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RE: Edwin Crozier's speech and Kyle Pope's Response

The *Exploring Current Issues Conference* (ECIC) is an opportunity for serious Bible students to come together to do in-depth studies of sometimes complicated issues that confront the people of God. Sometimes there are disagreements and these differences are always aired in an atmosphere of brotherly love, kindness, and equality.

To date, I have never felt the need to post anything other than the initial speeches to this website. However, Edwin Crozier said some things in his speech on grace that evoked considerable discussion and disagreement during the conference. Therefore, I felt the need to ask Kyle Pope to respond and to post that response here.

I want to make clear that I hold both Edwin and Kyle in the highest regard. Both are excellent Bible students who love the Lord and His word. In both Edwin's speech and Kyle's response, you will witness *how brethren are to treat one another* when they sincerely disagree and that, in itself, is a valuable lesson.

Please read both with profit.

Sincerely,

Jim Deason