It Causes Me To Tremble

Introduction

1. This can be a Disquieting, Judging Time. We often treat one another harshly.
2. Sometimes it Causes Me To Tremble.
3. Let a Man Worry Himself

How Little I Know Myself

1. Dorothy says, "The King's Speech."
   Alice to John: "John, why does he say 'Thus we are not all clean'?
   John: "I don't know, Alice. One time I looked into my heart, I found it full of unswept, dusty corners.

2. All of us can sin against the Holy
   - Upset and Critical Talk
   - Seducing each other down.
   - We can help each other - we did!"
How little I know my Lord.

(2) His haunting question: "Have I been so long time with you and ye have not known me?"

We do not know why He turneth
We believe where He aches of us.

How deeply My Lord knows the Aul and see how He loves Me.

— Peter — "I have prayed for you... that you may not enter into temptation."

— He welcomes us to His Table —
A Venture of Faith

The Father of Faith

1. God's Claim on Abraham
   - Asked to leave his home, his people and
     his comfortable, cultured city.
   - Move into a strange new country among
     new people.
   - He was to become the father of a great
     people.
   - He became the Father of Faith.

2. In State of Weakness and Misunderstanding
   - Hard to believe he would have a son.
   - Told to take him up to offer him to
     God.
   - He was a landmark, a turning point
     in God's scheme of things.

To Hebrews Sage.

My faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go one

to a place which he was to receive as his inheritance, and

he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith

he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a foreign land.
living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For the Lord looked forward to the City, which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. 

Venture of Faith

- Not a static, settled way.
- As leading familiar ground to move over into new ground.
2. Any Creative Undertaking is a Venture of Faith

1. This is true of Many Areas
   - The Exploration of This World
     - Columbus or Vasco de Gama.
   - The Pilgrims Who First Came to These Shores
   - The Men and Women Who Laid Out This Empire

2. The Amazing Story of Space Exploration
   - Cancer Research
     - No great breakthrough - Simple, slow, stepped until

3. This is Amazing True of Our Christian Faith.
   - The Adventure of Christ Coming Not Our Word
     - Believing That Sins Can Be Forgiven
   - The Power of Prayer
     - John 14:15 - 1 John 5:14
     - John S. Bonnell - By the Way to Hospital
   - Doing Something for Others
     - Groups and People in Our Clinics
This Should Be True of the Church
- Work Often The Church is a Confuse, Comfortable Institution.

Harry Golden:

"If I were faced today with the decision my ancestor faced — become a Christian or die — I would fight a church fast. Here is nothing to offend me in the modern church, the minister gives a sermon on juvenile delinquency, one week, then reviews a movie next week, then everyone goes downstairs and plays bingo. The first half of a church they tired in the kitchen. Five hundred years from now people will dig up these churches, find the steam tables, and wonder what kind of sacrifices we performed.

The Christian Hymn:

Softly, Christian Soldiers, Walk in Doubt and Fear,
With the Cross of Jesus Lurking Up the Rear.

The Other Side
- East Harlem Protestant Church
- Robert Barnes, News Life in Cleveland.
God's Claim on Abraham

1. God Made Great Uses for Abraham,
   - Settle a New Country.
   - Become a Father of a New Nation.

Our Situation
   - Given us the Ministry of Reconciliation.
   - Given us the Task of Facing Evil in the Name of Christ.
   - Take the Gospel to Every Creature.
   - Not only Here, But Elsewhere.
     - Needed new Climaxes. Try them, our towns in the big cities, work with the Universities, Schools and Hospitals Overseas.
   - This is Grand, Unfinished Business.
     No Limits to the Gospel.

2. God's Faithfulness Greater than the Obstacles
   - Not only Free of Abraham
   - Died of Jesus, Paul, Abraham Lincoln.

Our Situation
   - We see the Problems, Rather than God's Results.
3. God Chooses a Single, Solitary Person
   - Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, John the Baptist
   - Jesus, Our Single, Solitary Person
   - Our Situation
   - He says, "I will go before you and make the way for you."

   God's Work Gets Done by Single People
   Who are aware of Christ's claim
   On their lives.

   Do We Prepare a Venture of Faith?
   1. Do you believe in Christ's work?
   2. Can I be counted on?
   3. Do you find God enough to turn him into your financial planning?

   0. Some - Give themselves.
   2. All of us - Send our cares to.
"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more."

I WAS IN THE SPIRIT ON THE LORD'S DAY
Prelude—"A Psalm of David"  
"Trumpet Tune"  
Rossi  
Purcell

The Chimes
Choral Call to Worship
Processional Hymn—"Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken"  
Invocation
Lord's Prayer and Gloria
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HE WHO HAS AN EAR LET HIM HEAR
Reading of the Holy Scriptures—Genesis 12: 1-9
Choral Call to Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
Choral Response
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Anthem—"Give Me a Faith"  
Bitgood

Give me a faith, O Lord, I pray,
A faith that makes me strong each day,
That helps me face the storms of life,
That takes away the sting of strife.

Give me the peace that faith will give
A peace that shows me how to live
Above the loud and mighty roar
Of winds and waves upon life's shore.

Give me the joy that faith will bring
A joy that helps my heart to sing,
Whate'er the tasks and perils be,
And trials sore that trouble me.

Give me the hope that faith bestows
A hope that triumphs thro' all woes,
To see the dawning of the hour
When all shall recognize thy pow'r.

Give me a faith that ever grows
In spite of clouds and cruel foes;
A faith that holds me close to thee,
And from all ills will set me free.

PRAISE OUR GOD, ALL YOU HIS SERVANTS
Christian Greetings
Statement on "Venture of Faith" by Mr. Norman Wilson
Offertory Hymn—"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"  
Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings
Organ Offertory—"Air"  
Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

FEAR NOT, I AM THE FIRST AND THE LAST
Solo—**"Thanks Be To God"**
Dickenson

Teena Fenenga, soprano
Lovelace

Mrs. Delmar Kroon, soprano

Sermon by Pastor Fredrikson—"A Venture Of Faith"

THE SPIRIT AND THE BRIDE SAY, "COME"
Hymn of Dedication and Decision—"Faith of Our Fathers"  
Benediction
Choral Response
Postlude

**First Service Only  **Second Service Only  ***Ushers may seat latecomers**

The broadcast of the service this morning over Radio Station KELO is sponsored by Mrs. W. F. Blatherwick in memory of her husband.

This morning Pastor Fredrikson will greet folks at the side door and Pastor Rowe at the mani door.
EVENING SERVICE
7:30 P.M.

Prelude
Fellowship Singing
Christian Greetings and Invitation to the Lord's Supper
Music By Youth Choir
Scripture—I Corinthians 11: 23-32
Call to Prayer
Prayer
Prayer Response
Singing a Hymn—"For All the Saints Who From Their Labors Rest"—No. 419
   (Hymn of the Month)
Receiving the Offering
Communion Meditation by Pastor Fredrikson—"It Causes Me to Tremble"
Special Music
Right Hand of Fellowship
Hymn of Invitation—"Jesus, Thou Son of Loving Hearts"—No. 419
Benediction—Closing Moments—"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
Postlude

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THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, 2:30 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
   4:45 p.m.—Junior High Choir Rehearsal
   5:15 p.m.—All Youth Supper
   6:00 p.m.—Youth Groups
   6:00 p.m.—Membership Class—Session Five
   8:45 p.m.—Hi Fi
   8:45 p.m.—Afterglow
MONDAY, 7:00 p.m.—Explorers
   Senior High Guild
TUESDAY, 8:00 p.m.—Study Club
WEDNESDAY, 4:30 p.m.—Junior Choir Rehearsal
   6:30 p.m.—Fellowship Supper in Fellowship Hall
   7:00 p.m.—Senior High Choir Rehearsal
   7:00 p.m.—Prayer Meeting
   8:15 p.m.—Children's Division Leaders in Parlor
THURSDAY, Noon—Trustees at YMCA
   1:15 p.m.—Senior Philathea Class
   4:00 p.m.—Primary Choir Rehearsal
   7:00 p.m.—Scouts
   7:00 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY, 2:30 p.m.—Faith At Work Tea in Library
SATURDAY, 7:00 p.m.—Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

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On this day which God has given us it is a joy to welcome you to our service. This is Margaret Clark, the Pastor's Assistant, bringing you a word of greeting from the congregation and staff here at First Baptist. We hope that as you worship with us at your radios you will feel that you are with friends. Once again we have turned aside from the hectic pace of our everyday life to the quietness of this hour seeking answers to our inner restlessness. It is our hope that in this service you will hear God's voice and come to know that his resources are adequate to meet all of life's needs.

The scripture has been read today from Genesis 12, verses 1-9. The Sanctuary Choir has sung GIVE ME A FAITH by Bitgood. The Offertory Solo HE SMILED ON ME will be sung by Mrs. Delmar Kroon, soprano. Pastor Fredrikson is preaching this morning on the topic A VENTURE OF FAITH.

If it is possible for you to do so we invite you to attend the Evening Service tonight at 7:30. This evening Pastor Fredrikson will be preaching on the topic IT CAUSES ME TO TREMBLE. The worship will be climaxed tonight with the Lord's Supper.

Before we return to the Sanctuary let me say once again how good it is to have you with us. Should you be in need of spiritual counsel or guidance please feel free to call our office so that we might have the opportunity of visiting with you. As we welcome you we are mindful of the fact that it is God's House to which we invite you and it is in His Spirit that we seek to minister to you.