

SUNDAY MORNING

Announcements

Jon Barry

Song Leader

Daniel Allor

Lord's Supper

Jerry Schnelle Mark Davis
Jack Calvert

Prayers

Joseph Barry Clay Morris

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WEDNESDAY EVENING

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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

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



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How Can I Help?

Greg Byers

The consideration of this question “should” be a very personal one. We are more than a little fortunate to work and worship with a group that has many workers. Still there is room for each of us to reflect on either what more can I do or, what can I do.

In Paul’s letter to the church at Philippi, he speaks of his relationship with both Timothy and Epaphroditus. In 2:19 beginning we read of Timothy ~ “But I hope in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy shortly unto you, ... For I have no man likeminded, who will care truly for your state ... But ye know the proof of him, that, as a child serveth a father, so he served with me in furtherance of the gospel.” Then in 2:25 Paul goes on ~ “But I counted it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and fellow-worker and fellow-soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need; since he longed after you all ... I have sent him therefore the more diligently, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice ... Receive him

therefore in the Lord with all joy; and hold such in honor: because for the work of Christ he came nigh unto death, hazarding his life to supply that which was lacking in your service toward me.”

In our quest for an answer to this question might we be described as ones who are likeminded and caring as it relates to our opportunities to attend to one another as we serve our Heavenly Father? Of Epaphroditus we read the terms of brother, fellow-worker, fellow-soldier ... the sight of him would bring immediate encouragement to those who he had ministered to. Hold him in honor ... high praise for one who had obviously been a “big” help.

So, How Can I Help? It would seem obvious that I must be first inclined to recognize the need to do so. Absent of this, the help that might be provided will go unattended ... as it relates to me! Philippians 2:3-4 ~ “Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more

FAMILY TALK

Continue to remember and check on our shut-ins: **Bonnie Allgor, Maxine Burnham, Ann Thomas and Francine Davis.** Cards, calls and visits are ALWAYS needed and appreciated.

Please remember **Maxine Burnham** and **Jean Cronce** in your prayers.

The **Rowland's** daughter, **Gina Gatzke**, is continuing to improve.

Jean Cronce's daughter has been diagnosed positive with the virus. Please keep her in your prayers.

Here is the current schedule of services:

Bible Study: 9:30 AM
Services: 10:15 AM
Kids Only: 5:00 PM
Wednesday: 7:00 PM

Sunday and Wednesday Bible Studies are in **Galatians**.

Additionally, we are having studies.

Monday: 7:00 PM
Thursday: 7:00 PM

Ladies Bible Class:
Next Class is Nov. 10th

important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others." It is easy to take care of me ... it takes love for others to answer the question, 'Can I Help?' Am I so inclined? Am I looking to the needs of others? Or, am I consumed with my own

wants and desires and content to leave this work for others to attend to?

In answering the question, "How Can I Help?" there will be some who may have the mistaken notion that they are not capable, that they don't possess the talent to help. In Ephesians 4:11-12, we read ~ "And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;" Maybe we fall into one of these categories ... and maybe we don't, what now? Verse 16 continues ~ "from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love." I dare say that none of us are excluded from "what every joint supplies."

The following is a somewhat humorous, yet pointed illustration of our question ... consider it carefully.

Obituary of Someone Else

I know that all of you were saddened to learn this week of the death of one of our church's most valuable members -- Someone Else.

Someone Else's passing has created a vacancy that will be difficult to fill. Else has been with us for many years, and for every one of those years, Someone did far more than the normal person's share of the work. Whenever leadership was mentioned, this wonderful person was looked to for inspiration as well as results. Someone Else can work with that group. Whenever there was a job to do, a class to teach, or a meeting to attend, one name was on everyone's lips, "Let Someone Else do it." It was common knowledge that Someone Else was

among the largest givers in the church. Whenever there was a financial need, everyone just assumed that Someone Else would make up the difference.

Someone Else was a wonderful person, sometimes appearing super-human, but a person can only do so much. Were the truth known, everyone expected too much of Someone Else. Now Someone Else is gone. We wonder what we are going to do. Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow, but who is going to follow it? Who is going to do the things Someone Else did? Remember, we can't depend on Someone Else anymore (Author Unknown).

How Can I Help? A keen, selfless realization that the potential for growth is either hindered or helped by my answer to this question and the impact it may have on others who need to "Come to Jesus."

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 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