not in Heaven. 2) Jesus' guidelines for prayer (Matthew 6). 3) Jesus is the only Mediator between God and man (1 Timothy 2:5).</p> <p>Crosstalk also takes some very inquisitive phone calls</p>
10/3	Kavanaugh	Jim	<p>Mat Staver is the founder and chairman of Liberty Counsel.</p>

	Nomination Update	Schneider / Mat Staver	<p>Immense pressure is being put on U.S. senators to stop the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court. According to Mat, millions are being spent to do just that so that the Democrats can look forward to the mid-term elections and take over the House and the Senate.</p> <p>Mat contends that the opposition doesn't want anyone nominated to the Supreme Court by President Trump so he described this situation as a re-litigation of the election of 2016. He noted the nomination of Judge Gorsuch. That passed because he would simply maintain the status-quo and abortion would remain unaffected. This time it's different because retired Justice Anthony Kennedy was the 5th vote on the issues of abortion and same-sex marriage. Democrats therefore realize that a change of that seat means changing the direction of the Supreme Court on these two important issues.</p> <p>Mat's not convinced that Republicans will be able to obtain the needed 51 votes. This is why he believes that first of all people need to pray. Secondly, they need to have their voices heard and that can be done via the numbers listed below.</p> <p>The FBI report is being delivered today to the White House and Senator Mitch McConnell. From there, he will be able to review it and schedule the first vote. That vote opens up the debate and 2 days are needed for that. After debate is a vote to have cloture (bringing the debate to an end). After cloture comes a vote on the nomination itself. If there's a tie, Vice-President Pence would be the person to break it.</p> <p>What should we make of the marriage therapy notes of Dr. Ford? What about the comments of her ex-boyfriend? Did she teach people how to pass lie detector tests? These and other points of interest were discussed on this important Crosstalk update.</p>
10/4	Pre-empted for Share-a-thon programming		
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10/8	Halloween What's Behind the Mask?	Jim Schneider / Dr. David Brown	<p>Dr. David Brown is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oak Creek, WI. He holds a Masters Degree in Theology and a PhD in History, specializing in the history of the English Bible. He is also the President of Logos Communication Consortium, a research organization that produces a large variety of materials warning Christians of present dangers in our culture. In the U.S., the Pilgrims and Puritans had nothing to do with Halloween and its occultic roots. Going back to 1845-'46 there was what's known as the Irish Potato Famine. A lot of Irish immigrants fled to America and with them came their pagan customs/holidays, one of them being the celebration of Samhain. That resulted in the formation of our modern day holiday known as Halloween.</p> <p>As this program progressed, Dr. Brown explained the Roman Catholic influence in the formation of this holiday's name, the origin of Halloween costumes, the Grim Reaper, Jack-o'-lanterns, witches, Dracula, the bonfire, and numerous other aspects of this day that's recognized as a high, holy day for satanists</p>
10/9	The Supreme Court has a New Justice: Brett	Jim Schneider / Dr. David Brown	<p>This past Saturday afternoon, in a vote of 50-48, the U.S. Senate voted to confirm Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court.</p> <p>Joining Jim in the discussion was Mat Staver, the founder and chairman of Liberty Counsel.</p> <p>Before conversation began on the main topic, Jim had Mat comment on news that Nikki Haley was resigning as U.N. Ambassador, a decision that Mat indicated was being discussed between Haley and President Trump six</p>

	Kavanaugh		<p>months ago. She will continue to work until the end of the year.</p> <p>After the senate vote, Judge Kavanaugh was given his commission aboard Air Force One while President Trump was en-route to Topeka, Kansas. Then that evening at the Supreme Court, he was sworn in by Chief Justice John Roberts and retired Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy. He was sworn in again at the East Wing of the White House where President Trump apologized to Kavanaugh and his family, while also speaking words of encouragement.</p> <p>As the discussion moved along, Jim had Mat comment on an accusation leveled against Senator Susan Collins, an audio clip featuring Nancy Pelosi detailing a political tactic that appears to parallel what took place against Judge Kavanaugh, an audio clip from Judge Kavanaugh, another of an angry mob of female protesters, other threats against Kavanaugh, and much more including input from Crosstalk listeners.</p>
10/10	Pause for Praise	Jim Schneider	<p>Jim began this edition of Crosstalk by making listeners aware of 3 prayer needs, 2 of them specifically related to the persecuted church.</p> <p>The first was for prayer for those being affected by hurricane Michael in the Gulf Coast region of the U.S.</p> <p>Next was prayer for Asia Bibi. She is a 47 year old married mother of 5 children who was charged with violating Pakistan's blasphemy law nearly a decade ago. On October 9th, the Pakistan Supreme Court heard her final appeal. Her fate is sealed but we don't know what that is.</p> <p>Finally, Jim asked for prayer for Pastor Andrew Brunson who was imprisoned unjustly in Turkey. It was on October 7, 2016, when Pastor Brunson was called to the police station. He thought this was just part of the reapplication process for his residence permit to remain in Turkey, but he learned that was not the case. He was immediately imprisoned and falsely charged as being a threat to the state. This coming Friday he will have his next hearing at which he will either be released or remain as a prisoner.</p> <p>The remainder of this Crosstalk took a different path than more recent broadcasts as Jim wanted to pause for praise. With that thought in mind, he had listeners call in to finish the sentence, 'I'm praising the Lord for...'</p> <p>Join Jim and your fellow Crosstalk listeners for this refreshing program that gives glory to God in the midst of these trying times.</p>
10/11	Vote Smart	Jim Schneider / Adelaide Kimball	<p>Adelaide Kimball is senior advisor and founding board member of Vote Smart, a non-partisan research group whose mission it is to provide free, factual, unbiased information on about 40,000 individuals in office. This means they track at the presidential level, gubernatorial candidates and incumbents, members of Congress, as well as state legislatures. They also go down to the county and local level with basic information concerning who represents you and how you can contact them.</p> <p>Vote Smart began in the late 1980's. Some involved were voters, some were former candidates and elected officials, while others were teachers, lawyers, journalists and even housewives. The idea was to liberate voters from having to listen to and depend upon the candidates, parties and special interests for factual information about the issues that people care about.</p> <p>Next they gathered what Adelaide referred to as a resume for candidates. They looked at campaigns as job applications. In other words, as candidates applied for these 'jobs' they felt that they should be willing to show up with a 'resume', show up for the 'interview', and explain how they would do the job for the voter.</p> <p>Vote Smart then felt that this information should be free and easy to obtain regardless of whether they're liberal or conservative, and that anyone would be able to trust that the information they were obtaining on the candidates is factual and had no hidden agenda.</p> <p>This was all put together in 1990. While being staffed by college interns and volunteers, by 1992 they had a toll-free phone number and anyone could call to ask a question about any race in the country.</p> <p>Adelaide stressed that in order to make sure that the reality and the perception of independence and non-partisanship was being followed,</p>

			<p>they put in 3 protections:</p> <p>--Funding—They decided from the start they wouldn't accept the kind of support candidates receive. Funding would only come from individuals or foundations that don't have corporate ties. In other words, no special interests, no labor or corporate money or funding from any organization that lobbies the government on any issue at any level.</p> <p>--A balanced group of members on the board—The list has included President's Carter and Ford, Barry Goldwater, George McGovern, John McCain and Michael Dukakis who is still on the board. When someone leaves the board, that person is replaced with someone from the same ideological realm to maintain balance.</p> <p>--What little money that is raised goes straight into their programs with minimal salaries. Adelaide described the situation as a sort of 'Peace Corp' effort where you commit to a couple of years and then consider yourself as having done your part for the common good.</p> <p>You can contact Vote Smart at their website or by calling their toll-free phone number listed below. Either way you can obtain their Voter Self-Defense Manual, a free pamphlet that is full of important data that they've obtained on members of Congress.</p>
10/12	News Roundup	Jim Schneider	<p>Here's a sample of stories featured on this week's edition of the 'Round-Up':</p> <p>--After 2 years of prison and detention, Pastor Andrew Brunson has been released by Turkish authorities.</p> <p>--Asia Bibi continues to face blasphemy charges in Pakistan.</p> <p>--The current death toll from Hurricane Michael stands at 11 while posing health risks for weeks to come.</p> <p>--Florida deputies took time to pray before hurricane Michael hit.</p> <p>--Witches to hold a public hex on Brett Kavanaugh on October 20th.</p> <p>--Brett Kavanaugh may have a hand in two abortion related cases, one in Kansas and one in Louisiana.</p> <p>--Rasmussen survey indicates that 54% of all likely U.S. voters say they are more likely to vote in the upcoming midterm elections due to the controversy surrounding Brett Kavanaugh.</p> <p>--Reporters from the New Yorker admit they ran with an accusation against Brett Kavanaugh without any evidence to back it up, hoping to show a Kavanaugh pattern of misconduct.</p> <p>--A Minnesota teacher resigns after sending an anti-Kavanaugh death threat/tweet.</p> <p>--Pro-abortion Senator Heidi Heitkamp of North Dakota revealed that she had planned to vote for Judge Kavanaugh until he passionately testified in front of the Senate Judiciary Committee. She took umbrage with Kavanaugh's heated defense of himself.</p> <p>--Former Attorney General Eric Holder recently said that when Republicans go low, we go high and kick them.</p> <p>--President Trump rebuked Eric Holder calling such comments disgusting and dangerous.</p> <p>--Hillary Clinton believes civility can't start again until the Democrats win back the House and or the Senate.</p> <p>--Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell blasted Hillary Clinton indicating that her call for anarchy and disorder is nothing less than the promotion of gang mentality.</p> <p>--When Eric Holder and other Democrats called for violence, Congressional Representative Steve Scalise said that's a direct threat to democracy.</p> <p>--Senator Rand Paul has warned that the calls of Democrats to confront Republicans in public could lead to assassination.</p>

			<p>--Incumbent Senator Tammy Baldwin was asked about her position on late-term abortions in a debate with challenger Leah Vukmir. Jim provided audio of the responses from both candidates.</p> <p>--The House of Representatives in South Carolina has voted to uphold the governor's line-item veto of millions of dollars in federal family planning funds, preventing a portion of that money from going to abortion facilities.</p> <p>--Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf is campaigning for reelection on a pro-abortion platform that supports abortion on demand and taxpayer funding of the nation's largest abortion provider. His Republican challenger, Scott Wagner, could not be more different as he is 100% pro-life and has the voting record to prove it.</p> <p>--An abortion clinic opening north of Chicago seeks to normalize abortion via pink and purple exam rooms, mints, tea bags, and more.</p>
10/15	Whatever Happened to the New World Order?	Jim Schneider / Gary Kah	<p>Some Crosstalk listeners may remember President George Herbert Walker Bush who called for 'a new world order'. Is that effort still in place and if so, how far along is it in 2018?</p> <p>Joining Jim to present the latest information on this issue was Gary Kah. Gary is the founder and director of Hope For the World. Gary is the former Europe and Middle East Trade Specialist for the Indiana State Government. In this capacity he traveled to more than 20 countries, working hand-in-hand with U.S. embassies and top government officials in the area of export promotion. In the mid 1980's, Gary uncovered information regarding the printing of a new U.S. currency. After some investigation, he found that many countries around the world had already begun issuing new currencies similar in design. Gary discovered that this coordinated effort was merely a stepping stone toward establishing a single, global unit of exchange, which was to be part of a coming one-world government. In 1987, Gary was invited to join the World Constitution and Parliament Association, one of the organizations involved at the forefront of promoting the world government agenda. During the next 4 years he obtained detailed documents which demonstrated that the push toward a one-world government was active and rapidly advancing. Gary is the author of 'Enroute to Global Occupation' and 'The New World Religion'.</p> <p>According to Gary, some people tried to say that President Bush didn't really understand what 'new world order'. The problem with that idea is that at one point he was a chairman of the Trilateral Commission and was a member of a number of globalist organizations whose purpose was to move the world toward global governance.</p> <p>The Bush era was the launching point in the sense that prior to that time, everything had been behind the scenes. In the early '90's, politically involved New Agers and globalists viewed Bush's words as the signal that it was time to move forward and do it quickly. They continued to lay the groundwork throughout the '90's via new organizations founded at different levels of government and even outside of government; organizations that cooperated with the United Nations.</p> <p>Late Summer to early Fall of 2000, 3 meetings took place within a 2 week period in New York City. The first one involved the top religious leaders of the world that was funded by Ted Turner. This was the start of many steps that moved the world toward interfaithism.</p> <p>Less than 2 weeks later, another gathering at the United Nations involved over 160 heads of state. This meeting centered on a political unification of the world. Leaders were encouraged to ratify various international treaties that hadn't been ratified by everyone.</p> <p>Around the same time that this meeting was being held, Mikhail Gorbachev's organization invited the top economists of the world, others from academia, the scientific community and the media to also talk about globalization. This is also where we began to see the environment as a reason for why we need global governance.</p>

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10/16	Countering the Globalist Agenda	Jim Schneider / Gary Kah	<p>Some Crosstalk listeners may remember President George Herbert Walker Bush who called for 'a new world order'. Is that effort still in place and if so, how far along is it in 2018?</p> <p>Joining Jim to present the latest information on this issue was Gary Kah. Gary is the founder and director of Hope For the World. Gary is the former Europe and Middle East Trade Specialist for the Indiana State Government. In this capacity he traveled to more than 20 countries, working hand-in-hand with U.S. embassies and top government officials in the area of export promotion. In the mid 1980's, Gary uncovered information regarding the printing of a new U.S. currency. After some investigation, he found that many countries around the world had already begun issuing new currencies similar in design. Gary discovered that this coordinated effort was merely a stepping stone toward establishing a single, global unit of exchange, which was to be part of a coming one-world government. In 1987, Gary was invited to join the World Constitution and Parliament Association, one of the organizations involved at the forefront of promoting the world government agenda. During the next 4 years he obtained detailed documents which demonstrated that the push toward a one-world government was active and rapidly advancing. Gary is the author of 'Enroute to Global Occupation' and 'The New World Religion'.</p> <p>According to Gary, some people tried to say that President Bush didn't really understand what 'new world order'. The problem with that idea is that at one point he was a chairman of the Trilateral Commission and was a member of a number of globalist organizations whose purpose was to move the world toward global governance.</p> <p>The Bush era was the launching point in the sense that prior to that time, everything had been behind the scenes. In the early '90's, politically involved New Agers and globalists viewed Bush's words as the signal that it was time to move forward and do it quickly. They continued to lay the groundwork throughout the '90's via new organizations founded at different levels of government and even outside of government; organizations that cooperated with the United Nations.</p> <p>Late Summer to early Fall of 2000, 3 meetings took place within a 2 week period in New York City. The first one involved the top religious leaders of the world that was funded by Ted Turner. This was the start of many steps that moved the world toward interfaithism.</p> <p>Less than 2 weeks later, another gathering at the United Nations involved over 160 heads of state. This meeting centered on a political unification of the world. Leaders were encouraged to ratify various international treaties that hadn't been ratified by everyone.</p> <p>Around the same time that this meeting was being held, Mikhail Gorbachev's organization invited the top economists of the world, others from academia, the scientific community and the media to also talk about globalization. This is also where we began to see the environment as a reason for why we need global governance.</p> <p>In the ensuing years, the movement moved forward quickly while other times it seemed to hold back. Gary believes that during last 2 years of the younger George Bush administration (2006-2008) and especially during the 8 years of the Obama administration, the pace of the movement increased rapidly.</p> <p>That brings us up to the current president, Donald Trump. Were the globalists hoping for him to be a candidate? Find out the answer to that and much more when you review this timely Crosstalk broadcast.</p>

10/17	<p><b>Keeping Faith in an Age of Reason</b></p>	<p><b>Jim Schneider / Dr. Jason Lisle</b></p>	<p>Dr. Jason Lisle is a Christian astrophysicist who writes and speaks on topics relating to science and the defense of the Christian faith. He's been working in full-time apologetics ministry specializing in the defense of Genesis. He's written numerous articles and books, including his well-known book, 'The Ultimate Proof of Creation'. Dr. Lisle wrote and directed the popular planetarium shows at the Creation Museum including, 'The Created Cosmos'.</p> <p>Dr. Lisle described the interesting way he determined the subject matter for his book, 'Keeping Faith in an Age of Reason'. He combed the Internet looking for accusations of contradictions from the Bible. One list in particular had compiled over 400 of these alleged contradictions. That list is the basis for the book.</p> <p>After analyzing all of them, what did Dr. Lisle find? He discovered that not a single one is a legitimate contradiction when you read the biblical text carefully. For him, what the contradictions list reveals is a deficit in critical thinking skills and that's what he sought to expose. This way Christians would be encouraged by the fact that these accusations against Christianity are not well thought out and researched. So instead of being a list of over 400 Bible contradictions, the list that inspired his book is actually a list of over 400 errors that the critics make when they argue against the Christians worldview.</p> <p>So what is a contradiction? Dr. Lisle began by noting that a difference is not necessarily a contradiction. Someone may witness a car accident and say the car was red. Another person may say the car was fast. This is a difference but it's not a contradiction. Each person reported different information, yet those two things are compatible. The car can be both fast and red.</p> <p>A contradiction is where you have 'A' and 'Not A' at the same time and in the same sense or relationship. You can usually make a contradiction by adding 'It is not the case that...' in front of it. So if you say that it's raining outside, the contradiction would be, 'It is not the case that it is raining outside.' Those two things cannot be both true at the same time and in the same sense.</p> <p>Another way to look at this is the idea of marriage. A person could be married in one sense and not married in a different sense. So Dr. Lisle might say he's not married in the sense that he doesn't have a wife but he is married to his work. That's a different sense of the term.</p> <p>What this points to is that when it comes to contradictions, often times it's just a compatible difference. That accounts for many errors that critics make when they allege that the Bible has many contradictions. In fact, Dr. Lisle enjoyed researching the alleged contradictions in the gospels for that reason, because when you flesh them out you see that there's a reason why God presented that historical information from four different viewpoints. It gives readers a much richer and fuller picture than we would get if we just had one point of view.</p> <p>Another problem comes into play when our minds/imaginings fill in certain details that aren't part of the text. Then we read a different account and it doesn't contradict the text, it contradicts those details that our imagination has supplied. At that point we need to go back to that first account and find out what the text really said and figure out what we may have imported into it.</p> <p>This is a fascinating program that moves along to educate listeners regarding a number of factors that cause critics of the Bible to stumble. They include the bifurcation fallacy, the subset fallacy, quantitative differences, the argument from silence, the semantic anachronism fallacy, and more</p>
10/18	<p><b>Hope Beyond Despair</b></p>	<p><b>Jim Schneider / Julie Gossack</b></p>	<p>Julie Gossack is a wife, mother and grandmother who's been involved in teaching, discipleship and counseling ministries. She's author of 'Hope Beyond Despair', a book helping the reader find truth after a loved one's suicide.</p> <p>Julie's book comes out of tragic, personal experience of suicide within her own family. When she was 13 years old her mother committed suicide. Six weeks prior to that her step-father also took his own life. Later suicides included a step-brother, a biological brother and a cousin.</p>

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10/19	Help and Healing for Addiction	Jim Schneider / Benjamin Burks	<p>On October 26, the White House stated that since 2000, over 300,000 Americans have died from overdoses involving opioids. In 2015 alone there were 52,404 drug overdose deaths, almost two-thirds involved the use of opioids. In 2016 there were 175 deaths occurring every single day to overdose.</p> <p>In addition to this, babies being born drug dependent have increased by 500% since 2000, and children are being placed in foster care due in part to parental drug abuse going up.</p> <p>What is our nation do do? Addiction in general is at epidemic proportions. Can we throw enough money at this to solve the problem? Does secular society have a solution? How about the Church or the Word of God itself?</p> <p>Joining Jim to discuss this issue was Benjamin Burks. Benjamin is the international director for RU (Reformers Unanimous), a 22 year old, biblically based, Christ-centered recovery program designed to rescue, recover and restore those in addictive behaviors with the power of a hidden life found only in Jesus Christ.</p> <p>Benjamin began by adding to the statistics that Jim led the program with and what he said really helps frame the problem. Ohio alone has spent 17 billion dollars in two years on this one problem alone and they're worse off than they've ever been.</p> <p>So how does Benjamin define the term, 'addiction'? It's any kind of disorder that's caused by sin and the person continues to do it even though they know it's bad for them. Its 'face' is not specific to an ethnicity, age group or gender, nor is it just rural or urban. It runs through all these categories and more.</p> <p>How does addiction impact the individual and the family? Benjamin cited the example of one woman who was addicted to opioids and heroin. She was living on the street, had ruined every relationship with her family and had tried to kill herself multiple times. This is why addiction has to be addressed from a spiritual standpoint. The more that's neglected, the more hurt that takes place to not only the addict, but the family as well.</p> <p>What if someone says that this is none of your business? A half trillion dollars is spent each year in America because of addictions. That makes this issue our business due to things like loss of time on the job and emergency services that are utilized.</p> <p>Benjamin went on to detail the RU program dynamics that include family, accountability and biblical meditation, the part these play in the faith-based recovery process, as well as his work with legislators on an initiative called, 'Faith-Based Recovery for America'</p>
10/22	Marijuana on the Ballot	Jim Schneider / Dr. David Stevens	<p>Dr. David Stevens is the Chief Executive Officer of the Christian Medical &amp; Dental Association, the nation's largest faith-based organization of healthcare professionals. Dr. Stevens has also served as a missionary doctor in Kenya for some 10 years. He also has conducted numerous seminars on such issues as stem cell research, human cloning, genetics, faith and health, physician-assisted suicide, abortion and other topics. Dr. Stevens is not surprised by the number of states that have marijuana</p>

			<p>related issues on their ballots. The reason he carries this opinion is because he doesn't believe that legalization is the issue. Instead, he believes it's about the commercialization of marijuana. You can go to the stock exchanges and invest in marijuana stock, therefore he feels it's money that's driving this.</p> <p>Regarding the various names used in marijuana discussions, Dr. Stevens began with hemp. Hemp is a form of the cannabis plant that has no psychoactive substance in it. Rope used to be made from this plant and in some areas there are efforts being made to allow its use as a cash crop and he has no problems with that.</p> <p>There are two substances most talked about with regard to marijuana. One is tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and this is the psychoactive ingredient that gives the 'high' and mellowness that follows consumption.</p> <p>Next is the cannabiniols (CBD). These are what provide the few medicinal effects that we know exist and counteract to some extent the psychoactive effects of the THC.</p> <p>Sometimes you'll hear about CBD oil. This is an extract from the marijuana plant that is used for medicinal uses. According to Dr. Stevens, CBD oil can help patients who are on chemotherapy to reduce vomiting and nausea, as well as appetite stimulation in AIDS patients, but there are already FDA approved drugs on the market that can provide what patients need in good quality, a measured dose and where side-effects are known. On the other hand, there are studies that clearly show marijuana is not effective in reducing pain. In fact, it's actually a 'gateway drug' and that your chance of using opioids, either prescription or 'off the street', actually increases remarkably when using marijuana.</p> <p>As this broadcast moved along, Jim had Dr. Stevens talk about the negative psychological and physical effects, the current problems marijuana is causing with youth in Colorado, where marijuana stands in terms of federal regulation, the tax revenue angle, the large amount of water and electricity it takes to grow marijuana, the Christian perspective on marijuana, and much more.</p>
10/23	Caravan Invasion Heads to U.S.	Jim Schneider / Chris Chmielenski	<p>Thousands of people from Honduras spontaneously came together to embark on a 2,000 mile march to the U.S. where they expect jobs, social services and education. Well, at least that's what some in the media would lead people to believe.</p> <p>Regardless of how it started, we do know that a caravan from Central America is making its way to the United States. Should any concern be from a humanitarian perspective or should we be concerned about national security?</p> <p>Joining Jim to look at this situation was Chris Chmielenski, the Deputy Director of Content and Activism at NumbersUSA.</p> <p>According to Chris, the caravan originated in Honduras. These are typically organized efforts, backed by groups that tend to oppose national and international borders and sovereignty. There's also an alternative motive and Chris believes it involves exploiting differences between the two sides in the immigration debate.</p> <p>Jim noted that the cost per migrant is running about \$7,000. Chris said there have been images and video of people in the caravan being handed money. When they reached the Guatemala/Mexico border and they were blocked, human smugglers helped them get across a river so the smugglers needed to be paid. Then there are the possible scouts running in advance of the caravan to make sure it doesn't run into trouble. Those individuals need to be paid as well. Once the caravan reaches territory controlled by the drug cartels, they'll also demand payment so that the people can pass through safely. Chris said there's big financial backing here but who or what that source is we don't know for sure.</p> <p>The latest population estimates for the caravan have been about 5,000 but he's also heard it could 14,000. Now that it's in Mexico, people have been joining the caravan. Continuing increases in size just makes it more of a spectacle as it makes its way to the U.S.</p> <p>Chris believes this issue has the potential to have an impact on the mid-</p>

			<p>term elections, although he's seen one poll that indicates a majority of Americans want the caravan stopped before it enters the U.S.</p> <p>If the caravan manages to cross the border into the U.S., will that empower future caravan attempts? Are members of ISIS embedded in the caravan? How does U.S. law and international law define what a refugee or an asylum seeker is? What's Mexico's place in this? Does President Trump have both the constitutional and statutory right to use the military to shut down the border when the caravan arrives? These and other questions are answered on this important edition of Crosstalk.</p>
10/24	In Such a Time as This	Jim Schneider / Dr. Neal Jackson	<p>Dr. Neal Jackson is the pastor of the Beulah Baptist Church in Bennett, North Carolina. He's a third generation pastor. His ministry is characterized as verse-by-verse exposition. He's the speaker on the 'Truth for Today' television broadcast and is author of, 'The Coming Destruction of America: A Biblical Examination of the Judgments of God Upon a Land'.</p> <p>When you read II Timothy chapter 3, it appears to describe conditions in our day. As Dr. Jackson noted, Mark tells us that no one knows the day or the hour but you can see when a woman is close to delivering her child.</p> <p>Dr. Jackson is concerned with the direction of America as well as the shape of many of our churches because the job of the church is to influence the nation and he's not seeing that happening.</p> <p>So what's the responsibility of believers in such a time as this? II Timothy 3 lists individuals who are lovers of themselves, boasters, proud, blasphemers and covetous. Dr. Jackson explained that Christians are to be the opposite of that. Christians are to be self-less. Instead of being covetous, they are to be sacrificial. Instead of being boasters, they are to be humble.</p> <p>In that case, what are some of the hindrances that keep believers from doing just that? What's holding Christians back from this great responsibility? Dr. Jackson pointed to Matthew 5 where it talks about believers being the salt of the earth. If the salt loses its savor, it's good for nothing. Salt holds back corruption and is a preservative. So just as a life jacket preserves someone from drowning, the church/Christians are to preserve our culture from drowning in sin. So if we're not acting as a preservative, God himself says we are good for nothing.</p> <p>Dr. Jackson's prayer is that the Lord of the harvest will send forth laborers into the harvest because revival is just a prayer away.</p> <p>Jim asked if the role of the church is different compared to that of the believer. Dr. Jackson noted that when the Bible says we are to let our light so shine before men that they will see our good works, that's individually. A city that's set on a hill that cannot be hid, that's corporately. We are to act individually while partnering corporately with other believers so that we can be that city set on a hill.</p> <p>Does Dr. Jackson see the church as a whole maintaining that sense of direction or is it losing its way? Although it's not happening everywhere, he believes it's losing it's way. In comparison to the book of Acts, we seem to have drifted far from the intentions of God and therefore we are currently living out the passage mentioned earlier from II Timothy. He believes we are very self-focused; we want more 'stuff' even though by the standards of the world we live in one of the richest nations. So while they had idols in the Old Testament, we have our own today and we are never satisfied or content. Unthankful? Disobedient to parents? That describes our society.</p> <p>How did the church get off course? What advice does Dr. Jackson have for those who are tired of the battle? Is America and the church on the path of no-return with God having given up on us, or is there a way back? How important is it to internalize the idea of repentance? These and other critical questions were answered and Crosstalk callers communicated what was on their hearts as well</p>
10/25	Committee to Save the World	Jim Schneider / Alex	<p>Alex Newman is an international freelance journalist, author, educator and consultant. His articles frequently appear in The New American. He also writes for Freedom Project Media. Alex is co-author of the book, 'Crimes of the Educators'.</p>

	<p><b>Order</b></p>	<p><b>Newman</b></p>	<p>Alex began by referencing the New York-based 'think tank' known as the Council on Foreign Relations. Hillary Clinton went to their new Washington satellite office when she was secretary of state and she said she was glad that she didn't have to go as far to be told what she should be doing and how she should be thinking about the future.</p> <p>Republicans have been involved with them as well. For example, Dick Cheney was a director.</p> <p>Beginning in the 1920's, they became very influential in creating policy while being globalist in their outlook. They have several thousand members, the names of which Alex noted are posted on their website. They've been quite open about their agenda which is to establish a new world order. As such, they're very concerned about President Trump.</p> <p>In response, there's been discussion about the forming of a 'Group of 9' or a 'G-9'. As such, the CFR is literally calling on America's closest allies to form an economic and military alliance against the U.S. Alex communicated that they aren't coming right out and saying that, but this is what they're implying, at least against President Trump. Nations involved would include South Korea, Japan, Australia, Canada, the UK, as well as the emerging superstate based in Brussels known as the European Union.</p> <p>The conclusion is that the CFR is proposing this alliance to 'hold the world order in place' in spite of what President Trump attempts to do until they can get rid of him and get a more globalist compliant president in the White House.</p> <p>So if you've been thinking that the CFR is just a toothless entity on the world stage, Alex has the evidence to prove otherwise, and much more can be gleaned on this subject when you review this Crosstalk broadcast.</p>
<p>10/26</p>	<p><b>News Roundup</b></p>	<p><b>Jim Schneider</b></p>	<p>Below is just a sample of stories that Jim presented as it was time for another edition of the News Round-Up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--A male suspect, who's a registered Republican with a lengthy criminal history, was arrested this morning in Florida in connection with suspicious packages sent to prominent Democrats nationwide.</li> <li>--A former Navy explosive ordinance disposal officer authored a viral Twitter thread concerning the potentially explosive packages that were addressed to prominent Democrats. He believes its extremely likely that the packages were meant to be intercepted and cause political damage as opposed to actual attempts to harm targets.</li> <li>--The New York Times is defending its publication of a fictional short story about the President's assassination by a Russian.</li> <li>--Vice President Mike Pence announced that the president of Honduras told him that the migrant caravan making its way through Mexico was organized by leftist groups and financed by Venezuela.</li> <li>--Guatemalan authorities rescue a group of minors from human smugglers in the caravan.</li> <li>--Sydney Powell, former Assistant United States Attorney and Appellate Section Chief in the Western and Northern Districts of Texas, says no on can stop the president from closing the border to protect the nation from dangerous aliens.</li> <li>--President Trump used President Obama's own words against him when he quoted Obama's forceful 2005 opposition to illegal immigration.</li> <li>--The Department of Defense is sending hundreds of American troops to reinforce the southern border.</li> <li>--Several hundred migrants from Honduras had gathered in a border town with more streaming in by the hour in what could be the start of another wave of people</li> </ul>

			<p>coming north.</p> <p>--U.S. Customs and Border Protection says 521,090 foreigners were either apprehended or turned away at the U.S. border with Mexico in fiscal year 2018 that ended in September. That's a 25.4% increase from fiscal year 2017.</p> <p>--Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton has been asked to launch a criminal investigation into a mailing by Democrats of voter registration forms that have the citizen box already pre-checked.</p> <p>--San Francisco to let non-citizens vote in the city's school board race.</p> <p>--A New Hampshire judge put on hold a law requiring some voters to present proof of residency when they register saying it would lengthen lines at polling places and make it difficult for students, disabled voters and others to cast ballots.</p> <p>--Speculation is that Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren could team up to run against President Trump.</p> <p>--Oregon has a ballot measure to stop sanctuary state policies that prevent local police from working with federal immigration authorities and to deport illegal aliens.</p> <p>--Alexander Soros, the son of billionaire George Soros, donated \$100,000 to an independent expenditure committee intended to support Representative Keith Ellison's bid to become attorney general of Minnesota.</p> <p>--A clip in Australia portrays Jesus before his death on the cross being asked by Roman guards if he's considered donating his organs before he dies.</p> <p>--A Virginia middle school is getting rid of all mentions of Jesus Christ in their upcoming, school-wide Christmas program.</p> <p>--The Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice is planning a blessing of the Planned Parenthood abortion center located in Columbus, Ohio. It appears to be a response to the closing ceremony of the 40 Days for Life campaign.</p> <p>--Florida law officials foiled a plot by two Satan worshiping middle-school girls who planned to kill over a dozen smaller children, to eat their flesh and drink their blood.</p>
10/29	Midterms and Islam	<p><b>Jim Schneider / Usama Dakdok</b></p>	<p>Usama Dakdok is the founder of the Straight Way of Grace Ministry. Usama travels throughout the United States and Canada equipping Christians to be effective witnesses of Jesus Christ to their Muslim neighbors as well as ministering to Muslims directly. He has conducted a word for word translation of the Qur'an from Arabic into English called, 'The Generous Qur'an' and has also authored the two-volume set, 'Exposing the Truth about the Qur'an'.</p> <p>Many listeners may be aware of the tragedy that broke out over the weekend at a Jewish synagogue in Pittsburgh. It's said to be the deadliest attack on Jews in American history as 11 people were killed. The suspect allegedly shouted out, 'All Jews must die!' He also allegedly told police, 'I just want to kill Jews.'</p> <p>Usama began by informing listeners that the killer's alleged statement, 'All Jews must die', '...is the echoing of the words of the self-proclaimed prophet of Islam, Mohammed.' After quoting Mohammed himself from the Qur'an as proof, he also noted that Mohammed hated the Jews and Christians. This hatred can be found going all the way back to chapter one and Muslims pray that chapter in their 5 daily prayers. He assured Muslims that Jews and Christians will be completely removed from the face of the earth as they must accept Islam or be killed. That is the reality of Islam.</p> <p>On this point, Usama concluded by saying you don't have to be a Muslim to kill a Jew or Christian. You simply need to be a follower of Satan.</p>

			<p>So how did Usama react when Jim noted that the Council on American/Islamic Relations (CAIR) expressed solidarity with the Jewish community? What about the fundraising effort by some American Muslims to support the victims of the Pittsburgh shooting?</p> <p>Usama reminded listeners that after the Saudi's sponsored the 19 hijackers that killed 3,000 Americans during 9-11, they tried to send thousands and thousands of dollars, but former New York City Mayor Rudy Guilliani would not accept it. Just like this situation, Usama believes Muslims are practicing 'taqiyya' (lying/deception to advance the cause of Islam) in their alleged support of the victims in the Pittsburgh synagogue shooting.</p> <p>The second quarter hour began as Jim noted that we're seeing a record number of Muslims running for political office. Usama responded by predicting that by 2020 over 300 Muslim men and women will be running for office in America.</p> <p>Why is this problematic? It's because the goal of the Muslims is to remove our constitution and replace it with Shariah. Usama pointed to Europe where just a few years ago, Muslims were doing the very thing they're doing today in America. Here in the U.S. however, Muslims know they cannot apply Shariah unless they are a senator or congressman.</p> <p>Why did 800 influential Islamic scholars from 100 nations feel the need to meet in order to establish that Islam is a religion of peace? Is there any Islamic connection to the caravan headed to America from the south? Who is Mustafa Syeed and what has he said concerning a plan for achieving Islamic rule in America? What are the 3 goals Muslims have for America? Why do Muslims vote for Democrats? The answers to these questions have a connection to our elections. Find out how and why when you review this edition of Crosstalk</p>
10/30	Midterm Election and LGBT	Jim Schneider / Peter LaBarbera	<p>Peter LaBarbera is the founder and president of Americans for Truth about Homosexuality.</p> <p>The gay community attempts to use the rainbow as their symbol, and with that in mind, could the New York Times be right that a 'rainbow wave' is possible? After all, 2018 has more LGBTQ candidates than ever before. The Times has noted that there are 21 openly LGBT individuals nominated for Congress and 4 running for governor.</p> <p>Peter described how the homosexual factor is a non issue in all of this except when it's being celebrated. If you criticize it, that's viewed as bigotry and homophobia. This makes it hard to campaign by communicating an opposing viewpoint.</p> <p>Jim pointed out how the LGBT community is making an issue out of the Trump administration's desire to define gender as male or female. Peter responded by describing the LGBT response as one that communicates the idea that President Trump is redefining terms. He believes that it's a case of 'projection' with those on the left. They charge the opposition with doing the very thing they're guilty of. In other words, it's the homosexual and transgender movements that have been trying to redefine gender. Now we're up to over 50 genders and Peter believes it'll only keep growing.</p> <p>For the first time in America's history, a person who identifies as transgender could be the first person elected governor in Vermont. Another is in the state of Arizona where the Human Rights Campaign has endorsed an openly bi-sexual woman for U.S. Senate.</p> <p>Peter believes the media is not discussing these new gender related terms because they are, '...part and parcel of the homosexual/bisexual/transgender movement.' He also believes it'll be up to alternative media, like VCY America and others, to reintroduce fairness into coverage.</p> <p>He went on to describe this as the redefining of civil rights, a change that's been led by the Southern Poverty Law Center. The tactic is to define moral opposition to immoral sexual behavior as hate. If you do that enough, it begins to penetrate people's thinking so that eventually people associate those opposing immoral behavior as being part of a hate group.</p>

10/31	Midterm Election and Prayer	Jim Schneider / Sam Rohrer	<p>This edition of Crosstalk began with an update regarding 51 year old Christian mother Asia Bibi. She was arrested in 2009 after her Muslim coworkers accused her of insulting Mohammed, an offense punishable by death. She has been acquitted by the Pakistan Supreme Court, was released, and she's been taken to an undisclosed location. Prayer is still needed for her as she may be targeted for assassination as Islamists have placed a bounty of about \$375,000 (U.S.) on her head.</p> <p>Sam Rohrer is the president of American Pastors Network and Pennsylvania Pastors Network. He's a former state legislator in Pennsylvania and was frequently referred to as the 'Conscience of the House' because of his stance for moral truth in public policy. He's the speaker on the program, 'Stand in the Gap'.</p> <p>Sam has been burdened for believers to pray fervently for our nation and specifically for this election. This is because he believes there's power in prayer. We are commanded to pray for things big and small and we shouldn't wait until emergencies to do so.</p> <p>He realizes that the upcoming election is not on the biblical calendar but he realizes that, '...the elections tend to drive the attitude and the thinking of all Americans.' So he believes there needs to be a 'doubling-down' in prayer. So his organization is calling for a 'day of prayer' which they did this Tuesday and extends up to election day.</p> <p>Sam commented on those who believe that they have no responsibility to vote because of the sovereignty of God. He noted that they are partially right but being partially right can be fatal. God does raise up and put down those in authority, however, is there a duty and responsibility of citizens to be part of the process? Yes there is. If we're responsible and commanded by God to pray for people in office, is it not logical to assume that we should take some interest in those who have chosen to run for office? Also, if it's an honorable thing to occupy a position of authority (Romans 13) how can we remove ourselves from the process? He calls this a lie of the Devil and is therefore not biblical under any circumstance. The result of not being involved could be fatal to our nation's freedom.</p> <p>Sam also talked about deception that is swirling about. For example, he noted a quote from George Soros who allegedly said he can go out and rent an evangelical whenever he wants to. Sam sees this as a wake-up call where the mercy of God is giving us an insight into how Satan works. So when we as God's people don't pick up on that or understand that we have a wolf among he sheep, the sheep will be devoured.</p> <p>As this program progressed, Sam discussed the matter of life, the freedom to practice faith, the importance of having justices on the federal court system that have a biblical worldview, national borders/immigration, how to treat Israel, how to deal with LGBTQ issues, and much more including input from Crosstalk listeners nationwide.</p>
11/1	Midterm Election and Life	Jim Schneider / Brad Mattes	<p>Brad Mattes is the president and CEO of Life Issues Institute headquartered in Cincinnati. Their mission is that of assuring through education, equal protection under the law for all living humans from the beginning of their biological life at fertilization until natural death.</p> <p>Jim began by quoting from a NARAL Pro-Choice America e-mail asking people to vote for pro-choice candidates. Also, Nancy Pelosi said they will have a pro-choice gavel when they win Congress.</p> <p>If pro-aborts get hold of the Senate, Brad believes that would stop all future pro-life Supreme Court justices as well as stopping strict constructionists and pro-life judges on the appellate and district courts. On the House side it would stop any pro-life legislation such as the stopping of funding for Planned Parenthood.</p> <p>The Alabama Supreme Court is asking the U.S. Supreme Court to take up a matter pertaining to abortion. The court said that the value of the life of an unborn child is no less than the value of the lives of other persons and that they are entitled to the full and equal protection of the law.</p> <p>Brad followed this up by noting that there are other key pieces of legislation that are set to face the courts. One involves whether states can take away Planned Parenthood funding through Medicaid. Others involve dismemberment abortion along with protection for women and their</p>

		<p>babies entering abortion mills. In the latter case, this would involve requiring abortionists to have admitting privileges to a hospital within 30 miles or 15 minutes from the abortion facility.</p> <p>Planned Parenthood is pouring tens of millions of dollars into the mid-term elections, all for keeping alive the option to kill unborn children. Brad communicated that Planned Parenthood is, '...an extreme organization that wants to keep abortion legal throughout pregnancy for any reason, even for sex selection in the 8th month.'</p> <p>Election battleground states critical to the fight for life include Arizona, Tennessee, North Dakota, Montana, Indiana, Missouri and Florida.</p> <p>Jim also had Brad comment on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Ballot measures related to life in West Virginia, Oregon and Alabama.</li> <li>--Why Planned Parenthood became unglued when it was leaked that the Trump administration was seeking to return the definition of gender to male and female.</li> <li>--A Mississippi grandmother allegedly stabbed a 20 month old baby and allegedly put it in a heated oven.</li> <li>--The built-up anger of pro-abortion groups over the number of pro-life laws that have been enacted in recent years.</li> </ul>
11/2	News Roundup	<p><b>Jim Schneider</b></p> <p>The following is a sample of the current event stories Jim covered, stories that were followed by listener comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Prayers requested for the family of Charles Wescoe, a missionary in Cameroon in West Africa who was shot and killed in front of his wife and children.</li> <li>--This Sunday is the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church.</li> <li>--A spokesperson with the Heritage Institute has indicated that President Trump is correct when he says that the 14th Amendment of the Constitution does not require universal birthright citizenship. The key phrase is '...subject to the jurisdiction thereof.' That conditional phrase is misinterpreted or ignored by birthright citizenship advocates.</li> <li>--A dozen migrants traveling on foot to the U.S. from Honduras filed a class action lawsuit against President Trump, the Department of Homeland Security and others.</li> <li>--The U.S. military sent 5,200 active duty troops this week to the U.S./Mexico border.</li> <li>--President Trump amplified his message ahead of the mid-term elections next week saying he is now prepared to send 15,000 troops to the border in advance of the caravan of migrants.</li> <li>--The U.S. border patrol reportedly told Texas landowners at the border to prepare for a possible influx of armed civilians on their property.</li> <li>--The second migrant caravan to come from Guatemala into Mexico since October 19th crossed into Mexico on October 29th while defying a large police presence.</li> <li>--A group of Central American migrants facing deportation set fire to a Mexican immigration facility in an apparent attempt to escape.</li> <li>--Mexican authorities deported two fugitive Honduran caravan migrants wanted for their respective alleged roles in a triple murder and drug trafficking.</li> <li>--President Trump announced that in response to what he called, 'The crisis at our southern border' in a search of fraudulent asylum claims in recent years, his administration will soon require asylum seekers to lawfully present themselves at a port of entry.</li> <li>--The possibility exists for contagious diseases coming to America from</li> </ul>

			<p>those in the caravan.</p> <p>--An MSNBC reporter traveled to Houston to interview voters in a hotly contested congressional district. In interviews with Latino voters it was discovered that these voters were supporting Republicans and had a bad opinion of the migrant caravan.</p> <p>--A Mexican woman living in Marion, Ohio, was sentenced to 54 months in prison for operating what federal prosecutors called a 'document mill' that produced over 1,000 false identification documents.</p> <p>--President Trump said he plans to sign an executive order ending so-called birthright citizenship.</p> <p>--Lindsey Graham has said he will introduce legislation to end birthright citizenship.</p> <p>--Former Senator Harry Reid said in 1993 that no sane country would grant citizenship to illegal aliens and children born in the U.S.</p> <p>--Referring to those of an illegal nature, Vice President Mike Pence said we have more than 1,000 people attempting to come into our nation every single day.</p> <p>--President Trump is vowing to set up tent cities to end 'catch and release'.</p> <p>--Netflix runs something called, 'Big Mouth'. One critic described it as 'pure evil' while another described it as 'animated kiddie porn'.</p>
11/5	A Critical Midterm Election	Jim Schneider	<p>On the eve of this critical mid-term election, are you aware of the stewardship responsibility Christians have to cast their vote? For those of you who know this, does a particular person, party or issue stand out? The answers varied as Jim opened the phone lines to find out what's on the minds and hearts of Crosstalk listeners.</p> <p>This important broadcast was capped by urgent prayer from Pastors John Wooden, David Brown, Tom Ebert, Rod Schuler and Wayne Van Gelderen</p>
11/6	Election Day 2018	Jim Schneider	<p>Jim began this edition of Crosstalk mentioning some election related news items dealing with former Vice President Joe Biden, the biggest mid-term election House losses since WWII, how the Communist Party USA views this election, evangelicals that don't vote, and more.</p> <p>After reviewing those stories, he opened up the phone lines to hear from Crosstalk listeners regarding the following question: What is the issue that is driving you to the polls today and causing you to say that you are compelled to vote and therefore you cannot in good conscience before the Lord sit this election out?</p>
11/7	Midterm Election Analysis	Jim Schneider / Mat Staver	<p>Mat Staver, the founder and chairman of Liberty Counsel, joined Jim for this followup on the midterm elections. Jim and Mat looked at the following:</p> <p>--In breaking news, Attorney General Jeff Sessions has resigned.</p> <p>--In the Senate, Republicans are the majority party and those numbers were strengthened.</p> <p>--The Democrats took control of the House of Representatives.</p> <p>--Florida rejected a socialist governor.</p> <p>--Why Mat hopes Nancy Pelosi becomes Speaker of the House.</p> <p>--A record breaking number of women won seats in Congress, including the first 2 Muslim women.</p> <p>--The Human Rights Campaign said they made a 26 million dollar investment in the largest grassroots expansion in its 38 year history. Mat believes the gains made by LGBT candidates came about not because these individuals were</p>

			<p>qualified, but because of identity politics.</p> <p>--With the Democrats now holding sway in the House, is the Equality Act about to be rolled out?</p> <p>--Kim Davis lost her bid for re-election.</p> <p>--Michigan said 'yes' to legalizing the recreational use of marijuana. The Michigan State Medical Society issued a press release warning about the abuse and addiction concerns and the harm that can take place to communities, families and youth.</p> <p>--Alabama approved an amendment saying unborn babies have a right to life. West Virginia approved a pro-life amendment saying there's no right to abortion. Mat believes decisions like these will ultimately provide direct challenges to Roe v. Wade.</p> <p>--Texas allegedly allowed illegal aliens to vote.</p> <p>...and much more including views expressed by Crosstalk listeners.</p>
11/8	What the Bible Says about Race	Jim Schneider / Ken Ham	<p>Ken Ham is the CEO and founder of Answers in Genesis-US, the highly acclaimed Creation Museum and the world-renowned Ark Encounter. Ken is the speaker on the daily 'Answers with Ken Ham' and is the author of numerous books, including, 'One Blood for Kids: What the Bible Says About Race'.</p> <p>Ken believes the church should have been leading the way on the issues of racism and prejudice. This hasn't happened because so much of the church hasn't taught the true history in Genesis, they've ignored it or compromised it through the ideas of evolution and millions of years.</p> <p>The Bible makes it clear that all of us are the descendants of Adam and Eve. Biologically, this means there's only one race. When you start with Genesis 1-11 as the foundation for your worldview, dealing with the issue of racism is much easier. After that you can use observational science (the science of genetics) to show that it confirms biblical history on this topic. In fact, when the Human Genome Project mapped the human genome back in 2000, they found that there's only one race.</p> <p>On the other hand, Darwin's view espoused in his book, 'The Descent of Man' is an inherently racist one. He teaches about lower races and higher races, those who were primitive and others who were advanced. For example, he taught that the Australian Aborigines were a lower race closer to the apes.</p> <p>This program also deals with the term 'race' vs. 'people groups', why human skin has a wide range of skin tone, atheists trying to undermine the impact of Ark Encounter, news regarding a special upcoming conference at the Answers Center, Christmas activities, Ken's biblical explanation regarding slavery, and much more including input nationwide from Crosstalk listeners.</p>
11/9	News Roundup	Jim Schneider	<p>The following is a sample of stories that made the cut for this week's edition of the news round-up:</p> <p>--WWI ended 100 years ago this coming Sunday, Veterans Day.</p> <p>--The WWI memorial known as the 'Bladensburg Cross' in Maryland is under attack from atheists and Muslims.</p> <p>--A mysterious man in black clutching a semi-automatic pistol opened fire at a California bar packed with college students who were celebrating 'country night' on Wednesday.</p> <p>--CNN's Jim Acosta had his press credentials suspended after an exchange with President Trump and interaction with a White House press aid.</p>

			<p>--Various press organizations chime in on the revoking of Acosta's credentials.</p> <p>--Multiple election recounts possible in the state of Florida.</p> <p>--Texas Republican Governor Greg Abbott is calling for an investigation into alleged illegal voting after Project Veritas published a video that shows poll workers in Texas saying non-citizens could vote.</p> <p>--A Georgia poll worker was caught on video telling an undercover journalist posing as a voter that he should vote Democrat.</p> <p>--Gun control advocates in Washington state have peddled Initiative 1639 that seeks to create stricter firearms laws.</p> <p>--Florida voted overwhelmingly to restore voting rights to an estimated 1.5 million former felons.</p> <p>--A newly elected Muslim congresswoman wore a Palestinian flag at her primary victory celebration in Michigan.</p> <p>--A man was arrested in Oklahoma City on a complaint of threatening to kill via use of explosive.</p> <p>--A Michigan migrant who stabbed a police officer while screaming 'Allahu Akbar' says he's innocent.</p> <p>--A politician in Sweden is charged with hate speech for saying jihadists scream 'Allahu Akbar' before blowing themselves up.</p> <p>--The home of a Jewish family in Las Vegas was tagged with anti-Semitic graffiti.</p> <p>--Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg fractured 3 ribs after a fall in her chambers at the U.S. Supreme Court.</p> <p>--According to a recent article in the New Yorker, Gavin Newsome helped his mother commit assisted suicide.</p> <p>--Jim provided audio of Nancy Pelosi's response after being asked about becoming the Speaker of the House.</p> <p>--Democrats have demanded that President Trump turn over his tax returns and declared that investigating his personal financial records would be the first item on their agenda come January.</p> <p>--President Trump signed a presidential proclamation barring asylum protections for migrants who entered the U.S. illegally.</p>
11/12	Eyers Wide Open! America's Muslim Agenda	Jim Schneider / Shahram Hadian	<p>Islam is making its advance across America. It's quest is for world domination, a world caliphate. The message shared on this edition of Crosstalk was delivered by Shahram Hadian in October, 2018 before a 'Steeling the Mind' conference which was held in Denver, Colorado. It's called, 'Eyes Wide Open!' as Shahram addressed America's Muslim Agenda.</p> <p>Shahram Hadian is a former Muslim born in Iran who came to the states in 1978. An individual shared the Gospel with him and though offended at first, he committed his life to Jesus Christ. Shahram has begun the TIL Project, the Truth in Love Project, which exposes the true goal of Islam and the threat of Sharia in America. He has served as a pastor and a police officer, and a former candidate for Governor in Washington State.</p> <p>Shahram began by saying Christians should be able to look to the signs of the times, understand what the times are telling us and what the Spirit is saying...that we are heading toward that time of a one world religion.</p> <p>One of the signs is the belief today that the absolute truth of Christianity is considered sinful, racist, narrow-minded, unloving, un-christlike or that you're even a white supremacist. Some of these accusations even come from people within the church.</p> <p>He noted how the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches have been promoting Marxist, socialist, globalist and now Islamic propaganda. He specifically cited the Minnesota Council of</p>

			<p>Churches who in the last year and a half have been encouraging churches and Christians to put up yard signs telling Muslims that they want to bless Ramadan. Ramadan is the time of month where Muhammad claims that the revelation of the Qur'an came, yet the Qur'an is a book that denies every major tenet of Christianity. So why would churches bless an ideology that denies the Christian faith? That's a divided house.</p> <p>Replacement theology is growing at an alarming rate. That ideology perverts support for the nation of Israel. As Christians betray biblical Israel, confusion sets in concerning the ideology of Islam. For example, you see Christians become pro-Palestinian when we know there's never been a Palestinian homeland nor has there ever been a nation called Palestine.</p> <p>Shahram, therefore, believes that Islam is part of God's judgment in the last days and those threats are coming from globalism, socialism, Marxism, and the push for one-world government. However, the push for one-world religion has to have Islam as the centerpiece. Why? It's because Islam makes up the second most populated group on earth (1.7 billion adherents).</p> <p>Shahram went on to examine biblical evidence from Ezekiel 38 as well as Psalm 83, the latter of which communicates an enemy wiping out the nation of Israel so that their name is no longer remembered. That couldn't have happened before 1948 because there was no nation called 'Israel' between 586BC and 1948. Interestingly, if you look at the Hamas charter, not only does it say they want to wipe Israel off the planet and force them into the sea, they don't want that name ever remembered. In addition, every nation listed in Psalm 83 is today, an Islamic one.</p> <p>Is this coincidental or are we seeing Bible prophecy play out in this scenario that appears to be moving us toward one-world religion?</p> <p>Shahram has much more, not only during this hour of Crosstalk, but on the CD and DVD editions that can be ordered via the contact information below.</p>
11/13	Election Integrity at State in Florida	Jim Schneider / Mat Staver	<p>This has been a very contentious mid-term election. The integrity of the election in many locations is coming under scrutiny as irregularities have taken place, calling into question the voting process, the safeguarding, discovery and re-creation of ballots, incompetence of officials, court challenges, the potential stealing of elections, and more.</p> <p>Joining Jim to look at this was Mat Staver. Mat is the founder and Chairman of Liberty Counsel.</p> <p>There were clear winners in the mid-term Florida election by tens of thousands of votes, particularly in the race of Rick Scott vs. Bill Nelson in the state senate and between Ron DeSantis and Andrew Gillum for governor.</p> <p>The problem is that votes just kept coming in, they kept counting them, and they came in from places not seen before. This occurred from 2 counties, Broward County in the Fort Lauderdale area, as well as Palm Beach County. Both are heavily Democrat counties.</p> <p>The supervisor of elections in Broward County, Brenda Snipes, was under scrutiny in 2016. Mat noted a recent court case where she was sued and the judge ruled that she violated both state and federal law, While the case was under litigation, ballots were supposed to be preserved for 22 months and she allegedly destroyed them.</p> <p>Interestingly, 3 weeks prior to the mid-term election, a devastating hurricane wiped out portions of the northern Florida Panhandle. Those areas that were decimated managed to get their votes counted on time, yet Broward County and Palm Beach County, counties that went untouched, still don't have their votes. In fact, Palm Beach County has said they won't make the deadline issued by the court for this Thursday.</p> <p>Because these two counties closed the margin after the fact (where a 72,000 vote margin in the governor's race shrank to 34,000 and 51,000 shrank to 13,000 in the senate race) the entire state is required to run all votes back through the machine. This must be done by this Thursday. That's the first level of recount.</p>

			<p>If these two counties fail to get their recount finished by this Thursday, what they reported last week (Saturday) will be what they have to deal with. At that point it has to be determined if the vote margin is less than one-quarter of one percent. If it is after the recount, then a statewide hand recount is in order.</p> <p>How do military and provisional ballots factor in to the recount? Did provisional ballots get segregated properly from the valid, counted ballots? Is there incompetence going on here or is it blatant and willful fraud? You decide when you review this vital Crosstalk broadcast</p>
11/14	Israel Attacked... Again	Jim Schneider / David Rubin	<p>David Rubin is the former mayor of Shiloh, Israel, in the region of Samaria, known to much of the world as the West Bank. He's founder and president of Shiloh Israel Children's Fund, established to heal the trauma of terror victim children after he and his three year old son were seriously wounded in a terror attack. He is known as a 'trusted voice' in Israel. He's author of multiple books including 'The Islamic Tsunami', 'Peace for Peace: Israel in the New Middle East' and his latest title, 'Trump and the Jews'.</p> <p>David began by informing listeners that over the last 24-48 hours there were over 500 rocket attacks launched against Israel from the Gaza Strip that resulted in loss of life and property. This is the area where the Hamas and the Islamic Jihad terrorist organizations are based and in total control.</p> <p>There were various responses, and as a result there were emergency consultations involving top brass within the military, Prime Minister Netanyahu as well as Defense Minister Avigdor Lieberman. The result is that Israel's defense forces were given the 'green light' to counter with a full-scale operation in Gaza.</p> <p>Israel's Security Cabinet had an intense, 7 hour meeting yesterday that involved differences of opinion, but David simplified things down to this: It was the opinion of Prime Minister Netanyahu that Israel should not launch a full-scale operation in Gaza. The two right-wing parties, including the defense minister, took a very strong stand that Israel has to go forward with the full-scale option.</p> <p>In the end, the majority of the cabinet went along with Prime Minister Netanyahu while Defense Minister Lieberman has resigned.</p> <p>David explains more on the attack including how's Israel's election process factors in to this, why Jewish liberals don't support Israel's right to exist, if there's a connection between Hamas and the Palestinian Authority, the reaction of the Trump administration, and much more including the thoughts of Crosstalk listeners.</p>
11/15	Crosstalk Listeners Speak from Their Soapbox	Jim Schneider	<p>There are many times when the Crosstalk studio phone lines fill up, the program ends, and those who wanted to comment on a particular subject aren't able to do so. In response, Jim allowed this edition of the program to be a 'soapbox' where listeners could speak on issues of importance to them.</p> <p>Listeners from across the nation called to comment on a wide variety of subjects including the Florida and Arizona elections, baptism, walking out of a church, Christians who vote for Democrats, the spiritual condition of our nation, prayer for souls, those who disrespect the president, and much more.</p>
11/16	News Roundup	Jim Schneider	<p>This week's edition of the 'Round-Up' featured these and many other stories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--California investigators reveal that 7 more sets of human remains have been found bringing the total number of people killed in the recent fires to 63.</li> <li>--Jim read 2 stories of rescue dealing with the California fires.</li> <li>--One of the many media groups supporting ISIS operations online claimed that the California wildfires are retribution for coalition bombings in Syria.</li> <li>--A migrant from Honduras intended to wait for thousands more and hoped to jump the fence in a large group to overwhelm border patrol agents at the U.S./Mexican border.</li> <li>--More than a dozen members of the migrant caravan were arrested Wednesday</li> </ul>

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11/19	Crosstalk Listeners Give Thanks – 2018	Jim Schneider	<p>This edition of Crosstalk began with Jim requesting prayer for Joni Eareckson Tada who has received her second cancer diagnosis. Many Crosstalk listeners know Joni as an author, radio host, founder of Joni and Friends and a staunch advocate for the disabled community.</p> <p>As Psalm 100:4 says: 'Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless His name.'</p> <p>Psalm 97:12 says: 'Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.'</p> <p>In the spirit of those words from Scripture, Jim opened the phone lines to let listeners express why they are thankful.</p>

11/20	By Which We Are Saved	<p style="text-align: center;">Jim Schneider / Preston &amp; Kelly Condra</p>	<p>Preston and Kelly Condra are the founders of Sufficient Word Publishing, a ministry designed to increase, edify and equip the church using the power of the Holy Spirit through God's sufficient, written Word. Preston is an ordained pastor who was involved as a youth and adult singles minister for nearly 10 years before joining the staff of Watchman Fellowship. He has also served as an adjunct professor and guest lecturer at Christian college and seminaries.</p> <p>Kelly practices counseling and private coaching after working for a decade as a teacher. She also founded Northern Light Missions, a Gospel and Christian education ministry. Together they have co-authored a couple books, one of which was discussed today, 'By Which We Are Saved'.</p> <p>Preston has noted that the marginalization of the church has led to culture shift of a magnitude almost unimaginable just a few decades ago. He began by noting how this has affected things within the Southern Baptist denomination where they are seeing a sharp decline in baptisms.</p> <p>Preston agrees that believers baptism as practiced by Southern Baptists has nothing to do with a person's salvation, but Southern Baptists do track the number of new believers by the number of individuals that are baptized.</p> <p>In 1950, the Southern Baptist Convention baptized 376,000 people. Today they're baptizing 250,000. In 2017, they baptized 280,000. To drop 30,000 in one year is significant because at 280,000 you'd think those individuals would be sharing their faith.</p> <p>He also cited George Barna who looked at evangelicals overall. Last year he indicated that 23% of Christian adults share their faith on a regular basis. When he looked at what they're sharing (the idea that people are basically good, that humans have evolved from other life forms, and that Jesus understands our struggle because he sinned while on earth), he said only 10% actually share a biblical gospel.</p> <p>Kelly then explained something that complicates matters. For example, the Latter Day Saints (Mormons) used to clearly say they are not Christians whereas now they say they are. So if a group that is so far removed from orthodox beliefs is now calling themselves Christian and Christians themselves are starting to view Christianity as a lifestyle (being moral, church membership, reading the Bible, believing Jesus existed etc.), that's not right because Christians are to be 'born-again'. This involves a spiritual birth that has you communing with God.</p> <p>Does the believer's call to proclaim the gospel change just because society is changing or less accepting of Christianity? Kelly believes the Bible does not change and God's call to us doesn't change. What has changed is the fact that Christians are viewing it differently in the culture and this has some from other nations believing we need to be evangelized.</p> <p>In the end, Preston and Kelly believe that 1 Corinthians 15: 3-4 is the essential core of the gospel. This involves who Christ is, what he did, why we need it, how we get it and where it's found.</p> <p>This program is packed with information as Preston and Kelly answer questions critical to the gospel and its presentation to non-believers. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Is faith a 'work' in itself?</li> <li>--Is 'spiritual birth' something that is commonly understood?</li> <li>--What is a false conversion and how can we keep that from happening?</li> <li>--Does a person have to see that they're lost before they can be saved?</li> <li>--Should a person ask someone they are witnessing to for a decision for Christ or not?</li> <li>--How do we answer the person who challenges the character of God as it relates to hell?</li> <li>--Did God create evil?</li> <li>--How do we answer someone who says that all religions lead to God?</li> <li>--What about the person who claims they show by their conduct that they're a Christian?</li> </ul>
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11/21	The Role of the Church (11-2-18)	Jim Schneider / Pastor Greg Lundstedt	<p>At VCY America, we believe the local church is VITAL. That Jesus Christ has established the Church of which, He is the Head (Ephesians 4:15) and that the gates of Hell will not prevail against it (Matthew 16:18). Very sadly however, and to the dismay of so many, there is clearly less and less interest being shown toward the Church here in America. Today we ask the question - what is the role of the Church? Joining us for today's discussion is Greg Lundstedt. Greg serves as Pastor/Teacher of the Vancouver Bible Fellowship in Vancouver, Washington. He is heard weekly on the VCY America Radio Network and Equipping the Saints Radio.</p> <p>When asked 'what is the role of the Church?' Pastor Greg first answers 'ultimately, to glorify Christ' made up of 'those who have trusted in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior who have been indwelt by the Spirit of God...who are the Church, the body of Christ.' Quoting from Ephesians chapter 4 he teaches how the Church is for so much more than what is being understood or popularized today. He makes it clear that the Church is not 'in anyway shape or form for the world but, is actually for believers...and although someone who doesn't know Christ may come and hear the gospel and praise the Lord, should they fall down and trust in Christ, even still, the Church remains for believers, to be built up for the works of service and to glorify Christ, to exalt Him.' But when asked are we taking the right stands, doing the right things? He answers 'no.'</p> <p>Crosstalk asks several important questions including the importance of sound doctrine, why youth are leaving the Church, the rise of Islam and interfaith dialogue as well as the LGBTQ movement. Even with all of these things, Pastor Greg shares that his greatest concern is that 'it seems everyone is doing what is right in their own eyes. That people are just deciding we should do church this way or that way and you see people following just as the Scriptures warn, wanting their ears tickled' (2 Timothy 4). He is grieved that the 'seeker sensitive model' which breaks God's principles is so forth going and 'isn't good.' He reiterates that 'the Church is for the saved to be built up, and THEN to go into the world that people would hear the Gospel and be saved.' Regardless, Pastor Greg's faith is strong in God and says the Church need remain steadfast in 'leading, guiding and protecting' the flock. Crosstalk takes your phone calls!</p>
11/22	Crosstalk Listeners Give Thanks	Jim Schneider	<p>This edition of Crosstalk began with Jim requesting prayer for Joni Eareckson Tada who has received her second cancer diagnosis. Many Crosstalk listeners know Joni as an author, radio host, founder of Joni and Friends and a staunch advocate for the disabled community.</p> <p>As Psalm 100:4 says: 'Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless His name.'</p> <p>Psalm 97:12 says: 'Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.'</p> <p>In the spirit of those words from Scripture, Jim opened the phone lines to let listeners express why they are thankful</p>
11/23	Rescue Mission meeting Needs	Jim Schneider / John Ashmen	<p>John Ashmen is the president of the Association of Gospel Rescue Missions. They're North America's oldest and largest network of independent ministries providing a ministry of hospitality for the poor and powerless.</p> <p>How many people are going homeless on a daily basis? According to John, if you look at the government numbers, there are approximately 550 thousand on any given night. He also noted that while you may hear that homelessness is going down, you can't be positive about that because of the way the count is done.</p> <p>Rescue missions started in North America in the late 1800's. An immigrant from New York City named Jerry McAuley went to Sing-Sing prison for a crime he committed. While there he felt the Lord told him to go back to New York. He was to clean them up on the outside and the Lord would clean them up on the inside. There he started the Jerry McAuley Water Street Mission.</p> <p>Missions over the years have changed. During the 'Roaring 20's', alcoholism became an issue that missions had to deal with on a regular basis. Then there was the 'Great Depression' where there were those who were jobless and hungry.</p>

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11/26	LGBT Agenda Pushed	Jim Schneider / Peter LaBarbera	<p>Peter LaBarbera is the founder and president of Americans for Truth About Homosexuality.</p> <p>Below is a selection of the LGBTQ-related items discussed by Peter and Jim:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--The LGBTQ community made gains on the transgender side in the recent election.</li> <li>--Massachusetts transgender special rights law punishes people with fines and jail time if they refuse to treat gender confused individuals as if their confusion is truth.</li> <li>--American's for Truth website banned by Facebook/locked out by Twitter.</li> <li>--Lesbianism celebrated in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade.</li> <li>--Child 'drag queens' being promoted by the media.</li> <li>--The U.S./Mexico/Canada Agreement (USMCA) has a special social policy element that advances sexual orientation and gender identity to a protected class.</li> <li>--Chad Griffin leaving the Human Rights Campaign.</li> <li>--LGBT activists claiming it's their side that represents family values.</li> </ul>
11/27	Southern Border Stormed	Jim Schneider / Andrew Arthur	<p>Andrew Arthur is a Resident Fellow in Law and Policy for the Center for Immigration Studies, a Washington D.C. based research institute that examines the impact of immigration on American society. He's worked as a trial attorney in District Counsel's Office of the former Immigration and Naturalization Service and was promoted as Associate General Counsel and later Acting Chief of the INS National Security Law Division. He has also advised the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General and the INS Commissioner on issues related to national security. He later became a counsel on the House Judiciary Committee and later appointed to the immigration bench serving 8 years as an immigration judge. He left the bench and went back to Capitol Hill where he served as Staff Director of the National Security Subcommittee at House Oversight and Government Reform before retiring from federal service in 2016.</p> <p>According to Andrew, hundreds of people recently approached the port of entry at San Ysidro. When they were unable to enter, they attempted to breach a fence. Projectiles were hurled at border patrol agents and they responded by firing tear gas.</p> <p>Much has been made about a woman at the border fleeing with 2 young children. However, as Jim noted, why would any parent who is concerned about the well-being of their children even take them to the front line of a clash? Andrew mentioned a comment from the chief border patrol agent of the San Diego sector who indicated that this group of individuals put women and children at the front, using them as human shields, and that may explain why this woman was there.</p>

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11/29	Hope in a World of	Jim Schneider /	<p>Jim began this edition of Crosstalk with news from the Centers for Disease Control indicating that suicides and drug overdoses pushed up deaths in the U.S. last year, driving a continuing decline in the life expectancy of</p>

	Despair	Rick Bach	<p>Americans.</p> <p>Overall there were 2.8 million U.S. deaths in 2017, nearly 70,000 more than in 2016. It was the most deaths in a single year since the government began counting more than a century ago.</p> <p>This reflects the growing aging population but it also reflects deaths in younger age groups, particularly middle-age individuals. The suicide death rate was the highest it's been in at least 50 years according to U.S. government records. There were more than 47,000 suicides, up from a little under 45,000 the year before.</p> <p>For decades, U.S. life expectancy was increasing, rising a few months almost every year. Now it's trending the other way. It fell in 2015, stayed level in 2016 and declined again in 2017. We're in the longest period of generally declining life expectancy since the late 1910's when WWI and the flu combined to kill nearly one million Americans.</p> <p>CDC officials are not speculating about what's behind this reduced life expectancy, but one disease prevention expert at George Washington University sees a sense of hopelessness.</p> <p>This Crosstalk broadcast focused on that sense of hopelessness and what can be done to obtain victory over it. Joining Jim in the conversation was Rick Bach, manager of the VCY Bookstore.</p> <p>Rick and Jim discussed the testimony of Joni Eareckson Tada, who's written two resources that will be of great help when battling hopelessness. The first one discussed was the book titled, 'Infinite Hope in the Midst of Struggles' and the second is a devotional called, 'Beside Bethesda'. Both resources are normally \$14.99 each and are available now for \$8.84 each.</p>
11/30	News Roundup	Jim Schneider	<p>Below is a sample of what Jim covered this week on the 'Round-Up':</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--President Trump, along with his Mexican and Canadian counterparts, have officially signed the USMCA deal that replaces NAFTA. It still needs to go through Congress.</li> <li>--Ukraine is bracing for a full-on Russian invasion.</li> <li>--President Trump cancels meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin in light of the Ukraine crisis.</li> <li>--A senior Russian diplomat has warned that the planned withdrawal of the U.S. from the 1987 INF Treaty could critically upset stability in Europe.</li> <li>--Representative Liz Cheney commended President's Trump's decision to withdraw from the INF Treaty.</li> <li>--2 Iranian nationals were indicted after a federal grand jury found that they deployed ransomware against U.S. hospitals and other critical infrastructure.</li> <li>--President Trump lights the national Christmas tree.</li> <li>--A father in Texas is fighting to keep custody of his 6 year old son while the boy's mother claims that he's a transgender girl.</li> <li>--'Drag queens' are deliberately grooming the next generation to accept LGBT ideology.</li> <li>--A New York Times opinion article reveals that a man's sex reassignment treatments are making him miserable and tempting him to kill himself, but that's no reason to stop him.</li> <li>--Twitter banning the actions of misgendering in order to stem anti-trans abuse.</li> <li>--According to the Austin, Texas, city council, churches have no right to insist on employees that accept and practice their faith's teachings on homosexuality.</li> <li>--Nearly 2,500 migrants in Tijuana are sick with serious, communicable diseases.</li> <li>--At least 9 people, including 7 illegal immigrants, were in custody after smugglers using a boat came ashore in Southern California.</li> </ul>

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12/3	The Rocks Cry Out: Evidence for Creation	Jim Schneider / Bruce Malone	<p>Bruce Malone is the executive director of Search for the Truth Ministries. He has been speaking on the scientific evidence for creation for some 30 years. He holds a bachelor's in Chemical Engineering and holds 17 patents for new products. He serves as adjunct speaker for the Institute for Creation Research and associate speaker for Logos Research Associates. He's the author of numerous books including the daily devotional, 'Have You Considered? Evidence Beyond a Reasonable Doubt'.</p> <p>Early on, Bruce put forth the following: 'Imagine America if half of every single person in the entire nation had read a book showing how biology, chemistry, astronomy; all of it confirms and supports the Bible as reality and points to a creator behind it all.' He believes that within a generation America would be a different nation. God is doing this in developing nations that his ministry is being allowed to visit.</p> <p>Bruce went on to explain how we've allowed the public school system to train children with the idea that God is irrelevant and that everything can be explained without him. He indicated this is due to a misinterpretation of church/state separation that dates back to 1948. The result is that we now have 3 generations of Americans who've had God left out of their thinking when attending school. Some of these individuals have become teachers who've become even more convinced that what they believe is true because everyone says it and believes it.</p> <p>The seminaries and Bible colleges have been affected by this as well. They want to be credible to the world so when they look at Genesis, what does it say? 10 times in Genesis God said that creatures reproduce after their own kind. That's biology. Look at Genesis 6-9 where it says that every hill (or mountain) under heaven, under earth was covered by water (the flood). Clearly that's not describing a local flood. This is crystal clear, geological language.</p> <p>So pastors go through seminary and are told you can look at this as stories or analogies or realities, then they get into churches filled with people trained in an education system that says the Bible is nonsense and they end up saying that we don't know what's true.</p> <p>Every experiment ever done by every scientist for hundreds of years that attempts to get chemicals to come together and alive is always the same. Chemicals never come alive. The proteins, the enzymes, the DNA structure; they don't exist naturally. They're only made inside of living cells/organisms. It's an exercise in futility, so scientists should look at the results of these experiments and conclude that something outside of life must have made life and organized it. It's a logical and scientifically observable conclusion.</p> <p>Bruce believes that the belief in evolution is a belief in faith; that in the future we'll discover something that will allow us to explain things without God, while the experiments that we do show us there had to have been an organizer of life.</p> <p>In Romans chapter 1:19-21, we're told that everyone is without excuse for belief in God because of what he has made. Even his power and nature can be seen by what he's made. Every observation of science says that matter could not have created itself. The only option left is that the</p>

			<p>universe has a maker.</p> <p>There's much more to learn from this broadcast, and that includes information supplied from Bruce, as he responds to comments from Crosstalk listeners.</p>
12/4	Life Issues	Jim Schneider / Brad Mattes	<p>Brad Mattes is the president and CEO of Life Issues Institute headquartered in Cincinnati. Their mission is that of assuring through education, equal protection under the law for all living humans from the beginning of their biological life at fertilization until natural death.</p> <p>Brad opened this edition of Crosstalk with a wonderful testimony involving Brad's colleague, Dr. John Wilke, who was president of National Right to Life, and George H.W. Bush. It was through a long visit between these two individuals that caused the president to change his stance on life. As history shows, President Bush eventually stopped at least 10 bills that had pro-abortion provisions in them.</p> <p>The major focus of this broadcast was on various items related to the battle for life. Below is a sample of items discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Concerns Brad has going into the next congressional session.</li> <li>--Obamacare exchange plans and abortion.</li> <li>--Pro-life groups met with President Trump to push for the defunding of Planned Parenthood.</li> <li>--Cases working their way through the court system that could make it to the Supreme Court challenging abortion rights.</li> <li>--Planned Parenthood is trying to stop the release of more videos exposing their involvement in the sale of unborn baby body parts.</li> <li>--Companies that help fund Planned Parenthood.</li> <li>--A scientist in China creates the first gene-edited baby.</li> <li>--A Utah abortionist conveyed the message that it's OK to abort an unborn baby if they don't have permission to live in the mother's womb.</li> <li>--Ohio's first abortionist voluntarily surrendered his medical license.</li> <li>--Dutch officials are prosecuting a female nursing home doctor for euthanizing a woman with dementia.</li> </ul>
12/5	2019 Prayer Encouragement Project	Jim Schneider / Randy Melchert	<p>Randy Melchert is a school administrator, a researcher and a consultant. He's a member of the board of directors of VCY America. He has also administered the Bible reading challenge for 2018 and is administering the 2019Pray.org Encouragement Project.</p> <p>A year ago, Randy was on Crosstalk introducing the Bible Reading Challenge for 2018. The reason for this is because Randy discovered that America is in a Bible reading crisis. Only 1 out of 11 Americans are reading the Bible daily. Less than one out of five church goers reads the Bible daily.</p> <p>About 1,000 orders for the One Year Bible were shipped out. Then there was the One Year Bible Reading Plan. Over 1,200 people downloaded that plan just from the 2018bible.org site alone. 139 people joined the mobile app with over 403 on the daily Bible reading e-mail list. 194 were on the Facebook page. There were over 6,000 unique visitors to 2018bible.org.</p> <p>To sign up for the daily Bible reading e-mail go to <a href="http://www.2018bible.org">www.2018bible.org</a>.</p> <p>Regarding the issue of prayer, Randy noted some statistics from LifeWay Research. They've found that 48% of Americans say they pray daily. Pew Research Center had a slightly higher number at about 55%.</p> <p>According to Pew, 79% of evangelicals say they pray daily. So about 4 out of 5 Christians who claim to be born-again pray daily. The big issue is the amount of time that people take for prayer. According to a Census Bureau Time Use Study, in the miscellaneous category was combined prayer and Bible reading. What did it show? Those two activities combined only accounted for 2 minutes and 24 seconds spent per day.</p> <p>Here are some other statistics worth noting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--79% of evangelicals pray each day but 85% of Mormons do so while</li> </ul>

			<p>90% of Jehovah's Witnesses pray each day.  --41% of millennials pray compared to 65% of senior citizens.  --Ph.D educated individuals are at about 49% daily prayer compared to 57% for those without a high school degree.  --Those making six figure incomes are far less likely to pray than those making less than \$30,000 per year.</p> <p>In response, Randy described the 2019 Prayer Encouragement Project (sign up at <a href="http://www.2019pray.org">www.2019pray.org</a>). There's a pop-up at the website asking for an e-mail. This is a bit of daily encouragement to help you pray deeper and longer. You can also learn how to use your smart phone to set a daily reminder.</p> <p>Randy also touched upon prayer length. It's not so much the prayer length, but that throughout the day we continue turn to God in prayer. As Jim noted, the person in the Bible who did just that was Nehemiah.</p> <p>So if you're looking for an encouraging way to improve your prayer life, you'll want to review this edition of Crosstalk.</p>
12/6	John Chau Martyred / News RoundUp	Jim Schneider / Mat Staver	<p>Jim began this edition of the program with news from Liberty Counsel's Mat Staver. The news concerned 26 year old John Chau who was martyred on November 17th by tribal people on North Sentinel Island.</p> <p>Mat knew John personally from Liberty Counsel's Covenant Journey ministry where they take Christian collage age students who demonstrate leadership skills to Israel. John was was part of this group in August of 2015 while a student at Oral Roberts University.</p> <p>Contrary to some news reports, John was not someone merely seeking adventure. Mat later learned from John's mother that John had a burden for the people of North Sentinel Island and this burden dated back to his high school days. The reason for this burden was because John loved Jesus and knew this people group is the last, unreached group on planet earth and he wanted to share Christ with them.</p> <p>John prepared for about a decade for this mission effort. He learned linguistics, went on mission trips, learned to be an EMT, became skilled in outdoor survival techniques and was an experienced guide for hiking and camping trips.</p> <p>Mat's telling of what John left in his journal is very moving as John detailed why he was there, his contact with the island's people, his fears, how the people responded to his singing of Christian songs and how he chose to give all glory to God for whatever would happen.</p> <p>Jim followed this portion of the broadcast by presenting numerous news items. Here's a brief sample:</p> <p>--The second funeral service for George H.W. Bush was held this morning in Texas.  --George W. Bush delivered a tearful, yet humorous eulogy for his father.  Jim played an excerpt of that eulogy.  --ABC News joked about President Trump during George H.W. Bush funeral coverage.  --The House approved a short-term spending bill to avoid a partial government shutdown.  --A top Chinese technology executive was arrested by Canadian authorities at the behest of the U.S. government for violating Iran sanctions.  --Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, South Dakota, to host a forum tonight on the Islamic faith.  --An international consultant and expert on foreign affairs is charging that human sacrifices are happening in Greece after officials were found granting visas to unaccompanied children to facilitate illegal removal of their organs.  --Illinois is allowing the Temple of Satan to install a statue as an exercise</p>

			in the church's First Amendment rights. It's called, 'Snaketivity'
12/7	Dealing with Anger	Jim Schneider / Les Ollila	<p>From anger over politics to road rage, anger has and continues to lead to many undesirable consequences. Sadly, anger even appears in Christian homes and churches, where in the later case, it can cause splits over everything from the color of the carpet to doctrine.</p> <p>Dealing with this issue was Dr. Les Ollila. Dr. Ollila is the founder and director of Building Great Leaders. It's a ministry providing instruction, encouragement, and resources for Christian leaders. He's a former pastor, staff evangelist, and former president of what was then known as Northland Baptist Bible College. He's a member of the Board of Directors of VCY America.</p> <p>Right from the start, Dr. Ollila made a distinction between righteous and unrighteous anger. The Bible teaches that there is a time to be angry but never with sin involved in it. That righteous type of anger was modeled perfectly by Jesus.</p> <p>From there, Dr. Ollila carefully sifted through numerous spiritual and physical aspects related to this topic including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--Being angry and not recognizing it</li> <li>--Causes of anger such as personal pain and people pressure</li> <li>--The countenance of anger</li> <li>--The calamity of anger</li> <li>--Repression, suppression, expression and confession</li> <li>--Focusing on God</li> <li>--The fruit of the Spirit in relation to anger</li> </ul>
12/10	Gun Control Targetted	Jim Schneider / Mike Hammond	<p>The result of the mid-term election is bringing change to the focus and priorities of the House of Representatives. Buzz words being used such as 'investigations', 'impeachment', passage of the so-called 'Equality Act', 'border wall' opposition and finally, 'gun control'.</p> <p>The effort to target the Second Amendment is not only the goal of the new House, it's also part of various state governments.</p> <p>Joining Jim to look at this issue was Michael Hammond. Michael is the legislative counsel for Gun Owners of America.</p> <p>Concerning gun control, what can we expect after control changes in the House of Representatives? According to Mike, Nancy Pelosi said that one of her first objectives after she takes over is to present the largest gun control package that we've seen in a generation as one of the first items considered. In fact, Michael believes she will begin by disarming all representatives in the capitol.</p> <p>Pelosi said she also wants to move quickly on universal background checks. Michael views this as outlawing every private sale of guns in the nation. This is problematic because in some parts of America it would become virtually impossible to buy or sell one. Also, if every transaction requires a form, that means every transaction can potentially be entered into a national gun owners registry.</p> <p>Michael believes they will be successful at filibustering universal background check legislation in the Senate.</p> <p>Michael's most serious concern surrounds Red Flag Proposals, or as he called them, 'gun confiscation orders'. For example, the police or a disgruntled relative of yours could convene a secret court (an ex parte proceeding). This is a secret court in which you're not invited. This court could make an allegation that you are dangerous. You haven't committed a crime nor are you about to. Instead, by the subjective standard of those involved, you are considered dangerous. If the judge agrees, he issues an order which strips you of certain constitutional rights, one of which would be your Second Amendment right.</p> <p>You would possibly not find out about this until the middle of the night when the police S.W.A.T. team arrives. If you resist, they may arrest or even shoot you to death. Michael provided an example to prove the point as well as the response to this process by a congressman from California.</p> <p>There's much more to glean on the Second Amendment issue when you</p>

12/11	Consequences for Refusing to Bow to the Transgender Agenda	Jim Schneider	<p>review this vital Crosstalk broadcast</p> <p>This broadcast circled back to take a look at a story from late last week. It's in regard to Peter Vlaming, a respected high school teacher in West Point, Virginia.</p> <p>Due to his Christian convictions, he refused to use male pronouns for a biological female student. As a result, last Thursday the West Point school board fired him. This is in spite of the fact that according to Vlaming's attorney, there was no allegation that Vlaming consciously misgendered the student or acted maliciously toward her. In addition, the school district's non-discrimination policy had no specific guidance on gender pronouns.</p> <p>This controversy is showing up not only in schools, but also in sports, prisons and even battered women's shelters. How do you feel about this issue? Do you agree or disagree with the decision of the school board concerning the firing of this teacher? Do you believe Christian churches, schools, universities and ministries will be impacted? Listeners were confronted with these questions and you can find out how they responded when you review this edition of Crosstalk.</p>
12/12	A Look at Current Events and Israel	Jim Schneider / Jimmy DeYoung, Jr.	<p>Jimmy DeYoung Jr. is a prophecy teacher, evangelist and youth speaker. Having lived and worked in the Middle East, Jimmy has co-hosted and led numerous prophecy tours to Israel and Jordan. He's the son of Dr. Jimmy DeYoung.</p> <p>Israel, only the size of New Jersey, continues to come under attack. Not only is the nation under attack, but Jews around the world are feeling a rise in anti-Semitism.</p> <p>Are there current events and items of prophetic significance that relate to this issue? In order to answer that, Jim had his guest cover alot of ground as he tackled the following questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Does the term 'Palestinian' apply to a people and a land or is it just a political term?</li> <li>-38% of European Jews are thinking of leaving. What's the reason for this?</li> <li>-What does the Bible say about the regathering of the Jewish people?</li> <li>-How does 'Brexit' affect this?</li> <li>-What is the significance regarding the choice of some nations to want to move their embassies from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem?</li> <li>-What 'props' and 'pieces' are being moved into place pertaining to the rebuilding of the Temple?</li> </ul> <p>Jimmy had much more to say including answers to questions from Crosstalk listeners.</p>
12/13	News Round up and Comment	Jim Schneider	<p>This week's edition of the 'round-up' featured these and many more headlines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Bold opening prayer given before Army/Navy football game.</li> <li>-The Trump administration has formally asked the Supreme Court, in an emergency appeal, to block a nationwide ban on the administration's new asylum policy that was unilaterally instituted by a 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals judge last month.</li> <li>-A suspect in a 1987 bombing that wounded 6 American soldiers in Honduras is leading a group of migrants demanding entry into the U.S.</li> <li>-Child pornography victims could have better access to federal restitution under a bipartisan bill that President Trump signed into law last Friday.</li> <li>-A grotesque report out of Kansas City has drawn attention to the problem of sexual assault of children by other children.</li> <li>-President Trump has announced his nominations for U.S. ambassador to the U.N.</li> <li>-President Trump signed a bill into law Tuesday that would help channel U.S. humanitarian and rebuilding assistance to Christians and other religious and ethnic minorities in Iraq and Syria who were the victims of Isis genocide.</li> <li>-President Trump says the border wall will get built.</li> <li>-Newly elected congress woman from New York, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, has compared the situation of the would-be immigrants in the caravan from Central America ,who she claims are simply turned away at the border, to Jews fleeing the Nazis.</li> <li>-Governments across Europe and beyond are refusing to join a controversial U.N. agreement aiming to accelerate mass immigration into the West.</li> <li>-The president's former 'fixer', Michael Cohen, who once famously claimed he was willing to take a bullet for Donald Trump before later turning against his boss, was sentenced to 3 years in prison by a federal judge in New York after pleading guilty to numerous crimes.</li> </ul>

			Join Jim for the rest of the headlines plus comments from listeners when you review this edition of Crosstalk.
12/14	Christmas Attacked	Jim Schneider / Mat Staver	<p><b>Mat Staver is the founder and chairman of Liberty Counsel.</b></p> <p>Jim had Mat comment on a number of issues highlighted by the latest attacks on Christmas. Discussion included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Brett Kavanaugh sided with the liberal end of the Supreme Court in a case which dealt with states being able to remove funding from Planned Parenthood.</li> <li>• The National Review reported on Democratic National Committee Chairman Tom Perez who (in audio presented by Jim) lamented about the influence of the pulpit.</li> <li>• Liberty Counsel asked the 3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals to take action pertaining to a buffer zone ordinance in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.</li> <li>• There's a live nativity surrounding the Supreme Court and the capitol area. Via letter, PETA complained about the use of live animals and quoted <a href="#">Matthew 25:40</a> in an attempt to make their point.</li> <li>• A principal in the Manchester Elementary School District in Elkhorn, Nebraska sent out a sarcastic, 3 page memo, stating what you can and cannot do at Christmas.</li> <li>• A Canadian church was invited by the city to take part in a market festival in front of city hall. A reading <a href="#">Matthew 1:18-25</a> in German was part of the festivities but the microphone was cut off.</li> <li>• Crosstalk listeners lend their viewpoints as well on this important civil liberties update.</li> </ul>
12/17	Affordable Care Act Hangs in the Balance	Jim Schneider / Twila Brase	<p>Twila Brase is the president and co-founder of the Citizens' Council for Health Freedom. She's a registered nurse, a certified public health nurse and the speaker on the Health Freedom Minute, a daily commentary which airs on radio stations across the nation. She's the author of 'Big Brother in the Exam Room: The Dangerous Truth About Electronic Health Records'.</p> <p>Friday, a federal judge struck down the so-called, 'Affordable Care Act'. Last week, while former President Obama was encouraging people to sign up, Twila was encouraging people not to do that, due to concerns that she outlined on this broadcast.</p> <p>In 2012, Chief Justice Roberts said that the penalty for being uninsured is not really a mandate, we're just going to call it a tax. He said that under the taxing authority of Congress, the Affordable Care Act is constitutional. Conservative justices thought this was going to be written by Roberts in the other direction but instead he left things in place and called the penalty a tax.</p> <p>In a tax bill at the end of last year, Congress took that tax and brought it down to zero, so the law is not generating any revenue. Numerous attorneys general in different states came together in a lawsuit to say that this penalty tax, which was essential to the entire law, is now gone, so the rest of the ACA cannot survive.</p> <p>The judge in this case declared 'summary judgment' in favor of these attorneys general, but he did not issue an injunction to stop the entire ACA. In the meantime the law continues 'as-is'. It's expected to be appealed.</p> <p>How does Twila feel about the timing of this? After all, it came on the eve of the deadline of signing up for Obamacare and after Congress left. Can people get health care for an amount significantly less than a cell phone bill as was stated by President Obama? What are some of the 'Top 10 Terribles' involving The Obamacare insurance exchanges?</p> <p>These and other questions were answered by Twila as she shared her expertise on the subject along with answering questions fielded by Crosstalk listeners.</p>
12/18	Evangelical Groups Adopt LGBT Compromise	Jim Schneider / Peter LaBarbera	<p>Peter LaBarbera is the president of Americans for Truth about Homosexuality.</p> <p>Jim began this program with a shocking fact. Today there are evangelical groups that are linking arms with the LGBT movement to assist in closing churches that condemn homosexuality.</p> <p>He cited <a href="#">WND.com</a> that has noted two major organizations, the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities and the National Association of Evangelicals, that have endorsed adding sexual orientation and gender</p>

			<p>identity protections to federal non-discrimination laws.</p> <p>Peter described this effort as proposing a compromise that would carve out religious exemptions for them, while at the same time creating federal gay rights and transgender rights that would be imposed on the rest of the nation.</p> <p>This issue is based upon 3 points. The first is that God created human beings in His image (male and female) and that sexual relations be reserved for the marriage of one man and one woman.</p> <p>Point number two urges Congress to support long-standing civil rights laws and First Amendment guarantees that protect free religious exercise.</p> <p>Point number three communicates that no one should face violence, harassment, or unjust discrimination on the basis of sex, sexual orientation or gender identity.</p> <p>It's the third point that raises concerns. Who defines 'unjust discrimination'? What about the Christian baker, florist, photographer or wedding venue owner? What about the violation of their religious beliefs and convictions?</p> <p>This third point is the central theme of discussion and you can hear how it played out when you review this important edition of Crosstalk.</p>
12/19	United nations Cop24 Summit	Jim Schneider / Alex Newman	<p>Recently the U.N. Concluded another summit, this time in Poland. It was the 24<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP24).</p> <p>Alex Newman was there and he indicates that this was the most important U.N. global warming summit since the 2015 Paris summit when former President Obama attempted to surrender the sovereignty of the U.S. to a treaty never ratified by our Senate. Alex also reports that the man-made global warming theorists are working to exploit alarmism over the climate in order to restructure nearly every aspect of human life.</p> <p>Alex is an international freelance journalist, author, educator and consultant. His articles frequently appear in The New American. He also writes for Freedom Project Media.</p> <p><b>Jim had Alex comment on numerous points. Some of those included:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the U.S. major media believes in man-made climate change, why were they seemingly absent from the COP24 conference?</li> <li>• Alex communicated that U.N. Secretary General Antonio Guterres believes we need to use this climate movement to transform the entire world. What would that include?</li> <li>• How does feminism fit into all of this?</li> <li>• What does 'carbon pricing' refer to?</li> <li>• Are hurricanes 'preventable emergencies'?</li> <li>• What is the status of the Paris agreement? Has the U.S. pulled out?</li> <li>• Are the polar ice caps holding up or melting away?</li> <li>• How do young people fit into the U.N. plan for sustainable development and global climate change?</li> <li>• What was agreed to at the summit?</li> <li>• What is meant by a 'green economy' and a 'red economy'?</li> </ul> <p><b>Much more is covered and Crosstalk listeners lend their views as</b></p>

12/20	Christmas Thoughts and Testimonies 2018	Jim Schneider	<p><b>well.</b></p> <p>Over the years many have heard about the censorship surrounding Christmas as it pertains to government schools and offices. Such efforts make you wonder why they even bother to close on Christmas.</p> <p>Other groups attempt to mock the Christ of Christmas with displays like 'snaketivity' and tributes to the philosophers of yesteryear.</p> <p>Over 300 messianic prophecies such as <a href="#">Isaiah 7:14</a>, <a href="#">Isaiah 9:6</a> and others aren't just fanciful, ancient thoughts. These are prophecies that came true as the writers looked forward to the birth of Christ.</p> <p>In light of this, Jim gave Crosstalk listeners the opportunity to call in and share with others what they're doing to keep Christ in Christmas, what they're thankful for, an answer to prayer, a special testimony giving glory to God for something that has occurred in their life and anything else related to the Christ of Christmas!</p>
12/21	News Round up	Jim Schneider	<p>Jim packed the full hour with news items of interest to Crosstalk listeners. Some of them included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Republican Senator Mike Lee of Utah is blocking the confirmation of Chai Feldblum to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC). Some religious conservatives have called this woman the 'dragon queen of religious bigotry'.</li> <li>-The Department of Justice has charged two Chinese nationals with an extensive hacking campaign that the U.S. government says went on for approximately 12 years and affected 45 tech companies and government agencies.</li> <li>-Hackers downloaded the Social Security numbers and other personal information from an unknown number of current and former employees of NASA.</li> <li>-Vice President Mike Pence announced that President Trump has signed a memorandum creating the latest, unified combatant command known as U.S. Space Command.</li> <li>-President Trump picked another pro-life leader to join his administration, choosing Mick Mulvaney as his new Chief of Staff.</li> <li>-Arizona Governor Doug Ducey has appointed pro-life Congresswoman Martha McSally to replace outgoing Senator Jon Kyle.</li> <li>-Outgoing Department of Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke claims that costs associated with defending himself and his family from false allegations prompted his decision last Saturday morning to resign.</li> <li>-Francis Collins, director of the National Institutes of Health, is defending research using aborted baby body parts.</li> <li>-Der Spiegel, a German magazine, revealed this week that one of its top, award winning journalists fabricated many its articles.</li> <li>-The Financial Times has named liberal billionaire George Soros as its person of the year for 2018.</li> <li>-Democratic State Senator Robert Hertzberg of California says he's awaiting the arrival of Martians to unite humans.</li> <li>-The 'Yellow Vest' protests of France have 'crossed the pond' to arrive in Canada.</li> <li>-The Electronic Privacy Information Center is urging the European Commission to ensure that children will not be exposed to surveillance while playing.</li> <li>-Stanton Healthcare, a Boise, Idaho, based pro-life women's clinic, announced that they will bring letters from children across America to</li> </ul>

			<p>President Trump thanking him for implementing pro-life policies.</p> <p>–A Christian businessman began his federal prison sentence this week after being convicted of the crime of international parental kidnapping for helping a mother and her child escape control of an unrelated lesbian mother imposed on the child by a Vermont court</p>
12/24	Cantata		"Christmas Stranger"
12/25	Cantata		"Christmas at Our House"
12/26	Former Muslim Arrested for Sharing the Gospel at Mall	Jim Schneider / Ramin Parsa	<p>This Crosstalk is an example of the inroads that Islam has made in America and the serious persecution that can result from holding an opposing viewpoint.</p> <p>Ramin Parsa was born into a Shiite Muslim family shortly after the Iranian Revolution. He had a brother killed in the revolution and most of his family's possessions were taken. He was raised to learned Islamic laws and was made to practice strict Islamic traditions. Following his father's death, as a young adult, he began to seriously question his faith in Islam and called out to God to save him. He later fled Iran coming here to the U.S.</p> <p>This program presents details about an incident involving Ramin, who was detained in August while leaving a coffee shop in Minnesota's Mall of America. The reason for the detention was due to alleged solicitation. That charge was based upon a casual, unplanned conversation he had before entering the coffee shop as he answered questions from two Somali women about his conversion to faith in Christ.</p> <p>Eventually the police were brought in and Ramin was arrested on grounds of criminal trespass. A settlement conference is set to take place on March 7<sup>th</sup> and if charges are not dropped, a trial will be held on April 29<sup>th</sup>.</p>
12/27	Charting the Bible Chronologically	Jim Schneider / Thomas Ice	<p>Dr. Tommy Ice is the director of the Pre-Trib Research Center. He founded the center in 1994 with Dr. Tim LaHaye. Dr. Ice has co-authored over 30 books, written hundreds of articles and is a frequent conference speaker.</p> <p>Why is Bible chronology important for us to know? Dr. Ice believes it's because the Bible is the Word of God. It deals with real events in history. Through the Bible we see chronological issues that you can figure out in order to determine factors such as how old the earth is, how long ago Abraham was called, etc.</p> <p>Dr. Ice noted a very interesting fact about the Bible compared to all other religions. All other religions are based upon a philosophy or ethics. The Bible does have those things but only the Bible is built on whether or not something actually happened in history. This is because it's God's record of His revelation.</p> <p>For Dr. Ice, history is not just a cyclical series of human events but it's progressing in a linear manner. He cited Hinduism which is the polar opposite of Christianity. It's full of cycles with history going nowhere. He agreed that man's nature is cyclical in the sense that you have people doing the same things over and over again. However, he described history as, '...progressing from a garden to a city...with a cross in between.' That's progress because history has meaning and purpose.</p> <p>'Charting the Bible Chronologically: A Visual Guide to God's Unfolding Plan' begins with creation. One creation chart deals with the divine institutions that God created for mankind to function under. These five institutions are responsible labor, marriage, family, civil government and nationalism/tribal diversity. The book also deals with the kings of Israel, the giving of the Mosaic Law, the inter-testamental period, the birth and life of Christ, the Church Age as well as what the Bible predicts for the future.</p> <p>As this program progressed, Jim had Dr. Ice explain the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why is the book based upon a young-earth view?</li> <li>• How God addresses the 'formless and void' earth issue.</li> </ul>

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12/28	The Most Terrifying Words You Could Ever Hear	Jim Schneider / Mike Gendron	<p>The guest on this edition of Crosstalk said something that should serve as a wake-up call to everyone. He said that we can be wrong about a lot of things in this life and still survive, but if we're wrong about our faith, we will pay for that mistake forever and ever.</p> <p>Mike Gendron is responsible for that statement. He's the founder and director of Proclaiming the Gospel Ministry. Mike was a devout Roman Catholic for 34 years and was taught to rely upon the authority of the church above all else. He searched the Scriptures and was amazed to find that what he read in Scripture contradicted the teaching and tradition of the church he had been a part of for so long. He trusted Jesus as his Savior and now the Bible has become his sole authority in all matters of faith.</p> <p>What are the most terrifying words anyone could ever hear? Mike noted that those words were spoken by Jesus Christ. He said, 'I never knew you. Depart from me.' Jesus went on to say that not a few, but many will hear those words, many that call him 'Lord'.' Christ is speaking here about professing Christians who've been deceived regarding life's most critical issue and that concerns what one must do to be saved.</p> <p>These words of Jesus will be communicated on the day of judgment. In response, many will say that they did do all these things in the name of Jesus but Jesus will tell them that they never departed from iniquity. So what people are trusting in is the religious works they've been doing rather than what Christ has done.</p> <p>The apostle Paul gives a warning/exhortation in <a href="#">II Corinthians 13:5</a>. He says, 'Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?' Paul was writing this to the church in Corinth, exhorting them to make sure they had genuine, God-given, saving faith.</p> <p>Mike noted that in <a href="#">Matthew 7:22-23</a>, where Christ gives his warning, he's talking to people that are boasting about everything they've done in the name of Jesus. They're even calling him 'Lord'. So salvation is not based upon what we do, but instead upon what Christ has done.</p> <p>Sadly many people, when asked about salvation, will mention what they've done, haven't done or what they are doing now to please God. In <a href="#">James 2:10</a> it says that if you keep the whole Law perfectly yet stumble at just one point, you're guilty of breaking all of it. So until a person can be saved, they must first be convicted to realize that they are a sinner on death row. They need to find a substitute that can die for them and that substitute is Jesus Christ.</p> <p>As this Crosstalk progressed, Mike explained the hallmarks of a false convert, how these traits can be corrected, the professors of Christ vs. the possessors, and much more.</p>
12/31	Impacting News from 2018	Jim Schneider	<p><b>Jim mentioned the Associated Press and their top-10 list of stories for 2018. It includes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Parkland School Shooting</li> <li>• Trump-Russia Probe</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• #Metoo Movement</li> <li>• Mass Shootings</li> <li>• 2018 Midterms</li> <li>• U.S. Immigration</li> <li>• Bret Kavanaugh Hearings</li> <li>• California Wildfires</li> <li>• Climate Change</li> <li>• Jamal Khashoggi Murder</li> </ul> <p>Some of these news items point to a disturbing loss of life. However, on that subject alone there's a statistic not likely to be spoken of during 'end of the year' reviews from secular news sources. As Jim noted, abortion was the number one cause of death worldwide in 2018. Just under a quarter of all pregnancies globally were ended by abortion. This was more than all deaths from cancer, malaria, HIV AIDS, smoking, alcohol and traffic accidents combined.</p> <p>This is just a small portion of what Jim had to offer on this edition of Crosstalk, a broadcast that included input from numerous callers as well.</p>
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### K. Other Programs

Issues covered during this quarter:

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Speaker/s</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Description</u>
None to report				

### III. Public Service Announcements

(Share-a-thon =10/2, 10/3, 10/4, 10/5; 12/25 = special Christmas programming)

ACR / SBI / ASBD	10/25/18 – 12:44 10/26/18 – 09:04
American Health Assistance Foundation	11/27/18 – 13:23
American Heart Association	10/31/18 – 08:36
American Lung Association	11/22/18 – 12:04
American Stroke Association	10/8/18 – 10:45 12/21/18 – 09:04
Autism Speaks	10/18/18 – 12:44 12/11/18 – 13:44
Choose to Save.org	10/1/18 – 10:46 12/19/18 – 08:30 12/20/18 - 12:04
CTIA	10/15/18 – 10:44 10/16/18 – 13:29 12/31/18 – 10:46
Department of Homeland Security	11/23/18 – 09:04 12/18/18 – 13:44
EPA	12/4/18 – 13:26

FEMA	11/16/18 – 09:04
Foundation for Fighting Blindness	11/2/18 – 09:04
National Credit Union Administration	11/19/18 – 10:46
National Crime Prevention Society	11/28/18 – 08:27 11/29/18 – 12:04 11/30/18 – 09:04 12/3/18 – 10:45
National Foundation of Credit Counseling	11/1/18 – 12:44 11/5/18 – 10:46 11/8/18 - 12:44 11/20/18 – 13:28 12/13/18 – 12:03
National Multiple Sclerosis Society	10/11/18 – 12:44 12/27/18 – 12:04
National Pest Management Association	12/10/18 – 10:45
National Safety Council	10/22/18 – 10:45
NHSTA	11/26/18 – 10:43
Partnership for Healthy Mouths & healthy Lives	10/10/18 – 08:27 12/26/18 – 08:30
Selective Service System	10/29/18 – 10:46 10/30/18 – 13:30 11/6/18 – 13:29 11/7/18 – 09:29 11/9/18 – 09:04
Target Lyme	12/7/18 – 09:04
U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission	12/14/18 – 09:04
USDA	10/19/18 – 09:04 11/21/18 – 09:31
U.S. Department of Health and Human Service	10/9/18 – 13:29 12/5/18 – 08:28 12/6/18 – 12:04 12/24/18 – 10:46
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	11/14/18 – 08:27
U.S. Forest Service	10/23/18 – 13:29 10/24/18 – 08:29
U.S. Marine Corps	10/12/18 – 09:04 12/28/18 – 09:04
Veterans Crisis Line	10/17/18 – 08:30
Vision Council of America	12/12/18 – 08:28 12/17/18 – 10:36
Wounded Warrior Project	11/12/18 – 10:46 11/13/18 – 13:30 11/15/18 – 12:44