

March 15, 2020
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Tommy Wade

Song Leader

Jodie Criswell

Scripture Reading

Palmer Jones

Opening Prayer

Mason McAlister (A.M.)

Logan Yancey (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

David Smith (A.M.)

Gene Yancey (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Wayne Vandygriff (Presiding),

Tripp Yancey, J C Newby, Reed Shackelford

Count and Usher

Rickey Loveless, Michiel Criswell

Prepare Communion

Karen Yancey and Juan Stroupe

Wednesday Night Song Leader

John Hopper (03/18/20)

OUR RECORD

March 8, 2020

Sunday Bible Study: 105

Sunday Morning Worship: 124

Sunday Evening Worship: 94

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 96

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: 3,153

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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 CORONAVIRUS AND HELL

James Pilgrim

Likely, every accountable person in the informed world has heard of the Coronavirus. Many people are running scared. Not a few are going even to extremes to protect themselves from the virus, fearing death.

In reality, there are more physical deaths from many other sources than from this virus. For example, evidence shows that smoking causes thousands of disfigurements and deaths per year, yet people spend millions of dollars on tobacco yearly. Alcohol is the cause of so many kinds of miseries and deaths each year, yet the populous rushes to stores to buy and consume the product. Other drugs of various kinds, such as, opioids, marijuana, and many more, are flippantly used, even though studies have shown such use to be devastating in multiple ways, including death. On and on goes the list. Likely, all will do all within their power to escape becoming sick or dying from the Coronavirus; yet do a number of other things to bring about an untimely sickness or death.

Most people are afraid of physical sickness or death, yet disregard spiritual sickness, even taking it lightly. One should be concerned with the physical, and should do reasonable things to protect oneself from physical harm. However, more thought should be given to spiritual things. Paul wrote "There is none righteous, no not one." (Romans 3:10). He then said, "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Verse 23). In chapter 6, verse 23, he said, "The wages of sin is death", which is "the lake of fire and brimstone." (Revelation 20:14, 15; 21:8). Among those to "be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power" (2 Thessalonians 1:7-9), are "the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars..." (Revelation 21:8).

You do not have to die in sin and be told, "Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:..." (Matthew 26:41). You can hear Jesus say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." (Matthew 26:21, 23). Jesus has promised to say to those on His right hand, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." (Matthew 26:34). The saved will enjoy "a new heaven and a new earth" (Revelation 21:1-7), "eternal in the heavens." (2 Corinthians 5:1).

Immunize yourself from sin and eternal damnation (Romans 6:1-7). Hear and believe the word. (Romans 10:17), repent of sin (Acts 17:30, 31), Confess the Deity of Jesus (Acts 8:37), and be born again of water and the Spirit (John 3:1-5, 23) by burial in water (Colossians 2:12; Acts 8:38, 39) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38) to enter Christ (Galatians 3:26, 27) and His Body/Church (1 Corinthians 2:12; Ephesians 1:22, 23), and be faithful unto death. (Revelation 2:10; 1 Corinthians 15:58). Beloved, obey Jesus to protect yourself from physical and spiritual death. Cf. Hebrews 5:8, 9.

Bible Reasons For Christian Living Winfred Clark

We live in a day and age when people are looking for reasons. That is good. Such an approach will cause one to act in a fashion that is intelligent. There are also cases where one may be told to do, or not do, a certain thing. That person may respond by saying "Why?" That is, they want to know the reason.

If you take the time to look at your Bible, you will see some reasons outlined as to the "why" people ought to live right.

1. TO SAVE THE LOST. This is clearly spelled out in the Bible. Peter speaks to the wife who has the husband that is not a Christian. She is told to, "...be in subjection to your own husband; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear" (1 Pet. 3:1-2). Notice that the wife is told what to do, and she is also told why she is to conduct herself in that way. In short, her life is to be lived in such a way that she may be a Christian influence and save the husband.

2. TO SILENCE THE OPPOSITION. This is surely seen in the language of Paul to Titus. "Sound speech that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you" (Titus 2:8). The man that is a Christian is to so speak and so act that nobody can have any reason to speak a word against him. He may not agree with what he believes but he cannot deny the kind of life he lives. This was true in the case of Daniel.

3. TO SUPPORT THE TRUTH. Listen to the language of Paul, "Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ" (Phil. 1:27). This passage calls for a life that will support the gospel. It will be a life that attracts people to the gospel rather than having them repulsed by such. One would not listen to someone like the priest or Levite that passed by on the other side of the road. He would however pay some attention to what one like the Samaritan had to say. Surely the gospel would make one more like that Samaritan than the priest and Levite.

Yes, there are reasons for living the life a Christian is to live.

" MISDIRECTED PRIORITIES "

by Dalton Key

A report was circulated several years ago concerning an eager twelve-year old boy and his letter to the Library of Congress. The boy requested two books: one on space travel and the other about mental health and sane living. He concluded his letter with this postscript – "If you can't send both books, send the one on space travel, because I am more interested in that."

The boy's interests clearly mirror our own misdirected priorities, don't they?

We look with wonder and excitement to distant planets, stars and galaxies; but we have yet to attain the same interest in sane and rational living on this planet. Recent news reports have heralded newly-discovered information about black holes, about the moons of Jupiter, and about the mysteries of Mars. But while we can't hear enough about such distant matters, we seem, oddly enough, either oblivious or resigned to the fact of our own world carelessly destroying itself with sin, crime and self-indulgence.

If it's a matter of choosing between space travel and sane living, we'll select space travel every time!

The Bible tells the beautiful story of God coming down, from heaven to earth, in the person of Jesus Christ. This sublime Savior lived a spotless life and died a horrible death, and did so not for Himself, but for a lost and dying world – for you and me. He is the only way to God, the only way to heaven.

And yet many of us are just not interested. We look instead to science, recreation, business, or sports – anywhere but where we should be looking! And then we wonder why life seems to have no meaning, no purpose, no substance. Without a genuine hunger and thirst for righteousness we will never be filled.

Don't you think it's about time we started putting first things first?

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAPMAN GOSPEL MEETING

March 15 – 18, 2020

Guest Speaker: Adam Miller

10:00 a.m. Sunday Bible Study

10:45 a.m. Sunday Worship:
Fellowship Meal to Follow

2:00 p.m. Sunday Evening

7:00 p.m. Monday-Wednesday Evening

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•**HOSPITAL:** Jo Chapman, Nina Morrison

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Larry Wood
(Shoulder Replacement)

•**MILITARY:** James B Chapman
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*Nashville Tornado Victims

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Johnny Cissom, Buffie Moore,
George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Linda Chapman,
Nina Morrison (Treatments), Jo Chapman, Louise
Pannell, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Marie Brumley, Jimmy Hopper, Keith
Hall, Hermie Henry (Bonnie Hurt's Mother), Kay
Thompson, Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith,
Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Sandra Jones, Betty
Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha
Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-
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