

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; 1 Peter 3:21
Be faithful, committed, walk in the
light - Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7

What Did They See?

"And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him . . . and the people stood looking on" (Luke 23:33-35).

Look at those last few words one more time: "the people stood looking on" (Greek theo-reo, "theorizing"). They stood by the cross of Jesus, trying to put things together. And what did they see?

They saw the obvious.

They saw how cruel men could be to others. Death by crucifixion was horrible. Victims frequently died stark raving mad from days of exposure and thirst—a thought that underscores the agony behind Jesus' words, "I thirst!" (John 19:28).

They saw something mysterious.

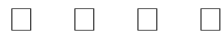
They experienced an eerie darkness "over all the earth." The sun refused to shine, as if it were paying tribute to the death of our Savior (Luke 23:44-45).

They saw something vicarious.

They witnessed the death of God in the flesh, an agonizing death that made possible our abundant life (John 10:10; cf. 1 Corinthians 15:3).

They saw something marvelous.

They saw the same thing you and I are blessed to see when we partake of the Lord's supper—the love of God (1 Corinthians 11:23-26; cf. 1 John 4:9-10).



*"As the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are My ways higher than your ways,
and My thoughts than your thoughts."*

Isaiah 55:9



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We gladly welcome you to our congregation, 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 blessing 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.

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You Are Invited To Attend Our 6th Summer Series in July and August

"All Spiritual Blessings Are IN CHRIST" Ephesians 1:3

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| July 5 | Marty Edwards | "Our Salvation" |
| July 12 | Allen Jones | "Our Redemption/Forgiveness of Sins" |
| July 19 | John Board | "Our Sanctification" |
| July 26 | Danny McCain | "Our Victory Over Satan" |
| Aug 2 | Robbie Fudge | "God's Everlasting Love" |
| Aug 9 | Bart Warren | "God's Saving Grace" |
| Aug 16 | Edd Sterchi | "Our Sweet Fellowship With God" |
| Aug 23 | Craig Waddell | "Our Eternal Inheritance in Heaven" |
| Aug 31 | Tom Hall | "Vital Question: How Do We Get Into Christ?" |

What a wonderful opportunity to hear these great lessons from these dedicated gospel preachers!!!

*Each Wednesday evening at 6:00 CST

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NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sue Bunnell; Becky Hatcher continues with dialysis 3X a week. Wayne is her caregiver; Becky Bush will have spinal surgery; Doris Wallace's MRI showed several issues in her back; Lori Brewer is home; Fran Mears; Jennifer Hatcher is home; Jackie Coop recovering from knee replacement; Michael Richardson recovering from a broken bone in his elbow; Laura Brooks; Mike Thompson; Joey Palmore; Dixie Napier's son Randy is undergoing treatments; Daryl Lowe; Don Waddell (member at Center); Don Nims; Terry Bunnell; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; Bobby Pedigo; Sue Underwood (neighbor of Danny & Janet McCain

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Ruth Bradford

PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks
House To House/Heart To Heart local mailing
Manna Project

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

This morning is our last lesson of our Summer Quarter Lesson 13 "Solomon's Fame" 2 Chronicles 9:1-28 Wayne serves as teacher.

NEW QUARTER STARTS NEXT SUNDAY

Fall Quarter theme: 'The Godhead' Lesson 1: The Creator Pickup your study guides today

PREACHING TODAY

Wayne at 11 a.m. "Living In Babylon: " Daniel 5 Danny McCain at 5 p.m. sermons from the book of Mark

WEDNESDAY EVENING 6:00

This Wed. will conclude our Summer Series - All Spiritual Blessings Are In Christ Eph. 1:3 Our speaker is W. Tom Hall of the Mt. Pleasant Church of Christ Bowling Green, KY His topic will be "Vital Question: How Do We Get Into Christ?" Last week Craig Waddell had a great lesson on blessing #8 "Our Eternal Inheritance In

Heaven"

OUR RADIO PROGRAM

We are pleased to sponsor "In Search of the Lord' Way" heard on our local radio station WLOC 101.7 FM and 1150 AM each Sunday morning from 8:30 - 9:00 with Phil Sanders. Please pray for this work as we sow the seed of the gospel

NOTE: If you are unable to pick up the radio signal, you can log on to wloconline.com There are choices to listen on your computer or use the **tunein** app for you mobile devices.

OUR NEXT GOSPEL MEETING

October 15-18 with John Board, preacher with the E-town Church of Christ. Mark your calendar. Prayers for this effort.

AREA GOSPEL MEETING

Sept. 10-13 South Green St. Church of Christ in Glasgow, KY with Steve Higginbotham "Jesus Is the Answer" John 6:67-68 Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS CORBIN CYPHERS

Many of us enjoyed following and watching Corbin grandson of our Willie & Martha Cyphers. Corbin is the catcher for the Nolensville, TN little league baseball team who won the Southeast Region and advanced far in Little League World Series.

Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary

by Joe Slater

The song is right – burdens really are lifted at Calvary! Our Savior Himself invited, "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Jesus didn't shed His blood and die on the cross so you could carry your sin around like a ball and chain for the rest of your life. He offers rest!

Jesus made a point of saying "heavy laden." He extends His grace to those who have committed "big" sins as well as

transgressors in less extreme ways. Even as life was draining from Him, Jesus lifted the burden of a violent criminal who, only a short time before, had mocked Him. Jesus told him, "Today you will be with Me in paradise" (Luke 23:43).

Sometime later Jesus lifted the burden of Saul of Tarsus, a man who absolutely hated Him and was doing everything in his power to destroy the church. Innumerable disciples of Jesus had suffered arrest, torture, imprisonment, and even death at this man's behest. So awful were his crimes that he later referred to himself as the chief of sinners (1 Timothy 1:15). Yet Jesus lifted even Saul's enormous burden of sin! "For this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life" (1 Timothy 1:16). If I may paraphrase, "If Jesus can save me (and He did) then He can save anyone!"

Even before the cross, God's people found relief from sin because Christ's blood reached back to them just as it reaches forward to us. David's burden made him feel lifeless and crushed until "I acknowledged my sin to You . . . and You forgave the iniquity of my sin" (Psalm 32:3-5).

So often we react to our sin with self-loathing and beating ourselves up. While such responses are understandable, they can never "fix" the problem! Only Jesus can do that.

Burdens are lifted at Calvary!

Are You Searching For the Truth

by Ron Bartanen

Are you searching for truth? Some are not searching because they don't believe in absolute truth—everything to them is relative. Others are not

searching because their church tells them what the truth is, These feel they already have the fullness of truth. All should heed Paul's warning: "Of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things" (Acts 20:30). Others seek the truth in their own hearts, though the Bible warns, "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked" (Jeremiah 17:9). The importance of seeking truth is emphasized in Scripture. The wise man Solomon advised, "Buy the truth and sell it not" (Prov. 23:23). In the marketplace of ideas one must be careful to distinguish the true from the counterfeit. Jesus said, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free" (John 8:32).

How will we know the truth when we see it? Ultimate truth is found in Jesus, who said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No man comes to the Father but by me" (John 14:6). Truth is found in His word, the Scriptures, of which Paul wrote, "All scripture is inspired of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for instruction in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Where are you searching for truth?

God's Infinite Things

Riches that are unsearchable (Ephesians 3:8).

Joy that is unspeakable (1 Peter 1:8).

Peace that passes understanding (Philippians 4:7).

Love that passes knowledge (Ephesians 3:19).

Ways past finding out (Romans 11:33).

- Mark Posey Decatur, Alabama