

February 16, 2025

Announcements

Brad McAlister

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading

Gene Yancey

Opening Prayer

Michiel Criswell (A.M.)

David Smith (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Mason McAlister (A.M.)

Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Tommy Wade

Count and Usher

Rickey Cissom & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Ross Shackelford (02/19/25)

OUR RECORD

February 9, 2025

Sunday Bible Study: 89

Sunday Morning Worship: 100

Sunday Evening Worship: 85

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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STANDING FOR WHAT IS RIGHT Mark Lindley

Most people are taught from a young age to stand up for what is right. In dealing with various issues and problems, there is often a side that is right and a side that is wrong. To stand for what is right is not always easy. One who stands for what is right must have inner strength, true character, and integrity. The one who stands up for what is right will need these virtues because he may have to stand against others and resist the temptation to please them. The pressure to please others and compromise one's convictions can be strong.

A classic illustration of cowardice and compromise is seen in Pilate who turned his back on Jesus.

After Pilate had interrogated Jesus, he knew that the Lord had done nothing wrong. Pilate stated, "I find in him no fault at all" (John 18:38). It seems that Pilate should have released Jesus. After all, Pilate admitted that Jesus was guilty of no crime. Why, then, did Pilate not release Him? The answer is found in Mark 15:15: "And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified." Notice that Pilate was "willing to content the people." Pleasing the people was more important to Pilate than doing what was right. Why did he not have more compassion for Jesus? Why would he allow wicked sinners to brutalize God's Son by scourging Him and crucifying Him? The answer is found in the cold and calloused words: "willing to content the people."

How often the cause of truth and right suffers today because of cowardice and compromise! Some may compromise for the love of money; others, for popularity and power. The cause of truth and right suffers when young people give in to peer pressure and compromise their moral convictions, when parents give in to pressure from their children and allow them to go places and engage in activities which may be popular but wrong, when judges take bribes, when leaders in education ignore or cover-up problems in school, when political leaders care more about winning an election than about what is best for the people.

The way that is right is not always the easiest path to travel, but it is the only path that one can travel and please God. Jesus said, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it" (Matthew 7:13-14). Let us all determine to do what is right, regardless of the cost!

NAUGHTY OR NICE

James Pilgrim

We have just come through a season called and celebrated as Christmas. There are many mythical stories told during that period. Different cultures celebrate the season in different ways. A number of children sing or listen to songs about a mythical character called Santa Claus. They are told that he knows when they are sleeping and when they are awake, when they are naughty and when they are nice. He is said to know if they are crying, if they have been good or bad. Those who believe this story are warned to be on their best behavior lest they get little, less than they wanted or expected, or even nothing at all. Repeating, this is a mythical story.

There is a **true** story in the word of God similar to this. It is found in Matthew 24, 25. "God was manifest in the flesh." (1 Timothy 3:16). "Manifest, Greek, phaneroo, to render apparent (lit. or fig.): appear...shew (self)." (Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Page 658). God was named "JESUS." (Matthew 1:20, 21, 25). He was manifest (appeared) in the flesh to "save his people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21). He was called "Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." (Matthew 1:23).

"As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:....(Psalm 14:1; Romans 3:10-18). "All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23). "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23). We now see why God graciously (Ephesians 2:8, 9) sent His only begotten Son into the world (John 3:16), to save the lost who would walk in the things He has ordained. (Ephesians 2:10).

Jesus "became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him" (Hebrews 5:8, 9), that is, to all them that "doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 7:21-23). "All scripture is given by inspiration of God,..." (2 Timothy 3:16, 17). The scripture says, **Hear** the word of God and believe (Romans 10:17), **Repent** (Acts 17:30, 31), **Confess** (Romans 10:9, 10; Acts 8:37), and be **Buried in Water Baptism for the Remission of Sins** (Romans 6:1-7; Acts 8:37-39; 2:38). When one does this, one is **Added to the Body (Church)** **Jesus promised to Build, and Save** (Acts 2:42, 47; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Matthew 16:13-19; Ephesians 5:23).

Matthew 24; 25 is a picture of the Judgment, showing what Jesus will do and say. (2 Timothy 4:1-8. "But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father." (Mark 13:32). "Watch therefore" (Matthew 24:42), and "be ye also ready." (Matthew 24:44).

There were five (5) wise and five (5) foolish virgins. (Matthew 25:1-13). Those who watched and were ready "went in with him to the marriage." (Matthew 25:10). All others were left outside pleading to no avail to be let inside. The productive five (5) and two (2) talent servants were pronounced good and faithful, and entered into the joy of their Lord. (Verses 21, 23), while the slothful servant was rebuked and cast into outer darkness. (Verses 24-30). Verses 31-46 pictures Jesus coming in glory, sitting upon the throne of his glory, judging all, inviting the obedient into the kingdom, and sending the disobedient into everlasting fire. **CONCLUSION: BE NICE**

UPCOMING EVENTS

MEN'S BREAKFAST
Saturday, February 22nd - 8 AM
Fellowship Hall

LADIES BIBLE CLASS
Monday, March 3rd - 6:30 PM
At South Main Events
102 South Main Street, Ripley
Refreshments will be provided.

GOSPEL MEETING
March 23rd-26th
Speaker: BJ Clarke

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

HOME SICK: Mickey Chandler, Kristen McVey, Sammie Pilgrim

HOSPITAL: Joy Simmons (TCH/Rehab), Bobbye Nunnally (TCH), Christine Grisham (Jackson, TN)

UPCOMING SURGERY: Jimmy Williford, Dawn Jackson

EXTENDED ILLNESS: Wilma Wood, Joanie Kate Reese, Pam Mathis, Lori Chapman, Garrison Coats, Joe Clark, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry, Juanita Michael

CANCER: Chris Grisham, Benny Wallace, Billy Gross, Wade Carmichael, Tiny Willis, Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Ralph Shaw (Janie Chapman's Son-in-law), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Tish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz.

SHUT-INS: Tippah County Health & Rehab: Romia Palmer, Jimmy Berryman, Joe Clark

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