

**March 24, 2019**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Announcements**

Tommy Wade

**Song Leader**

Brad McAlister

**Scripture Reading**

Britt Lindley

**Opening Prayer**

Terry Chapman (A.M.) Mickey Chandler (P.M.)

**Closing Prayer**

Randell Koon (A.M.) Eli Carter (P.M.)

**Lord's Table**

Johnny Cissom (Presiding),

Ricky Cissom, Chance Criswell, Bobby Bridges

**Count and Usher**

Ricky Loveless, Danny Shackelford

**Prepare Communion**

Rita Smith & Karen Yancey

**Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Chris Moore (03/27/19)

**OUR RECORD**

**March 17, 2019**

Sunday Bible Study: 129

Sunday Morning Worship: 152

Sunday Evening Worship: 139

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 95

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: 3,976

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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).



# THE CHAPMAN CHALLENGER

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**ELDERS:** Barrett Chapman, Terry Chapman,  
Joel Moore, Jarvene Shackelford,  
Tommy Wade  
**DEACONS:** Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless,  
Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry  
Wood  
**PREACHER:** Mark Lindley

**A FAVORITE VERSE**

**Mark Lindley**

A Bible verse that is a favorite of many is John 3:16. Jesus said, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." This is certainly an outstanding scripture with a beautiful promise for us today.

However, John 3:16 is also a passage that is misunderstood and abused. Many interpret the verse to mean that salvation from sin comes at the point of belief, without any act of obedience. Allegedly this verse "proves" the doctrine of "Faith Only." This view is a misunderstanding and abuse of Jesus' words.

While John 3:16 does teach that sinners are saved by faith, it does not teach the doctrine of "Faith Only." If we allow Jesus to speak through Scripture, He will reveal to us that salvation is by an active, obedient faith (cf. Romans 1:5; James 2:24; Galatians 5:6). Consider the following words of Jesus: 1) "Ye rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it" (Luke 11:28). Notice Jesus said those who hear and "keep" God's Word are the ones who will be blessed. So, "keeping" God's Word must be involved in the belief of John 3:16.

2. "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3). This shows that Jesus includes repentance in the belief of John 3:16.

3. "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 10:32-33). As He sent out His disciples to preach the gospel, He charged them to "confess" Him before others. This reveals that Jesus will save those who have the courage to confess Him before others. Confessing Christ must be involved in the belief of John 3:16.

4. "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16). Please notice that Jesus said the "he" who believes "and is baptized" shall be saved. It must be, therefore, that baptism is also involved in the belief of John 3:16.

These verses teach that salvation is not by faith only. Rather, if we will consider "all" that Jesus taught, it becomes clear that the belief of John 3:16 is an active, obedient faith. Let's determine that we will accept all the teachings of Christ.

**Showing Everyday Faith**  
by: Edd Sterchi

The respect you show God and His Word on Sundays says a lot about your faith in Him.

\* The attitude you show the world on Mondays says a lot about your faith in God.

\* How much time you spend reading your Bible and in prayer on Tuesdays says a lot about your faith in God.

\* The number of brethren you visit with on Wednesdays says a lot about your faith in God.

\* The opportunities and resources you utilize in helping the needy on Thursdays says a lot about your faith in God.

\* The amount of energy and frequency you use teaching/telling others about Jesus on Fridays says a lot about your faith in God.

\* Where you go and what you do on Saturdays says a lot about your faith in God.

Now, I realize that all of these pertain to every aspect of our Christianity every day. I just thought it would be a way to help us realize that we are to take up our cross daily and follow Jesus (Luke 9:23). Do you sacrifice for Christ daily as Paul did (1 Cor. 15:31)?

## CENTER OF THE BIBLE

What is the shortest chapter in the Bible? (Answer - Psalms 117)  
What is the longest chapter in the Bible? (Answer - Psalms 119)  
Which chapter is in the center of the Bible (Answer - Psalms 118)  
Fact: There are 594 chapters before Psalms 118. Fact: There are 594 chapters after Psalms 118. Add these numbers up and you get 1188. What is the center verse in the Bible? (Answer - Psalms 118:8) Does this verse say something significant about God's perfect will for our lives? The next time someone says they would like to find God's perfect will for their lives, and that they want to be in the center of His will, just send them to the center of His Word! Psalms 118:8 (NKJV) "It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man." Now isn't that odd how this worked out (or was God in the center of it)?

Author Unknown

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### EGG HUNT

March 31<sup>st</sup> after meal.

### EGG DECORATING

Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 10AM  
in fellowship hall.

### 5th SUNDAY - March 31<sup>th</sup>

Fellowship meal (potluck) after morning services.

Evening service at 1:30 PM conducted by Chapman young men.

### CHAPMAN SPRING BRING Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

We will have a fellowship meal (potluck) followed by services at 1:30 p.m.

### LADS TO LEADERS CONVENTION April 18-21, 2019 MEMPHIS, TN

#### PROGRAMS OF WORK Website: chapmanchurch.com

Articles • Sermons (Audio)

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Every other Wednesday

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Doris Williford

•**HOSPITAL:** Joanie Kate Reese (LeBonheur-ICU), Billy Gross (Corinth/ICU)

•**SURGERY RECOVERY:** Starrett Chapman, Juan Stroupe

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Pat Waide, Joanie Kate Reese, Carlin Johnson, Faye Jenkins, Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Tony Morrison, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGaughy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman

•**CANCER:** Gary Michaels, Kay Thompson, Cohen Hurt, Frank Elliott, Jimmy Smith,, Rhonda Horton, Lanny Yancey (Treatments), Danny Yancey, Diane Hodges, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Carolyn Medlin, Niani Colom-Omotesa, Kenneth Rainey, Janice Willingham, Lester Wommack, Doug Pannell, Sam Camp, Sam Warrington (cystic fibrosis & leukemia), 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: **Lorene Daily, Christine Chapman** (Mailing: Tippah County Nursing Home, 1005 City Avenue North, Ripley, MS 38663).