



One God One Man One Mission

Conference Agenda 2009

Christian Restoration Fellowship
(Australia)

Day 1	Friday 24 th July
Day 2	Saturday 25 th July
Day 3	Sunday 26 th July

Lake Kawana Centre,
Sportsman's Pde, Bokarina
Sunshine Coast Qld.

FRIDAY, July 24th 2009

8:30 am - 9:00 am	Registration
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Opening Keynote Greg Deuble Why I am not Ashamed of the Gospel
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Morning Tea
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Paul Herring: Immortality & the Ultimate Re-boot: The New Heavens and Earth or genomic technologies and Human Evolutus?
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Mark Scull The End of Globalisation: One World Government
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch Break
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Steve Cook The Name of Jesus
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Cliff York This is Life Eternal to Know You, the Only True God
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Afternoon Tea
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Group Session: The Way Forward?
	Dinner Break
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Keynote Address Prof Sir Anthony Buzzard Intense Reflections on the Bible in 2009

SATURDAY, July 25th 2009

8:30 am - 9:00 am	Faith Stories
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Keynote Address Greg Deuble Ta Panta ... God's Mission for the Universe
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Morning Tea
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Keynote Address Prof Sir Anthony Buzzard Prophecy Matters
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Paul Herring In the Beginning: The Intelligent Designer speaks
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch Break
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Mark Scull Israel: God's Reluctant Witness
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Steve Cook The Trinity and the End of Civilization
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Afternoon Tea
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Cliff York The True Age of Jesus on the Cross
	Dinner Break
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Concert: Performance Treats from One and All

SUNDAY, July 26th 2009

8:30 am - 9:00 am	Faith Stories
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Keynote Address Prof Sir Anthony Buzzard The Amazing Abuse of Simple Language to Undermine Jesus' Creed
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Morning Tea
10:30 am - 11:30 am	Worship Service
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Peter Barfoot The Image of the Invisible
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch Break
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Paul Herring Siblings of the King: Living in the Will of the Father
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Speaker Panel Forum
3:30 pm - 3:40 pm	Greg Deuble: Closing Remarks

Abstracts:

(Disclaimer: As Anthony especially likes to ad-lib the abstracts below may not exactly reflect the content of the talks on the day.)

Greg Deuble:

Why I am not Ashamed of the Gospel.

The apostle states in Rom 1:16 that he is not ashamed of the Gospel because it demonstrates the power of God for salvation. This saving power has an appeal to all peoples of the world, to the Jew first and also to the Gentile. The Gospel Paul preaches works! It brings God's power to bear in the lives of anybody and everybody who believes it. Paul tells us his Gospel concerns the one true God of Israel Who has fulfilled all His promises made over the millennia through His prophets. That is, it proclaims God's righteousness, His faithfulness. Importantly, his Gospel also concerns the Son of God, Jesus the Messiah, and all the historical events surrounding his life and mission. Yes, there is very good reason why today we should stand with the apostle Paul and not be ashamed of the Gospel of God.

Ta Panta ... God's Mission for the Universe.

Within the Christian Church there is massive disagreement and confusion concerning the fate of the unbeliever. This disagreement falls into three main 'camps'. The majority view is that the lost will be forever consciously tormented in hell-fire. The second view is that the wicked will be annihilated, destroyed from all conscious existence. The third interpretation -- by far the least represented today -- is that ultimately God will save all mankind at the very end of time. Each of these positions seems to have well-argued Bible verses. In this talk I want to raise the possibility that this confusion springs from inconsistent and misleading translations of one Hebrew word, which inconsistency has also found its way into the modern translations of the New Testament Greek Scriptures ... the word translated as 'eternal' or 'everlasting.' Once this misapprehension is cleared away a whole new perspective is opened up before us. Now we may just have the key to clarity regarding God's purpose for the world!

Prof Sir Anthony Buzzard:

Intense Reflections on the Bible in 2009

The Gospel has become cloudy and vague in the minds of churchgoers. This is a national disaster. Christians cannot afford the risk of having a vague Gospel. The Gospel in the New Testament, as Jesus preached it and as Paul preached it, is *firstly* about the Kingdom of God, that is God's restoration program which is to culminate in the return of Jesus to this earth, in a single arrival, to raise the faithful dead from the sleep of death

Prophecy Matters

Only God's idea [cp. *logos*] delivers our minds and spirits from its long torment and our heart from its vast loneliness." I am convinced that God provides that "idea," that *logos* in Scripture, and the idea is that we can, if we play the game of life right, gain immortality and fix the world on a grand scale in the coming Kingdom. That "idea" reaches from one end of the Bible to the other. It is a drama about the Kingdom and the land/earth restored.

The Amazing Abuse of Simple Language to Undermine Jesus' Creed

Very few sermons are preached on the doctrine of the Trinity. As long as a congregant is willing to say "Jesus is God," he is probably in good standing with other church members. But a significant and growing minority over the world are troubled by the proposition "Jesus is God." It sounds odd, not only because Jesus, who knew who he was, never said "I am God." (Ego eimi o theos) or "I am the Almighty (pantokrator)" Not once did he say, "I am the Lord Your God." Since the God of the Bible did say "I am Yahweh, and I am the Lord God," Jesus could have said this, but he did not.

Mark Scull:

The end of Globalisation: One World Government

This talk deals briefly with Globalisation and the desire of man to have one world government and the Bible prediction of a last world Beast empire, the issue of population demographics and the one Kingdom of God to come. A mixture of current world realities and Bible prophecies.

Israel God's Reluctant Witness

Demonstrating how Israel has returned in unbelief and although very much a secular state they are indeed in the hand of the Almighty with their survival in the land a miracle we all have witnessed and great things yet to come as we see the approaching end. The growing tensions and ultimate Battle of Armageddon.

The foundation of God's future Kingdom having been laid in the past with the promises to Abraham.

Paul Herring:

Immortality & the Ultimate Re-boot: The New Heavens and Earth or genomic technologies and Human Evolutus?

A look at recent events both in science, politics, and life in general that indicate a rise in evil and that we are moving closer and closer to our Tower of Babel. A comparison will be made between the evolution of mankind via science and the coming Kingdom.

In the Beginning: The Intelligent Designer speaks

An introduction to Intelligent Design, Ancient Creationism and the ultimate unity and harmony of science and religion.

Siblings of the King: Living in the Will of the Father

How must we live today so that we can enter the Coming Age? A look at the entry conditions imposed by both Yeshua and Paul. This will also include some practical applications to our daily walk.

Cliff York:

This is Life Eternal to Know You, the Only True God

This subject is vital for our salvation... in the way that Jesus Christ intended us to understand it. It is one thing to know that God is a Unity, rather than a Trinity - however, the knowledge of the One True God Jesus referred to, takes us way beyond merely describing the Father in Theological terminology. The scriptures abound with down to earth examples of what it is to really know the Father... and the rewards that come with that knowledge. A thought provoking, authentic look at the source of Salvation - Life Eternal - with the Father and His glorified triumphant Son... what a prospect!"

The True Age of Jesus on the Cross

Whilst this subject is not critical for salvation, it is a very interesting exercise in how we sometimes need to re-frame what we have been taught from childhood, and to look at information we thought we fully understood through a new paradigm. A fascinating look at a more realistic date for the birth of Jesus, which fits all the given Bible facts and leads us to a renewed respect for historians like Luke the beloved Physician.

Steve Cook:

The name of Jesus.

The Gospels are clear that Jesus preached the Gospel of the Kingdom. In the Acts of the Apostles we find the earliest followers of Jesus preaching "the good news of the Kingdom and the name of Jesus Christ" (Acts 8:12). How was their message different? What was the added element they preached as "the name of Jesus"? The emphasis of much of modern evangelicalism is on the cross of Christ, and the Kingdom is frequently overlooked or ignored. It is sometimes argued that the apostolic '*kerygma*' was the cross rather than the kingdom and assumes that "the name of Jesus" is the preaching of the atonement. We might be surprised to learn that the cross is hardly mentioned in Acts! This study will look at what is meant by the terms "the Gospel of the kingdom" and "the name of Jesus Christ" and ask what message we should be teaching today.

The Trinity and the end of civilization

In 381 AD, Theodosius, emperor of the eastern Roman Empire, issued a decree in which all his subjects were required to subscribe to a belief in the Trinity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and the church acquiesced to the power of the emperor and subsequently promulgated the Trinity at the Council of Constantinople. These events marked an important shift in politics, religion and freedom of speech in the eastern Empire. It has been argued that this shift was one of the major events in the collapse of the Roman Empire. This study will look at the politics of religion with implications for today.

Peter Barfoot

The Image of the Invisible

"While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:18) "By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible." (Hebrews 11:27)