

August 5, 2018

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

David Yancey

Song Leader

J C Newby

Scripture Reading

Tripp Yancey

Opening Prayer

Eli Carter (A.M.) Michiel Criswell (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

John Hopper (A.M.) Jarvene Shackelford (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Terry Chapman (Presiding),
Chase Chapman, Ricky Loveless,
Kevin Shackelford

Count and Usher

Joel Moore & Palmer Jones

Prepare Communion

Joy Simmons & Juan Stroupe

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Mason McAlister (08/08/18)

OUR RECORD

July 29, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 133

Sunday Morning Worship: 150

Sunday Evening Worship: 139

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 118

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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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It's Not About You
By Joe Chesser

We live in a society that basically believes, "It's all about me." Almost every message that advertisers use promotes "me." Check them out and see if I'm right. Pamper yourself. Please yourself. Protect yourself. No wonder so many marriages are breaking up. No wonder so many people are having a difficult time at work. No wonder there's so much crime and overcrowded prisons. No wonder there's so much mud-slinging in politics. No wonder there's so much road rage. No wonder children are so difficult to control. No wonder there are so many lawsuits. No wonder there are so many people crying that their rights have been violated. No wonder there are so many churches being split.

One of God's irrefutable laws says that whatever you sow, you reap. We are seeing the vivid results of sowing the seeds of self-centeredness, and it's not pretty.

However, God's law of sowing and reaping works both ways. If we actively sow seeds of selflessness and service to others we will definitely reap a different harvest. What we see in Jesus, and what actually cost Him is life, is that God is not happy with self-centeredness in any realm of human existence: not in the home, not in the workplace, not in the church. So, Jesus repeatedly taught us that Christianity is not about "me," it's about others.

The greatest command is to love God (not self). Mark 12:29-30

The next greatest is to love our neighbors (not self) Mark 12:31

We are to die to ourselves Luke 9:23
We are to bless those who persecute us Romans 12:14

We are to do nothing out of selfish ambition Philippians 2:3

We are to consider others better than ourselves Philippians 2:3

As much as we are bombarded by advertisers, politicians, educators, and even clergy to "look out for #1," it will be difficult to believe and practice the teachings of Jesus that it's "not about you." But we must.

Yet, here's the blessing. When we do things the way Jesus teaches, we learn that putting others first is the best thing we can do for ourselves!

Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow Unknown

There are two days in every week that we should not worry about, two days that should be kept free from fear and apprehension.

One of them is YESTERDAY, with its mistakes and cares, its faults and blunders, its aches and pains. Yesterday has passed, forever beyond our control. All the money in the world cannot bring back yesterday. We cannot undo a single act we performed. Nor can we erase a single word we've said--yesterday is gone (Psa. 90:4).

The other day we shouldn't worry about is TOMORROW, with its impossible adversaries, its burden, its hopeful promise and poor performance. Tomorrow is beyond our control. If God wills, tomorrow's sun will rise, either in splendor or behind a mask of clouds--but it will rise. And until it does, we have no stake in tomorrow, for it is yet unborn. For you do not know what a day may bring forth (Pro. 27:1; Matt. 6:34; Jas. 4:14).

This leaves only one day--TODAY. A person can fight the battles of just one day. It is only when we add the burdens of yesterday and tomorrow that we break down. It is not the experience of today that drives people mad--it is the remorse of bitterness for something which happened yesterday, and the dread of what tomorrow may bring. Let us, therefore live but one day at a time! "Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says: 'Today if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts...'" (Heb. 3:7-8).

"But the Very Hairs of Your Head Are All Numbered" By Tim Smith

How many hairs do you have on your head? I do not know how many hairs I have on my head, and I doubt that you know how many hairs you have on yours, but someone does. It is not your spouse or your barber/hair dresser or doctor or parents or children—it is God. He knows how many hairs are on your head (Mat. 10:30). And He knows many more important things about you too.

He knows how you feel when you are lonely. He was all by Himself (in more ways than one) in Gethsemane. He was often all by Himself in prayer to His Father—even spending the entire night praying alone. He faced His accusers and judge all alone. He knows.

He knows how you feel when a close friend betrays you. It was Judas, one of His twelve closest associates, whose kiss delivered Him into the hands of His enemies. It was the remainder of that special twelve that deserted Him in His hour of greatest need. Three of them, having been taken a little farther along than the others in Gethsemane, failed even to remain awake while He was praying and sweating drops like blood. He knows.

He knows how you feel when you are tired and weary. Having been up all night being falsely accused and beaten, He was made to carry a part of His cross up to Calvary. The cumulative effect of physical and mental exhaustion reached a crescendo when He fell beneath the load. He knows.

He knows how you feel when you lose a loved one. Lazarus, His dear friend, died and in the shortest verse in the Bible His response is recorded—Jesus wept. He felt the pain of loss. When we consider that He knew that He was about to raise Lazarus from the dead even as He wept, I think it gives added beauty to the fellowship we have with Him at such times. He knows.

Whatever it is that we face, we know that He faced it also. He was in all points tempted like as we are. He experienced to the full the human experience. He bids us come to Him and find in Him the foundation and motivation and strength we need to be the kind of people we should be. He knows—and He wants to help you. Will you come to Him?

UPCOMING EVENTS

We would like to thank everyone who had a part in our 2018 Lectureship. We were blessed to have so many visitors come and worship with us. Our guest speakers did a wonderful job. We appreciate all who invited and all who prepared the wonderful meal Sunday. It was truly a good week!

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IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Amy King (Wayne Vandygriff's Niece).

•**SURGERY:** Joanie Kate Reese (08/02/18)

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Cortney Cissom, Tony Morrison, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Cohen Hurt (2nd grade/Pine Grove), Jimmy Smith, Roxieann Foster, Danny Yancey, Lana Waldon, Diane Hodges, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.

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