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Invitation

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ABOUT US

Elders

Jack Calvert Rodney Ellis

Deacons

Jon Barry Bill Brittenham
Mike Davis Clay Morris

Evangelist

Bryan Garlock

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

Bible Study9:30 A.M.
Worship10:15 A.M.
Worship6:00 P.M.

Wednesday

Bible Study7:00 P.M.

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GOD'S PLAN FOR SALVATION

Hear the word of truth Romans 10:13-17

Believe the truth..... Hebrews 11:6; John 8:24

Repent from all sins Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38

Confess the name of Christ ... Matthew 10:32-33; Romans 10:9-10

Be Baptized in His name Mark 16:16;
1 Peter 3:21; Colossians 2:12

Walk in newness of life and **be faithful** unto death Romans 6:1-4; Revelation 2:10

Think On These Things

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Declare How Much God Has Done for You

Bryan Garlock

“Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, ‘What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.’ For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, ‘What is your name?’ And he said, ‘Legion,’ for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these.

So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned. When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ‘Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.’ And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city

FAMILY TALK

Continue to remember and check on our shut-ins: **Willie Margaret Mobley, Bob Buls, Bonnie Allgor, Lahron McJunkins, Maxine Burnham, and Francine Davis.** Cards, calls and visits are ALWAYS needed and appreciated.

The next **Ladies Bible** Class will be Tuesday, **Feb. 12th** at 11:30 AM at the **Tyna Armstrong's** or 6 PM at the **Calvert's.**

Bob Buls has moved to Brookdale Senior Living on Moores Lane. His address is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Jerry Schnelle is recovering from pneumonia and his recent surgery.

Our Gospel Meeting: Singing, March 29th and **Meeting** with Tim Stevens, March 31st-April 3rd.

Please pick up some invite cards and ask for Bible studies. See Bryan if you need any help with home studies.

Directory

Several new family pictures are needed to complete the new directory. If you are new to the congregation, have children (that have grown in 2 years) or just would like a new photo, please get with Bill as soon as possible. Thank You.

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how much Jesus had done for him. (Luke 8.26-39, ESV)

Jesus worked various kinds of miracles to prove that He was a man sent from God. His miracles demonstrated his power and control over diseases, disabilities and the weather. In this account we learn that Jesus showed His authority over the spiritual world by casting out demons.

Observe that once the demon-possessed man was healed, he did not want Jesus to leave his side. However, Jesus had other intentions for this renewed man; he was to return home and *tell others the good news.* Notice that his appreciation for what God had done for him was the motivating factor behind his obedience and desire to tell everyone.

Consider our past. At one time, we were given over to sin and its control. Our souls were tormented by its deceptive ways and we were constantly possessed by its false hopes and fleeting pleasures. There was no way out of the pits of sin; we were going to receive its wages of death (Rom. 6.23).

However, Jesus came and healed us of our "sin-problem". We have been forgiven of our sins. We are being transformed by the gospel of Jesus to be holy and pure as our heavenly Father. We beg the Lord Jesus to be with us always. We have hope and joy as we await eternal fellowship with our Savior.

Do we appreciate these blessings? Are we "proclaiming throughout the whole city"

how much Jesus has done for us? If not, why not? When Christians do not declare to others what God has done for them, we are left to wonder if they fully understand the condition they were in, or perhaps, they are still in that condition. Those who appreciate God's grace cannot and will not be silenced (Acts 4.20); they will declare His name and His love and His goodness. BG

Daniel – The Ever-Changing Rule of Men Aaron Kemple

One thing you will notice in the book of Daniel is that every king is making up new rules and decrees. These rules range all across the spectrum from being hostile to God all the way to favorable to God and His people. King Nebuchadnezzar made a rule that people need to fall down before his golden image or die a most violent death. That is followed up by another rule prohibiting people from speaking against the God of Israel or they will die a most violent death. Daniel prophesied through the Spirit about future kings that will come and go and make rules and decrees.

This is the way of man and this is the way of man's kingdoms. They come and go. It is like kids on a playground trying to play a game...the rules are ever-changing and it leads to a lot of fights. In contrast we see God in the book of Daniel and He is consistent, stable and forever. Men come and go, and so do their kingdoms, but His rule is eternal.

There are a few practical thoughts for consideration:

What is my "rule" like in the home? Are my "decrees" like Ole King Neb's? One day we have one set of rules and then another set of rules based on how we feel the next day? That is one way we can "provoke our children" (Ephesians 6:4; Colossians 3:12) is by always changing the standards, rules and goal posts. With God's help and with some sound counseling from older parents, we need to have some consistency in our expectation as parents.

Whatever situation we are in, it is temporary. For example, as we look at the governments of men, we may really get discouraged. Seeing for example what is happening in Washington, DC can really grate on us as we watch the power struggle. Remember that the rule of man is temporary, but God's is eternal.

We can live with the metals if we know the Rock is coming. I heard this point in a lesson by Gary Fisher. The vision of the kingdoms in Daniel 2 tells us that the kingdoms of men (gold, silver, bronze and iron) will be crushed by the stone that becomes an eternal mountain. Remember that the Rock has come, and He is coming again! All the kingdoms of the earth come to dust in the presence and power of the Almighty God.

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.
(Hebrews 13:8)