

## 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

## Fearing God Is Obeying God

by Rob Albright

Proverbs 1:7 reads, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction." A wise person will simply take the teachings (doctrine) that come from the Bible and make them a part of his or her life.

Unfortunately, some choose to reject or ignore the teachings of Jesus. He is the Savior and Lord and is the perfect example of right living (John 8:24; Luke 6:46-49; Acts 4:12). Jesus is the only one who can bring us into a right relationship with God (2 Corinthians 5:17-21). It is a sad situation when people reject the only hope they have. Some feel His teachings are too restrictive so they shop around for a church that fits the way they feel about things. You hear them say things like, "This is my life and I can live it any way I choose." Choosing our own way instead of following the way of God and His Son brings tragic consequences (Mark 7:9; Luke 10:16; 1 John 2:17b).

Jesus came to save us from sin (Acts 4:10-12) and bring those saved into His church (Acts 2:47; 1 Corinthians 12:13) where we become "the righteousness of God." (2 Corinthians 5:17, 21). It's all because of Jesus that we can become right in the sight of God. We have the Word of God where we can come to know about Jesus, learn to love Him, obey His words and follow His example. He is the perfect pattern for our life.

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Count your blessings instead of your crosses;  
count you gains instead of your losses;  
Count your joys instead of your woes; count  
your friends instead of your foes;  
Count your smiles instead of your tears; count  
your courage instead of your fears.  
Count on God instead of yourself. -copied



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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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## Don't Overlook One of "THE" Most Important Words

In the gospel account of John, Jesus is recorded as saying, "I am the..." in reference to Himself in several different ways and occasions. When we read these statements, I wonder if we miss a very important word in them - the word "THE"! "The" is a definite article which indicates only one thing in reference. Thus, when Jesus used the word "the" in the following statements, He meant He was "the one and only" possibility:

- When Jesus said, "I am the bread of life" (John 6:35), He was indicating that He is the only source of proper spiritual nourishment.
- When Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12), He was revealing that He is the only author of true enlightenment.
- When Jesus said, "I am the door" (John 10:9), He was saying that He is the only passageway to heaven.
- When Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd" (John 10:11), He was pointing out that He is the only director of the church (the sheepfold) and how she operates.
- When Jesus said, "I am the Son of God" (John 10:36), He was saying that He is the only Savior of the human race.
- When Jesus said, "I am the resurrection" (John 11:25), He was saying that He is the only way to be raised to eternal life after death.
- When Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6), He was saying that He is the only avenue of access to the Father in heaven.
- When Jesus said, "I am the true vine" (John 15:5), He was saying that He is the only means of true spiritual productivity.

These are indeed powerful pronouncements from Jesus Christ. As we read them time and time again, let us be continually reminded of how Jesus is "the" only one who can make "the" difference in our lives. - Ed Sterchi

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## NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lois Edwards continues to recover at home after a stroke two weeks ago; we are so thankful Sue Bunnell received a "clear" report on her 1 year scan; Becky Hatcher continues further treatment and rehab at home. Wayne is serving as her caregiver. Home Health is providing some teaching & nursing as needed; Dennis Hatcher had a defibrillator/pace maker implanted on Wed. and is doing well at home; Lori Brewer is to have surgery June 3 in Bowling Green; Joyce Dye; Lisa Schuler; Helen Edwards; Fran Mears; Mark Hatcher; Mike Thompson; Tom & Mary Whittington; Laura Brooks; Agnes Seaton; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Bonnie Turner; Joey Palmore; Parker Bybee; Mary Thompson; Gayla Graham; Bobby Pedigo; Steve Higginbotham

Friends in our community: Jerry Cherry; Seaborn Elzey; Joey Johnson; James Gardner; family of Sara Boyd Cawthon (wife of Wm. "Button" Cawthon. Wayne held a graveside service at the HC Cemetery on Friday.

### 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

### WITH OUR SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Brenda

### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Today is our 12th lesson in the Spring Quarter on the theme: "The Thessalonian Letters" The today's topic: "Beloved by the Lord" 2 Thess. 2:13-3:5. 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

We are thankful that Darrell Wallace will be preaching this morning in our worship hour.

### 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.

### GRADUATION FRIDAY NIGHT



Congratulations to Parker Bybee who graduates from Caverna High School May 28 at 7:00.

### POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME

Is asking us to donate the following items for their pantry needs: Yellow Cake Mix All Purpose Flour Canned Vegetable Soup Pancake Syrup Peanut Butter & Cheese Crackers They will be here the week of July 11 to pick up ours donations.

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

Name the angel that told Mary she would be the mother of Jesus.

The answer to our question last week:

3 days of darkness Exod. 10:22

### WITH A THANKFUL HEART

Dear Church Family, Our hearts are full with the outpouring of love and concern you have shown to our family over the past 4 weeks.

The calls, cards, flowers, food, visit and help we have been shown during this time has been overwhelming.

God blessed us with such a wonderful church family of brothers and sisters, and we are so thankful for all of you.

May God continue to bless each of you in his service and in service to others.

With grateful hearts and love,  
Fran, Lori & Jamie

### When You Are In Over Your Head by Johnny Hester

Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two. And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.'" Having said this, He breathed His last. (Luke 23:44-46).

"He breathed His last." Those words cause one's heart to sink. When Jesus exhaled for a final time on the cross, all the minions of Hell may well have thought that the battle was over and that victory belonged to Satan their evil commander. But how wrong they were! And how horrified they must have been just a short time later! Yes, Jesus suffered and died. He was buried. But then "He rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:4)! Furthermore, "He [The Father] has put all things under His feet" (v. 27)! Think for a moment about the wonderful implications of that truth that should compel us to praise, worship and live for God.

"He has put all things under His feet" (v.

27). Do you ever feel that you are in way over your head with problems? That may be the case, but Jesus is over all things. He is in Heaven, interceding on your behalf! A glorious fact is powerfully declared in Romans 8:34, "Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us." Where are your problems? "Under His feet"! Jesus is alive! He is in control! Jesus is coming again!

Beloved, is there someone in your life who is hurting, suffering, struggling? Consider sending that person a note of encouragement and be sure to use Romans 8:34 as a closing verse of hope. Letting one know that Christ is alive, above, active and working on the behalf of His people can bring a comfort and strength that nothing else can produce.

### Trust is a Must

When the world goes bust

Trust is a must

When dreams become dust

Trust is a must

When plans combust

Trust is a must

When conditions are unjust

Trust is a must

When people disgust

Trust is a must

When you need to adjust

Trust is a must

Here is the thrust:

We just must trust

Edd Sterchi

*Trust in the Lord with all thy heart* Prov. 3:5