

January 22, 2023

Announcements
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Song Leader
Chris Moore

Scripture Reading
Danny Shackelford

Opening Prayer
Britt Lindley (A.M.)
Kevin Shackelford (P.M.)

Closing Prayer
John Hopper (A.M.)
Tommy Wade (P.M.)

Lord's Table
Rickey Cissom

Count and Usher
Dale & Jimmy Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader
Ross Shackelford (1/25/23)

OUR RECORD

January 15, 2023

Sunday Bible Study: 90
Sunday Morning Worship: 109
Sunday Evening Worship 78
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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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THE LOVE OF MONEY

Mark Lindley

The Bible warns about loving money. “But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For **the love of money** is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows” (I Timothy 6:9-10). Notice that it is not money, but the “love of money” that is the root of all evil. Money is not inherently bad or sinful, but it is often our attitude toward money that is wrong. When we “love” money, we are setting ourselves up for a fall.

People love money because it creates an illusion of security. Money has the power to purchase a lot of things, and these things may cause us to feel secure. However, Jesus warned about the “deceitfulness of riches” (Matthew 13:22). The truth is, there is no real security in money. The wealthy die with cancer, have heart attacks, divorce, have rebellious children, worry, take anti-depressants, and commit suicide just as those who are not wealthy. Money, therefore, does not and cannot solve some of man’s greatest problems. Scripture warns: “He that trusteth in his riches shall fall; but the righteous shall flourish as a branch” (Proverbs 11:28). Rather than offering security, money may bring temptations, become a snare, and may cause one to fall into many foolish and hurtful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition (I Timothy 6:9). Is it any wonder Jesus taught that it is hard for a rich man to go to heaven (Matthew 19:23)? One who has a lot of money will get a lot of attention from the devil. The ironic thing about all this is that most do not think they have an unreasonable love of money. Yet, when we are totally honest with ourselves, the decisions we sometimes make indicate that we love money and material things. We sometimes neglect the most important things in life because we are obsessed with the “almighty dollar.” Jesus said, “No man can serve two masters...Ye cannot serve God and money” (Matthew 6:24).

Life With A PURPOSE J. Noel Merideth (deceased)

Our life upon this earth is of few days and full of trouble. Some days are the best of times; some days are the worst of times. There are moments that look like the spring of hope; others look like the winter of despair. Through it all we need to live a life with purpose and meaning. We all seek happiness as the world lashes about us.

SOMETHING TO DO

Paul wrote, *"...this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus"* (Phil. 3:13-14). Paul says he was pressing toward the mark. He was pressing on with contentment. He had learned in whatsoever state he was in to be content (Phil. 4:11). To be happy in life we all need something to do; we need a mission to fill. Let us stand for the right and not lose sight of our duty to serve the Lord, do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

SOMEONE TO LOVE

"We love him, because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19). It brings happiness to love God. We are to love the Lord with all our heart. He first loved us and we should return our love. We also need our family and friends to love. To visit with friends and enjoy good times together brings sunshine into our days.

SOMETHING TO HOPE FOR

"In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began" (Titus 1:2). The hope of heaven keeps us going through sickness, pain, disappointment, suffering and hardship. In fact, these present sufferings are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed. God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes; and there shall be no more death, sorrow, crying, nor pain. On that fair shore we shall serve the Lord with perfect bliss. There we shall be with and know our loved ones whom we have known in our life (1 Thess. 2:19).

Some Things to Know About Suffering (from Revelation 2:10)

By Edd Sterchi

"Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer" - **We have nothing to worry about when suffering comes.** When we let fear, panic, and negativism rule, our suffering is always made worse. Suffering happens to everyone. Just stay calm.

"Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested" - **God allows suffering in our lives as a test of our faith.** Through everything, stay faithful.

"and you will have tribulation ten days" - **God is in control of the situation.** He regulates the time period of our suffering. He will not allow more to happen or a longer length of time to occur than what we can handle with His help.

"Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" - **God blesses us when we endure the suffering.** So hang in there. There is not only a light at the end of the tunnel, there are blessings there, as well.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

SICK SUNDAY: Keith Newby, Karen Yancey, Amy Staggs, Starrett Chapman, Bobby Bridges

EXTENDED ILLNESS: Theo Smith, Joanie Kate Reese, Joe Clark, Louise Pannell (Sharon's Mother), Malone Hurt, Gerohn Childs, Junior Derrick, Jane Morrison, George Doss, Thad Berryman

CANCER: Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman's Son-in-law), Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Trish Clark, Lennox Kennamore (Leukemia), Johnnie Carpenter, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Steve Barnes (Mickey & Gail Chandler's Son-in-law), Betty Faye Ledbury

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