

SUNDAY MORNING

Announcements

Clay Morris

Song Leader

Daniel Allgor

Lord's Supper

Alan Blaylock, Bill Rinehart,
Cole Meador

Prayers

Jon Barry, Randy Ellis

WEDNESDAY EVENING

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Randy Ellis

Song Leader

Clay Morris

Prayers

Alan Blaylock, Bill Rinehart

Invitation

Willie Standokes

traditions and doctrines of men and go to the Bible. We must study diligently, so that we might be able to know which church follows the guidelines that are in the Bible.

Are you a member of the One. True Church? Do you belong to the church that Christ built? If not, become a member today!

ABOUT US

Elders

Jack Calvert Rodney Ellis

Deacons

Jon Barry Mike Davis
Clay Morris

Evangelist

Bryan Garlock

SERVICE TIMES

Sunday

Bible Study9:30 A.M.
Worship10:15 A.M.

Monday (Zoom)

Bible Study7:00 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 ... Matthew10:32-33; 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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**Becoming What God Has Made
David Maddox**

When Paul discussed the incredible things God did through Jesus Christ, Paul made this statement in Ephesians 2:10. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

If you are a Christian, God did not forgive your sins just for your pleasure of being forgiven.

God re-created you in Jesus Christ--He made something out of you that never existed before.

As a Christian, you are God's workmanship--in the same sense that a craftsman makes an object.

God designed each of us as Christians to be people who do good works. That is what God intended.

Before you were ever born, this was God's intention: "Any person who accepts what I did in Jesus Christ will be committed to living a life that does My good works."

God forgave you and me so that each of us could do God's good works.

God did not save you or me to live any way we pleased.

God did not save you or me for us to be a selfish, self-centered people.

God did not save you or me so we could justify any lifestyle we wanted to live.

God saved you and me for each of us to become more and more like Him.

FAMILY TALK

Continue to remember the health concerns of *Gerald Eaton, Joey Avance, Jerry Schnelle, Bonnie Allgor, Pat Buls, Sonny & Cathy Monaghan, Beth Ellen, and Pete Rowland.*

If you have any announcements, please call or text Bryan.

God saved you and me for each of us to devote our existence to doing the things God wants.

Being a Christian involves the desire to become what I was born in Jesus Christ to be--the Christian wants to grow and to mature in God's own nature. The Christian wants to live the life God wants and to do the things God wants done. The Christian does not want to act or live in ways that oppose God.

Christianity is for people who want to grow closer to God. Christianity is not for people who have no intention of living and acting like people who belong to God.

In the first three chapters of Paul's letter to Ephesus, Paul wrote about what God accomplished in Jesus Christ. In fact, what God accomplished in Jesus Christ is the source of every spiritual blessing available to us (1:3).

Through Jesus Christ, God made it possible for us to be adopted into God's family (1:5).

Through Jesus Christ, God made our redemption possible (1:7).

Through Jesus Christ, God extended grace upon Christians (1:8)

Through Jesus Christ, God made it possible for Christians to understand His objectives (1:8-10).

Through Jesus Christ, God gave us an inheritance (1:13-14).

If we are to see what God is doing, we must realize what God did in Jesus Christ (1:15-23).

(Paul: my prayer is that you will see what God is doing, what is happening.)

The One True Church Shane Pack, edited

There are many denominational churches which claim to belong to Christ, but were these organizations built by Christ, or were they formed by men? In Matt. 16:18 Christ said: "upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

From this we can learn four things:

- 1.) Christ is the builder of the church.
- 2.) The church belongs to Christ.

3.) There is only one church.

4.) The gates of hell will not prevail against Christ's church.

Notice that Christ DID NOT say: "upon this rock I will build my churches." Since Christ is the builder of only one church, then not all churches belong to Him. Ephesians 5:23 says: "... Christ is the head of the church: and he is the savior of the body." The idea that it does not matter which church we belong to is false. We must belong to the church which Christ is the head of.

Since Christ is the head of the church, he controls it and makes any decisions concerning it. Any diversions from the rules that Christ has set forth in the Bible are wrong and in violation of God's will. The church must adhere completely to the guidelines that have been given concerning it's organization, work, and worship.

When we study the church, we must consider the word ONE. This word is mentioned several times in the New Testament. In Ephesians 4:4-6 it says: "There is one body. and one spirit, even as you are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, through all, and in you all." In John 10:16 it says that there is one fold and one shepherd. This does not leave room for any others. We cannot compromise the word ONE. There is only one God, one church, and one way to get to heaven. A person cannot choose the

church that best fits their lifestyle because NOT ALL CHURCHES ARE THE SAME!

There are some who say that the different denominations are branches of Christ's church. We can read in the Bible where this cannot be so. In John 15:5 it says: "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered, and men gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned." From this we can see that the disciples are the branches and not the churches. Paul says in I Corinthians 1:10: "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. that ye all speak the same thing. and that there be no division among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgement." Christians are to be perfectly joined together, and not divided into different denominations.

We must beware of the doctrines of men. Many people teach things that are in direct violation of God's will. Mark 7:7-9 says: "Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men..."

How do we know which church was built by Christ? We must lay aside the