

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

Your Identity

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creation, and that makes you the most important person in this world. Do not let anything take that away from you.

You are His masterpiece (Eph. 2:10), Heirs to God's Kingdom (James 2:5), and have been given every Spiritual Blessing in Christ Jesus (Eph. 1:3). You have been gifted and empowered by God (1 Peter 4:10-11) so that you lack nothing in this life. You have everything needed to be a great Child of God (2 Peter 1:3-4).

You are invaluable in Christ, not because of what you have done but because of what Jesus did for you. When it comes to understanding and owning your identity in Christ, the biggest roadblock will be your own feelings. Just remember...

You are not who people say you are!

You are not who you feel you are!

You are who He says you are!

- Jeff Arnette via BulletinGold
(bold points added)

Where Could I Go?

John 6:66 "From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. In vs. 67 "then Jesus said unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?" In vs. 69 "Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of life. And we believe and are sure that thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

I love the hymn & chorus to the song, "Where Could I Go?" It agrees with Simon Peter.

"Where could I go,

O where could I go,

Seeking a refuge for my soul?

Needing a friend to save me in the end,

Where could I go but to the Lord?" - - Wayne

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Your Identity in Jesus Christ

Do not forget these words: You are not who people say you are and not even who you feel you are! You are who God says you are!

Few things in life shape a person like the words used to describe them. I will never forget the first time someone called me a preacher. I almost panicked and was visibly shaken by those words. I will always remember being told that I was a loser and would never amount to anything. Words have a way of changing the way we see ourselves that is both good and bad.

To make matters worse, we cannot unhear the things that people have said about us, but we can choose to replace those words with what God says about us. As soon as you can, take some time and meditate on these passages. Each one speaks powerfully to your identity in Jesus Christ.

You are royalty - 1 John 3:1-2. In this passage, we see our new standing given to us in Jesus Christ. You are the Child of God, who has been lavished with all of His love and blessings. Do not ever accept that you are anything less than royalty, meant to rule this life as conquerors (Rom. 8:37).

You are righteous - 2 Corinthians 5:21. Maybe people do not see you as special, as this great, holy Christian. Perhaps you don't see yourself as some great Christian. Perhaps you've had a long history of being less than Christ-like (join the crowd), but God looks at you and says that you have become His Righteousness. He sees you as special, righteous, and holy.

You are wonderfully made - Psalm 139:13-16. When God looks at you, He sees you as beautiful and perfect in every way. You do not need to impress anyone with your looks or accomplishments. You are His

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NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Special prayers for Bill Brooks who is under the care of Hospice; Sue Bunnell (it sure was good seeing her, Sydney & Kelli at worship last Sunday); Lisa Schuler asked for our prayers for a health condition - Hereditary Spastic Paraparesis; Laura Brooks; Wanda Proffitt; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Agnes Seaton; Bonnie Turner; Joyce Dye; Becky Hatcher has spent the past 2 weeks at SKY Rehab seeking relief from 4 ruptured discs. The pain is still present. Tomorrow, she will be brought to the Medical Center at Caverna for more rehab; Mary Thompson, Parker Bybee; Jackie Coop; Wayne Davis; Steve Higginbotham, gospel preacher at Karns in Knoxville, has stage 4 cancer. Prayers as they left Sat. for MD Anderson; Hal Garland was injured in a vehicle accident and is in hospital in Nashville; Bobby Russell recuperating at home after brief hospital stay; prayers for everyone affected in so many ways due to the virus; a lot of people are struggling financially, emotionally; the effects of Hurricane Laura; the unrest, turmoil and troubles in our nation

PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

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

SIGNATURE HEALTH CARE HORSE CAVE

Jenny Thompson Rm. 102 JoAnn Wallace

NHC in Glasgow

Jean Turner Bob Toohey (Shady Grove)

BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE

Ruth Bradford

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

We sure enjoyed a great study in our Sunday morning class entitled *"Paul in Acts"* Today's lesson is #13 *"Shipwrecked"* Acts 27:20-29, 39-44. Wayne continues to serve as teacher.

Our new Fall Quarter begins next Sunday – on the theme: "Genesis" Part 1 Be sure and pick up your Foundations study guide today.

TUNE IN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAM

Tune in to WLOC-FM on Sunday mornings to hear our radio broadcast: 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 GBN (Gospel Broadcasting Network) may be seen on Ch. 113 locally on SCRTC cable 24/7

OUR SUMMER SERIES

Our two month Summer Series concluded this past Wed. evening. It sure went by fast, and I heard several say they hated to see it end. W. Tom Hall minister of the Mt Pleasant Church of Christ in Bowling Green. had an excellent lesson: *"God's Pattern For the Second Coming and the End of the World"*

We appreciate all our speakers and the excellent job they did: Darrell Wallace, Marty Edwards, Edd Sterchi, Craig Waddell, Danny McCain, Allen Jones, Robbie Fudge, Nick Secula and Tom Hall. As I have time, I plan to edit the lessons and put them on a DVD for those who were not able to attend.

THIS SUNDAY MORNING

This Sunday is a 5th Sunday and Robbie Fudge is to preach at the 11:00 worship hour. Before COVID-19, we would be having a "Potluck" meal. Sure miss that.



TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

Why was the church at Laodicea criticized by the Lord?

The answer to our question last week:
"... A haughty spirit before a fall."

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If you knew for sure that the religious path you are on would not get you to heaven, would you change? If there was the possibility of a doubt, would you investigate?

Failure Need Not Be Fatal

History books are filled with biographies of failures who made good. From them we can learn the valuable lesson that failure need not be fatal.

The first President of the United States—the father of our country—lost two-thirds of the battles he fought during the Revolutionary War. But George Washington won the war, founded a nation, and succeeded brilliantly in spite of those failures.

Who failed more than Babe Ruth? In baseball career that spanned 21 years, the immortal slugger hit 714 home runs, but he struck out 1,330 times. Until he retired in 1935, this famous failure was baseball's biggest attraction. Just because one fails at some point in life does not necessarily mean he or she is a failure.

After Edison had experimented 10,000 times with his storage battery and still could not get it to work, a friend tried to comfort him. "Why I have not failed," Edison replied. "I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work." Nearly deaf and with only three months of formal schooling, Thomas A. Edison patented more than 1,000 inventions.

During his 60 years of reaching toward the unknown, Edison failed more than he succeeded. But who would call Edison a failure?

Is it a sin to fail? The answer is both yes and no. It is a sin when failure is due to moral or spiritual laxness or to laziness. But it is not a sin to fail when one has done his best, within the will of God, and the results were not what he wanted.

One must not be so afraid of life that one refuses to try. We don't have to succeed, but we do have to give life a run for its money.

A faithful old preacher felt he had failed

miserably when he reported to his congregation that only one new member—and just a boy at that—had been added to the church during the year. But that boy went on to become a missionary in Africa who brought the gospel to tribes that previously had never heard the name of Jesus.

Take heart! If life has put you on the canvas and pummeled the breath out of you, it is still too early to quit. If you feel you must quit, then do it the day after tomorrow. You may have lost the battle today, but you could win the war tomorrow.

As Grantland Rice, America's first great sports writer, put it, "When Jesus comes to judge us, He will not be so concerned about whether we won or lost, but how we played the game!"

The world will measure you by your success, but God will measure you by your faithfulness (1 Corinthians 4:2)

From House to House – Heart to Heart

Well Said

Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered with defeat, than to take rank with those poor spirits that neither enjoy much, nor suffer much, because they live in the gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.

—Theodore Roosevelt

No farmer ever plowed a field by turning it over in his mind. — George E. Woodbury

One worthwhile task carried to a successful conclusion is worth half a hundred unfinished tasks. — B. C. Forbes

You cannot sink someone else's end of the boat and still keep your own afloat.

— Charles Brower