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Song Leader Chris Moore

Scripture Reading Tripp Yancey

Opening Prayer Rickey Cissom (A.M.) Terry Chapman (P.M.)

Closing Prayer Andy Reese (A.M.)

Dale Vandygriff (P.M.)

Lord's Table
Danny Shackelford

Count and Usher Rickey Loveless & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader Brock Lindley (08/27/25)

OUR RECORD

August 17, 2025

Sunday Bible Study: 96 Sunday Morning Worship: 112 Sunday Evening Worship: 88 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 82

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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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WILL YOU STUDY WITH ME? Mark Lindley

The Bible teaches the great importance of studying the scriptures. Both the Old and New Testaments emphasize the value of reading and meditating upon the Word of God. The following are just a few references showing that Bible study is beneficial: "But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night" (Psalm 1:2); "O how love I thy law! itis my meditation all the day" (Psalm 119:97); "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me" (John 5:39); "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so" (Acts 17:11).

Others could be listed, but these passages are sufficient to show that time spent in Bible study is time well spent.

In addition to studying the scriptures for our personal knowledge and growth, we should also study the scriptures with others. Jesus instructed his disciples to go into all the world and "preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). Matthew 28:20 states that followers of Christ are to teach others to observe all the things Christ commanded. Paul went into synagogues of the Jews and "reasoned with them out of the scriptures" (Acts 17:2). These and other verses reveal that Christians have a responsibility to study with and to teach others.

However, it is often difficult to find anyone who is willing to have a Bible study. A faithful Christian and student of the Word may ask someone for a Bible study. The one who is asked will often respond by saying, "Well, I am satisfied with what I believe and do not wish to study with you." Or, one might say, "I'm not going to argue the Bible." Others may agree to study, but when the time agreed upon comes, one is just "too busy," and the study never takes place. However, the passages noted above should cause all sincere seekers of truth to prioritize Bible study and not make excuses to avoid a study.

Why would any sincere believer not accept an invitation to study God's Word with a friend? If one knows the truth, why not share that truth with others? It is "the truth" that makes one free from sin (John 8:32). Considering this fact, how could anyone who loves others not share the soul-saving truth? Shouldn't knowledgeable, sincere followers of Christ be willing and ready to study God's Word with others? The answer is obvious! "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear" (I Peter 3:15). Are you ready?

THE APOSTLES—PETER (NO. 2) James Pilgrim

Peter was very active, thus, a second article on him. He has been called impetuous or impulsive by some. The word of God does not so label him, but it is a thought worthy of consideration. One's actions speak loudly. Following Jesus' statement on forgiveness (Matthew 18:15-19), Peter erroneously asked Jesusif a brother should forgive a brother who had sinned against him, "till seven times?" (Matthew 18:21). This obviously looked generous to the apostle Peter. Jesus corrected Cephas, saying, "Isay not unto thee, until seven times; but, until seventy times seven." (Verse 22). Jesus then taught another lesson on forgiveness, using the kingdom of heaven to do so. (Matthew 18:23-35).

Following Jesus statements regarding the rich young ruler who came to Jesus seeking salvation (Matthew 19:16-26; Luke 18:18-30), Peter asked, "what shall we have therefore?"(Matthew 19:24). Later, Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper (Matthew 26:26-30), then spoke of His death, burial, and resurrection, stating that the flock would be scattered abroad. (Matthew26:31, 32). "Peter answered and said unto him, Though all men shall be offended because of thee, yet will I never be offended." (Verse 33). Jesus promptly corrected Peter, telling him, "Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow (twice, Mark 14:30) thou shalt deny me thrice." (Verse 34), Peter again denied denying the Lord. (Verse 35). Yet, verses 58, "Peter followed him afar off...to see the end." (1) Verse 69, "Peter sat without in the palace...he denied before them all, saving, I know not what thou sayest." (2) Verse 72, "And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man." (3) Verse 74,

"Then began he to curse and to swear, saying, I know not the man." "And immediately the cock crew." (Verse 74). "and Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow (twice) thou shalt deny me thrice."

(Matthew 26:75). "And he went out, and wept bitterly." (Matthew 26:75). At times, Peter was weak (had little faith), but he was also repentant (2 Corinthians 7:9-11), and God used him to save others. For example, Acts 2:14-47; 3:1-11, 12-26; 4:1-12, 13-22, 23-31, 32-37; and more.

Peter judged Ananias and Sapphira (Acts 5:1-11), as the twelve would later do with the Hebrews and Grecians (Acts 6:1ff) and Peter would do with Simon, a sorcerer (Acts 8:14-23), having success, (Verse 24). Read/Memorize Acts 9:34, 35. Acts 9:32-43 records Peter's healing Aeneas and raising Dorcas (Tabitha) from the dead. He preached to Cornelius, his kinsmen and friends, bringing salvation to the Gentiles. (Acts 10:1-11:18; 15:7-14).

Paul "went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days." (Galatians 1:18). Some preached primarily to the Jews (Eg. Peter), while others (Eg. Paul) mostly worked among the Gentiles. (Galatians 2:7ff). Earlier, Paul withstood Peter to the face because he "stood condemned" (ASV) for hypocricy. (Galatians 2:11-14). Peter, would show his love and high regard for Paul, calling him "our beloved brother Paul." (2 Peter 3:15).

There is so much more to be read and studied about this apostle. However, do not think that no matter who you are, elder, deacon, preacher, member, you should seek not to sin, but know that you can. (1 John 2:1-6). Serve God wholly and willingly!

UPCOMING EVENTS

TEACHER'S MEETING

August 24TH
After Evening Service

FIFTH SUNDAY

August 31ST

- 10 AM Bible Study •10:45 AM Worship
 - 12 Noon Fellowship Meal
 - •1:30 Evening Service

LADIES CLASS

September 2nd 6:30 PM At South Main Events

LADS TO LEADERS BULLETIN BOARDS

If any child wants to do bulletin board for Lectureship, please see Kim Lindley.

LADIES DAY

RIPLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST Sept. 13th – 8:30 AM to 12 PM

CHAPMAN LECTURESHIP

September 14-17

SUNDAY SERVICES:

- •10 AM Bible Study •10:45 AM Worship
 - 12 Noon Fellowship Meal
 - •1:30 Evening Service

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY EVENING - 7:00 P.M.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

♦ SICK AT HOME: Dala Vandygriff, Emmie Gaillard, Idaleigh McVey, Mickey Chandler, Breanna Bullock, Juan Stroupe

♦ HOSPITAL: Pat Shackelford (UAB)

♦TEST: Doss Brewer (MRI/hip)

- **EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Caleb McAlister, Pam Mathis, Lori Chapman, Garrison Coats, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry
- ♦ CANCER: Vince Jordan, Jane Childs, 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

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