

October 15, 2023

Announcements

Randell Koon

Song Leader

John Hopper

Scripture Reading

Ross Shackelford

Opening Prayer

Keith Newby (A.M.)
Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Danny Shackelford (A.M.)
Bo Chapman (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Michiel Criswell

Count and Usher

Bobby Bridges & Bryan Davis
Wednesday Night Song Leader
Mason McAlister (10/18/23)

OUR RECORD

October 8, 2023

Sunday Bible Study: 112
Sunday Morning Worship: 139
Sunday Evening Worship 108
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 94

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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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WHY PAUL RECOMMENDED A LITTLE WINE Mark Lindley

There are many passages in the Bible concerning drinking wine. One such passage is I Timothy 5:22-23: "Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure. Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities."

The apostle Paul is the one who wrote these words. He wrote to Timothy, a younger evangelist who was left in Ephesus that he might encourage the church there to remain loyal to the doctrine of Christ (I Timothy 1:3).

In the passage mentioned above, notice that Paul recommended that Timothy "use a little wine." Why would Paul recommend that Timothy drink wine? The answer to that question is provided in the passage. The reason Paul encouraged Timothy to drink wine was for his "stomach's sake and...often infirmities." Paul knew that water, in first-century Ephesus, often was contaminated and carried diseases. Consequently, he instructed Timothy to stop drinking water only, and to "use a little wine" for its health benefit.

It is interesting that Paul had to encourage Timothy to drink even a "little" wine. This reveals that Timothy was not a drinker! Apparently, he was not accustomed to drinking even "a little" wine; otherwise, Paul would not have needed to encourage him to start drinking it.

But why did Timothy abstain from drinking? Drinking wine was common in that culture; why was Timothy not a drinker? The following are possible reasons he abstained: 1) perhaps Timothy knew that drinking wine impairs one's judgment, causing one to do things he or she would not otherwise do. The scripture warns that under the influence of alcohol one's "eyes will behold strange women and...one's heart will utter perverse things"; it is the drunkard who says, "They have beaten me and I felt it not" (Proverbs 23:33, 35). A mild man who gets drunk may become a raging, violent, wife-beating adulterer; 2) Timothy might have abstained because he knew drinking sets a bad example for others: "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak" (Romans 14:21). Timothy did not want to lead others astray by a poor example; 3) perhaps, Timothy abstained because he knew that "drunkards...will not inherit the kingdom of God" (Galatians 5:19-21). Timothy knew that one cannot live as a drunkard and go to heaven! God is gracious and merciful, but he commands all men everywhere to repent (Acts 17:30).

Whatever his reason, Timothy was no drinker! He was not in the habit of drinking even "a little!" Please consider the reasons provided in this article for refusing alcohol and choose to abstain! "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise" (Proverbs 20:1).

OUR WORKS

James Pilgrim

Speaking of God, Paul wrote, "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath ordained that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10). That is how we receive salvation by grace through faith. (Ephesians 2:8, 9). Paul told the Philippians, "Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling." (Philippians 2:12). Paul said, "This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men." (Titus 3:8). Notice! Paul was inspired to tell the brethren that they **(1) Affirm (2) Constantly (3)** that those who have **believed in God be (4) Careful to (5) Maintain (6) Good (7) Works.** One must already be actively doing good works to maintain such.

Some at Chapman are doing good works, and continue to do so. Elders constantly encourage us to good works, even to increase what we are doing. The church has a preacher who frequently praises those who are doing good works, and challenges each one to be even more involved. A number of believers are doing more. There are even things being done of which some may not be aware. The elders have encouraged all to be more involved in evangelism. Articles in the bulletin reach many. The Magnolia Messenger goes out to 50,000 several times yearly.

Articles have appeared therein several months. Tracts and other papers are distributed by some. Sermons and Bible lessons are taught by Mark and visiting preachers in gospel meetings. Men and women teach Bible classes, Vacation Bible School classes, and such like. Men, older and young lead singing, read scripture, preach, lead prayers, make announcements, and more. Women, older and younger, teach classes, greatly contribute to successful singing, aid the sick and needy, head the fellowship meals, and such like.

Beloved we have much to be proud of at Chapman. We need to thank our overseers for their leadership. They are presently working on things that will draw us closer together, get us more involved, and aid us in being more pleasing to God. Are we doing all that we can? NO! Are we doing all of which we are capable? NO! Hopefully, we can say as did someone many years ago, "I ain't what I need to be, and I ain't what i'm gonna be, but thank God, I ain't what I used to be. As one of our hymns says, "Closer to Thee." May we all draw closer to the Lord. That will solve any shortcoming we may have. Let's get ready to meet the Lord in the air.

Personal questions: (1) What can I do? (2) What can I do today? (3) Am I doing what I can? (3) Am I truly doing the will of the One who died for me? **TODAY BEGINS A NEW ME!**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Pine Vale Children's Home 2023 Fall Food Drive

We will be doing monetary donations.
Donation Box is in the foyer.
Deadline is October 15th

CHAPMAN'S TRUNK-R -TREAT & HOTDOG ROAST October 28th at 5:30 PM



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

SICK SUNDAY: Bobbye Chapman, Everett Hurt, Joy Simmons, Lamar Criswell

HOSPITAL: Nylene & Billy Floyd Hopkins (TCH)

SURGERY: Bobby Lindley (Mark's Brother - Oct. 9th), Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father - Oct. 16th)

EXTENDED ILLNESS: Joanie Kate Reese, Olivia Pounders, Garrison Coats, Joe Clark, Louise Pannell (Sharon's Mother), Malone Hurt, George Doss, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry, Juanita Michael

CANCER: Dorothy Hopper (John's Mother) Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Deborah Williams (Kim Lindley's Aunt), Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman's Son-in-law), Tom Muir (Cindy Pruitt's Brother-in-law), Shelia Fleming (Mark Lindley's Aunt), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Trish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz, Betty Faye Ledbury

SHUT-INS: *Tippah County Health & Rehab:* Romia Palmer, Jimmy Berryman, Peggy Davis, Lee Clark

*A Plea For Prayers
Please pray for spiritual and
numerical growth for the Chapman
Congregation in 2023.*

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