

September 4, 2022

Announcements

Britt Lindley

Song Leader

Logan Yancey

Scripture Reading

Gene Yancey

Opening Prayer

Bobby Bridges (A.M.)
Michiel Criswell (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

John Hopper (A.M.)
Jimmy Vandygriff (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Mickey Chandler

Count and Usher

Chase Chapman & Danny Shackelford
Wednesday Night Song Leader
Brice Lindley (09/07/22)

OUR RECORD

August 28, 2022

Sunday Bible Study: 79
Sunday Morning Worship: 93
Sunday Evening Worship: 69
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 86

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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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BEARING THE BURDENS OF LIFE Mark Lindley

I recently saw a t-shirt with the words "Life is Good" written across the front. There is no question about it; life is good for the Christian because he has fellowship with God, all spiritual blessings in Christ (Ephesians 1:3), and the hope of heaven in his heart (Titus 1:2).

Nevertheless, even for the Christian, there will be many burdens to bear. Scripture affirms, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble" (Job 14:1). In this life, there will be terminal illnesses, tragedies, family and marital troubles, many heartaches, and death.

However, God has promised that with each burden He will provide the strength to sustain His children: "Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved" (Psalm 55:22).

The following are some Scriptural ideas that will help us deal with the burdens of life:

1. Remember to take it "one day at a time." No one can live tomorrow until it comes, so one might as well live for today. Jesus taught us to do this. "Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof" (Matthew 6:34). Don't worry about tomorrow, next week, or next year; just make it through the day.
2. Depend on friends and family for encouragement and comfort. Christians are to "bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). In time of trials, having a spiritual family to depend on is indeed a wonderful blessing.
3. Get closer to God. It is possible for one who is suffering to get bitter and turn from God. The Christian must have the faith to hold on to God and know that He is "a very present help in trouble" (Psalm 46:1). By prayer and reading God's Word, we can get closer to God. We talk to God and He talks to us. His Word will comfort us in times of despair. Paul wrote about "the comfort of the scriptures" (Romans 15:4).
4. Be assured that there is a better world to come. Jesus said that in His Father's house are "many mansions" (John 14:1-3).

The "house" of which Jesus spoke is, of course, heaven—a place where there will be no more "death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain" (Revelation 21:4). In view of these beautiful verses, the Christian can look forward to a better world to come, a world free from the cares, burdens, and trials of this life.

What Really Changed Paul's Life?

By Dan Winkler

All of Jerusalem was disturbed (Acts 21:30). Paul had been seized, dragged out of the temple, almost beaten to death, and falsely charged with desecrating the temple (Acts 21:30-32, 35).

Of interest, when he was finally allowed to defend himself, he talked about—of all things—his conversion. He spoke of:

His “education” at the feet of Gamaliel (22:1-3)
His “convictions” relative to the strictness of the law (22:3)

His “dedication” as a zealot, persecuting the church (22:3-5)

His “immersion” for the remission of sins (22:16); and

His “commission” as one sent to the Gentiles (22:17-21).

Question: What really changed Paul's life? What turned him from one religion to another? What directed his energies? Why was he converted?

Answer: He saw Jesus! On the road to Damascus his associates saw the same light Paul encountered, but only Paul was temporarily blinded. Why? Paul was the only one actually to see the Lord in His glory, and it changed his life forever (Acts 22:6-9; 9:7).

Even so, when you and I study the Old Testament, we are encouraged to anticipate a Savior. When we study the New Testament, we are introduced to Jesus as that Savior. If we are baptized into Him (Galatians 3:26-27) and allow Him to live in us (Galatians 2:20) like Paul, it will make all the difference in our lives...and our eternity.

God Hath Spoken

by: W. P. Dennis

In Hebrews 1:1, we are told that God has spoken at many times and in many different ways. He spoke directly to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. He spoke to Moses from a burning bush. God does not speak today as in times past, for He "hath in these last times spoken unto us by His Son."

God has revealed His word so all can understand. It would be unreasonable to think that God has made the knowledge of His word essential to our salvation and yet made it require miraculous aid to understand it. This would make God responsible for every person lost. This would also be in conflict with the basic teaching of the Bible.

When men fail to obey, it is because of man's own disposition and attitude. It is not the fault of God. We are told in 2 Thess. 2:10 that "Some will not receive the love of the truth that they might be saved." Sometimes we wonder why people do not obey the plan of salvation when it is made so plain. Here is a big part of the answer: they do not love the truth.

Paul goes on to speak of some who "Take pleasure in unrighteousness." Since God's commandments are God's righteousness, this means they enjoy refusing to do what God has said.

What God has said in His word is well within the mental grasp of every responsible person. The alien sinner must believe (Heb. 11:6), repent (Luke 13:3), confess (Rom. 10:9, 10), and be baptized (Mark 16:16). We are not to add to nor take from this divine plan.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**CHAPMAN CHURCH OF CHRIST
FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY
OCTOBER 9TH**

**GOSPEL MEETING
OCTOBER 9-12**

SPEAKER: ADAM MILLER

YOU ARE INVITED TO
THE

Bridal Shower

For

Montana Brown

&

Brock Lindley

September 11th
3:30 to 4:30

**Chapman Church of Christ
Fellowship Hall**

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Amazon, Stella Baby*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

SICK SUNDAY : Pat Shackelford, Molly Moore & family, Parker McAlister

HOSPITAL : Theo Smith, Ricky Rogers (Jodie Criswell's Son-in-law), Debbie Chapman

SURGERY RECOVERY : Jodie Criswell, Terry Chapman

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Louise Pannell (Sharon's Mother), Malone Hurt, Gerohn Childs, Junior Derrick, Jane Morrison, Patti Hall, George Doss, Joanie Kate Reese, Louise Pannell, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Lennox Kennamore (Leukemia), Jimmie Wayne Roberson, Johnnie Carpenter, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Steve Barnes (Mickey & Gail Chandler's Son-in-law), Betty Faye Ledbury,

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

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