

June 16, 2019
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Danny Shackelford

Song Leader

Brad McAlister

Scripture Reading

Bobby Bridges

Opening Prayer

James Pilgrim (A.M.)

Jeff Robertson (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Bryan Davis (A.M.)

Palmer Jones (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Ross Shackelford (Presiding),

Tripp Yancey, Michiel Criswell, Brock Lindley

Count and Usher

Britt Lindley and Devin McVey

Prepare Communion

Connie Davis and Bryana Gaillard

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Mason McAlister (06/19/19)

OUR RECORD

June 9, 2019

Sunday Bible Study: 110

Sunday Morning Worship: 132

Sunday Evening Worship: 92

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 91

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: 3,915

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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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WHAT FOOLS SAY

Mark Lindley

"The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good" (Psalm 53:1). The foolish person relishes the thought "in his heart" that there is no such being as God. Those who are corrupt and do abominable wickedness do not want to be answerable to God, so they simply deny His existence.

However, it is absurd and foolish to deny God's existence in light of clear evidence to the contrary. One piece of evidence is the moral argument for the existence of God. The moral argument is outlined as follows: 1) If objective moral values exist, then God exists; 2) Objective moral values do exist; 3) Therefore, God exists.

The word "objective," as it relates to the moral argument, means that moral values exist independent of human feelings, prejudices, or reasoning. In other words, some things are always wrong, regardless of how people feel or reason about those things. Even those who deny God's existence agree that it would be wrong to torture children for fun, rape, rob, or murder others. These moral values are real and continue to exist, regardless of how others reason or feel about them. That is, these moral values are "objective."

Suppose a man develops feelings of anger and resentment because he suffers misfortune in life, and decides that he will unleash his anger on innocent people. The angry man then breaks into the home of an elderly couple, and proceeds to beat and rob the couple. The actions of that man would be "objectively" wrong, even if the man thought he had a "good reason" for doing what he did.

But what (or who) is the basis of objective moral values? If there are moral values that exist independent of human feelings or reasoning, what is the source of such values? To say that man is the source of moral values is to say that morals are subjective, not objective. If human beings decide what is morally acceptable, then, a man who decides that rape is a good alternative to consensual sex with a spouse, should not be held accountable. How could the man's actions be condemned, if man is the source of his own morality?

There is only one viable solution to this moral dilemma: God exists, and His nature and will are the source for objective moral values. "Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!" (Psalm 107:8). God is the source of objective moral values. Denying this evident truth is foolish.

The Weakening Of The Christian Faith By Carey Scott

Let me start out by saying that God's rules and commandments have not lost any ground as far as producing salvation. According to the Bible, that will never change. As long as time continues, the requirements of God for man concerning faith and obedience will stand true, and will not change.

This article is more of an indictment of many churches that call themselves Christian of some sort. We have seen many denominations turn away from God's word and reject the authority of the Bible. Many groups have denied the deity of Jesus, and still many more have denied the existence of eternal torment or bliss. Many have outright rejected the Bible and allow women leaders and any immoral person is welcome to become a member without having to give up their personal sin.

The downward direction of many churches stems from trying to be acceptable in the community. They do not hold to values that are biblically based, but make their decisions upon politically correct views of the culture around them.

We have noticed a wave of "Christ bashing" and "religious bashing" lately. Many are becoming antagonistic towards Christ, His Church, and His teachings. They make fun of, and mock Jesus when talking about His commandments. They call the adherents, dumb, misguided, ignorant, brain-washed idiots, and hateful bigots, all the while ignoring that they are probably model citizens in their community.

We might remember that the Jews have also had much bashing over the years, and it continues to get worse. However in the PC world we live in, there are some religions that seem to get "a pass", while others are condemned publically for their stance.

If we are going to be Christians, we must stand up and support the teachings of the Bible, because the Bible is the word of the God (John 17:17) we worship. We must declare the truth of God's word and repeat the claim that there is only one way to receive eternal life. That way is Jesus (John 14:6). If our faith cannot stand upon the principles of the Bible, it is a weak faith at best, but more than likely a "non-faith".

We must teach and preach the word of God in its purity and simplicity. We cannot add to it, change it, or take away from it. We must properly understand the Bible as it applies to today's people.

If there is no after-life as many proffer, there is no reason to live a good moral life. If there is no God, there is no accountability to that God, and everyone does what they want because there is no right or wrong.

We all see the chaos when people pick and choose which laws they will follow, and that sends an example to the citizens at large. Nothing good will come from it. Our world is bad enough with all the evil and immoral behavior out there, we do not need this trend promoted as many are doing.

I challenge all churches to get back to the Bible and teach the Bible precepts instead of the human doctrines that are prevalent in our religious world. Speak where the Bible speaks, and be silent where it is silent. Do not add, take away, or change what is already written.

UPCOMING EVENTS

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

CHAPMAN VBS

July 7th – 10th

Sunday AM: 10:00AM

Sunday PM: 2:00 PM (Evening Service
2:00PM – VBS immediately following)

Mon – Wed 7:00-8:30 PM

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Jo Elsie Bridges.

•**REHAB:** Cutah Newby (Diversicare)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Wayne Vandygriff, James Newby (Rehab/Birmingham), Don Blackwell (4-wheeler accident/preacher and elder of Southaven congregation), Bonnie Hurt

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Pat Waide, Joanie Kate Reese, Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Tony Morrison, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Hermie Henry (Bonnie Hurt's Mother), Gary Michaels, Kay Thompson, Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith,, Rhonda Horton, Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Danny Yancey, Diane Hodges, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.

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