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Announcements

David Smith

Song Leader

Chris Moore

Scripture Reading

Parker McAlister

Opening Prayer

Danny Shackelford (A.M.)

Terry Chapman (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Mickey Chandler (A.M.)

Tripp Yancey (P.M.)

Lord’ s Table

Rickey Cissom

Count and Usher

Rickey Loveless & Brock Lindley

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Brice Lindley (06/26/25)

OUR RECORD

June 8, 2025

Sunday Bible Study: 100

Sunday Morning Worship: 105

Sunday Evening Worship: 96

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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

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE SPIRITUAL?

By Mark Lindley

It is rather popular in our day for a person to be “spiritual.” One might ask, “What does it mean to be spiritual?” The answer(s) to that question will vary from person to person.

If you ask the “experts,” you will find that being a spiritual person could involve anything from practicing yoga to caring for animals. It might also involve loving the planet, daily meditation, and loving yourself.

It seems there is no general consensus among the “spiritual advisors” about what is involved in being spiritual.

However, there is one thing upon which the experts agree—being spiritual does not involve a belief in the Bible. In fact, some seem to have an agenda to separate faith in the Bible and spirituality. In their writings, those who push this agenda warn: “Believing in the Bible and going to church do not make a person spiritual.” In fact, some imply that faith in the Bible and attending church services are hindrances to “true” spirituality. Being “spiritual” is considered as being “cool,” enlightened, sophisticated, and modern; believing the teachings of the Bible and going to church services are for those who are “religious” at best and ignorant at worst.

But consider this. Why is there no agreement among the “experts” about the definition of a spiritual person? It seems to me that there is no agreement among them because there is no objective standard being used to determine what it means to be spiritual. In the absence of an objective standard, one person may claim that being spiritual is “becoming one with nature,” and another person might claim that it means to do yoga exercises. In essence, being “spiritual” is defined individually and is based on nothing more than fallible human opinion.

It is at this point that Christians have an advantage in defining true spirituality because the Christian has an authoritative standard, the Bible. The Bible has a lot to say about being spiritual: “Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted” (Galatians 6:1). “For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace” (Romans 8:6).

According to the Bible, a spiritual person is one who “sows to the Spirit” (Galatians 6:7-9), lays up “treasure” in heaven (Matthew 6:19-21), and sets his affections on things above (Colossians 3:2). A spiritual person, therefore, focuses on things of a spiritual nature: God, the Word, the church, going to heaven, the value of souls, and salvation from sin.

Let the “experts” say what they will but true spirituality is defined by God, not by men. Are you spiritual?

James Pilgrim

In this second of three articles from James 1:27, we look at care for widows, not all widows (1 Timothy 5:3ff), but “widows indeed.” (1 Timothy 5:3, 5, 16). Some are “desolate” (Greek, MONOO, “to isolate, i.e. bereave: be desolate, Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, Page 257); she “trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and prayers night and day.” One who aids “widows indeed” are “blameless.” (1 Timothy 5:7). “But if any provide not for his own, and specially his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel (Greek, APISTOS, disbelieving, i. e. without Christian faith...unbeliever (ing),” Strong’s, Page 514). It is not enough to believe that we should aid widows. (James 2:26, “Faith without works is dead”).

The Old Testament, has nearly sixty (60) statements in which widows and the fatherless are mentioned. In a number of these God calls upon His people to care for them. (Deuteronomy

10:17, 18; 26:12, 13). In some cases God says He will evil entreat them if they fail to do so (Job 24:21, even saying He will punish those who afflict them (Exodus 22:22-24), and fail to care for the fatherless and widows. (Isaiah 1:7, 17, 23). Jeremiah, among other things, told the people of God, “Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.” (Jeremiah 7:3). Their ways and doings were to be ”thoroughly” amended. (Verse 5). This complete amending included the treatment of the fatherless and widows. (Jeremiah 7:6, 7).

Hopefully, the church here is not like the church of Acts 6, neglecting some widows. (Acts 6:1). If so, let us be as punctual to correct the situation as they were. (Acts 6:1-8).

Jesus paid a “certain poor widow” a great compliment, seeing and telling “his disciples” what he saw, that is, “That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury. For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all of her living.” (Mark 12:41-44). What a compliment Jesus paid her!!! What would Jesus say about what He sees us give each week??? Would it be like that of the poor widow, or that of the rich?

Job in a parable speaking to his friends about God preserving him (Job 29:1, 2), among other things, told them that he had “caused the widow’s heart to sing for joy.” (Job 29:13). James 5:13 says, “Is any among you afflicted? Let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.” What must Job have done for this widow to cause her to sing for joy. How many widows have we made to sing for joy? Some widows may be well taken care of, but some need help. What are we doing.

We could mow the grass for some, help some financially, carry others to the grocery, or other, stores, and much more. Some may not need more than a visit. May we never be guilty of devouring widow’s houses, as did some scribes and Pharisees, who then prayed long prayers for a pretence (show). (Matthew 23:14).

This article has dealt primarily with helping widows. However, widowers may also need our help. Older couples may also need some things. Hopefully, families are doing what they can, but let us make sure we are doing what is required of us.

Read about Annna, the godly eighty-four year old widow. (Luke 2:36-38). The widows lamenting Tabitha (Dorcas’) death and resurrection. (Acts 9:36-43).

UPCOMING EVENTS

GREAT 2025 VBS!

Thanks to everyone who helped make our Vacation Bible School such a great success! It was all very much enjoyed & appreciated by everyone. Great job!!!

FIFTH SUNDAY

June 29th

NO MEAL AFTER MORNING SERVICES.

YOUTH NIGHT

July 20th

5 PM

Speaker: Ben Siegel
Fellowship meal will follow

CONGRATULATIONS

To Matt & Breanna Bullock on the birth of their daughter, **Emma**. She was born June 11, weighing 7 pounds and 5 ounces. Big brothers are Dennis & Stanton.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Misty Montgomery (Kim Lindley’s cousin).

❖**EXPECTING MOTHERS:** Kristen McVey

❖**SICK AT HOME:** Juan Stroupe, Chase Chapman, Lannie Benefield, Kristen McVey

❖**HOSPITAL:** Wilma Wood (TCH), Debbie Chapman, Maynon Mauney, Asher Sheffield (Newborn/ICU – Blake & Morgan Dees’ grandson)

❖**SURGERY :** Jimmy Williford (24th)

❖**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Caleb McAlister, Wilma Wood, Pam Mathis, Lori Chapman, Garrison Coats, Joe Clark, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry

❖**CANCER:** Kelly Foster, Paula Curtis, Maverick Speck (3 yr. old), Cindy Moffitt, Kenny James, Chris Grisham, Benny Wallis, Billy Gross, Wade Carmichael, Tiny Willis, Billy McBryde (Rita Smith’s Father), George Doss (Kelly Brewer’s Father), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Tish Clark, Kevin Clifton, Austin Wentz

❖**SHUT-INS:** *Home:* Janie Chapman, Juanita Michael *Tippah County Health & Rehab:* Romia Palmer, Joe Clark *Dogwood Plantation/New Albany:* Joy Simmons *Corner Stone/ Corinth:* Mike Stroupe

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