

July 18, 2021
WORSHIP

Announcements
Jarvene Shackelford

Song Leader
J C Newby

Scripture Reading
Gene Yancey

Opening Prayer
Wayne Vandygriff (A.M.)
Randel Koon (P.M.)

Closing Prayer
Jeff Roberson (A.M.)
Mason McAlister (P.M.)

Lord's Table
Bobby Bridges

Count and Usher
Terry Chapman & Logan Yancey

Wednesday Night Song Leader
John Hopper (07/21/21)

OUR RECORD

June 11, 2021

Sunday Bible Study: 87
Sunday Morning Worship: 112
Sunday Evening Worship: 91
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 83

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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 is the difference between the church of the New Testament and denominations?

Mark Lindley

- The church has Christ as Head (Col. 1:18). Denominations were started by men.
- The church has members who call themselves Christians (Ac. 11:26). Denominations wear sectarian names not found in the Bible.

- The church worships in spirit and in truth (Jo 4:24). Denominations worship according to church preference (i.e., the doctrines and commandments of men).
- The church is organized scripturally with elders, deacons, members, and evangelists (Eph. 4:11; Phil. 1:1). Denominations have a one-man-rule system, a pastor system that is foreign to the teaching of the New Testament.
- The church recognizes God's Word as the final authority in all religious matters (II Tim. 3:16-17). Denominations have creeds, manuals, catechisms, etc.
- The church is the sphere of the saved. Those in the church have been called out of the world into Christ (Ac. 2:47; Col. 1:13; Gal. 3:27). Denominations are not essential to salvation and exist without New Testament authority.
- The church promotes unity (Jo. 17:20-21; I Cor. 1:10; Philp. 3:16). Denominations promote division.
- The church will be delivered to God in the last day (I Cor. 15:24). Divisive religions will be "rooted up" (Matt. 15:13).

Can We Do More? By Bill Brandstatter

Often some Christians feel bad because they are not able to do more for the church. Certainly, there are times when, as individuals, we need to do more. That may include inviting others, encouraging others, attending Bible classes and worship, praying more for others. Sometimes phone calls, visits, or notes are great ways to help others to live better, be more faithful, and be encouraged. Others sometimes see the church in decline, or they notice more needs to be done. Sometimes we ask, "Can we do more?" The answer is YES; but to what extent is this possible?

Everybody is not the same. Paul indicates in Romans 12:4 that every person in the body has a different function. God expects us to do what our function is to do. Paul told Timothy, "Do the work of an evangelist." Timothy had work to do. I am not expected by God to do what others are more capable of doing. God expects me to do what I can with the ability I have (1 Pet. 4:11).

Everybody can do something. In Mark chapter 14, a woman with an alabaster box did something. She was criticized for not doing more. Jesus said, "She has done what she could do." (vs. 8) Notice Jesus did not expect her to do what the critics mentioned. Mark records, "They criticized her sharply." (vs. 5) We don't know the reason that she couldn't do more; but, Jesus accepted what she did and praised her for it. Sometimes people don't do anything because of criticism. Like the woman in our text, others will look at the work that ought to be done and criticize. Perhaps some think that their work is to criticize others. Because of criticism or the possibility of it, some people won't do what they ought to be doing (John 12:42, 43). Let us not be doers of criticism, but encouragers and exhorters.

Everybody has reasons they can't do more. Sometimes time constraints prevent a person from doing more. A mother with children is constrained by time. God expects a mother to take care of the home, her husband and her children. (If she can do more that is great.) Many women do, but not all are able to. When Paul stated that a woman would be saved in her childbearing, he simply meant that a mother has a place that is important to God. (1 Tim. 2:15)

In our day, there may be times a person can't do more because of health, transportation, or situations. They can only do a certain amount. We should not be critical of those who can't do more, but rather encourage them in whatever area they are serving.

Everybody has a responsibility to do something for the Lord. Perhaps all I can do is make a phone call. Others may be able to send a card. The Lord only expects me to do what I can. Certainly not everyone can preach or teach a Bible class. Some can't lead singing. Others can't teach a children's class. Everybody can do something, however. We need to find our niche in the local congregation and then do it to the best of our ability. We are not perfect. We will make mistakes. Christianity and service both involve growth, however. (2 Pet. 3:18)

Everybody needs to try to do more. In Heb. 5:12, there is mentioned individuals that should have grown in their Christianity. They should have been teachers; but they had never gotten to that point. The writer indicates they needed to be taught again the first principles. The implication here is that they should have grown more than they did. We can try to do more. We can talk to more people about the salvation found only in Christ. We can send a card or make a phone call. We can say an encouraging word. We often put ourselves in a comfort zone and never leave. All of us need to look within and ask ourselves if we have grown. If we can do more, we should. If we are at the same place we were when we became a Christian, we need to grow. Everybody can do something.

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

•**SICK:** Mason McAlister

•**SURGERY RECOVER:** Dawn Jackson,
Jamison Staggs, Kim Lindley

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