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James Pilgrim (A.M.)
Wayne Vandygriff (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Kevin Shackelford (A.M.)
Brad McAlister (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Larry Wood

Count and Usher

Danny Shackelford & David Smith

Wednesday Night Song Leader

John Hopper (10/30/24)

OUR RECORD

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Sunday Bible Study: 79
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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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GOD'S MIRROR Mark Lindley

Chances are good that you have looked at yourself in a mirror today. Usually, viewing our physical appearance is one of the first things we do after getting out of bed in the morning. We do this because we know there are some changes which need to be made. We need to brush our hair, put on make-up, shave, etc.

Though we want our physical appearance to be appealing, we should be more concerned about our spiritual attractiveness.

The Scriptures teach that God has a spiritual mirror which enables us to view ourselves spiritually. James wrote, "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed" (James 1:22-25).

Just suppose that one looked at himself in the mirror, saw that corrections in his physical appearance needed to be made, and then walked away making no changes. If one did that, looking in the mirror would be useless. Why look to see if changes need to be made in one's physical appearance, if he is not willing to make those changes?

By the same logic, it does no good to look into "the perfect law of liberty" (God's Word), realize that changes need to be made spiritually, and then fail to make those changes. This is why it is stressed in the above passage that we are to be "doers" of the Word. Hearing only is not sufficient. Application of what is heard must be made; otherwise, as James wrote, we "deceive ourselves."

Let's all resolve to look often into God's Word to see what spiritual changes we need to make. Seeing the need for change, let's love the Lord and His Word enough to change for Him.

HELL AND HELENE—No. 2

James Pilgrim

We continue to look at the similarities and differences between eternal hell and Hurricane Helene. First, all should know that there are proper warnings. In the case of Hurricane Helene weather departments gave warnings several days before the hurricane reached land. Everyone

had sufficient warning to leave the affected areas prior to Hurricane Helene's arrival. Many did, and they escaped safely. Those people are alive today. However, many chose to ignore the warnings. At last count, some two hundred fifty have been found dead. The number will likely grow as searches for many still missing continue. It is sad that a number ignored the warnings.

Similarly, the word of God warns against hell, "prepared for the devil and his angels." (Matthew 25:41). The Lord doesn't want any to perish; He wants all to come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9). Heaven is prepared for you. (John 14:1-6). If you miss heaven it will be because you ignored the warnings. It will be your fault for ignoring God's plan for your life. There are some things God does not want you to do. For example, Romans 1:18-32; Galatians 5:19-21; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; and more. There are some things the Lord wants you to do. For example, Galatians 5:22-26; 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a; Philippians 4:8; and more. It is OK to have it your way at Burger King, but not with regard to the word of God. (Colossians 3:17; Galatians 1:6-9).

Second, some may have ignored the warnings and escaped Hurricane Helene's deadly force. Some may have lived; their properties may have been spared. They may be able to return to their places with repairs. However, "every one of us shall give account of himself to God." (Romans 14:12). "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." (2 Corinthians 5:10). Matthew 25:31-46 is an example of how this will be done. Actually, Matthew 24:36-25:46 should be read together. Jesus said, "But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment" (Matthew 12:36). "For every man shall bear his own burden." (Galatians 6:5). All will be judged, whether present (1 Peter 4:1-4), or past. (1 Peter 4:5, 6).

Some teach that we can pray for the dead, thus giving them a second chance, praying them out of purgatory. (The Parrish Catechism, by Father Ferrell, Updated and Revised, pages 33-35). This writer has searched the scriptures for some seventy (70) years, and he has not found even one (1) statement from God teaching prayer for the dead in purgatory. He has found Luke 16:19-31; Hebrews 2:3; 9:27; Romans 14:12, none of which even hint of a second chance after death. Salvation comes to those who do the will of God while alive upon this earth, and remain faithful, not after one dies.

Dear reader, study God's inspired scripture (2 Timothy 3:16, 17; 2 Peter 1:20, 21), and obey it. (Matthew 7:21-27).

UPCOMING EVENTS

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Dorothy Hopper (John's Mother) and James Allen Murphy (Rita Smith's Uncle).

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

HOME SICK: Tavin Fitzgerald, Wayne Vandygriff

HOSPITAL: Janie Chapman (TCH)

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

CANCER: Ray Henderson, 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, Betty Faye Ledbury

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