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The Most Formidable Man

In his book 'Shadow Divers' Robert Kurson quotes deep sea diver extraordinaire, John Chatterton as saying, "The guy who gets killed is often the guy who got nervous. The guy who doesn't care anymore, who has said, 'I'm already dead—the fact that I live or die is irrelevant and the only thing that matters is the accounting that I give of myself,' is the most formidable force in the world."

History has proven these words to be true. Be it Alexander the Great leaping into a mass of fighting men in India to Orde Wingate's unparalleled escapades in Israel, Ethiopia and Burma, the man that has simply reckoned—*"I'm already dead and have nothing to lose"*—is indeed a most formidable man.

The Biblical narrative proves this as well.

Noah's vast civilization-saving undertaking was based on two things:

1. He had faith that God meant what He said and therefore 'moved with fear.'
2. He had absolutely nothing to lose.

Moses' every step toward Israel's deliverance from Egypt would either be met with great victory from God—or certain death from the hate-filled Pharaoh.

Rahab considered her world as having come to an end—and cast in her lot and life with the children of God.

David knew that if God did not intervene he was already a dead man as he ran down into the valley at Shocoh on his way to meet the blaspheming Goliath.

And, sadly, the greatest victory Samson ever wrought was when he finally, totally surrendered his ill-spent life. *“The dead which he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life ...”* (Judges 16:30)

And what shall I more say? Time would fail me to speak of those Biblical and Christian heroes of the faith—some of them living in our lifetimes—who through faith and a willingness to place everything on the line, considered not their lives dear, but who: *“subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again ...”*

Sad to say, it did not go well for all of them as far as this life was concerned for some; “were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection ... and others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment ... they were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goat-skins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented ... (of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth ...” But they proved that there are still people who will stand ‘while the

world's on fire' and not bow their knees to the gods of this world, such as, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who "answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up. (Dan 3:16-18)

*I have been in Jesus Christ' Church for the last thirty-six years and throughout those years have met some incredible 'heroes of faith' that knew and know how stand and persevere until they hear, "a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they **loved not their lives unto the death ...**" (Rev. 12:10-11)*

These are most formidable people.

The Whole Nutritional Truth

This article may seem a little ‘different’ for some; however, I offer it for your consideration. The thought stems from a conversation that took place over twenty-five years ago, while I was in revival in Bakersfield, California. We were preaching for the colorful and unique Man of God, Rev. I.H. Terry and the great church that he founded and pastored for forty years. The fascinating experiences that I garnered through my years of association with Brother Terry have become an integral part of Booker family lore.

A particular conversation we had after service one night stands out in my mind. Brother Terry made to me this intriguing statement: “You know, Booker, there are only twelve themes in the Bible that we preach, and that’s all we preach or teach, just variations of those twelve main themes.” With riveted attention, I asked him what those themes were. His answer: “You go and figure that out for yourself.”

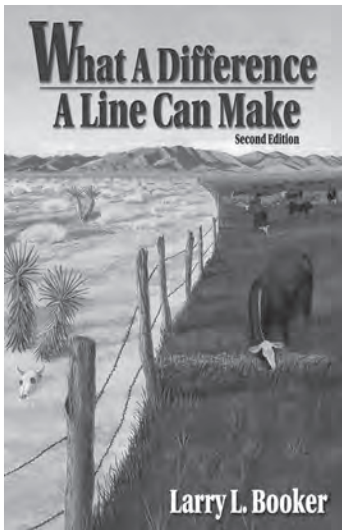
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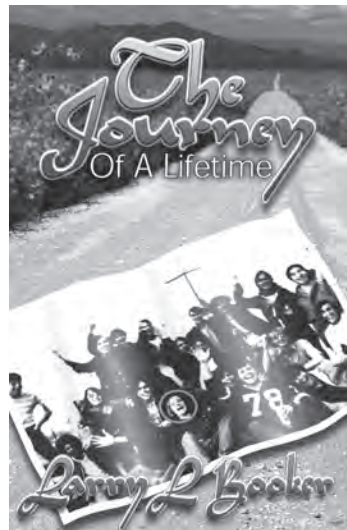
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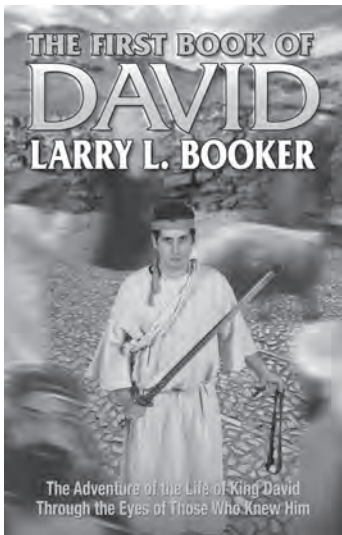
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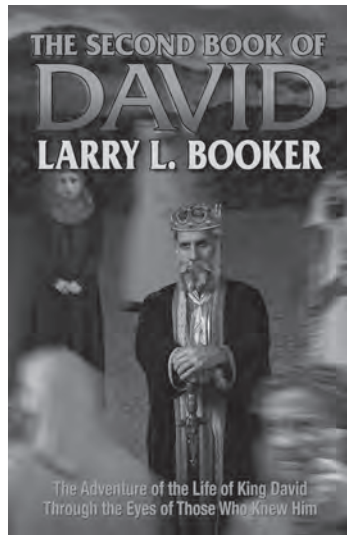
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