GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING US

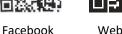
God's Grace - Ephesians 2:8 God's Love and Mercy - Ephesians 2:4 Christ's Blood Shed - Romans 5:9-11 The Gospel – Romans 1:16

Our Response of Faith:

Believe - Acts 16:31: Mark 16:15-16 Repentance – Luke 13:3 Confession – Romans 10:10 Be baptized for remission of sins -Acts 2:38; I Peter 3:21 Be faithful, committed, walk in light -Revelation 2:10; I John 1:7-10

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His Grace Reaches Me

Christians sometimes sell the grace of God short. While we intellectually know that grace is undeserved, we sometimes tend to limit God's grace to the more "deserving sinner." You know, the guy who is trying to do right but makes "ordinary" mistakes. But that's our problem. There's no such thing as a deserving sinner.

The guy who walks too close to the mudhole and gets a little mud on the sides of his shoes is just as defiled and unfit for heaven as the guy who wallowed in the mudhole. Yet we sometimes seem to forget this truth. Friends, God's grace isn't for those who have most things under control but just need a little extra help. Rather His grace is for the helpless, and that includes all men whether they have iust a little mud on their shoes or are covered from head to toe.

Maybe we need to be reminded of what we sing,

Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee. O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Just as I am, and waiting not, To rid my soul of one dark blot; To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot. O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Instead of limiting God's grace, let's lift our voices and give thanks that God's grace reaches even me!

> - Steve Higginbotham Karns Church of Christ, Knoxville, TN



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tion, trusting that - if you are seeking

Christ you will find Him here, if sorrowing

you will receive comfort and strength here,

if troubled in spirit you will gain the bless-

ing of peace here, if discouraged you will

rejoice in encouragement and hope here, if

friendless you will find companionship and

Christian love here. That these and other

blessings may be yours is our prayer.



"Practical Christian Living In Today's World" - A Study of James

Marty Edwards Coping With Trials & Temptations

Darrell Wallace Proper Treatment of Others July 14

Robbie Fudge Proper Faith That Pleases God

Edd Sterchi Controlling Our Tongues

Aug 4 Bart Warren Seeking True Wisdom From Above

Aug 11 Danny McCain Warning About Friendship With the World

Aug 18 Tom Hall Beware of Taking Life for Granted

Aug 25 Allen Jones Beware of Materialism

Sept. 1 John Board Be Patient & Prayerful Till Jesus Returns

*Each Wednesday evening at 6:00 CST

NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher has been recertified for more days of Physical Therapy and Home Health. She has now been home for 10 weeks. Wayne continues to be her caregiver; Lisa Schuler is recovering after surgery on her broken ankle.; Lori Brewer recuperating from back surgery; Sue Bunnell; Joyce Dye; Mark Hatcher; Laura Brooks; Tom Whittington (glad Mary is better); Agnes Seaton; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Helen Edwards; Parker Bybee; Mary Thompson; Gayla Graham; Steve Higginbotham; Sammy Doyle (Helen Edwards brother) is home recuperating; Ronnie Smith (Robin Wallace's brother); Matthew Wallace has tested positive for COVID; Tony Bush (son of Becky Bush) was admitted to hospital for tests but glad it mostly was heat related; Judy Owens (Marie Burd's sister) with heart issues.

Friends in our community: Jerry Cherry; Seaborn Elzey; Dana Reagan; Billy Frank Hunt; Garry Steenbergen; Greg & Shelly Gore are home recovering from COVID; the family of Tiffany Dunigan London

PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks The Barnabas Journey - Ed Bass House To House/Heart To Heart mailing

HIGHLAND RIDGE in Glasgow

Wanda Proffitt

NHC in Glasgow Jean Turner

BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE

Ruth Bradford

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Today is our 9th lesson in the Summer Quarter on the theme: "Peter's Epistles" Today's topic: "Eyewitnesses of His Majesty" Matt. 17:1-8; 2 Peter 1:16-21 Wayne Hatcher continues to serve as teacher.

TUNE IN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAMS

on WLOC-FM on Sunday mornings to hear our radio broadcast: on 101.7 FM or 1150 AM or from their webpage: wloconline.com

8:30-8:45 a.m. *Words of Truth* - Billy Bybee 8:45-9:00 a.m. *Truth In Love* - Wayne Hatcher

RECOMMENDED TV PROGRAM

We recommend GBN (Gospel Broadcasting Network) which is seen locally 24/7 on channel 113 on SCRTC cable.

PREACHING THIS MORNING

Wayne Hatcher will be preaching today at our 11:00 worship "Victory In Jesus" and at 5 pm. "The Mystery of God Revealed". We look forward to being togather on the Lord's Day!

OUR SUMMER SERIES IS GOING GREAT!!

this past Wed. night Edd Sterchi had a very good lesson on "Controlling Our Tongues" from James 3. Our next speaker will be Bart Warren from South Green St. in Glasgow. His topic is ""Seeking True Wisdom From Above" James 3:13-16

PLEASE NOTE - LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Ladies Bible Class will resume meeting tomorrow evening August 2 at 6:30. They meet in our Annex next door. If you have any questions, see Renee` Perkins.

ELDERS DEACONS MINISTER MEETING This afternoon at 3:00

OUR FALL GOSPEL MEETING

Mel Futrell of Birmingham, AL is scheduled to be here September 19-22. Due to COVID -19, he was unable to be here last year. We hope that does not happen again this year.

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

What nickname did Joseph's brothers call him before selling him into Egypt?

Answer to our question last week:

Their garments and tree branches

Their garments and tree branches Matt. 21:8

"Not's" In the Devil's Tale

by Clifton Angel

Satan is a liar, and the father of it (John 8:44). His first deception recorded for us is found at Genesis 3:1. Satan said, "Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?" In other words, "Did God really say you are forbidden to eat of every tree of the garden?" God said, "Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it" (Genesis 2:16–17).

His second lie recorded for us is found at Genesis 3:4. Satan said, "Ye shall not surely die." God said, "for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die" (Genesis 2:17). In both occasions, Satan added only one word: "NOT." So, let us note 6 "not"s in the Devil's Tale.

Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). Satan says, "He that believeth and is NOT baptized shall be saved."

Jesus said, "Seek first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). Satan says, "Seek NOT first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness." Satan wants us to put the things of this world—our jobs, our hobbies, our sports, our passions, our talents, our families, etc.—above the church, which is the kingdom of God.

Jesus said, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Satan says, "If you love Jesus, you will NOT keep His commandments." Besides, Jesus' love on the cross covers all sins, so just stop trying to avoid sin, right? That's a lie of the devil.

Jesus prayed to the Father, "That they may be one, even as we are one" (John 17:22). It is Satan's endeavor, "That they may NOT be one." And how vastly is the religious world listening to Satan. How many different denominations are there today? Why don't we just go back to the Bible and be a part of Jesus' ONE church?

Jesus said, "The wicked shall go away into eternal punishment" (Matthew 25:46). Satan says, "The wicked shall NOT go away into eternal punishment." How many do you know that when someone dies they say that person is automatically going to heaven. It does not matter if they were ungodly, adulterers, drunkards, fornicators, etc., they are going to heaven.

God said, "Ye may know that ye have eternal life" (1 John 5:13). Satan says, "Ye may NOT know that ye have eternal life." How many Christians do we know that understand the Bible's teaching that we CAN fall from grace, yet they live their lives on eggshells as if we fall in and out of it all day long. We need to remember 1 John 1:7 and strive to walk in the light, so that, we can "know that we have eternal life."

Satan is a liar, and the father of it (John 8:44). Have you fallen prey to his lies?

Sunshine and Rain

God hath not promised skies always blue, Flower-strewn pathways all our lives through;

God hath not promised sun without rain, Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.

But God that promised strength for each day, Rest for the laborer, light on the way;

Grace for the trial, help from above, Unfailing sympathy, undying love.