

February 18, 2024

Announcements

Brad McAlister

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading

Gene Yancey

Opening Prayer

Michiel Criswell (A.M.)
Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Tim McMillin (A.M.)
David Smith (P.M.)

Lord's Table

John Hopper

Count and Usher

Rickey Cissom & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brad McAlister (02/21/24)

OUR RECORD

February 11, 2024

Sunday Bible Study: 80

Sunday Morning Worship: 105

Sunday Evening Worship: 91

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 87

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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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PREACHER: Mark Lindley

KNOWING THE BIBLE

Mark Lindley

It comes as no surprise that there is a lack of Bible knowledge in our day. Although the Bible is known as a best-seller, few people actually spend time learning the Bible. On several occasions, I have heard folk shamelessly state, “Well, I don’t know much about the Bible, but…” This statement is often made in the context of a conversation about some Biblical subject. After hearing something with which one disagrees or when one wants to make a strong point, the person might say, “Well, I don’t know much about the Bible, but I believe…” and then the person will proceed to tell what he/she believes.

But think with me for a moment. If one “does not know much about the Bible,” should that not be a concern? Most people who profess to be Christians would readily affirm that the Bible is the Word of God. If that is true, should we not take the time to learn what God has said? If God is trying to communicate with us through the Bible, is it not foolish to casually dismiss the importance of Bible study? Also, if one “does not know much about the Bible,” how could one be informed enough to speak about any Biblical topic? Would it not be better to learn what the Bible says before speaking about the Bible?

Granted, no one knows everything about the Bible. Everyone needs to grow in knowledge (2 Peter 3:18), and no one should have an arrogant, smug attitude that he knows it all. However, one does not have to know everything about the Bible, in order to know some things about the Bible.

Knowing the Bible is vital to salvation. If one does not know much about the Bible, then how can one know he is saved from sin? If one does not know much about the Bible, then how can one be sure his life is pleasing to the Lord? If one does not know much about the Bible, then how can one be certain that his worship is pleasing to the Lord? If one does not know much about the Bible, then how can one know he is going to heaven? The Bible is the only book in the world that provides the answers (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

I am sure that our parents, grandparents, friends, or a preacher might offer spiritual guidance. However, even good, sincere, religious people can be wrong (cf. Matthew 7:21-23; Acts 26:9). When our souls are at stake, we cannot afford to expect others to provide answers to our questions. Rather, in order to be sure we are saved, we must study the Bible.

What True Fellowship Involves By Edd Sterchi

“Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols?” (2 Corinthians 6:14-16a, NKJV)

Even though written in the negative, I believe we can examine this text and extrapolate many positive aspects of true fellowship which come forth clearly in the words used. So here’s what true fellowship involves:

* Yoked together – True fellowship involves being linked together for the purpose of being productive. Fellowship operates best when people work closely together for a common cause.

* Fellowship – True fellowship involves companionship and comradery (which is the definition of the Greek word translated “fellowship”). Fellowship is formed when people are truly together.

* Communion – True fellowship involves close, personal association with one another. Fellowship is strengthened when personal connections are made.

* Accord (harmony, NAS) – True fellowship involves unity, harmony, and peace.

Fellowship grows when people get along.

* Part (share, ESV) – True fellowship involves sharing and partaking together. Fellowship blossoms most beautifully when everyone does their part.

* Agreement – True fellowship involves being one in thought, belief, expression, effort, and outlook. Fellowship moves forward when there is common ground.

Truly, true fellowship is wonderful. Take a look at the above list again and note all the benefits of true fellowship. Resolve to do your part to be in true and total fellowship with Christ and His church.

Showing Up By David Bragg

Canadians were mad! The price of gas had surged in Montreal and it looked like the high prices would last all summer. People were going to demand change. As outrage grew it became clear that a time and place need to be set to stage a protest.

Organizers took to the internet and a date was set, May 30, 2018, and a place was designated, Marché Central. Protesters were motivated. As interest grew organizers were pleased with the response as 36,000 people expressed an interest in the protest and 5,000 made the commitment to attend. Police also were motivated to ensure the event was conducted peacefully. Image the relief of the police when, on the morning of the protest, the police outnumbered the protester. No, that is not a typo. One woman showed up (CTV News, Montreal)! The amused cops posed for pictures with the lone protester.

It is always encouraging to see the brightly burning zeal of those who are obeying the gospel of Christ. Those of us who have been Christians for years can reflect on the time when we became Christians and experience that same determination to be “faithful until death” (Rev. 2:10). But baptism is just the beginning. The real question is, after our baptism, are we willing every day to “show up” as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ?

UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH NIGHT

March 3, 2024

5 PM

Fellowship Meal to follow

GOSPEL MEETING

March 17-20, 2024

Speaker: Wayne Cox

Verona Church of Christ

Sunday: 10 AM Bible Study

10:45 AM Worship

12 Noon Fellowship Meal

1:30 PM Evening Service

Mon - Wed 7:00 PM

FIFTH SUNDAY

March 31, 2024

10 AM Bible Study

10:45 AM Worship

12 Noon Fellowship Meal

1:30 PM Evening Service

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Olivia Pounders.

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

SICK SUNDAY: Pat Shackelford, Joy Simmons

REHAB: Juan Stroupe (TCH/Rehab)

SURGERY RECOVERY: Dawn Jackson, Karen Cissom

HOSPITAL: Hannah Jones (ICU-Tupelo)

EXTENDED ILLNESS: Joanie Kate Reese, Everett Hurt, Olivia Pounders, Garrison Coats, Joe Clark, George Doss, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry, Juanita Michael

CANCER:) Tiny Willis, Dorothy Hopper (John’s Mother) Billy McBryde (Rita Smith’s Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer’s Father), Deborah Williams (Kim Lindley’s Aunt), Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman’s Son-in-law), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Trish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Betty Faye Ledbury

SHUT-INS: *Tippah County Health & Rehab:* Romia Palmer, Jimmy Berryman, Peggy Davis, Joe Clark

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