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By Martha Morrow

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HOUSTON-When J.J. Worthen's sister first called him about entering *Gimme the Mike, Houston*, the local NBC affiliate's voice talent contest, he didn't give it much thought.

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By George Henson

Staff Writer

RICHARDSON-Randy Johnson insists the key to longevity in youth ministry is developing solid relationships with both youth and adults. He should know, after serving in youth ministry 30 years and recently celebrating his 20th anniversary as minister of youth education at First Baptist Church in Richardson.

LifeWay Explore the Bible Series for Feb. 20: Jesus paid the debt of our sin out of love_22105

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Luke 23:32-47

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By Greg Warner

Associated Baptist Press

ATLANTA (ABP) — A plan under consideration by the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship would cap CBF funding of outside organizations, which could reduce CBF support for some traditional ministry partners by as much as 31 percent.

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Matthew 23:1-30

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Feb. 20: God is just in condemning sin, but also forgives_22105

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Hosea 11:1-11

By Leroy Fenton

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By Robert Marus

ABP Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON (ABP)—President Bush is proposing a \$2.57 trillion federal budget for fiscal year 2006 that would substantially cut or eliminate many domestic social programs while creating or boosting funding for a handful of others that would be open to religious groups.

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WASHINGTON (ABP)—For the second time in as many years, a House panel has approved a bill that would allow some government-funded charities to discriminate in hiring on the basis of religion.

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Cybercolumn by Jeanie Miley: Giving honor ... where honor is due_22105

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CYBERCOLUMN: Giving honor ... where honor is due

By Jeanie Miley

Sometimes, a movie expresses things I have been thinking but haven't had the courage to say. Such was the case for me as I was watching In Good Company on a cold February afternoon.

The movie made me think about the contrast between cultures that respect and value the wisdom gained over a lifetime and those that don't. And every time I start down this line of thought, my mind takes me back to the story of the boy Jesus astounding the learned in the synagogue when he was only 12.

BaptistWay Bible Series for Feb. 13: Church discipline, forgiveness flow together_20705

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Matthew 18:15-35

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Jesus demonstrated submission to the Father

Luke 22:14-22, 41-44, 66-71

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Chinese Baptist Church, Arlington