

November 12, 2023

Announcements

Rickey Cissom

Song Leader

John Hopper

Scripture Reading

Mason McAlister

Opening Prayer

J C Newby (A.M.)
Randell Koon (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Bo Chapman (A.M.)
Jimmy Vandygriff (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Terry Chapman

Count and Usher

Dale Vandygriff & Tim McMillin

Wednesday Night Song Leader

J C Newby (11/15/23)

OUR RECORD

November 5, 2023

Sunday Bible Study: 76

Sunday Morning Worship: 86

Sunday Evening Worship: 61

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 78

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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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PREACHER: Mark Lindley

A SOUND MIND

Mark Lindley

There is a real need for us to take care of our bodies. The Bible teaches that we are to “glorify God” in our bodies, and that we are to present our bodies as living sacrifices to God (1 Corinthians 6:20; Romans 12:1). Both of these passages enjoin upon us the responsibility to do what we can to maintain healthy bodies.

The Bible also teaches us to maintain healthy, sound minds. Paul wrote, “For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind” (2 Timothy 1:7). One who has a sound mind has good judgment, a sensible mind, and is able to think soberly and clearly.

A sound mind leads to a life of balance and self-control. All these things are essential to the Christian life, so maintaining a healthy mind should be important to us all.

We need to be aware that our greatest enemy, Satan, wants to prevent us from having a healthy mind. Scripture warns: “But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ” (2 Corinthians 11:3). Satan tricked and deceived Eve in the Garden, and he still wants to corrupt and confuse our minds today. Notice in the verse just cited that Satan wants to corrupt our “minds.” He knows that if he can get control of our minds, our actions will soon follow where our minds lead (cf. Proverbs 4:23).

One way Satan may prevent us from having a healthy mind is through fear. Since “God hath not given us the spirit of fear” (2 Timothy 1:7), fear must be from Satan. Fear may disturb our minds in many ways and rob us of peace. Satan wants us to fear that we are capable of living a faithful and dedicated Christian life. This fear may be reinforced by memories of past failures and sins. Satan knows that if we dwell on past mistakes we will not have the courage and confidence to live for Christ in the present. The fear of being rejected or betrayed may dominate one’s thinking and prevent a sound mind. The fear of health problems, growing old, or the fear of dying may prevent a sound mind. Satan can fill our minds with so many lies about ourselves, our sins, and our security that we find ourselves confused, unsettled, and distracted.

However, God has given us “truth” in His Word to dispel the distortions and lies of the devil. Jesus said, “Thy word is truth” (John 17:17). Regardless of our present circumstances, problems, temptations, or challenges the God who gave us His truth can give us clarity and a sound mind.

Try Giving Yourself Away By Patrick Hogan

In the late 1940s, David Dunn wrote a delightful little book by the above title. He determined that he would practice, as a hobby, the art of giving himself to other people. His goal was to do small, thoughtful deeds for others as he went about his daily activities. He found that while such kindnesses did not cost him very much in terms of money, time or effort, they brought great results.

His kindnesses might range from a simple smile shared with a passerby, a word or note of appreciation, or a word of encouragement. He found that while such deeds brought an element of joy to the recipient, he was the one whose heart became filled with joy. In the chapter entitled "Bread Upon the Waters," he stated, "Doing what you can to make life more livable for other people makes your own life fuller. Friends multiply and good things come to you from every direction. The world has a way of balancing accounts with givers-away - provided their hands aren't outstretched for return favors."

While Dunn's book is not specifically a religious volume, his practice of giving himself to others is based upon a principle expressed by Jesus Himself. In Acts 20:35, the apostle Paul stated, "I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Imagine the difference each of us could make in the lives of those we meet if we could become "givers-away."

Bridling the Tongue By David R. Ferguson

James 1:26 [NAS] says, "If anyone thinks himself to be religious, yet does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this person's religion is worthless." This isn't just referring to what we say, it also refers to what we choose to post and share on social media. Pay attention to what you are saying. Your speech is one of the most important parts of your witness.

No matter where you are, at home, at work, at play, at church, or in any organization or group you decide to join, your tongue reveals what's in your heart. In fact, an argument can be made that what one posts and shares on social media is even more egregious than what we say.

James also writes, "So also the tongue is a small part of the body, and yet it boasts of great things. See how great a forest is set aflame by such a small fire! And the tongue is a fire, the very world of unrighteousness; the tongue is set among our body's parts as that which defiles the whole body and sets on fire the course of our life, and is set on fire by Hell. For every species of beasts and birds, of reptiles and creatures of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by the human race. But no one among mankind can tame the tongue; it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison." (James 3:5-8 [NAS]) Since the tongue is untamed, sometimes we say things we immediately regret saying. So, it's worse to post vile and despicable things than it is to speak them because posting involves forethought. When we do so, we are making a conscience choice to say something that is intended to hurt others. It isn't simply reactionary as can happen with the tongue.

The reason we react the way we do, however, is because of the condition of our heart. Remember, our Lord and Savior said, "For the mouth speaks from that which fills the heart." He then added, "But I tell you that for every careless word that people speak, they will give an account of it on the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned." (Matthew 12:36-37 [NAS]) For Christians, we need to make doubly sure that we bridle our tongue and think twice before posting and sharing on social media. We must do all in our power to live our life for Jesus Christ, never forgetting that we "were once darkness, but now [we] are light in the Lord; walk as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8 [NAS]).

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

UPCOMING CHAPMAN EVENTS

MOVIE NIGHT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH AT 5:00 PM

BRING A LAWN CHAIR AND A COZY BLANKET

FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY Sunday, November 19th Meal following AM Service PM Service at 1:30

SENIOR'S YOUNG AT HEART Fellowship Hall Sunday, December 3, 2023 After Evening Service BRING A GIFT FOR DIRTY SANTA



REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

SICK SUNDAY: Connie Koon, Brad
McAlister, Bo Chapman, Wilma Wood,
Angela Bridges, Hannah Anglin, Louise
Pannell

HAVING SURGERY : Bobby Lindley

REHAB: Joy Simmons

EXTENDED ILLNESS: Joanie Kate
Reese, Olivia Pounders, Garrison Coats,
Joe Clark, Louise Pannell (Sharon's
Mother), 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), 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, Joe Clark

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