November 8, 2026

Announcements
Randell Koon

Song Leader
Logan Yancey

Scripture Reading
Mason McAlister

Opening Prayer
Bo Chapman (A.M.)
David Smith (P.M.)

Closing Prayer
Andy Reese (A.M.)
Bobby Bridges (P.M.)

Lord's Table
Terry Chapman

Count and Usher
Bryan Davis & Brock Lindley

Wednesday Night Song Leader
Mason McAlister (11/11/26)

OUR RECORD
November 1, 2026
Sunday Bible Study: 85
Sunday Morning Worship: 93
Sunday Evening Worship: 61
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 77

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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**

A SOUND MIND

By Mark Lindley

There is a real need for us to take care of our bodies. The Bible teaches that we are to "glorify God" in our bodies, and that we are to present our bodies as living sacrifices to God (1 Corinthians 6:20; Romans 12:1). Both of these passages enjoin upon us the responsibility to do what we can to maintain healthy bodies.

The Bible also teaches us to maintain healthy, sound minds. Paul wrote, "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (2 Timothy 1:7). One who has a sound mind has good judgment, a sensible mind, and is able to think soberly and clearly. A sound mind leads to a life of balance and self-control. All these things are essential to the Christian life, so maintaining a healthy mind should be important to us all.

We need to be aware that our greatest enemy, Satan, wants to prevent us from having a healthy mind. Scripture warns: "But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ" (2 Corinthians 11:3). Satan tricked and deceived Eve in the Garden, and he still wants to corrupt and confuse our minds today. Notice in the verse just cited that Satan wants to corrupt our "minds." He knows that if he can get control of our minds, our actions will soon follow where our minds lead (cf. Proverbs 4:23).

One way Satan may prevent us from having a healthy mind is through fear. Since "God hath not given us the spirit of fear" (2 Timothy 1:7), fear must be from Satan. Fear may disturb our minds in many ways and rob us of peace. Satan wants us to fear that we are capable of living a faithful and dedicated Christian life. This fear may be re-enforced by memories of past failures and sins. Satan knows that if we dwell on past mistakes we will not have the courage and confidence to live for Christ in the present. The fear of being rejected or betrayed may dominate one's thinking and prevent a sound mind. The fear of health problems, growing old, or the fear of dying may prevent a sound mind. Satan can fill our minds with so many lies about ourselves, our sins, and our security that we find ourselves confused, unsettled, and distracted.

However, God has given us "truth" in His Word to dispel the distortions and lies of the devil. Jesus said, "Thy word is truth" (John 17:17). Regardless of our present circumstances, problems, temptations, or challenges the God who gave us His truth can give us clarity and a sound mind.

BIBLE PREACHERS:
PAUL BEFORE AGRIPPA
James Pilgrim

Paul is drawing closer to appearing before Caesar in Rome. It seems that king Agrippa grew weary of listening to Festus, so he told Paul, "Thou art permitted to speak for thyself." (Acts 26: 1). Acts 26 is a great study for personal workers. First, it tells us that someone will listen to us, when they will not study with anyone else. As W. A. Bradfield used to say, "We should not decide who will and who will not hear the word of God. Let them make that decision." Second, "Paul…answered for himself." (Verse 1). We ought to study (2 Timothy 2:15), so that we, "myself", Verse 2, (members, preachers, elders, and deacons) will be able to teach others. (Hebrews 5:11-14; 1 Peter 3:15). We should not have to call the preacher to do the work God has given each of us to do.

Third, we should be "happy" for any and every opportunity to teach the word of God (Verse 2), whether being accused, or otherwise. Fourth, Paul opens the door wide, telling Agrippa that he knows him "to be expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews:…." (Verse 3). Look for something you can truthfully use to compliment those with whom you are studying the word of truth, and tell them up front.

Fifth, Paul then told Agrippa, "Wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently." (Verse 3; Luke 21:19). It is very important that both of us do this, since we come together with two different views, else when we disagree, we will go our separate ways, accomplishing nothing.

Sixth, Paul relaxes Agrippa, telling him that he always lived in a good conscience, but that he was not always right. (Acts 26:4-11; 23:1).

In telling Agrippa these things, Paul told him about "the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers…and the resurrection. (Verses 6-8). Paul thought he ought to do "many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth," and he told Agrippa about some of them. (Verses 9-11).

Seventh, Paul relates his conversion to Agrippa. (Acts 26:12-16; Acts 9:1-18; 22:1-16). We ought to be able to tell what we did to be saved, and told in the right way, may lead another to do
the same.

Eighth, God would deliver Paul "from the People", Jews, "and….Gentiles unto whom now I send thee,…." (Verse 17).

Ninth, Paul told Agrippa why he is being sent to Jew and Gentiles, "To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in" Christ.
(Verse 18).

Tenth, the apostle then told "king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision." (Verse 19).This should be stressed, calling upon the student to be as receptive, "that they should repent, and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance." (Verse 20; 7:20; John 14:15).

Eleventh, "Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ" (Titus 1:1) told Agrippa that "the Jews caught him in the temple, and went about to kill" him, but God delivered him." (Verses 21, 22). He continued preaching only what the scriptures said, appealing to Moses' prophecy of Christ, his death, burial, and resurrection. (Verses 22, 23; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4).
Festus, who earlier said Paul was innocent and that he did not know what to tell Caesar (Acts 25:25-27), now calls Paul mad, or crazy. Paul's reply was. "I am not mad, most noble Festus, but speak the words of truth and soberness." (Verse 25). Paul returned to address Agrippa, calling on all who heard him to be as he was, except for the bonds, joyful and content (Philippians 4:11; Acts 26:26-32). Even the best teacher will not convert everyone. (Acts 26:27, 28).

UPCOMING EVENTS

FALL FRIENDS & FAMILY DAY

NOVEMBER 8TH
10 AM - BIBLE STUDY
10:45 - AM WORSHIP
12 NOON - FELLOWSHIP MEAL
1:30 PM - EVENING SERVICE

HOLIDAY BASKETS & CAROLING

DECEMBER 6TH
After Evening Service
If you wish to help on purchasing items for baskets - box located in foyer.
Deadline Nov. 22nd

**Please review List of Names doing baskets for - posted in foyer - make note if they are diabetic –*
WANT TO MAKE SURE WE DON' T MISS ANYONE

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Monday, December 7th, 2026
Speaker: April Pounders
South Main Events
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to all who helped make the Trunk or Treat last Saturday - such a great time for everyone.
We appreciate all of your hard work.

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

✥**SICK SUNDAY:** Mickey Chandler, Rita Smith, Pat Shackelford, Debbie Chapman, Keith Newby

✥**IN HOSPITAL:** Juanita Michael, Janie Chapman, Michelle Elliott *(Serious-Oxford),* Holly Madugula *(Serious – TX/Robin's Sister),* Mary Lou Elder (Corinth), Britt Chapman

✥**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Susan Stevens, Myra Palmer (back), Johnathon Ledbury (brain- Larry Wood's great-nephew), Samuel Pilgrim (hip- James & Sammie's son)

✥**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Juan Stroupe, Kathy Ratliff (Stroke), Jerry South, Caleb McAlister, Garrison Coats, Thad Berryman, John Walker Perry

✥**CANCER:** Sidra Davis, Mary Ann Kirkman, Renea Roberts, Lynita Davis, Dennis Hopper, (John's Father), Billy McBryde (Rita Smith's Father), Harold Hankins, Dewayne Morgan, Teresa Rhea, Rosie Marie Greer (Jane Morrison's Sister), Belinda Lucy (Jane Morrison's Niece)

✥**SHUT-INS:** ***Home:*** Janie Chapman, Juanita Michael ***Tippah County Health & Rehab:*** Romia Palmer, Mike Stroupe

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