

April 17, 2022

Announcements
Randell Koon

Song Leader
Chris Moore

Scripture Reading
Gene Yancey

Opening Prayer
Kevin Shackelford (A.M.)
Mickey Chandler(P.M.)

Closing Prayer
Tripp Yancey (A.M.)
Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Lord's Table
Bobby Bridges

Count and Usher
Danny Shackelford & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader
John Hopper (04/17/22)

OUR RECORD

April 10, 2022

Sunday Bible Study: 85
Sunday Morning Worship: 95
Sunday Evening Worship: 86
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 77

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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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Servants vs. Volunteers by David Shannon

Volunteers usually serve with less commitment than servants. They often need to fit their volunteer hours around other priorities in their lives. Volunteers generally view their work as a "gift" to the organization. Rarely do they not feel that appreciation is due them, after all, they have given all their time instead of being compensated. Volunteers usually have lower expectations placed on them, because they are free to go at anytime. And if you listen to their reasoning on why they give their time, it is often because it makes them "feel good about themselves." Notice, God doesn't call us to volunteer, but to serve. Consider that servants are committed--totally committed.

It is Your Duty!

By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 1 John 3:16

Servants don't just place God first on the list, then follow with number 2, 3, 4 and so on. Servants make sure God is first in all areas of their life! God is first. Then He is first in the 2nd area, He is first in the 3rd area and so on.

And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ. Colossians 3:23-24

Servants do not see their work as a gift that deserves gratitude, but instead they understand it is their duty.

Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not. So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, "We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do." Luke 17:9-10

Instead of expecting appreciation, servants are thankful for the opportunity recognizing it as a part of God's grace. That is correct, the opportunity to serve God is a gracious opportunity we don't deserve. Paul understood it when he said,

And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry. 1 Timothy 1:12

A servant's service isn't motivated by self promotion or glory. A servant's service is accomplished through obedience to the Master who knows our purpose and has work for us to do.

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29:11-13

Don't Volunteer, Serve!

CAN I BORROW YOUR ROPE?

Bob Pritchard

A farmer came and asked his neighbor if he could borrow his rope. The neighbor said, "No, I can't let you borrow it."

"Why not," he replied.

"Because I'm using it to tie up my milk."

"But you can't tie up milk with a rope."

"I know, but when you don't want to do something, one excuse is as good as another."

As a preacher, I often hear excuses from people for why they don't want to do something, and very often they fall in the category of "tying up milk." I had a teacher in high school who really stressed to us that there is a big difference between an excuse and a reason. If you came into his class and said, "My excuse for being late is ... ," or "My excuse for not having my homework done is ... ," he would say, "I don't want an excuse, I want a reason!"

Have you been planning to get back in church, read your Bible more, or be baptized? Have you been planning to start coming on Sunday nights or Wednesday nights? Have you been planning to volunteer to teach a class, work with VBS or Lads to Leaders, or do something else you should do? Do you have a reason, or an excuse for not doing what you should do?

Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). He puts it pretty plainly doesn't He? There it is in black and white. You may make all the excuses you want to, but if you are not obeying the Lord, you don't love Him. Is it time to take some action?

"And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will show you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock. But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great" (Luke 6:46-49).

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAPMAN SPRING BRING

Sunday, April 17th

We will have a fellowship meal (potluck) and Egg Hunt followed by services at 2:00 p.m.

Each child needs to bring a dozen plastic eggs.

RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST AREA WIDE YOUTH NIGHT

April 24, 2022 at 5 PM

Speaker: Jonathan Bates

Food will be provided.

PROGRAMS OF WORK

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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: Jodie Criswell (*Surgery April 13th*), Brandi & Joanie Kate Reese

HOSPITAL:

Cortney Cissom (Rehab)

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

•CANCER: Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Steve Barnes (Mickey & Gail Chandler's Son-in-law), Betty Faye Ledbury, Tracy Simmons (Shawna Jones' Sister-in-law)

•SHUT-INS: *Tippah County Health & Rehab:* Romia Palmer #204 *Resthaven:* Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter

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