

January 16, 2022

Announcements

Ricky Cissom

Song Leader

Chris Moore

Scripture Reading

J C Newby

Opening Prayer

Danny Shackelford (A.M.)

Randel Koon (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Brock Lindley (A.M.)

Logan Yancey (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Brad McAlister

Count and Usher

Tim McMillin & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brice Lindley (01/19/22)

OUR RECORD

January 9, 2022

Sunday Bible Study: 74

Sunday Morning Worship: 90

Sunday Evening Worship: 66

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 79

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WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7; Mark 16:15, 16).
3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins (Acts 2:38).
6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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BLESSINGS AND OBEDIENCE Mark Lindley

The greatest blessing God can bestow upon those guilty of sin is the blessing of forgiveness. Without forgiveness of sin, there can be no fellowship with God, no peace, and no heaven. This being true, we should all have a special interest in forgiveness since “all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23).

But when does one receive forgiveness? Does forgiveness take place before or after obedience? Is it necessary to obey the Lord in order to be forgiven, or does one obey the Lord because he has been forgiven? These questions are vital. The source to which we should turn for answers is the Bible.

Throughout the Bible, the clear teaching is that God bestows blessings upon those who are obedient. Consider a few Old Testament examples. When the Israelites conquered the city of Jericho, the walls of Jericho fell down “after” the people of Israel obeyed God by marching around the walls (Joshua 6:1-20; Hebrews 11:30). The blessing did not come until the people obeyed. In Numbers chapter 21, there is the account of God sending poisonous snakes into the camp of Israel. The record reveals that many of the Israelites were bitten by these venomous serpents, and many of those bitten, died (verse 6). It was then that God told Moses to erect a brazen serpent upon a pole, and the people who had been bitten were instructed to “look” at the serpent (verse 8). According to verse 9, when the Israelites who had been bitten looked upon the serpent of brass, they lived. This means that those who did not look at the brazen serpent, died. God blessed those who obeyed Him. This same lesson is vividly illustrated in the account of Naaman, the leper. Naaman was told to go to the Jordan River and to dip himself seven times (II Kings 5:1-14). At first Naaman was reluctant to follow the God-ordained instructions, and as long as he procrastinated he remained a leper. It was only after Naaman went to the Jordan and dipped himself seven times that he was cleansed of leprosy (II Kings 5:14). God blessed Naaman, but only after Naaman obeyed!

Such examples as the ones just mentioned prepare us for the New Testament teaching that God bestows the blessing of forgiveness after one has obeyed the Gospel. Jesus said, “He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned” (Mark 16:16). Peter encouraged the people on the day of Pentecost to “repent and be baptized...for the remission of sins” (Acts 2:38). So, let’s go back and ask: When does one receive forgiveness, before or after obedience to the Gospel? I am persuaded the answer from the Bible is clear.

YOU HAVE HEARD, BUT DID YOU UNDERSTAND? No. 7

James Pilgrim

There are many more things that could be written under this title. However, we conclude this series for this time with these few lines. You are being asked to write the conclusion to these few thoughts by filling in the blanks or underlining one.

1. There _____ a God in heaven. (Daniel 2:28).
2. Jesus (is) (is not) God. (Matthew 1:23).
3. True or False. Jesus is only a god-like one. (John 1:1-3).
4. The earth (came about as a result of the big bang) (was created in the beginning). (Genesis 1:1).
5. There (is) (is not) a place called heaven. (2 Corinthians 5:1).
6. True or False. Eternal life and eternal punishment do not exist. (Matthew 25:46).
7. The Holy Spirit is _____. (Acts 5:3, 4).
8. The Bible (scripture) is _____ of God. (2 Timothy 3:16, 17).
9. True or False. The books of the Bible were only the thoughts of humans. (2 Peter 1:20, 21).
10. True or False. Salvation is by faith only.
11. Baptism _____ also now save us. (1 Peter 3:21).
12. True or False. Water baptism has never saved anyone. (Acts 22:16).
13. Baptism is done by _____ in _____. (Romans 6:1-6).

14. True or False. Calling on the name of the Lord without baptism saves. (Acts 22:16).
 15. True or False. All could be saved if John 3:16 were the only verse one had. (Acts 3:19).
 16. True or False. Once saved always saved is a wholesome doctrine. (2 Peter 1:3-11).
 17. True or False. It doesn't matter what one calls the church. (Matthew 16:13-19).
 18. What did Paul call the churches in Romans 16:16? _____
 19. Morality (is) (is not) important. (Galatians 5:19-26).
 20. True or False. One pleases God sincerely worshipping as one pleases. (Matthew 15:7-9).
 21. Churches are to have _____ and _____. (Philippians 1:1).
 22. Preachers (should) (should not) be called Reverend. (Psalm 111:9).
 23. True or False. All today are living under the Old Testament. (2 Corinthians 3).
 24. In the midst of the church worshippers are to _____. (Hebrews 2:12).
 25. List the four (4) words the scriptures use when telling Christians to praise God in song: Matthew 26:30 _____; Acts 16:25 _____; Romans 15:9 _____; 1 Corinthians 14:15 _____; Ephesians 5:19 _____; Colossians 3:16 _____; Hebrews 2:12 _____; James 5:13 _____.
- Dear reader, study, searching and rightly dividing the scriptures (2 Timothy 2:15; Acts 17:10-12) to know what is right. Do not put your soul in danger by following anyone who might honestly lead you astray because they misunderstood God's law.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAPMAN LADIES BIBLE CLASS Monday, February 14th at 6PM

Bible Study Topics:

- February – Loving One Another
- March – Are We Teaching Young Ladies
- April – Effective in the Church
- May – Prayer Life

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

We rejoice to announce the birth of

Mary Eloise Moore

January 11, 2022 at 1:39 PM

7 lbs • 11 oz • 18.5 in

Parents: *Chris & Molly*
Brother: *Chap*
Sister: *Lottie*

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Edward Vandygriff (Wayne's Brother).

Remember count your blessings, pray for our lost ones, the sick, the world and the broken-hearted.

SICK: Ricky Cissom, Sharon Pannell, Connie & Bryan Davis, Emimie Gaillard, Mark, Kim, & Britt Lindley, Ethel Childers (Wayne Vandygriff's Sister)

HOSPITAL:

Taylor Crawford (Memphis), Austin Wentz (Ronald McDonald House), Billy Stroupe (TCH Rehab)

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Junior Derrick, Jane Morrison, Patti Hall, George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Louise Pannell, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Betty Faye Ledbury

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