

III. Conclusion: We thank God for His grace and the fellowship of believers and trust to realize the blessing this provides as we participate in worship and witness.

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6. BRISTOL (sometime) THE FOUNDATIONS OF BIBLICAL LIVING

An Introductory Note: I apologize for not having exact dates for these although that probably bothers me more than anyone else. I think the other speaker was John Phillips but I am not sure of that. I usually took notes on the other speaker's ministry and kept them, too, but sometimes they got lost in the shuffle of my files and sometimes I did not take them well enough. Anyway....in this series of talks I was concerned about the basis for our daily living and in my introductory remarks at the conference I said there were many books and articles that told us how to die but not nearly enough that told us how to live. Maybe that is less true today although today so many of the books that tell us how to live are experience ordered rather than Bible ordered that I don't think there is much overall improvement. I also know the subject is too big for one short series (or even a great long one) but I tried to select certain truths that I thought were foundational and worked from them. The ambitious title just shows you what an uncontrolled ego will do!

The Ministry: Foundations of Biblical Living

- 1. The Personal and Practical Knowledge of Salvation**
- 2. A Conscious Turning from Sin**
- 3. Appropriation of the Word of God**
- 4. A Disciplined Life**
- 5. The Respect for Authority**
- 6. The Development of Spiritual Habits**

The Idea: Spiritual living is not a mystical idea that is useful only to a few highly dedicated souls but is the life style for all believers and is to be approached practically and realistically. It is not so much a matter of method, however, as one of appreciation of position and humility before the Lord. We have sometimes read too many books about great or famous Christians and have allowed the magnitude of their lives to persuade us there was a magical force in them that is not in