



A Weekly Publication of the



120 Cave Street  
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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.*

**TIME OF SERVICES (CST):**

**Sunday:** Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. **Wednesday:** Bible Study 6 PM

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## Follow Jesus: It's God's Will

As John the Immerser prepared the way for Jesus, he enjoyed tremendous success. Great numbers heard him preach repentance, and many submitted to baptism. Some of John's disciples thought his success was being threatened as multitudes came to Jesus. They protested, *"Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified – behold, He is baptizing, and all are coming to Him!"* (John 3:26).

John, however, was undisturbed. He knew his job, he knew who Jesus was, and he felt no rivalry. *"A man can receive nothing unless it has been given to him from heaven. You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' but 'I have been sent before Him.'* He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is fulfilled. He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:27-30).

Jesus' success had been given to Him from heaven. It was and is God's will that people follow Jesus. This made John happy, not resentful! John had done his work well, and now people were traveling on that road God had sent him to prepare. The "best man" at a wedding does not envy the groom, but rejoices in his friend's good fortune. Even so, John rejoiced as people followed Jesus. He more than willingly removed himself from the spotlight, giving all glory to the Lord. What a marvelous example of selfless humility!

God still wants people to follow Jesus. Christianity isn't about our popularity or fame. Even great men like the apostles rejected veneration. *"Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?"* (1 Corinthians 1:13).

Let us follow Jesus because it is God's will, and let us persuade others to do likewise!

by Joe Slater

## FOCUS on one Luke 15:4

What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost

# NEWS & NOTES...

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Mike Thompson is recovering and improving from surgery, the flu and COVID and also Vickie has improved; Candice Eastridge has COVID; Mary Whittington will have an upper and lower scope Tuesday at T. J; Jackie Coop has been having therapy at T. J. after knee replacement surgery; Joey Palmore has recently had another rotator cuff surgery and also gall bladder surgery; Becky Hatcher dialysis three times a week; Lorie Brewer recuperating from a "do-over" of a shoulder replacement; Becky Bush still undergoing tests/procedures; Scott Huff is wearing a boot due to a calf muscle injury; Robin Wallace has been sick; Justin Matthews (son of Shannon Matthews, Becky's first cousin) is in a hospital in B.G.; Linda Lewis (Diana Proffitt's sister); Connie Campbell; Donald Appley (Tammy Wallace's dad); Becky Bush's daughter Angela Reese; Steve Seaton; Mary Hatcher; Parker Bybee; please continue to pray for Mark Isenberg is back home in Murfreesboro, TN seeking other alternatives; Freddy Proffitt member at South Green St.; Paul Smith my 1st cousin Judy's husband in Louisville; Lanelle Sexton is now back to her home; Todd Curkendall (E-town congregation)

## SYMPATHY

We express our condolences to our Bessie Brooks in the passing of her brother Ramon Jubencio Salgado, a native of Monahans, TX and his nephew Mark Brooks. He had moved to Firestone, Colorado (about 30 mi. N of Denver) to be near his children.

**FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY** Tim Shipley; April Arms; Brittany Smith; Darrell Wilkerson

## PRAY FOR MISSION EFFORTS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks  
World English Institute (WEI) - Darrell Wallace  
Manna Project

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS 10 A.M.

The auditorium class is studying the book of *John*. We are in ch.14 Dennis Hogan is the teacher

## PREACHING TODAY:

11 am Dennis Hogan *"Unless YOU Are the Thief on the Cross!"*

2 pm Dennis Hogan *"Let Your Light Shine"*

## WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 6:00 PM

We are studying the great book of Genesis, chapter 14

## OUR LOCAL RADIO PROGRAM

We encourage you to listen to our radio program *"In Search of the Lord's Way"* heard on WLOC 101.7 FM or 1150 AM here in Horse Cave each Sunday morning from 8:30--9:00 with **Phil Sanders**. Pray for this great ministry as the gospel is being proclaimed. Search website: <https://www.searchtv.org/>

NOTE: You may also hear the program at [wloconline.com](http://wloconline.com) and choose to listen by computer or select the **tunein** app for your mobile device.

## WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

If you are visiting with us today, we are very thankful for your presence. Please use one of the QR cards on the pew or back of the pew in front of you as we would like to have a record of your attendance.

## The Best Crop

The rugged farmer and his devoted wife sat near the back of the auditorium. Graduation exercises were in progress. When the time came for the honors to be presented, their only son was cited as the outstanding Christian in the graduation class. His character, his leadership, and his service had made him far and away the first choice. Joy filled their souls, and even though their eyes were moist with tears, there was great gladness in their hearts. And again, it was an unforgettable moment when they heard their son bring the valedictory address as the highest ranking man in his class. All the effort and sacrifice they had made to see their son through four years of college now seemed so small. The good wife gripped the farmer's arm a little tighter when he leaned over and said, *"Well, Ma, I guess that's about the best crop we ever raised!"*  
- author unknown

## Dennis Hogan's Podcast

<https://jesus360degrees.podbean.com/>



You may listen to his previous sermons!! Check it out!!

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