

July 14, 2024

**Announcements**

David Smith

**Song Leader**

John Hopper

**Scripture Reading**

Mason McAlister

**Opening Prayer**

Kevin Shackelford (A.M.)

Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer**

J C Newby (A.M.)

Chris Moore (P.M.)

**Lord's Table**

Bryan Davis

**Count and Usher**

Michiel Criswell & Jimmy Vandygriff

**Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Logan Yancey (07/17/24)

**OUR RECORD**

June 7, 2024

Sunday Bible Study: 125

Sunday Morning Worship: 112

Sunday Evening Worship: 90

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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# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

## 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.

## Are You Overdoing it?

Ed Thomason

Have you ever been accused of "over doing it" or "going overboard" when it comes to working for the Lord? Most of us might reply, "Not often!" Others of us might think we "overdo" sometimes, but we probably don't. Still, being an "over-achiever" and "go-getter" when it comes to church work is something that we as Christians should be known for.

The apostle Paul reminded the church at Corinth that they were to become "over-doers" or "second milers" when it came to working for the Lord. He wrote it this way, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." (I Cor. 15:58).

Did you notice the word "abounding" in that passage? It means "overflowing in abundance, exceeding expectations, doing more than what is required."

Did you also notice what Paul specifically exhorts brethren to "overflow in abundance" doing? That's right.... "The work of the Lord."

When it comes to the Lord's work, do others find us being timid or even reluctant to be more involved? Shouldn't each of us be known as "over achievers," with a volunteer spirit and willingness to do far more than what is expected or what might be considered our "duty?"

Of course Paul was writing to twenty year old Christians who have endless amounts of energy to "abound" with. Right? Wrong! Did you also notice the word "always?" It means "consistently throughout our lives." There is no age specification in this passage. Each of us should do more than our share of the work. We are taught and expected by God to "abound in the work of the Lord over our entire lifetimes."

How about you? Is your schedule full and overflowing when it comes to the Lord's work?

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ***YOUTH BACK-TO-SCHOOL SKATING***

***JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> - 4 TO 6 PM  
SKATERZ***

***2219 East Chambers Drive,  
Booneville, MS***

*Snack Bar will be open for food & drinks to purchase. Any questions – contact Bobby & Angela Bridges or Devin & Kristen McVey*

### ***YOUTH NIGHT***

***AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup> AT 5 PM  
Fellowship Meal will follow.***

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

***IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY:*** Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Debra Williams (Kim Lindley's Aunt).

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

**SURGERY:** Cameron Jumper

**HOSPITAL:** Sarina Tigrett - Parents: Kane & Anna (LeBonhuer- heart. 6 months old)

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

**CANCER:)** Wade Carmichael, Tiny Willis, 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), Loxlee Eaton, David South, Eddie Mauney, Haley Loveless, Sidra Davis, Tish 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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