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### The Purpose of Our Lives Really Is to Glorify God

Hugh Latimer (1487–1555), an English bishop, once preached before the frightful King Henry VIII, an easily provoked man with many wives and mistresses. Spurgeon described the scene this way:

It was the custom of the Court preacher to present the king with something on his birthday, and Latimer presented Henry VIII. with a pocket-handkerchief with this text in the corner, "Whoremongers and adulterers God will judge" [Hebrews 13:4]; a very suitable text for bluff Harry. And then he preached a sermon before his most gracious majesty against sins of lust, and he delivered himself with tremendous force, not forgetting or abridging the personal application.

The king, as you would expect, was not pleased. He told Latimer that he was to preach again the next Sunday and apologize to him publicly. Latimer thanked the king and left.

The following Sunday arrived, Latimer climbed the pulpit, and said these unforgettable words:

"Hugh Latimer [referring to himself in the third person], thou art this day to preach before the high and mighty prince Henry, King of Great Britain and France. If thou sayest one single word that displeases his Majesty he will take thy head off; therefore, mind what thou art at."

But then said he, "Hugh Latimer, thou art this day to preach before the Lord God Almighty, who is able to cast both body and soul into hell, and so tell the king the truth outright."

*Godly Fear and Its Goodly Consequences*, 237

The most foreboding face among men looked menacingly upon Latimer and bid him mind his tongue. But Latimer gazed above the man, in whose nostrils was breath, and considered the face of Christ, the Lord of heaven and earth. He would not play small. He would not tamper with his Master's message. He would not mind a merely human face, even the face of his earthly king, if that face bid him look away from the face of the King of heaven.

### The Christian Life: A Work of Grace in Progress

John Owen spoke about where the believer is at this time in his Christian life. This quote reminds us that we are a work of God's grace in progress: *"I am not what I ought to be, I am not what I want to be, I am not what I hope to be in another world; but still I am not what I once used to be, and by the grace of God I am what I am."* Be encouraged!!

### New Geneva's 30th Anniversary!

With the beginning of our Fall semester, New Geneva will begin its 30th year of education ministry in Colorado Springs and the Front Range. It all began in 1993 when Dr. Paul Fowler was commissioned by the Board of Knox Theological Seminary in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., to begin an extension in Colorado Springs. The original faculty included Dr. Fowler, Dr. Bud Powell, and Dr. Del Tackett. Initially, classes were held in various locations in the city until the seminary leased some space in an office building on the east end of the Citadel Mall. Our present building on Galley Road was purchased in 1997 while we were still an extension of Knox. In 1998, the Knox board released the extension to the local advisory committee, and they chose our present name, New Geneva Theological Seminary. Since that time, we have graduated over 100 students who are serving here and around the world; we opened an extension in Fredericksburg, VA, in 2002, where we have had six graduation ceremonies; and we started an extension in Egypt in 2011, where we've graduated about 100 students.

Our commitment has remained anchored to the Scriptures as our authoritative foundation, to the historic Reformed faith as expressed in the Confessions and Catechisms of the Reformation, and committed to teaching and training church leaders to have an impactful ministry in the Church here and around the world. As we celebrate our 30th anniversary we'll share more of our journey in this educational ministry.

### Donating Online—Safe, Secure and Simple

We appreciate your regular support to assist us provide the highest quality Christ-centered, biblical and theological education for our students. Thanks to the generosity of individuals like you, we are making a difference in the lives of students as they prepare to serve in vocational ministry here and around the world. You can partner with New Geneva Seminary by mailing your support; you may also give online through a safe, secure and simple manner by going to [www.newgeneva.org](http://www.newgeneva.org) and clicking on the "Donate" tab at the top of the page. If you would like to consider a special gift to the seminary, contact Dr. Dominic Aquila at [daquila@newgeneva.org](mailto:daquila@newgeneva.org) or 719-573-5395 to discuss your desires. Summer is a slow time for gifts to the seminary, so your gift at this time would be deeply appreciated.



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