

## 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

## Eyes That See Not

by Travis Robertson

"Now hear this, O foolish and senseless people, who have eyes but do not see; who have ears but do not hear." (Jeremiah 5:21)

I can recall asking my mother if she knew where my socks were for my baseball uniform. Of course, she knew exactly where to find them and told me where they were. I went and looked for them, but didn't see them. Being frustrated with me, she walked into my room, opened the drawer, grabbed my socks, and said to me, "Open your eyes!" God is saying the same thing here. You have eyes but you are not seeing anything.

God is upset that His people who should see Him and hear Him do not. How many of us in the fold of God do not hear our Shepherd's voice calling out to us? We fail to open our eyes and fix them on Jesus (Hebrews 12:2). I hope and pray that we will not find ourselves in the same position as the Jews here in Jeremiah. Instead, let us train our eyes and ears with God's word, so that we will see Him, hear Him, and obey Him.

via Bulletin Gold

### Jesus Left . . .

- His purse to Judas
- His clothes to the soldiers
- His body to Joseph of Arimathea
- His mother to John
- His peace to the disciples
- His supper to His followers
- His gospel to the world
- His presence with God's children, and
- His crown for me.

"For me a crown of righteousness." 2 Timothy 4:8



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## You Win

by Rick Woodall

As life passes challenges come and there are many hurdles to jump over. Discouragement creeps through the door of many lives and one may get to the point where they feel as if the floor under their feet has disappeared. We can become so preoccupied with what hasn't happened that we cannot see what has.

How has God blessed us? Is there anything that stands out in our mind that is delightful and positive? Maybe if we would just stop and calculate the awe-inspiring moments the hurdles will appear shorter.

In the family of God, we all have our worries and troubles. Sometimes we fill the overload of deadlines and personal goals. We get caught up in the nervous tension of the moment. We can't hear the soothing song that causes worries to flee.

One can get all caught up in the physical that it blinds the eyes to the spiritual. The promises of Christ represent His teaching. While on this earth the people envisioned a physical kingdom. His promise was not based on things cash could acquire. Like them, we sometimes have trouble seeing the big picture.

My gift reminds me that no matter how big the stress, God is still taking charge. One must finish the journey to fully get the picture.

*"Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus."* - Philippians 3:13-14

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## NEWS & NOTES...

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sue Bunnell went back Wed. to Lexington for her 16 month scan. We thank God that her dr. said no sign of cancer; Becky Hatcher is still making small improvements, Wayne continues to be her caregiver; Rex Wallace is being treated for inner ear; Willie Cyphers spent last weekend in the hospital for treatment to his leg (severe cellulitis); Lisa Schuler; Mike Thompson; Lori Brewer; Joyce Dye; Mark Hatcher (back issues); Laura Brooks; Jerry Ann Logsdon; Tom Whittington; Judy Owens (Marie Burd's sister); Parker Bybee; Mary Thompson; Gayla Graham; Ashley Bryant (step granddaughter of Marilyn Ray); Steve Higginbotham received wonderful news on his visit back to MD Anderson in TX; pray for our health care workers; staff in our school districts; pray for Christians in Afghanistan whose lives are in danger.

Friends in our community:  
Jerry Cherry; Dana Reagan; Billy Frank Hunt; the family of Lawrence Johnson

### PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks  
The Barnabas Journey - Ed Bass  
House To House/Heart To Heart mailing

### HIGHLAND RIDGE in Glasgow

Wanda Proffitt

### NHC in Glasgow

Jean Turner

### BARREN COUNTY HEALTHCARE

Ruth Bradford

### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Today is our 3rd lesson in the Fall Quarter on the theme: "Exploits of David" Today's topic: "David and Jonathan" I Samuel 20  
Wayne Hatcher continues to serve as teacher.

### TUNE IN TO OUR RADIO PROGRAMS

on WLOC radio on Sunday mornings to hear

our broadcast: on 101.7 FM or 1150 AM or from their webpage: wloconline.com

8:30-8:45 a.m. **Words of Truth** - Billy Bybee  
8:45-9:00 a.m. **Truth In Love** - Wayne Hatcher

### PREACHING

Wayne Hatcher will be preaching today:

11 am - Christian Soldiers On Active Duty

5 pm - What Must Happen For Us To Do God's Will?

We always look forward to being together on the Lord's Day!!

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Thanks to Scott Huff for the good lesson Wed. evening reminding us of God's promises.

This Wed. night will be our monthly devotion-  
al and singing at 6:00.

### AREA GOSPEL MEETING

Oct. 24-27 E-town Church of Christ with Phil Sanders, host of "In Search of the Lord's Way" on the theme: Jesus, Jesus, Jesus" Flyer on the bulletin board

### LADIES DAY

Oct. 16 at Coral Hill Church of Christ with Amy Peden "Extravagant Love" Mark 14:4-9 Flyer on the bulletin board

### TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

In which country did Jacob spend the last 17 years of his life?

Answer to our question last week:

That his sins were forgiven Matt. 9:2

## Neglected Opportunities

by Mark N. Posey

Felix's problem was sin; thus, his greatest need was the forgiveness of sin. Yet he neglected the remedy. Notice the many opportunities Felix was given to be saved, yet he neglected them all.      can't next page

Felix had to neglect all the following opportunities to remain lost:

Felix was in the right place at the right time (24:24a). The right place is here and the right time is now (2 Corinthians 6:2). The gospel invitation is always open; it must not be neglected.

Felix heard the apostle Paul preach (24:24b). Paul was a powerful preacher; however, the power is not in the man; it is in the message—the gospel message (Romans 1:16). Felix heard the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ from a dedicated servant of the Lord!

Felix heard a sermon adapted specifically to him (24:25). Paul preached about three of the most important things in the world: righteousness, self-control, and coming judgment. Paul preached exactly what Felix and Drucilla needed to hear.

Felix had an emotional response to the gospel (24:25). Change is, to a certain degree, emotional; however, emotion is too unbalanced to use as a spiritual foundation. Faith is the rock upon which salvation is built. The rock is Jesus (cf. Matthew 16:13–19; 1 Corinthians 3:11).

Felix had a second chance (24:26). Jonah (3:1), Simon (Acts 8:20–24) and David (2 Samuel 12:1–13) were given opportunities to change and get right in God's sight. Felix called for Paul often, giving him many opportunities to change; however, there is no indication that he ever took advantage of the wonderful gospel opportunities.

Felix neglected wonderful opportunities to be saved; he neglected them to remain lost. Let that never be said of us! "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" (Hebrews 2:3).

via House To House Heart To Heart

## You Only Pay For What You Need

by Joe Slater

I suppose you've seen those obnoxious insurance commercials insisting that you should switch to that company because you'll only pay for what you need. Unless your name is Rip Van Winkle, you know that all insurers let you select the coverage you want. If your vehicle has no loan against it, you aren't required to have full coverage. Not exactly news, right?

How does "only pay for what you need" apply to our relationship with God? Just how much religion do you need, and what will it cost you?

Some would say they don't need much at all. "I'm a good person. I don't drink or cuss or smoke or . . . (you extend the list as far as you like). So why would I need religion?" Let us be reminded: "There is none righteous, no, not one" (Romans 3:10). I doubt that you're any better than Cornelius (Acts 10), who needed to hear "words by which you and all your household will be saved" (Acts 11:14). Cornelius needed full coverage; so do you!

As to what it will cost you, the premium is astronomical. If you had all the money in the world, you couldn't start to commence to begin to make a down-payment on the interest! Fortunately for us, Jesus paid the price for our redemption: His blood (1 Peter 1:19).

There is a sense, however in which it will cost you everything. Jesus said, "Whoever of you does not forsake all that he has cannot be My disciple" (Luke 14:33). We're not talking dollars-and-cents here. We're talking about dedication and willing surrender to the will of Christ – not half-hearted lip service, but genuine commitment to the Lord.

Jesus paid for everything you need. Do you mean it when you sing, "I surrender all"?