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**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:**

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

**LORD'S DAY ASSIGNMENTS**

for today - May 14

READ SCRIPTURE

Willie Cyphers

OFFICIATE LORD'S TABLE

Sydney Bunnell

SERVE COMMUNION

Jackie Coop Michael Richardson

Phillip Perkins

PREACHING

11 a. m. - Wayne Hatcher

6 p. m. - Wayne Hatcher

LEAD SINGING

Ken Russell

**You Know You Are A Mom  
 When...**

1. You count the sprinkles on each child's cupcake to make sure they're equal.
2. You can't bear to give away your children's baby clothes. It's so final.
3. You hear your mother's voice coming out of your mouth when you say, "Not in your good clothes!"
4. You stop criticizing the way your mother raised you.
5. You hire a sitter because you haven't been out with your husband in ages, then spend half the night checking on the kids.
6. You say at least once a day, "I'm not cut out for this job!" You know you wouldn't trade it for anything.
7. You cry when you take them to the first day of kindergarten and when they graduate from high school.

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**TIME OF SERVICES:**

**Sunday:** Bible Study 10 AM; Worship 11 AM & 6 PM

**Wednesday:** Bible Study 7 PM

**CHURCH WEB PAGE:** [www.horsecavecoc.com](http://www.horsecavecoc.com)

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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**Happy Mother's Day**

by Ron Thomas

Let me spell the word **m-o-t-h-e-r**, with a message to complement.

**M** is for Mature. Do you remember when mom always seemed to have the right answer, and when she gave the answer, it was with the right spirit and attitude (I remember that).

**O** is for Open. Mothers who love their children will have an "open door policy" with the kids. That simply means that when trouble is brewing in the youth, mom is there to lend a hand.

**T** is for Teacher. Can hardly think of mom without there being some component of teaching involved. Mom taught things of importance like personal hygiene, laundry, or doing the dishes because that was women's work! (Boy, did I learn about that!)

**H** is for Health. I remember that when I got sick, I never wanted dad to tend to my needs or concerns. He would have been there and done what was needed, but gruff and "suck it up" just wasn't the same as the tender "honey," and "sweet heart."

**E** is for Expectations. Mothers who love their children will have expectation and, when they are not met, the child (or children) will suffer consequences. I learned early that suffering was less than pleasant.

**R** is for Remember. Mom had (has) a memory that just doesn't need to work as good as it did (at least when I was in trouble!), but on the other hand I am glad it works as well as it does. Let our "memory" work the same, and be sure to wish your mother (and all mothers) a **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Leon & Agnes Seaton; Bill & Bessie Brooks; R.T. Turner; Jenny Thompson; James Horton; Wrendle Jones (Becky's dad); Parker Bybee; Helen Edwards' step-granddaughter; Jake Quenzer; Lori Brewer will have surgery again this Wed. in Louisville; it was great seeing Jerry Ann Logsdon, Margie Gentry and Agnes Seaton able to be with us Wed. night

**IN THE HOSPITAL**

R. T. Turner spent two days in Caverna Hospital for pneumonia

**FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY**

Doug Isenberg; Larry McGuire; Jimmy Briggs; Marlene Kerr treatments; Joey Chaney; Frankie Walters; Stella Downs; Brad Terry; Kim Hatcher; Bobby Witty; George Jagers; Roger Davis; Stanford Matthews; family of Glendon Pierce

**PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT**

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks  
The Barnabas Journey - Ed Bass

**HOMETOWN MANOR ASSISTED LIVING**

Jean Turner

**HIGHLAND RIDGE ASSISTED LIVING**

Ruth Bradford

**SUNDAY A. M. AUDITORIUM CLASS**

Today is the 11th lesson in our Spring Quarter on the theme: "Mysteries in Daniel" This morning we will study "The Vision of a Ram and a Goat" Dan. 88:1-22 Wayne is the teacher.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY**

We are in a new study on Wednesday nights on church history. Mike Thompson is the teacher. Everyone is encouraged to support our bible classes.

**THANK YOU CARD**

Thanks so much for your love and support during my recent fall. The cards, phone calls, food and visits are appreciated. We are blessed to have such a loving and supportive church family.

Love you all, Jenny Thompson

**SPECIAL INVITATION**

The City of Horse Cave is having a dedication in memory of Donnie Gale Edwards on Thurs. May 18th at 2 PM. They will plant a tree between the Thomas House and the city park.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR—VBS**

**June 21-24** Our VBS - "God's Team" Stories of God's Power

There will be a meeting tonight after worship for any who plan to teach, be an assistant or help in anyway with VBS

**12 HOURS OF JESUS**

Saturday, May 20, 2017 8 am to 8 pm at the Colvin Community Center, Radcliff, KY (EST) Theme: *Stand Up for Jesus* Wayne will be speaking at 5 pm on "Stand Up for Jesus and His Church!"

\*For more info go to the website:

**12hoursofjesus.org**

or search it on Facebook. This is the 4th year for this program and is sponsored by the N. Hardin Church of Christ

**TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ**

Which of these women was the great-grandmother of David—Sarah, Rachel, Ruth or Rebekah?

The answer to last week's question: "there is no God." Psalm 14:1

**The Rule of Law**

by Bill Brandstatter

When candidate Trump was running for President, he stated that he was going to enforce the current laws on immigration that were already on the books. A law in 1952 gives him the right to do what he is currently doing with immigration. Other presidents have done it, so is he. Yet there is a big outcry about his decision. Laws are made to be enforced. Laws are made for our good. Some hold the view, "Laws are made to be broken." God's people are ones who have laws that must be obeyed.

In the Old Testament, laws were expected to be obeyed. At the end of the Old Testament, the Lord speaking through Malachi stated, "Remember the law of Moses, My servant, which I commanded him for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments" (Mal. 4:4 NKJV). Mankind has always been reminded to obey the laws, not make new ones of their own. Many today want to make new laws on morality and number of other issues and ignore the law of God.

Some today may believe there is no law in Christianity. They might emphasize the grace of God instead. However, we are under law today. That law is Christ's law. Paul described it as "under law toward Christ" (1 Cor. 9:21). James described a law that all Christians are to obey as the "perfect law of liberty" (James 1:25). The Psalmist wrote: "the law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul" (Psa. 19:7). Paul described the law of the

Lord as "holy, just, and good." (Rom. 7:12). All these adjectives describing the law indicate there is nothing better. There is no need to appeal to a higher court. There is no higher court. Christ has all authority (Matt. 28:18; John 5:27). John writes, "For this is the love of God that we keep His commandments, and His commandments are not burdensome." (1 John 5:3). We therefore cannot love God unless we keep His commandments or laws.

The Bible plainly indicates we are under a law today. What does it mean to be under law? It means we are to obey the law or consequences will result. Laws are meant to be obeyed, not broken. Paul commands Christians to obey civil law (Rom. 13:1). As with any law, a violation brings repercussions. This general principle is stated by Paul in Gal. 6:7 when he states, "Whatever a man sows, that will he also reap." The punishment for obeying Christ's law may not come in this life, however (John 12:48) The punishment is far reaching and everlasting. Jesus will take vengeance on those who don't know Him and don't obey Him (2 Thess. 1:7, 8). However, God's law is always superior to man's law. That is why Peter and the other apostles stated, "We ought to obey God rather than men." (Acts 5:29).

We ought to be content with the laws that are given to us in the New Testament. Are we satisfied with them, or do we think we can change them to fit the situation? We don't need any others. Christ has the perfect way. To follow it means heaven will one day be our home.