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Bill Brittenham

**Song Leader**  
Daniel Allgor

**Lord's Supper**  
Bryan Garlock    Bill Rinehart  
Clay Morris

**Prayers**  
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**WEDNESDAY EVENING**

**Via Zoom**

with both good and bad, are temporary as we wait for our real home in heaven. This is the worst experience we will ever have if we continue to be faithful to our God who gives us the gift of heaven. Thank God earth is the only hell we will ever know.

*"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us" (Romans 8.18).*

**ABOUT US**

**Elders**  
Jack Calvert    Rodney Ellis

Jon Barry    Bill Brittenham  
Mike Davis    Clay Morris

**Evangelist**  
Bryan Garlock

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**SERVICE TIMES**

**Sunday**  
Bible Study .....9:30 A.M.  
Worship .....10:15 A.M.  
~~Worship .....6:00 P.M.~~

~~Wednesday~~  
~~Bible Study .....7:00 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



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**Two Basic Truths**  
Terry Francis

Sometimes we make things too complicated. That's true in life. It's also true when it comes to religion. All the complex questions and issues quickly muddy the waters and make it difficult to understand anything. Sometimes, it is important to just be reminded of the basics. Consider two important simple truths we should always remember...

**First, there is a God.** We have to always begin with this basic fundamental truth. The Bible begins with this as an accepted fact. "In the beginning God..." (Genesis 1:1). There is no debate about whether or not there is a God. He just is.

There are a lot of people who publicly debate this truth. Some celebrities such as Daniel Radcliffe, Kathy Griffin, Billy Joel, etc. Others are scholars who make -passionate claims against God. Men like Richard Dawkins, Stephen Hawking, Greg Epstein, and Sam Harris. Their passionate atheism reminds me of the words of Paul when he wrote, "For what

*can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse."* (Romans 1:19-20). In other words, look around and see that God is real.

What things can we see that prove the existence of God? We see a world perfectly suited for our existence. Days, nights, seasons, months, and years pass on in precise perfection. Our galaxy, solar system, planet, and moon all work in perfect concert with one another. Our bodies feature the complexities of DNA which serves as a library of blueprints for all cells in the human body.

How did all of that happen? Simple. There was a designer. The Hebrew writer said, *...every house is built by someone...* (Hebrews 3:4). Just as every

## FAMILY TALK

Continue to remember and check on our shut-ins: **Bonnie Allgor, Maxine Burnham, Ann Thomas** and **Francine Davis**.

**Bible Study: 9:30 AM (and Zoom)**  
**Services: 10:15 AM (and Zoom)**  
**Kids Only: 5:00 PM (Zoom)**  
**Monday: 7:00 PM (Zoom)**  
**Wednesday: 7:00 PM (Zoom)**  
**Thursday: 7:00 PM (Zoom)**

*Beginning Wednesday, June 2, we will resume meeting at the building on Wednesday evenings as well as Sunday mornings. (There will only be one service on Sunday, no PM meeting). We will also resume classes for all ages on Sunday AM and Wednesday PM. We will continue to Zoom these services for the time being. First of the month Wednesdays will be for Singing.*

*If you have any questions, please contact the elders.*

*Also beginning June 2, masks and social distancing will be optional at the building. But please be considerate of others who want to continue those precautions*

notice what God focuses on. “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line up on it?” (Job 38:4–5). God’s point was simple.

Man cannot understand the wonderful mysteries of the world but he can. Because he made it.

Look around and know this simple basic truth. There is a God.

**Second, I am not Him.** Every one of us must not only accept there is a God but we must also realize we are not God. Too often we put ourselves on the same plain as God. But I’m not Him. I can’t design what he - designed. I cannot even fully grasp His design at its deepest level. No one can.

Certainly this is a humbling truth. It should be. We need to humble ourselves before the Almighty (James 4:10). We need to learn that the only way to truly experience life at its best is when we accept that God is greater than we are and will provide us the correct path of life (Psalm 16:11).

The next time you think you know how to run your house better than God, remember that there is only one God and you are NOT Him. The next time you think you can run the Lord’s church better than God, - remember that there is only one God and you are NOT Him. The next time you think you have all of the answers to life, remember that there is only one God and you are NOT Him.

The point here is very simple. You and I must submit to God. After God finished questioning Job, Job responds the only way a man can:

*Then Job answered the LORD and said: “Behold, I am of small account; what shall I answer you? I lay my hand on my mouth. I have spoken once, and I will not answer twice, but I will proceed no further.” (Job 40:3–5).*

Job essentially says, “I give up. I surrender. You are God and I am not. I will trust you. Isn’t that the only logical response when faced with God’s amazing power?”

As you go through this week, Satan will challenge you to lean on your own - understanding. He will try to convince you that you know better than God. Reject that temptation. Remember, there is a God and you aren’t Him.

### Hell On Earth

Adam Shanks

Being a Christian carries with it certain blessings. We get to live confident of our eternal home. We are adopted into the family of God and gain brothers and sisters that care for us daily. We have hope after death so death loses its fearful power. While there are certain expectations of living righteously, these expectations actually cause us to live better lives. We do not have to deal with the overwhelming consequences of sin because we are striving not to sin.

All of these positive aspects of Christianity are lost on the unbeliever. They do not have hope, have heaven, or have the joy of righteous living. They do not have the enormous and wonderful family of Christians with which to associate. They do not know the Savior to is so good to us all.

This idea really hit home with me recently when I heard a statement I want to share with you: “The worst hell a Christian will ever know is life on this earth. The greatest heaven a non-Christian will ever know is the same.”

Read that again. Let it sink in. I hope it hits home with you the way it did with me.

The reality is that the unsaved will never experience any existence greater than what they experience on this earth. While this life has certain joys attached to it, it also is full of trouble. The unsaved can enjoy the beauty of a sunrise, but they will never see the Son of God. They might enjoy the blessings of knowing a loved one, but they will never experience the great joy of the love of God. The unbeliever can enjoy the pride of a job well done, earning an income, and spending that income on themselves, but they will never know the streets of gold or the joy of hearing, “Well done, good and faithful servant.” Unfortunately, with all of the joys of life, living on this earth also gives us negative experiences, like losing jobs, getting sick, bill collectors, losing loved ones, sick children, natural disasters, and many other horrendous events. This life on earth is unfortunately the greatest experience they will ever have if they continue to be unsaved.

On the other hand, for the Christian, this life with its joys and its troubles is as bad as it gets. Because our lives are - followed by unending bliss, joy unimaginable, and happiness unhindered, we can deal with whatever we need to deal with on this earth. Our lives, filled

house has a builder so, too, does the word we see.

Job questions God for 36 chapters. Finally, in Job 38 God speaks to Job. But