

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

Love Rejoices in the Truth

Immediately after saying that love doesn't rejoice in unrighteousness, Paul wrote that it does rejoice in the truth (1 Corinthians 13:6). This shouldn't surprise us since our God is "a God of truth and without injustice; righteous and upright is He" (Deuteronomy 32:4).

Paul himself exemplified the love that rejoices in the truth. Though under house arrest in Rome, he continued proclaiming the gospel even to his captors, and he knew other brethren were evangelizing also. Some had corrupt motives, but "whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice" (Philippians 1:18). Christ's gospel is truth, and Paul rejoiced in it being preached.

John the apostle also rejoiced in the truth. He told the "elect lady," "I rejoiced greatly that I have found some of your children walking in truth, as we received commandment from the Father" (2 John 4). Along the same line he wrote to Gaius, "I rejoiced greatly when brethren came and testified of the truth that is in you, just as you walk in the truth. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in the truth" (3 John 3-4). Christian parents rejoice when children in their earthly families walk in the truth (i.e. obey the gospel and serve God faithfully). Let's rejoice when others we've led to Christ are walking in the truth or, for that matter, any time we see anyone walking in the truth.

The ungodly "suppress the truth in unrighteousness" (Romans 1:18). That is, they hold it back, hindering it from advancing. We must promote the truth vigorously and constantly, rejoicing in its progress.

- Joe Slater Justin, TX



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The Same Seed - The Same Plant



The seed is the Word of God (Luke 8:11).

It makes no difference how long that seed has been stored. Even if it was preserved from a crop a thousand years ago, wherever and whenever it is finally planted, regardless of who sows it, it will produce nothing but the original fruit.

God made it a law of nature that the earth would bring forth "the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind" (Genesis 1:11). This principle is also true in the spiritual realm. If there had not been a church of God upon the earth following the New Testament order for the last nineteen hundred years, but God's Word had survived, when people read, understood, and obeyed it, it would make of them exactly what it made on that memorable Pentecost. It would replicate the original—the same church as in the beginning.

This is what the church of Christ seeks to do in every generation.

"Thus says the Lord: 'Stand in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; then you will find rest for your souls.'" - JEREMIAH 6:16

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NEWS & NOTES...

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Becky Hatcher remains very weak, her hemoglobin is low, will need shots to build it up, Wayne continues to be her caregiver; Sue Bunnell is taking treatments for a small tumor on her pancreas; Rex Wallace seems to be doing better; Carolyn Russell is recovering from a third surgery; Genie & Marilyn Hogan at home; Fran Mears; Jackie Coop; Laura Brooks; Agnes Seaton; Dennis Hatcher is slowly improving; Lisa Schuler's sister Linda with a brain tumor; Lisa Schuler's dad Vincent Ward at home; Heather Seng (Lisa & Malon Schuler's daughter) has been to UK Medical Center preparing to get on a donor list for a liver transplant; It was good to see Becky Bush at worship last Sunday; Don Waddell; Chase Burd (Marie Burd's grandson); Dixie Napier's son Randy's future treatments; Zona Hogan (Genie & Marilyn Hogan's sister-in-law); Helen Edwards; Mary Thompson; Parker Bybee; Bobby Pedigo; Anthony Russell (Bobby & Debbie's son) is recovering from his accident at his parent's home; Bradley Bogue having treatments for lung cancer; great grandson of Bessie Brooks; our local schools, students & staff John Carter has spent a few days in TJ Samson Hospital

PRAY FOR MISSIONS WE SUPPORT

Nepal and Bangladesh - Michael Brooks
The Barnabas Journey - Ed Bass
House To House/Heart To Heart local mailing
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SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

We will studying the great book of Ephesians. Today is lesson 10 *"Marriage and the Church"* Eph. 5:22-33 Wayne continues to serve as teacher.

PREACHING TODAY

Wayne Hatcher preaching at 11 am *"A More Excellent Way"* 1 Cor. 13 and 5 pm *"What To Be Confident About"* 1 John 5:13-21

WEDNESDAY EVENING 6:00

We are studying in the book of James. It will be Scott Huff's time to be the teacher this Wed.

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

RECOMMENDED TV PROGRAMS

"Light of the World" Lehman Ave. Church of Christ in Bowling Green Viewed on SCRTC cable channel 7 from 6:30-7:00 am

"In Search of the Lord's Way" with Phil Sanders carried by WNKY TV on channel 7 on SCRTC cable - Sun 7-7:30 am

TEST YOUR BIBLE IQ

What specific practice did Jezebel introduce among the Israelites?

Answer to our last question:

Barsabas Acts 1:23-26

HEATHER SENG FUNDRAISER

Lisa Schuler and family are hosting a fundraiser for her daughter at the Thomas House 111 East Main St. Horse Cave on Dec. 3 from 4-8:00. Heather has to have a liver transplant. Various activities are planned. Taco soup, chili, hot dogs will be available. A silent auction if they get donations. There is also a Fund Me account. See Lisa Schuler for details. Check Facebook.

Facts Every Person Needs to Know About Jesus

Some who consider themselves to be Christians are not really sure just what they believe about Jesus. To follow Jesus is a serious undertaking. To decide to be His disciple requires that one know about Him (John 6:44-45). Every person needs to know at least four things about Jesus.

Jesus made us—He is Creator.

John wrote, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made" (John 1:1-3). John 1:14 identifies "the Word" as Jesus, "the only begotten of the Father." Colossians 1:16-17 declares that by Jesus all things were created, "and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist." No amount of evolutionary teaching can change the truth that God's Son created all things.

Jesus died and rose again for us—

He is Savior. Jesus did not come just to make the world a better place or simply raise the standard of mankind's morals. He came to save people from sin and the horrible punishment of hell. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15). "The Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world" (1 John 4:14). Thanks be to God "that Christ died for our sins" (1 Corinthians 15:3), and "we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace" (Ephesians 1:7). Just

as Jesus predicted, after He was buried "He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:4).

What does His resurrection have to do with us? He "was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification" (Romans 4:25). Jesus now sits at the right hand of the Father in heaven (Mark 16:19).

He has authority over us—He is King. Jesus has all authority. After the resurrection, Jesus told His apostles, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them . . . teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:18-20). He is the head of His church (Ephesians 1:22-23), so in all things the church is to be in subjection to Him (Ephesians 5:24). To put it another way, Jesus is King over His kingdom, which is simply another designation for His church (Colossians 1:13).

He will determine our destiny—He is Judge. Jesus said, "For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son" (John 5:22). Paul added, "We must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ" (2 Corinthians 5:10) because "He was ordained by God to be Judge of the living and the dead" (Acts 10:42). What a thought: the One who created us, died for us, arose for us, and rules over us, will one day judge us!

A wise man wrote "in all your getting, get understanding" (Proverbs 4:7). We might add, "with all your understanding, understand Jesus." —Roger D. Campbell

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