February 4, 2018 ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements Kevin Shackelford Song Leader Keith Newby **Scripture Reading** Jeff Brewer **Opening Prayer** Johnny Cissom (A.M.) Britt Lindley (P.M.) **Closing Prayer** Terry Chapman (A.M.) Eli Carter (P.M.) Lord's Table Bryan Davis (Presiding), Brock Lindley, Ross Shackelford, Mason McAlister **Count and Usher** Bobby Bridges & Danny Shackelford **Prepare Communion** Connie & Bryana Davis Wednesday Night Song Leader J C Newby (02/07/18)

OUR RECORD

January 28, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 117
Sunday Morning Worship:134
Sunday Evening Worship: 103
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 100
Budget: \$3,500
Contribution this week: \$5,416

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What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- 1. **Hear** the Gospel (Romans 10:13-17).
- 2. **Believe** the Gospel (Acts 15:7;Mark 16:15, 16).
- 3. **Repent** of Sins (Acts 3:19).
- 4. **Confess** Faith in Christ (Acts 8:37).
- 5. **Be Baptized** for Remission of Sins(Acts 2:38).
- 6. **Be Faithful** (Revelation 2:10).



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A Little Time By Clifton Angel

By the time you are able to read this article, we will be in the month of February 2018. By this, I am reminded of how time is seemingly fleeting. James wrote, "For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away" (James 4:14). If we only have "a little time" on this earth, and we cannot deny the process of aging and decay (see Ecclesiastes 12:1–7), and we cannot deny our appointment with death (see Hebrews 9:27), what should we be doing with our time?

We know "time flies when you're having fun" (and if you're a frog, "time is fun when you're having flies"). Some say, "Life is short; live it up." Some exclaim, "YOLO!" (meaning, "you only live once"). And each of the latter is about fulfilling your own lusts and desires with no acknowledgement of God as the supplier of one's life and time. The truth is, time is flying whether we're having fun or not. The truth is, life on earth is short. The truth is, you do only live once on earth. Furthermore, the truth is, we only have this one short life to prepare for eternity hereafter. Therefore, instead of using all of our time fulfilling our own desires, we need to be "redeeming the time, because the days are evil [meaning, we are decaying and dying]" (Ephesians 5:16). "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad" (2 Corinthians 5:10).

Why, James, have you written to us about the fleeting of our lives? 1. Because "ve know not what shall be on the morrow" (James 4:14). 2. Because "to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin" (James 4:17). The latter verse is not about sin in general. It is about the sin of procrastination. It is about the sin of the unwise use of time. It is about the sin of using our time for ungodliness. We are ... blessed to have "a little time" on earth. God is the designer, provider, and sustainer of this time. Are we using it to serve Him? "Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:9–10).

Building A Sense Of "Self-Worth" in Our Children By Don Loftis

Good parents help their children develop healthy independence. The goal is for children to function and make good decisions even if parents are not present. One tool in achieving that goal is continually instilling a sense of self-worth into their lives. This is more than self-esteem—it is an inherent value of being created in the image of God. As parents, three activities will be useful.

First, children need to know how important they are to their family. Emphasis needs to be placed on their uniqueness and the role they play in the family. They need to hear, "What did we ever do before you were a part of our home?" Unconditional love will help them feel wanted, secure, and accepted.

Secondly, all children need to have a sense of control over their own bodies. We warn against sexual abuse. With the concept of good touch—bad touch. A child needs to know they have the right to say "NO" to someone who is making them uncomfortable.

They also need to know that key adults in their lives will listen to these concerns and take seriously any threats to this "safe space."

While protecting younger children from sexual abuse, sadly our culture almost promotes sexual exploitation of teens and young adults. Styles of dress, immodest by nature, are increasingly disrespectful of the person wearing them. Linda White comments, "Modesty declares that a woman's body is precious; for when something is precious, it is protected. Modesty, therefore, enhances self-respect.

Finally, parents need to have high, but realistic expectations for their children. Praise needs to be expressed both for accomplishments and effort. Guiding children to use their talents and to maximize their strengths is important. However, even in failure, it is possible to stress a child's potential for future success.

Too many children develop destructive habits because they feel defeated and unimportant. Others grow up feeling unworthy to be loved by even their mate. Every child needs to discover the immense value of both life and soul.

Are You Overdoing it? by: Ed Thomason

Have you ever been accused of "over doing it" or "going overboard" when it comes to working for the Lord? Most of us might reply, "Not often!" Others of us might think we "overdo" sometimes, but we probably don't. Still, being an "over-achiever" and "go-getter" when it comes to church work is something that we as Christians should be known for.

The apostle Paul reminded the church at Corinth that they were to become "over-doers" or "second milers" when it came to working for the Lord. He wrote it this way, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." (I Cor. 15:58).

Did you notice the word "abounding" in that passage? It means "overflowing in abundance, exceeding expectations, doing more than what is required." Did you also notice what Paul specifically exhorts brethren to "overflow in abundance" doing? That's right.... "The work of the Lord."

When it comes to the Lord's work, do others find us being timid or even reluctant to be more involved? Shouldn't each of us be known as "over achievers," with a volunteer spirit and willingness to do far more than what is expected or what might be considered our "duty?"

Of course Paul was writing to twenty year old Christians who have endless amounts of energy to "abound" with. Right? Wrong! Did you also notice the word "always?" It means "consistently throughout our lives." There is no age specification in this passage. Each of us should do more than our share of the work. We are taught and expected by God to "abound in the work of the Lord over our entire lifetimes."

How about you? Is your schedule full and overflowing when it comes to the Lord's work?

UPCOMING EVENTS

REMINDER:

SUNDAY EVENING TIME - 2:00 PM

Wedding Shower

Mallory Chapman & Winston Smith

Sunday, February 4, 2018

3:30 to 4:30 PM – Come & Go Chapman Fellowship Hall

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February 15, 2018 6:30 PM

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IN LOVE AND SYMPATHY: Our hearts go out in deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Tracie Gross** (Jeff Stagg's Mother).

- •SICK SUNDAY: Janette Rickles, Mildred Shackelford, Patti Hall, Bryan Davis, Betty Derrick
- •**HOME RECOVERING:** Joy Simmons (broke both knee caps)
- •SURGERY: Ken Tyler (Hip)
- EXTENDED ILLNESS: Venie Holbrook, Cortney Cissom, Tony & Jane Morrison, Juanita Mauney, Tracie Gross, David Young, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.
- CANCER: Danny Yancey, Lana Waldon, Diane Hodges, Bobby White, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Johnny Johnson, Betty Faye Ledbury, Chester Smith, Lana Waldon, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Lanny Yancey, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Marilyn Harrell, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), Sue Mauney, Wade Hodges, Katherine Finley, Kane Pannell, Danny Edmonds, Dean McNutt, John Reno.
- •SHUT-INS: Resthaven: Oleta Phillips, Johnnie Carpenter (Mailing: Resthaven Care Center, 103 Cunningham Drive, Ripley, MS 38663), Tippah County Hospital Nursing Home: Bonnie Chapman, Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).