

GOD'S PLAN FOR SAVING MAN

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:
Faith - 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

LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS

for today - Feb. 1
READ SCRIPTURE
Mike Thompson
ANNOUNCEMENTS
Mike Thompson
OFFICIATE LORD'S TABLE
Bill Brooks
SERVE COMMUNION
Rex Wallace Michael Richardson
Sydney Bunnell
PREACHING
a. m. - Wayne Hatcher
p. m. - Wayne Hatcher
LEAD SINGING
Ken Russell

Everybody Needs a Friend

We all need sharing and caring friends. Years ago, when speaker of the house Sam Rayburn heard that he had terminal cancer, he shocked everyone when he announced that he was going back to a small town in Bonham, Texas. Everyone said to him: They have got the finest facilities in Washington, D.C., why go back to that little town. Rayburn's words have been quoted so often that some of you have probably heard them. He said: "Because in Bohman, Texas they know if you're sick and they care when you die. We need our friends."

"Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labor. For if either of them falls, the one will lift up his companion. But woe to the one who falls when there is not another to lift him up. Furthermore, if two lie down together they keep warm, but how can one be warm alone? And if one can overpower him who is alone, who can resist him? A cord of three strands is not quickly torn apart" (Eccl. 4:9-12)



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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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Do We Love the Lord More?

"So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, feed my lambs." (John 21:15)

Do We Love the Lord More Than Our Kinsmen? If we do, we will not let them keep us from obeying the gospel. We will be willing to leave the religion they have accepted if it is proven wrong. We will not let them keep us from attending the services of the Lord's church. Remember, "He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me" (Matthew 10:37).

Do We Love the Lord More Than Our Money? If we do, we will not make the heaping of riches the chief object of our living. We will give liberally of our means to the Lord (2 Corinthians 8:1-5). Remember, the Lord said, "For the love of money is the root of all evil" (1 Timothy 6:10).

Do We Love the Lord More Than Pleasure? If we do, we will not engage in that which is forbidden, that which will hurt our influence for Christ. Remember, the Lord, in speaking of perilous times, said men shall be "lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God" (2 Timothy 3:1-4).

Do We Love the Lord More Than Praise of Men? If we do, we will be willing to stand for the Lord and the right, though we must stand alone (2 Timothy 4:16-17). The chief rulers "did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God" (John 12:42-43).

The Lord should be the supreme object of our affection (Matthew 22:37). May we learn to sing, and mean it, "More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee."
- Wendell Winkler

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PERSONAL NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Brandon Schuler is undergoing his treatments again; Jean Hogan at home; Bessie Brooks on dialysis; R. T. Turner; Renee Perkins; James Horton; Robert Brooks; Linda Forbes; Parker Bybee; Mary Locke; Kathy Clarke; Wrendle Jones (Becky Hatcher's dad); Mark Hatcher & Donnie Edwards back problems; Rodney Middleton (Shady Grove) with CPOD; Robert Gossett (member at Shady Grove); Carolyn Lizzer (Bill & Robert Brooks' sister); Wayne Hatcher went to Jewish Hosp. Wed. for a procedure and thankful they succeeded in getting his heart out of A-Fib; Agnes and Steve Seaton have been sick at home; Leon Seaton was admitted to Caverna Hosp. for pneumonia last week. He is back home; Helen Edwards has been sick; Jean Turner was admitted to T.J. Samson last week; Alyssa Hornback had a virus last week; Sue Bunnell was admitted to Caverna Hosp. last week. She was dismissed Friday.

FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY

Sympathy to the family of James Asbury; Doris Garrison; Kevin Gardner; Sherry Waddell; David Atwell; John Taylor (Sara Brooks' dad); Roger Lile; Zandon Hay, the 2 yr. old son of Brandon Hay and grandson of Archie & Ann Hay has been released from Vanderbilt; Linda Kinslow; Gunner Easton, student at Barren Co. H.S.; Charlene Skaggs (Dianna Proffitt's mom) suffered a stroke and is in Hart Co Health Care for rehab; Ruth Whitlow (Jane Biggs' mother) broke her pelvis in three places while in FL

IN REHAB: Bonnie Turner remains in rehab at Christian Health Center in B. Green after knee replacement surgery. We believe she will be released in a few days.

BARREN COUNTY HEALTH CARE

Katherine Short

HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING

Jean Turner Ruth Bradford

HART COUNTY HEALTH CARE

R. T. Turner Mildred Briggs Carroll Stilts, Sr

PRAY FOR OUR RADIO MINISTRY on WLOC-1150 AM on Sunday mornings from 8:30—9:00—Words of Truth and the Truth in Love.

Also remember our ministry of HouseToHouse/HeartToHeart that we have been mailing to homes here in Horse Cave for about the past 14-15 years. They contain some of the best teaching articles anywhere. We just wish more people could see and recognize the difference between truth and error.

VISIT BRANDON SCHULER'S WEBSITE

<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/brandonschuler>

NEW STUDY ON WED.

You are encouraged to attend the new class on Wed. night called "Circles of Truth" being taught by Mike Thompson. It will be valuable as a plan of action when you have an opportunity to teach someone the gospel of Christ.

79th ANNUAL FREED HARDEMAN LECTURES Feb. 1-5 "Give Us a King" - Faith,

Failure and Forgiveness in Samuel For more information go to www.fhu.edu/lectureship

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

Which New Testament writer was healed of blindness?

The answer to last week's bible question: their fishing nets Mark 1:19

Visitors are always welcomed !!!!

[the following good article was written by Bill Watkins, pulpit minister at the Crieve Hall Church of Christ in Nashville. -Wayne]

Nothing Except Jesus

by Bill Watkins

I Corinthians 2:1-5 *And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling. And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.*

How do you begin a church in a cosmopolitan city where no churches have ever been? Where do you go? What do you talk about? Fortunately for us, the book of Acts and Paul's letters to the Corinthians tell us much about what Paul did and said.

Paul could have come to Corinth with the appeal of the orators. He was a Roman citizen and grew up in an environment where eloquence and persuasive speech were highly valued. He would have been educated both in the philosophy of the Greeks and in the writings of the holy prophets. He could have begun a series of lectures in values and comparative religions.

Paul rejected these approaches because there was something far more compelling—far more fundamental. He talked about Christ. *"For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified."*

On a personal level, Paul came to Corinth in a physical and emotional state that would normally make the prospect of establishing a church impossible. *"I was with you in weakness, in fear, and in much trembling."* It appeared that he was not capable of such a great effort.

The success that came happened because Paul did not allow himself to be the message or the power. *"And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power..."* His message was Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

Why did he act and speak as he did? *"That your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God."*

When you place your faith in the wisdom of men, their understanding will fail. When you place your faith in the strength of men, their power will fail. But when you place your faith in the crucified, resurrected Savior, even the gates of Hades cannot prevail against Him.

In an age where much distracts and many are proposing a more contemporary dialogue to attract unbelievers, it may be helpful to remember and proclaim a fundamental message.

"And I, brethren, when I came to you, did not come with excellence of speech or of wisdom declaring to you the testimony of God. For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified."