October 26, 2025

**Announcements**Kevin Shackelford

**Song Leader**Chis Moore

**Scripture Reading** Rickey Cissom

**Opening Prayer**John Hopper (A.M.)
Mickey Chandler (P.M.)

Closing Prayer
J C Newby (A.M.)
Rickey Loveless (P.M.)

**Lord's Table** Larry Wood

**Count and Usher**Bobby Bridges & Jimmy Vandygriff

**Wednesday Night Song Leader** Brock Lindley (10/29/25)

#### **OUR RECORD**

October 19, 2025

Sunday Bible Study: 84 Sunday Morning Worship: 93 Sunday Evening Worship: 68 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 85

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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** 

### DO ALL THINGS TO GOD'S GLORY Mark Lindley

One thing all people have in common is the desire to live with a purpose. Several years ago, a book entitled, *Purpose-Driven Life* was published and became wildly popular. The book was designed to teach one to find his or her purpose, and more than "32 million" copies have sold! It seems as if the age-old question, "Why am I here?" is as relevant as ever.

For those who turn to the Bible to find purpose, man's purpose is easily seen in passages such as 1 Corinthians 10:31: "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." This text makes it clear that our purpose is to live "to the glory of God."

But what does that mean? How do we bring glory to God? Essentially, we live to the glory of God by seeking to please the Lord in all that we do. Paul wrote that we are to "live unto the Lord" (cf. Romans 14:8). "Living unto the Lord" is living to please the Lord.

Another way of looking at it is this: God is glorious whether we seek to please Him or not. He is glorious in power, love, wisdom, holiness, and mercy. These infinite attributes constitute and reveal His glory. When we possess such divine characteristics, we reflect God's glory. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, we are to reflect the glory of God.

We can glorify God by bearing spiritual fruit (John 15:8), being willing to suffer criticism or persecution for the Lord (1 Peter 4:14), using our abilities and talents to promote the cause of Christ (1 Peter 4:11), and by becoming more like Jesus in our love, compassion, purity, and dedication to God, the Father (John 17:4).

Doing all to God's glory also involves the seemingly small, insignificant decisions we make daily. Choosing appropriate friends, having the right attitude toward one's job, selecting God-honoring clothing each day, establishing priorities to help us use our time wisely, choosing healthy, nutritious food to put into our bodies, developing healthy "habits,"—are all ways of "doing all things to God's glory."

Each day we should make a conscious, deliberate effort to bring glory to God. We should frequently ask ourselves, "Will doing this bring glory to God?" By asking and responding to this question appropriately, we can find our purpose. "For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's" (1 Corinthians 6:20).

#### THE APOSTLES—MATTHEW

James Pilgrim

"Jesus...saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him." (Matthew 9:9). Mark calls him Levi the son of Alphaeus (Mark 2:14), while Luke simply says Jesus "saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he said unto him, Follow me." (Luke 5:27). PLEASE NOTICE, "And he left all, rose up, and followed him." (Verse 28). There was no hesitation! He did not have to think about it for days. Neither ought we delay. (2 Corinthians 6:2). Also, do not overlook (1) that "Levi made him a great feast in his own house:" and (2) Jesus ate with sinners and publicans. (Verses 29, 30). The scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saving,

why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners? (Verse 30). "Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (Verses 31, 32).

Little is said of Matthew, other than the fact that he was a disciple, one of the twelve, whom Jesus called apostles. (Matthew 10:1-4). Many historians, including Eusibus, Socrates, and others believe that Matthew (Levi) wrote the book of Matthew. We must remember that the Holy Spirit did not move holy men of God to give titles. This was done by men. Although there is little said about Matthew, believing that he penned the book of Matthew, one cannot help but feel that he was most active in the Lord's work.

Matthew being a tax collector, was in a hated profession

(Matthew 9:9, 11; Mark 2:16; Luke 7:34), yet Jesus chose him to be an apostle.

Being an apostle, Levi was accused by the scribes and Pharisees of transgressing the tradition of the elders eating without washing their hands. (Matthew 15:1, 2). Jesus answered them, saying

that they transgressed God's commandment by their tradition, and that they were hypocrites, and using Isaiah's words, Jesus concluded that they worshipped, but in vain "teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." (Verses 3-9).

When "a woman of Canaan" besought Jesus to heal her daughter who was "grievously vexed with a devil," Jesus' disciples besought Him to "send her away." (Matthew 15:21-23). The mother continued asking the Lord to help her, worshipped Jesus, and showed great faith, "And her daughter was made whole from that very hour." Immediate and complete!!! These same disciples (apostles) saw the compassion of Jesus when with seven even loaves and a few little fishes He fed "four thousand men, beside women and children," perhaps twelve thousand. (Matthew 15:32-39). "And they did all eat, and were filled." Leftovers filled seven baskets. (Verse 37).

Being an apostle, Matthew received commandments from Jesus prior to His ascension. (Acts 1:1, 2). Jesus also "shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God." (Acts 1:3). The apostles, Levi being one of them assembled with Jesus, were told to remain in Jerusalem until the Spirit came upon them. (Acts 1:4, 5). After asking about the kingdom and receiving instruction (Acts 1:6-8), Matthew witnessed the

ascension of Jesus. (Acts 1:9-11).

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### CHAPMAN'S TRUNK-R -TREAT & HOTDOG ROAST

OCTOBER 25th

5:30 PM

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Between services

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#### **FALL FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY NOVEMBER 9TH**

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#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

**+ HOME SICK:** Bobbie Chapman, Julie Hobson, Wayne Vandygriff, Daxton McVey, Evie Hopper

**SURGERY:** Kye Elliott (Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>)

**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Juan Stroupe, Caleb McAlister, Pam Mathis, Lori Chapman, Garrison Coats, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry

**CANCER:** Kye Elliott (Sharon Pannel's Rosie Marie Greer (Jane Nephew), Morrison's Sister), Belinda Lucy (Jane Morrison's Niece), Marilyn Harrell, Vince Jordan, Jane Childs, Kelly Foster, Paula Curtis, Maverick Speck (3 yr. old), Cindy Moffitt, Kenny James, Chris Grisham, Wallis, Billy Gross, Wade Benny 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

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