

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

Do You Have a Passport?

Most believe that Paul was given a glimpse of heaven (2 Corinthians 12:1-4). If so, he saw and heard things that are reserved for the Christians' reward. We do know that he seemed the most eager of any New Testament character to leave the earth. When he contemplated heaven, he had "a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better" (Philippians 1:23).

Do you want to go to heaven? Have you made preparations? You must have a passport signed by Jesus Christ. No other will do. He said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6). The hope of heaven is available only to those who are "in Christ." John wrote, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord" (Revelation 14:13). Those who are outside of Christ, i. e., outside His spiritual body, the church (Ephesians 2:12-13; 5:23; cf. Galatians 3:27; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; 1 John 1:7; Hebrews 5:9), need to make preparation so they will find a welcome at the gate of the eternal city.

Think of how wonderful it will be!

*Often I'm hindered on my way,
Burdened so heavy I almost fall;
Then I hear Jesus sweetly say,
Heaven will surely be worth it all;
Heaven will surely be worth it all;
Worth all the sorrows that here befall;
After this life with all its strife,
Heaven will surely be worth it all!*

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For we know that if the earthly house of our tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the heavens. For verily in this we groan, longing to be clothed upon with our habitation which is from heaven.
2 Corinthians 5:1-2



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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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Courage or Foolishness?

It takes a lot of courage

To put things in God's hands,

To give ourselves completely - -

Our lives, our hopes, our plans - -

To follow where He leads us

And make His will our own - -

But all it takes is foolishness

To go the way alone!

- Author unknown

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NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Bill Brooks; Sue Bunnell recovering and going through rehab at home; Lori Brewer recovering from shoulder surgery; Bessie Brooks; Jackie Coop had cataract surgery in Glasgow; Becky Hatcher; Jim Mears; Laura Brooks; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Agnes Seaton; Mary Thompson; Parker Bybee; Jamie Profitt chemo treatments; Kevin Houchens (Margie Gentry's nephew and 1st cousin to Susan & Joey Palmore); Mike Thompson was not feeling well last Sunday; prayers for everyone affected in so many ways due to the COVID-19 virus. A lot of people are struggling; the pain & unrest in our nation

FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Seaborn Ellzey had surgery Friday; Jerry Cherry had 3 days of radiation last week; sympathy to the family of Stanley Walton, member at S. Green St. in Glasgow

PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

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

NHC in Glasgow

Jean Turner Bob Toohey (Shady Grove)

BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE

Ruth Bradford

SIGNATURE HEALTH CARE HORSE CAVE

Jenny Thompson Rm. 102 JoAnn Wallace

LAST SUNDAY MORNING WENT WELL

It was great to resume in-person services for 10 am bible study (auditorium only) and 11 am worship last Sunday morning. We had 25 present. We practiced social distancing and other safe practices, and it was obvious that a lot of planning had gone into making it safe as possible. Willie & Rex did a great job with the Lord's Supper and with the contribution. If the truth be known, it was probably safer here than going into grocery stores and the big box stores.

This morning, we plan to finish our quarterly study guide on the book of **Hebrews**. Our study for the Summer Quarter will be another interesting study: *"Paul in Acts"* Be sure and pick up your new study guide today. New quarter begins next Sun.

TUNE IN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAM

Tune in to WLOC-FM on Sunday mornings to hear our radio broadcast:s at 101.7 FM or 1150 AM or from their webpage: wlocoline.com 8:30-8:45 a.m. - **Words of Truth** - Billy Bybee 8:45-9:00 a.m. - **Truth In Love** -Wayne Hatcher Also Gospel Broadcasting Network may be seen on Ch. 113 locally on SCRTC cable.

NEW ADDRESS

Phillip & Renee` Perkins have recently bought a house here in Horse Cave. Make this address change in your Directory:
311 Maple Avenue Horse Cave, KY 42749

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

What was the occupation of Cornelius who invited Peter to his home?

The answer to our question last week:

They refused to worship the king's image or idol Daniel 3:13

CONGRATULATIONS

Amanda Brooks recently graduated from WKU with a Bachelor of Science in Health Information Management. Amanda is the daughter of Mark (Sara) Brooks and granddaughter of Bill & Bessie Brooks. Well done Amanda!!

SMILE

The Sunday school teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Johnny interrupted: *"My mommy looked back once, while she was driving,"* he announced triumphantly, *"and she turned into a telephone pole!"*

Faith Is Seeing The Invisible

One of the reasons Paul was able to live as he lived, preached as he preached, and endured what he endured is found in 2 Corinthians 4:18 where he said, *"While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are not seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal"*. The same thing can be said of Moses in the Old Testament. The Hebrew writer tells us that *"he endured, as seeing him who is invisible"* (Hebrews 11:27). They both understood that **faith is seeing the invisible**.

Through a study of the Scriptures, we understand that God is invisible to the physical eye.(Colossians 1:15), but He can be seen through the eye of faith (2 Corinthians 5:7). The spirit of man, in contrast with the physical body, cannot be seen because it is the "inward man" (Romans 7:22; 2 Corinthians 4:16). Those individuals who see only the visible, live as if there were nothing to man but dust, but those who have faith to see the invisible, live in recognition of the fact that we are created in God's image and are going back to Him (Genesis 1:27; Ecclesiastes 12:7).

Many folks cannot see the unseen because they only use their physical eyes, focusing on tangible things which are made of dust and will return to dust, i.e. "...the things which are seen are temporal..." (2 Corinthians 4:18). There is nothing that can be seen with the physical eye that will endure the ravages of time. Time, in its destructive march, moves on and corrupts every mark that human hands have made. Men may feel that they have erected something that will endure, but their hopes are all in vain as all physical things will perish (2 Peter 3:10). All treasures laid up here on the earth will be corrupted and consumed

by moth and rust, or thieves will break through and steal (Matthew 6:19). Only those individuals who have faith to see the invisible are fixing their gaze on the eternal (Colossians 3:1-2).

Understanding all of the above, let us be found *"fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith"* and *"run with endurance the race that is set before us"* (Hebrews 12:1-2 – NASV). If we are willing to "endure" as Paul and Moses endured, and have the faith to see the invisible, we too will also experience that eternal "unseen" realm (Revelation 2:10; 1 Peter 1:4). What a great blessing that will be!

- - Mike Riley

Keeping the Faith

Jesus is Lord and He calls us to an obedient faith (Romans 1:5; 16:26). This submissive attitude is demonstrated when one obeys the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus by being baptized into Christ (Acts 2:38; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Romans 6:3-5). At this point, the Lord adds us to His spiritual family, the church (Acts 2:47).

As Christians, we are to continue to be obedient as we follow God's way for life, worship, and working in His kingdom. We must realize, there will always be the temptation to become complacent and that opens the door for Satan to cause us problems. There is that danger of falling away (Galatians 5:4)

Becoming unfaithful doesn't happen all of a sudden. We can take those "small" steps away from God's will and before we know it, we are farther and farther away from God. Complacency may not appear to be a big deal at first, but then it can lead to a big problem.

Let's not be satisfied with anything less than doing the will of God. Ecclesiastes 12:13-"The conclusion, when all has been heard is: fear God and keep His commandments."

- - Rob Albright