

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

The Need For Jesus

Few, if any really, would argue against the pursuit in this life to acquire things like fulfillment, pleasure, contentment, knowledge, or even purpose. In fact, most, even in the world believe such pursuits are the framework of most of our lives. In those pursuits, however we find what we are looking for, we are the better if our search produces the results we have desired. Therein lies the problem most of us face when trying to meet our needs. The approach most in our culture and society would suggest today for meeting our needs comes from a "relative" perspective. What may suit and fulfill the life of "Fred" may not satisfy the desire of fulfillment in the life of "Fred's" neighbor; but if something else can and does, then that course should certainly be pursued.

Common ground is difficult to find, when we live in a world where so many opinions exist about nearly every aspect of life. Yet in the long ago there were words written to describe such a ground; where to find it and even how to stand upon it. Through a source greater than philosophy or higher academia, we learn of a message mankind has the privilege to know: "the grace of God in truth" (Col. 1:6). Accompanying those words were a prayer that all who would have the opportunity would hear, would not only believe the message; but also, "be filled with all knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding" (Col 1:9).

The common ground for every race, every culture, every country, every government, every family is ground of Jesus, His church, His body, His authority, and His love. The grace of God is in Jesus (Col 1:13). The greatness of God is in Jesus (Col 1:16). The glory of God is in Jesus (Col 1:27). The goal of God is in Jesus (Col 1:29). How desperately our world needs Jesus! How blessed of an occasion it is to come share with you the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to share with all who will hear, "The Need for Jesus!"

by Bryan McAlister



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Focused on Christ - Thankful for our Salvation - Glorifying the Lord - Serving through Love - Preaching Christ to the World

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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In Loving Memory of James "Jim" Carroll Mears



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In the few years that Jim was a member here at Horse Cave, we love Jim and his family very much. Jim possessed a kind, positive and sweet spirit. All who knew him observed how much he loved his family, God, his Lord and Savior, God's Word and the Lord's church. His main goal in life was to go to heaven when his life was over. He also desired it for his family and friends. We can rejoice he went home to be with Christ. Philippians 1:23.

Jim is survived by his devoted wife of 38 years, Fran; one step-daughter Lori Brewer; one step-granddaughter Jamie Brewer (all members here at Horse Cave); a granddaughter, three step-grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, two sisters, one son-in-law, several nieces, nephews and a host of friends. Winn Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

A memorial - celebration of life will be held here next Sat. May 15 at 2 pm. Visitation will be held here from 12 pm until time for the service. - WH

"...Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth...that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." Revelation 14:13

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NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sue Bunnell; Becky Hatcher will have a fresh MRI and CT Scan of her back early in the morning at T. J. She is to be dismissed from Caverna Hosp. later on Monday where she has been since Feb. 1; Dennis Hatcher is to have a defibrillator/pace maker implanted May 19; Lisa Schuler; Helen Edwards; Fran Mears; Mark Hatcher; Lori Brewer; Mike Thompson; Tom & Mary Whittington; Laura Brooks; Agnes Seaton; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Bonnie Turner; Joyce Dye; Joey Palmore; Parker Bybee; Mary Thompson; Gayla Graham received good news Thurs from biopsy—no cancer. She has some more test results next Tuesday; Bobby Pedigo; Steve Higginbotham;

Friends in our community: Jerry Cherry; Seaborn Elzey; Joey Johnson; James Gardner

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 10th lesson in the Spring Quarter on the theme: "The Thessalonian Letters" The topic this morning: "Preparing for Judgment" 2 Thess. 1:1-12. 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 PROGRAMS

In Search of the Lord's Way is on WNKY channel 7 or 307 (HD) on Sundays at 7 a.m. on SCRTC cable. Speaker: Phil Sanders

Also, we recommend GBN (Gospel Broadcasting Network) seen 24/7 on channel 113 on SCRTC cable.

PREACHING THIS MORNING

Wayne Hatcher is to preach this morning in our worship hour at 11. His topic: "Abigail - A Woman of Wisdom, Humility, Strength, Courage and Love for Her Family" 1 Samuel 25
Looking ahead: Darrell Wallace will be preaching Sun. morning of May 16 & 23 and Robbie Bybee will be with us on May 30, a 5th Sunday.

SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP

Beginning June 6, we plan to resume meeting on Sunday evenings at 5:00. As things are beginning to return to some "normalcy", you are encouraged to resume the practice of coming on Sunday evenings.

THANK YOU NOTE

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers for me during my health issues. Thank you so much for all the cards and the phone calls that always made my day. Your thoughtfulness is a gift I will always treasure. I am extremely blessed to be here today. Sincerely, Joyce Dye

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

Finish Psalm 19:1 which begins: "*The heavens declare the glory of God and . . .*"

The answer to our question last week: divided among 4 soldiers John 19:23

Happy Mother's Day

To those still living

And those who have passed away
but still live in our hearts and
memories.

God's Plan For Mothers

by Ron Bartanen

Someone has jokingly said that while man may be the head of the home, the wife and mother is the backbone. To be man's "equal", a woman does not have to act, work or dress like a man. While men and women have different roles in life, they are equal in the sight of God.

A woman, by her nature, seems to be the more nurturing than a man, although this may not always be the case. For instance Roman-Emperor Nero's mother was a murderess, while President George Washington's mother was described as pious, true and pure. As we see the importance of motherhood being downplayed in today's society, is it any surprise that so much confusion reigns? President Theodore Roosevelt once said, "Into the woman's keeping is committed the destiny of the generations to come after us."

As Mother's Day is observed today, let us give proper honor to the mothers and grandmothers, especially to those that seek to guide their families in the way of righteousness. The apostle Paul's fellow-laborer in the gospel, Timothy, had the advantage of two women who positively impacted his life before he ever knew Paul. The Apostle wrote Timothy, reminding him, "... I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt in thy grandmother Lois and thy mother: and I am persuaded that in thee also" (2 Timothy 1:5), later adding, "And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2

Tim. 3:15). The example set for him in the lives of these two godly women, coupled with their obviously sharing with him from the Old Testament Scriptures, prepared his heart and mind for the receiving of the message of the Gospel. We need more women (and men, too, for that matter) who will instill within their children at an early age a love for the holy Scriptures. For a generation to arise that will continue to honor the Bible in word and in deed, it is imperative that it be enlightened from the word of God—and, the sooner, the better, for "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17).

The old saying, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world" could seldom have been more needed than it is in today's world. I wonder if mothers may have been largely responsible for the condition in Israel as described in Judges 2:10: "...there arose another generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel." As there seems to be a shorter supply of godly nurturers in today's society, and our homes become dependent upon "public education" to raise and nurture the children, it cannot come as a surprise when godliness gives way to "politically correct" standards based on human folly, and not the word of God.

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"Mother is the heartbeat in the home; and without her, there seems to be no heartthrob." - Leroy Brownlow

"My Mother: She is beautiful, softened at the edges and tempered with a spine of steel. I want to grow old and be like her." - Jodi Picoult