

Non-profit  
Organization  
U.S. Postage  
PAID  
Tacoma, WA  
Permit No. 741

Western Reformed Seminary  
5 South "G" Street  
Tacoma, Washington 98405

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



the

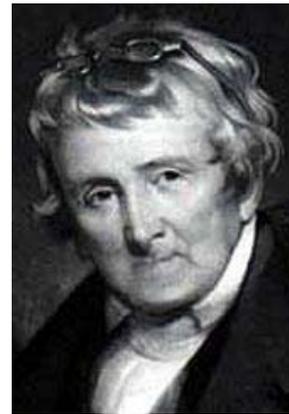
# WRS Journal

Western Reformed Seminary, Tacoma, Washington

Volume 12, Issue 2

August 2005

**This issue: *The Pastor/Theologian, A Festschrift for the Rev. Dr. Robert W. Anderson***



*Archibald Alexander,  
Pastor and Theologian*

**Next Issue:**  
***"The Justification  
Controversy"***

**EDITOR'S NOTES** *inside cover*

**LIFE SKETCH AND TRIBUTES** *pages 1-6*

**Robert W. Anderson—A Brief Sketch of His Life,** *John A. Battle*, Professor of New Testament and Theology

**Tributes,** *Howard Carlson, Al Cook, Ken Orr*

**EXEGESIS** *pages 7-19*

**Observations on the Authenticity of the Pastoral Epistles,** *Dennis W. Jowers*, Assistant Professor of Theology

**Pastoral Imperatives: Paul's Use of the Imperative Mood in His Letters to Timothy and Titus,** *John A. Battle*

**HISTORY** *pages 20-36*

**Two Early American Presbyterian Pastor-Theologians: Samuel Davies and Archibald Alexander,** *Christopher K. Lensch*, Associate Professor of Old Testament

**The Shepherd Student,** *Earl L. Brown, Jr.*

**SERMON** *pages 36-40*

**The Centrality of Preaching,** *Tom Lyon*, Adjunct Instructor in Greek

---

## EDITOR'S NOTES: FROM JOHN A. BATTLE

---

In our days the pastoral ministry has undergone tremendous change. Foremost in the minds of many pastors are the requirements of leadership, organization, public relations, applied psychology, and financial management. The preaching office has suffered accordingly. In many churches that still do emphasize preaching, the sermon has been converted to a form of popular psychology. Very few churches still offer sound, substantive, biblical and theological preaching; and this trend is advancing even in fundamental and evangelical circles.

This is a special edition of the *WRS Journal*. This issue is a *festschrift* in honor of a minister well known to many of us. We have never done this before, but the faculty is in total agreement that it is most appropriate at this time. Dr. Robert W. Anderson was for thirty-seven years the pastor of the Tacoma Bible Presbyterian Church in Tacoma, Washington. He led the effort in the church to have Western Reformed Seminary begin and continue in the church building. For many years he served on our board of directors. Now he has retired from the pastorate, and it is fitting that we honor him with this collection of articles.

The theme of this issue is the Pastor/Theologian. We are seeking to train such pastors. The pastor must be constantly studying and growing in the knowledge of the Word of God and the theology it contains. Only then can he be a continuing source of spiritual blessing to his people. Dr. Anderson exemplified this type of ministry.

Thank you, Pastor Anderson! May we all profit from your example, and continue to be and to train true and faithful pastor/theologians!

---

### Subscription Information

*The WRS Journal* (ISSN 1555-6786) is published semi-annually, every February and August. Circulation is currently 800, with a production run of 1000 copies. Subscriptions for churches and school libraries in the U.S. are free. Individual subscriptions are available for \$5 US per annum (2 issues) for domestic addresses, and \$10 US per annum for international addresses. Please write or call to subscribe. You may also e-mail your subscription requests and/or comments to:

[editor@wrs.edu](mailto:editor@wrs.edu)

*the WRS Journal*

5 South G Street, Tacoma, Washington 98405  
(253) 272-0417

**Back issues are available electronically at: [www.wrs.edu](http://www.wrs.edu)**

*Opinions expressed herein are those of the contributors, and do not necessarily reflect the official position of WRS on any given topic.*

*For a copy of our catalog, contact the office.*

---

*The WRS Journal 12:2, August 2005*

# WESTERN REFORMED SEMINARY

---

Since 1983, Training Christian Leaders to Serve Christ  
*"in Spirit and in Truth"*

- Bible-believing and Reformed
- Member of the Association of Reformed Theological Seminaries
- Masters programs, day and night classes
- Teacher training recognized by the Association of Christian Schools International
- Biblical counseling training for certification with the National Association of Nouthetic Counselors
- Programs recognized for VA benefits
- Introductory rates for church groups

---

**(253) 272-0417 ♦ registrar@wrs.edu**  
**Five South G Street, Tacoma, WA 98405**