

**February 12, 2017  
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Announcements**

Kevin Shackelford

**Song Leader**

Keith Newby

**Scripture Reading**

Mason McAlister

**Opening Prayer**

Johnny Cissom (A.M.) Ricky Cissom (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer**

Terry Chapman (A.M.) Chance Criswell (P.M.)

**Lord's Table**

John Hopper (Presiding),

Ross Shackelford, Brock Lindley, Palmer Jones

**Count and Usher**

Bobby Bridges

Devin McVey

**Prepare Communion**

Connie & Bryana Davis

**Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Larry Wood 02/15/17

**OUR RECORD**

February 5, 2017

Sunday Bible Study: 119

Sunday Morning Worship: 124

Sunday Evening Worship: 104

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 110

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$3,790

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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).



# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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**ELDERS:** Barrett Chapman, Jarvene Shackelford,  
Tommy Wade

**DEACONS:** Terry Chapman, Bryan Davis, Rickey  
Loveless, Brad McAlister, Joel Moore,  
Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood

**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

**“WHAT SHALL I DO WITH JESUS?”**  
Mark Lindley

Pilate had a critical decision to make. Jesus had been arrested and was on “trial” before Pilate, governor of Judea. Having examined Jesus, Pilate stated that he could find no fault in Christ. On the other hand, there was a convicted murderer named Barabbas. One of these two, Jesus or Barabbas, would be set free. Pilate’s dilemma was that he knew Jesus was an innocent man, but he also knew that the religious leaders of that day wanted to destroy Jesus. He did “not” want to put an innocent man to death, but he “did” want to please the people. When the people insisted that Barabbas be released, Pilate raised the question, “What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?” (Matthew 27:22).

This question is one that every person who hears of Jesus will have to answer. No question could be more important because one’s answer to the question will determine one’s eternal destiny.

Some people want to remain neutral concerning Jesus. However, remaining neutral regarding Jesus is not a logical position. It is not tenable because Jesus is the most influential person in the history of the world. More books, songs, and poems have been written about Him than any other. In a relatively short ministry, lasting about three and a half years, He has touched more lives than any other. This extraordinary, life-changing character cannot be simply ignored. One must decide what he or she will do with Jesus.

Many people insist that Jesus was a good moral teacher. Yet, they deny that Jesus is the Son of God. This idea concerning Jesus is seriously flawed. While it may sound “nice” to say that Jesus was a good man, it is not true if Jesus was not a divine being. Think about it. Jesus did not claim to be a “good” man. Jesus claimed to be God in the flesh (John 8:58; 10:30; 14:8-9; 20:28). If His claims were false, then Jesus would be a deceiver, or perhaps a lunatic.

Was He deranged? A mental-case? No, obviously He was not. His teachings are regarded as some of the most profound, insightful, and beneficial teachings of the world. Such teachings do not come from one who is crazy.

Was He a deceiver? Consider that wherever the Gospel is preached and believed, lives are made better. Through Christ, alcoholics overcome addiction, thieves become honest, marriages are made stronger, and nations thrive. Think about all the hospitals that have been built and benevolent acts done in the name of Christ. Are these the fruits of a “deceiver?” I think not.

If Jesus was sane and honest, then His claims to be the Son of God are true! Read the books of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in the New Testament. Honestly and carefully examine these accounts of the life of Christ. Only then will one be in a position to make a fair assessment of Jesus’ claim to be the Son of God, a claim verified by an empty tomb (Romans 1:4).

Study Him. Believe Him. Obey Him. Serve Him, and heaven will be your eternal home!

## How Deep the Father's Love By David A. Sargent

Finally in the thirty-eighth hour, as he pulled back a boulder, he heard his son's voice. He screamed his son's name, "ARMAND!" and a voice answered him, "Dad? It's me, Dad!"

Then the boy added these priceless words, "I told the other kids not to worry. I told 'em that if you were alive, you'd save me and when you saved me, they'd be saved. You promised that, Dad. 'No matter what,' you said, 'I'll always be there for you!' And here you are, Dad. You kept your promise!" \*

Our SIN leaves us in a seemingly hopeless situation..., but God loves us so much that He sent His Son to rescue and redeem us (Ephesians 1:7). Jesus, God's Son, died on the cross to pay the price for our sins and to give us the gift of eternal life (John 3:16; Romans 6:23).

In order to receive the forgiveness of our sins and the gift of eternal life, we must place our faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from our sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be baptized (immersed) into Christ (Acts 2:38). Then, as we continue to walk in the light of His Word, the blood of Jesus continues to cleanse us from all sin (1 John 1:7).

Stuart Townend has written a song entitled, "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" that contains these words:

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss,  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the chosen One,  
Bring many sons to glory

Even though WE were in the depths of sin,  
God reached down to us through His Son  
Jesus to save us – if only we'll accept His offer  
on His terms.

Won't YOU?

It's a fascinating story that comes out of the 1989 earthquake which almost flattened Armenia. This deadly tremor killed over 30,000 people in less than four minutes. In the midst of all the confusion of the earthquake, a father rushed to his son's school. When he arrived there he discovered the building was flat as a pancake.

Standing there looking at what was left of the school, the father remembered a promise he made to his son, "No matter what, I'll always be there for you!" Tears began to fill his eyes. It looked like a hopeless situation, but he could not take his mind off his promise.

Remembering that his son's classroom was in the back right corner of the building, the father rushed there and started digging through the rubble. As he was digging other grieving parents arrived, clutching their hearts, saying: "My son!" "My daughter!" They tried to pull him off of what was left of the school saying: "It's too late!" "They're dead!" "You can't help!" "Go home!" Even a police officer and a fire-fighter told him he should go home. To everyone who tried to stop him he said, "Are you going to help me now?" They did not answer him and he continued digging for his son stone by stone.

He needed to know for himself: "Is my boy alive or is he dead?" This man dug for eight hours and then twelve and then twenty-four and then thirty-six.

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Tavin & Kirstin Fitzgerald, Jo Chapman, Joan Berryman, Ola Wade, Mary Brady

•**HOSPITAL:** Rodney Hilliard (Vanderbilt University Hospital, Room #, 1211 Medical Center, Drive, Nashville, TN 37232), Leland Ralph

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Helen Chapman (Alison Wade's Mother), Wayne Vandygriff

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Sandra Hopper, Courtney Cissom, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Ed James Pannell, Connie Mauney, Genice Collette (Mildred Shackelford's Sister), Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Fagin and Johnnie Carpenter, Sandra & Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Dwight Ward, Betty Faye Ledbury, Chester Smith, Lana Waldon, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Lyle Bullock, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Don Allen Riggs (19, student at FU from El Paso, TX), has stage 3 cancer. Cards may be sent to Target House 1, 1811 Poplar Ave, Apt. 211, Memphis, TN 38104), Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Rodney Hilliard, Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno, Ruth Greer.

•**SHUT-INS:** Resthaven: Oleta Phillips (*Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663*), Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: Bonnie Chapman, Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman (*Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663*).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

February 16, 2017

**Chapman Ladies Bible Class:**

Lesson By: Kim Lindley

Snacks By: Robin Chapman, Sharon Pannell & Jill Loveless

## LADS TO LEADERS TEST DATES

Pearls:

Wednesday Bible Study

February 15, 2017

Bible Bowl:

Wednesday Bible Study

February 22, 2017

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