

December 1, 2024

Announcements

Kevin Shackelford

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading

Rickey Cissom

Opening Prayer

Bobby Bridges (A.M.)
Danny Shackelford (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Bo Chapman (A. M.)
Mason McAlister (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Bryan Davis

Count and Usher

Chase Chapman & Dale Vandygriff

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Tripp Yancey (12/04/24)

OUR RECORD

November 24, 2024

Sunday Bible Study: 82
Sunday Morning Worship: 97
Sunday Evening Worship: 69
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 86

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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

GOD LOOKS ON THE HEART

Mark Lindley

It was time to appoint a new king. Because of his disobedience, King Saul was dethroned and Samuel was instructed to appoint a new king. In Bethlehem, there was a man named Jesse who had sons. Samuel went to examine Jesse's sons to see if any of them was fit to be the new king. One of the sons was named Eliab. When Samuel saw him he believed that he was a perfect fit for the king's throne. However, God said: "Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart" (I Samuel 16:7). It was not Eliab who became the new king, but David. God knew that David had the right kind of heart and that he would do His will (cf. Acts 13:22).

From I Samuel 16:7 we learn that people have a tendency to judge others by their outward appearance. Even Samuel, prophet of God, judged Eliab based on outward appearance. Our judgments are often based on things such as beauty, clothing, money, occupation, educational background or race. We may see a very attractive, articulate woman and conclude that she must be confident and happy, or we may see a man who has a prestigious educational background and is paid a six-figure salary and judge that he is a great person, someone who would make a good friend. But these judgments based on outward appearance may be very wrong. A woman who is striking in appearance may have low self-esteem; a man who is "successful" may be dishonest and immoral and therefore would not make a good friend.

The text also teaches that in contrast to our judgments based on external things, God looks on the heart. The "heart" is the inner man, the soul, the real person. God does not care about a person's job, looks, skin color or education. Rather, God is looking at who we are on the inside. We can all put on a clever disguise and hide from others who we are in heart, but God has full and complete knowledge of every heart. No amount of make-up, money, earthly possessions or accomplishments can hide from God who we are in our hearts (Hebrews 4:12).

Since God knows our hearts, it logically follows that we should keep our hearts. Solomon wrote, "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life" (Proverbs 4:23). To "keep" the heart is to keep it pure from all things which would corrupt it—evil thoughts and desires, deceit, improper motives, jealousy and envy. In view of these things, determine to keep your heart with all diligence . . . God is looking at it!

I AM NOT ASHAMED

James Pilgrim

Romans 1:16 says, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also unto the Greek." I am not ashamed of the salvation I received when the faith (Jude 3) I found in the Holy scriptures (Romans 1:2; 2 Peter 3:15), led me to repent, that is, change my mind about sinful or wrong things, and turn to Jesus (Acts 17:30, 31), confessing the deity of Jesus, believing with all my heart that He is the Son of God (Acts 8:37; Matthew 10:32, 33), and to be baptized by burial in water for the remission of sins. (Mark 16:15, 16; Romans 6:1-7; 1 Peter 3:20, 21; Acts 2:38). I am not ashamed to tell others that "ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ." (Galatians 3:26, 27). I am also unashamed to tell anyone that "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12).

I am not ashamed to tell others that I, like "about three thousand souls," or others who were "added to the church daily such as should be saved" (Acts 2:41, 47). Neither am I ashamed to tell others that "by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body" (church, Ephesians 1: 22, 23), "whether we be Jews or Gentiles." (Galatians 3:27).

I am not ashamed to tell anyone that I am a member of "The churches of Christ." (Romans 16:16). Acts 20:28 says, "The church of God, he hath purchased with his own blood." How could I ever be embarrassed to tell people that I belonged to something so costly, that is, the church Jesus paid for, bought, with His blood? Jesus said, "For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." (Matthew 26:28). The blood of Jesus was shed by Jesus in His death. When one is "baptized into his death" (Romans 6:3), the death of Jesus, one contacts the saving blood of Jesus, and is saved by the blood of Jesus. This makes Bible baptism absolutely imperative. The purchase price for the church shows the importance of the ecclesia (Greek), the called out, the church.

The Psalmist said, "Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return and be ashamed suddenly." (Psalm 6). However, He also wrote, "Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed:..." (Psalm 25:3). Jesus said, "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." (Mark 8:38).

"Hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given to us." (Romans 5:5). Jesus is "not ashamed to call them" (us) "brethren." (Hebrews 2 :11). "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf." (1 Peter 4:16).

LET'S NOT BE ASHAMED!

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS BASKETS & CAROLING

DECEMBER 8TH

After Evening Service

If you wish to help on purchasing items for baskets - box located in foyer.

List of Names doing baskets for - posted in foyer - please make note if they are diabetic - want to make sure we don't miss anyone.

FIFTH SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 29TH

10:00 A.M. BIBLE STUDY

10:45 A.M. WORSHIP

12 NOON FELLOWSHIP MEAL

1:30 P.M. AFTERNOON SERVICE

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Peggy Davis (Bryan's Mother), Doris Jumper and Ray Henderson.

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

HOME SICK: Bobbie Chapman, Pat Wade

HOSPITAL: Janie Chapman (TCH), James Nunnally (Robin Chapman's Uncle)

SUGERY RECOVERY: Larry Wood, Dustin & Kailyn Flanagan (Myra & David Palmer's Grandchildren)

SUGERY/TEST: Charlotte Lindley. Billy McBryde, Marsha Criswell

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

SHUT-INS: Tippah County Health & Rehab: Romia Palmer, Jimmy Berryman, Joe Clark

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