

Jerry Hovater's first email:

**From:** Pastorholywild@aol.com [mailto:Pastorholywild@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2010 10:40 AM  
**To:** truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com  
**Subject:** (no subject)

STEVE MAY I CALL YOU STEVE, OR A MORE SERIOUS TITLE SUCH AS "FRUIT INSPECTOR", MY GOD WALKS ON THE WAVES OF A STORM, IN THE DARKNESS, AND WOULD OF PASSED BY THE FEARFUL DISCIPLES, MY QUESTION IS WHY? BECAUSE HE LIKED THEM, HE RIDES ON THE CLOUDS BY HIS NAME, "YAH". HE'S A HOLY WILD GOD THAT CREATED WILD CREATURES, HE RODE ON A UNBROKEN DONKEY. HE BRAKES OUR WILL NOT OUR SPIRITS, IF YOU TAKE THE JOY OUT OF LIFE YOUR LIFT WITH JUDGMENT, PEOPLE I KNOW ARE AWARE THEY STRUGGLE WITH SIN, I'M AWARE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HELL AND I WILL DO EVERYTHING IN MY POWERN TO CONVEY TRUTH THEY WILL RECEIVE AND FALL IN LOVE WITH JESUS.

AS I KNOW A LITTLE ABOUT COC YOUR PROBABLY UPSET THAT WE BELIEVE WHAT JESUS DID ON THE CROSS, THE BLOOD PLUS NOTHING, CALLING ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SAVES US, NOT BAPTISMAL GENERATION LIKE YOURSELF AND THE UNITED PENTECOSTALS, BUT WHEN WE DO BAPTIZE, AS WE DID LAST SUNDAY, MANY CHOSE TO GON DOWN OUR WATERSLIDE! WE CALL IT BAPTI-SLIDE. WE BELIEVE JESUS WOULD OF DONE THAT RATHER THAN A MUDDY RIVER. I PERCEIVE YOUR A YANKEE, HAVE A DOODLE OF A DAY;

MAY WHAT WE DO HERE ECHO IN ETERNITY; PASTOR JERRY

THE LITTLE COUNTRY CHURCH

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Response from Steven J. Wallace

In a message dated 8/19/2010 1:23:55 P.M. Central Daylight Time, [truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com](mailto:truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com) writes:STEVE

Hello Jerry (slide advocate)

Jesus didn't die on the cross because he was promoting a "bapti-slide" church that places a pastor's abilities above and before the cross. The church of Christ is "of Christ" and advocates plainly what Jesus did on the cross. We believe in the cross because that is where salvation is. Yet we also believe in baptism because according to the Lord's apostle Paul, baptism places us into the death (cross) of Christ, "Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?" (Rom. 6:4). Baptism is an act of submission and should not be coaxed upon others by trying to make it some fun entertaining thrill of a slide. You say you believe in the cross plus nothing, but it seems that you believe in the slide as your attractant and not the cross.

Further, calling on the name of the Lord, according to Paul and Ananias is through the act of being baptized. Have you never read Paul's conversion? He didn't slip and slide but was plainly dipped (baptized) calling on the name of the Lord, "And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord" (Acts 22:16). Notice sir where his sins were washed away. Peter also taught that baptism is calling on the name of the Lord to be saved by simple comparison of Acts 2:21 and 2:38.

I would love to go to your church and engage in a formal four day debate defending the proposition, "The scriptures teach that water baptism is for (in order to) the remission of sins to the penitent believer" and denying the proposition "The scriptures teach that we are saved by faith alone, before and without water baptism." Orderly timed speeches, agreement to debate rules and moderators would be of necessity.

If you believe it, defend it openly.

Cordially,

Steven J. Wallace

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Hovater's 2<sup>nd</sup> Email

**From:** Pastorholywild@aol.com [mailto:Pastorholywild@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 20, 2010 9:45 AM  
**To:** truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com  
**Subject:** Re: Debate propositions

STEVE, (ALIAS FRUIT INSPECTOR) THAT SLIDE HAS YOU MESSED UP, FIRST I DON'T COAX PEOPLE TO BE BAPTIZED AGAIN I'M NOT COC OR UPC, BUT NOTE WE DO BAPTIZE (DIP) AS YOU SAID PEOPLE, THE SLIDE IS SIMPLY AN OPTION OF DIPPING. AS YOU USED ONE OF THE APOSTLES FOR AN EXAMPLE I WILL TWO; I FEEL AS PAUL ON THE SUBJECT; I WAS NOT SENT TO BAPTIZE BUT LEAD PEOPLE TO THE LORD, I BAPTIZE BY FAITH THAT SOMEHOW BY OBEDIENCE IT HELPS PEOPLE.

<sup>14</sup> I am thankful that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup> so no one can say that you were baptized into my name. <sup>16</sup> (Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don't remember if I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup> For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel-- not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. 1 Cor 1:14-17 (NIV)

I SEE YOU AS A MAN OF VERY FEW FRIENDS, PASTORING A SMALL CHURCH (UNDER 200), TRYING TO ANTOGANIZE THOSE WHO ARE WALKING IN AS MUCH TRUTH AS WE HAVE HAD REVEALED. I PERCEIVE YOU RENT A BUILDING WHY ELSE HAVE A SERVICE AT 3 PM; YOU SPEND TOO MUCH TIME ON THE INTER-NET, THE ONLY JOY IN THAT IS YOUR NOT WINNING ANYONE TO JESUS AND SCREWING THEM UP WITH YOUR JOY-LESS INTERPRETATION OF THE GOSPEL, YOU SERVE A JOY-LESS DENOMINATION; WHILE MANY OF US CHOSE TO SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS, TO ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING AND COURTS WITH PRAISE. TO USE WHATEVER INSTRUMENT WE CAN TO MAKE IT FUN AND SERIOUS AS HE LEADS. PS. 150.

NOW GET OFF THAT COMPUTER, AND AS FOR DEFENDING THE GOSPEL OPENLY; I DO EVERYDAY AND FRUIT DO FOLLOW!

MAY WHAT WE DO HERE ECHO IN ETERNITY.

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## Steven J. Wallace's 2<sup>nd</sup> Response

In a message dated 8/20/2010 1:40:18 P.M. Central Daylight Time, [truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com](mailto:truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com) writes:

"Judge not according to appearance but with righteous judgment." No we don't rent a building but own one. We meet at 2:00 not 3:00 and that is due to the distance of travelers, not the finances. I do work with people and study with them both in person and on the net and have worked with two churches simultaneously doing the work of the Lord in the Northwest where we had abundant increase to the kingdom. As for joy, the joy comes from doing what God asks, not perverting it with human innovations, "Blessed are those who do His commandments..." (Rev. 22:14).

As for defending what we teach, have you not read any of the places where Jesus and Paul engaged in open discussion to answer what they taught. Those who don't are cowardly deceivers.

Regarding Psalm 150...You have a problem with using mail that was given to Israel and then applying it to the church. Where does it say, "to the church?" What was given to the church was, "23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (Jn. 4:23, 24). Note sir, "must" what? Worship the way we want to? Worship according to the dictates of your heart? You are run with those of old, Jer. 23:17 "They continually say to those who despise Me, 'The LORD has said, "You shall have peace"; And to everyone who walks according to the dictates of his own heart, they say, 'No evil shall come upon you.'"

As for your judging me as a man of very few friends. God knows and it matters not how many verbally say "I am your friend" (my FB friend's list has grown to around 200 in about 1 month, but that means nothing to me), as Jesus is my Friend who changes not and will save me in the end. I would rather be safe with him than run "wild" with the world under the false guise of "holiness." BTW, how many followed Jesus after his personal ministry? Oh that is right, after all the teaching and powerful testimony of John and the authoritative preaching and miracles of the Jesus, he only had a group of people that was less than 200. In fact 120 to be exact (Acts 1:15). BTW, how many Israelites under Gideon put to flight the enemy? How many were friends of Paul when he was in need and giving a defense just before he died? The answer is somewhere more than zero and less than two (2 Tim. 4:16). As for small churches, have you not read, "For who has despised the day of small things?" (Zech. 4:10)? What was more pleasing to God, the large rich Laodicea or the small Smyrna (Rev. 2; 3)? It is not size and wealth that makes right or might, but the Spirit of the Lord. Remember Goliath?

1 Corinthians 1:14-16 is about the only passage you and your fellow Baptists know. "It's Amaz-en!" And then you don't even know that passage because if you would have just read the previous two verses you would find that there are two criteria for being a disciple of Christ:

12 Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ."

13 Is Christ divided? **Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?** (1 Cor. 1:12, 13).

- 1) There must be one crucified for you?
- 2) You must be baptized "in his name." "Then Peter said to them, "**Repent, and** let every one of you be **baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins**; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38). This passage will stand when the world is on fire, friend!

If you begin to accept what is here, you will not be far from the kingdom.

The gospel preacher's job is not to make disciples after himself (your site seems to bring more flavor on you over the cross). The gospel preacher's job is not baptizing but preaching. That doesn't make baptism void. Paul was thankful he baptized only a few of them because of their wanting to follow man rather than Christ. But some people will read the scriptures how they want to rather than how they actually read.

Enjoy your slide. The road you are on will only amount to whatever joy in this life you may find, so have at, slide away. However it will not help you quench the fires of hell in the next life. May you remember this conversation in eternity. I will not press you to debate again as I know you are unwilling to defend publicly what you teach in your gates (typical of most false teachers), and I perceive that you are not a worthy opponent and would not do well representing your take on salvation anyway. I can picture with you that it would only turn into a "what slime can I throw at him today and jack up the crowd" rather than a reasoning from the scriptures.

"...but since you reject it, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, behold, we turn to the Gentiles" (Acts 13:46)

Cordially for Christ,

Steven J. Wallace

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Hovater's third response

**From:** Pastorholywild@aol.com [mailto:Pastorholywild@aol.com]

**Sent:** Friday, August 20, 2010 1:51 PM

**To:** truth1@sunnysidechurchofchrist.com

**Subject:** Re: Debate propositions

YOU STARTED THIS SPIRITUAL PxxxxxG (edited by sjw for inappropriate content) CONTEST NOT I, AS FOR GOING TO HELL, I WILL WIN AS MANY AND PRAY FOR AS MANY PEOPLE AS I CAN BEFORE I GO TO HELL; I LIVE IN NO FEAR OF DEATH.

I WAS BORN AGAIN NOV. 10 1979; THEN I WAS BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY GHOST, THEN I GOT BAPTIZED IN H2O, IN A "REAL BAPTIZMAL TANK";

AND I'VE LEARNED THROUGH LIFE THAT "A MAN WITH AN EXPERIENCE WITH GOD IS NEVER AT THE MERCY OF A MAN WITH AN ARGUMENT", STEVE I'VE HAD AN EXPERIENCE!

P.S; YOUR WEB SITES BORING!

SO DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME ON SUCH A WRETCH AS I, YOUR HOLINESS, GO ARGUE WITH SOMEONE WHO ACTUALLY CARES ABOUT YOUR OPINION, AS FOR WHAT I THINK ABOUT YOUR E-MAILS, I PERCEIVE THEM AS S.P.A.M--> **SOMETHING POSING AS MEAT!**

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Steven J. Wallace's third response  
Fri 8/20/2010 2:34 PM

Jerry,  
Are you quick tempered or what?

Is "pxxxxxg contest" something becoming of a Christian to say? Is that the Holy Spirit who is supposed to be in you speaking or Satan? You were baptized into the Holy Spirit, you say, but speak like the god of this world. So I suppose you think you can speak in tongues since you were baptized into the Holy Spirit? I am sorry that you think our website is boring. The other thousands who visit it monthly don't seem to agree but then again, God's word is only attracting to those who want spiritual enlightenment. The others have to add human water slides, soup kitchens and other sensational acts to keep their attention. But then again, Jesus was not crucified because he wanted to build a body of people who entertained the world with fun, food and frolic.

BTW, I didn't give you my "opinion" for neither you nor I would care about that. I gave you "HOLY SCRIPTURE" and all the mental juking that you do won't change "He who believes and is baptized shall be saved" (Mk. 16:16) or all the other passages that teach one MUST be baptized to be saved.

But the same book also teaches "and be renewed in the spirit of your mind... **Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth**, but what is good for necessary edification, **that it may impart grace** to the hearers" (Eph. 4:23, 29). And again, "Walk in wisdom toward those who are outside, redeeming the time. **Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt**, that you may know how you ought to answer each one" (Col. 4:5, 6). I don't think "pxxxxxg contest" is seasoning your speech with "grace and salt" do you? But then again, it is evident that you don't want to "answer each one" because you know your answers are from no higher source than your 1979 brain. Mine comes from what is written. I didn't write Acts 22:16 and neither did you.

If you do not even have enough spiritual fiber to control your tongue and temper, then the gospel that you preach is equally uncontrolled...or "wild" but certainly not holy. You have proved unworthy as an opponent. You are disgraceful in tone and erroneous in doctrine. You think you are some spiritual leader but you have only duped others into following your deceitful and fake ways. The thing is, you know I am right and that is why you are so angry, not at me, but at yourself. Your own failure is where your anger stems and the truth of God's holy word is simply not attracting to you.

"Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces" (Matt. 7:6). "Wild" pigs are not worthy of the gospel's time.

Steven