

## 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 light -  
Revelation 2:10; 1 John 1:7-10

## We Persuade Men

Believing in the reality of the coming judgment, the apostle Paul wrote, "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men" (2 Corinthians 5:11). If the great men of the Bible had been informed of such judgment, how would they have reacted?

- Enoch would have believed.
- Noah would never have doubted.
- Abraham would immediately have begun preparing.
- Moses would have called the people together to relate the message.
- Isaiah and Jeremiah would have pled with the people.
- Daniel would have proclaimed it aloud.
- Elijah and Elisha would have shouted it from the rooftop.
- Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Peter, Paul, James, and Jude would place in our hands the record itself and say, "Here is the way it is going to be - Judgment Day is coming!"

If your name is not written in the Lamb's Book of Life, I plead with you to come believing, repenting, confessing, and be baptized into the body of Christ (Galatians 3:26-27, Acts 2:38; 8:35-40).

If your name is written in the Lamb's book of life, I pray that you may live and conduct yourself in such a way that your name may never be blotted out of the Book of Life (Revelation 2:10).

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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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## God Wants You!

by Edd Sterchi

How does God feel about us? He created us, He loves us, and He sent His Son to die for us so that we could be with Him forever. **He wants us!** In the book of Ephesians we are given some insight of what all God wants for us.

1:2 - He wants us to have a life of peace.

1:3 - He wants us to have every spiritual blessing.

1:4 - He wants us to be blameless (no sin held against us).

1:5 - He wants us to be a part of His family.

1:6 - He wants us to have His grace.

1:7-8 - He wants us to be forgiven.

1:9 - He wants us to know His will.

1:10 - He wants us to be in Christ.

1:11-12 - He wants us to have an inheritance.

1:13-14 - He wants us to have His Spirit involved in our lives.

And that's just 10 things from 13 verses in the first chapter of the book! There are many more that Ephesians and the rest of the New Testament reveal to us. Read it and marvel at just how much God wants us and wants for us!



## NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher continues to make a little progress; Wayne continues to be her caregiver. It has been great to see her at some of our evening services; Sue Bunnell; Rex Wallace having inner ear issues; Willie Cyphers is still having problems with his leg; Lisa Schuler; Mike Thompson; Lori Brewer; Joyce Dye; Mark Hatcher (back issues); Laura Brooks; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Tom Whittington; Judy Owens (Marie Burd's sister); Parker Bybee; Mary Thompson; Gayla Graham; Steve Higginbotham; Brenda Jaggers' daughter Tracy; Ashley Bryant (step granddaughter of Marilyn Ray); Billy & Janice Bybee ask for our prayers for two of great-grandchildren with COVID; pray for our health care workers; staff in our school districts; pray for Christians in Afghanistan whose lives are in danger.

Friends in our community:

We are saddened that Amanda Nutt, Caverna High School teacher passed away Tues. due to complications from COVID.

Jerry Cherry; Dana Reagan; Billy Frank Hunt;

### 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 3rd lesson in the Fall Quarter on the theme: "Exploits of David" Today's topic: "David and Goliath" 1 Samuel 17:12-30 Wayne Hatcher continues to serve as teacher.

### TUNE IN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAMS

on WLOC radio on Sunday mornings to hear our 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

### PREACHING

Darrell Wallace today 11 am, 5 pm

Wayne Hatcher is to next Sunday

We look forward to being together on the Lord's Day!!

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Thanks to Billy Bybee for the good lesson Wed. evening in our study of the book of Hebrews.

This Wed. night we look forward to Scott Huff being our teacher. Be sure and be here as Scott will have a very beneficial lesson.

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

What did Jesus say to the paralytic that caused the scribes or teachers to say that Jesus was blaspheming?

Answer to our question last week:  
Jonathan 2 Sam. 4:4

## The Prayer of an "Old Preacher"

by Dale Jenkins

We may not think of that shepherd boy as a preacher, but perhaps we should. When David arrived at the battlefield, almost every word he spoke proclaimed the power and majesty of God. His words give great insight into the heart that God described as being like His own heart. David's older brother saw him as a youth who had abandoned the sheep and said David was filled with pride and was insolent in his heart (1 Samuel 7:28). But he was wrong.

That young man had seen the providence of God when he killed a bear and a lion who

were ready to kill a helpless lamb. David knew God's nature and the challenge of Goliath had to be answered. He was not concerned about how big that giant was, for he knew how big God was!

As a youth he had also faced sin's temptation and dealt with it. He showed how a young man could cleanse his heart "by taking heed according to Your word" (Psalm 119:9). It was in the sheepfold that he learned of God's green pastures, still waters, the rod, the staff and the cup overflowing with oil.

Yet he was not always a young man. His words in Psalm 71:17-18 give us great insight into the devotion he had first as a youth and the devotion he had in his old age. Look at the words of that psalm.

*"O God, You have taught me from my youth; And to this day I declare Your wondrous works."*

David knew God from his youth and he had declared God's glory to others. He knew God and he unashamedly taught others about Him. What was he like as he grew old?

*"Now also when I am old and gray-headed, O God, do not forsake me, Until I declare Your strength to this generation, Your power to everyone who is to come."*

David understood that the truths which he had used to cleanse his young heart were the same truths that following generations needed to cleanse their hearts. They needed them because God's words are eternal, and truth does not change. David said, "The entirety of Your word is truth and every one of Your righteous judgments endures forever" (Psalm 119:160). He had taught those truths as a young man and now as he grew old, he asked God to continue using him.

Read his words again. Every generation needed God's words, and David emphasized that they needed the entirety of His words—every single one of His righteous judgments. Mankind does not change. The needs of every generation are the same. God's remedy for sin does not change.

It was an older generation who taught young David. He owed them a great debt. The same is true of us!

## Obstacles

by James C. Guy

In ancient times, a king had a boulder placed on a roadway. Then he hid himself and watched to see if anyone would remove the huge rock. Some of the king's wealthiest merchants and courtiers came by and simply walked around it. Many loudly blamed the king for not keeping the roads clear, but none did anything about getting the big stone out of the way.

Then a peasant came along carrying a load of vegetables. On approaching the boulder, the peasant laid down his burden and tried to move the stone to the side of the road. After much pushing and straining, he finally succeeded.

As the peasant picked up his load of vegetables, he noticed a purse lying in the road where the boulder had been. The purse contained many gold coins and a note from the king indicating that the gold was for the person who removed the boulder from the roadway.

The peasant learned what many others never understand. Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve one's condition.