APRIL 22, 2018 ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

Randell Koon

Song Leader

Keith Newby

Scripture Reading
Bobby Bridges

Opening Prayer

John Hopper (A.M.) Jeff Staggs (P.M.)

Closing Prayer

Barrett Chapman (A.M.) Mason McAlister (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Britt Lindley (Presiding),

Rickey Loveless, Ross Shackelford, Eli Carter

Count and Usher

Joel Moore & David Smith

Prepare Communion

Janette Rickles & Romia Palmer

Wednesday Night Song Leader

John Hopper (04/25/18)

OUR RECORD

April 15, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 120

Sunday Morning Worship:150

Sunday Evening Worship: 131 Wednesday Night Bible Study: 99

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$4,328

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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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DEACONS: Bryan Davis, Rickey Loveless, Brad McAlister, Wayne Vandygriff, Larry Wood PREACHER: Mark Lindley

Son, Remember Dan Jenkins

"And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame'" (Lk. 16:23-24).

It is likely that when you read these words you can recall the details of the entire story. However, these words were far more than a captivating story when they were spoken and heard by that rich man. This is not a parable of an imaginary man who never lived. Jesus said, "There was a certain rich man."

Death brought changes to the rich man. He now knew that gold has no value in hell. He knew that those who make gold the focus of their lives will someday recognize this truth, but it will be too late. The rich man's dwelling, his clothing, all the excesses of living and his riches brought to him had no advantage.

Death brought changes to the beggar Lazarus. He no longer was hungry. He no longer was begging for crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. He no longer had sores, nor dogs to lick them. Instantaneously, it all changed. He was changed from being an unwanted member of earthly society and had become the honored guest of heavenly beings who escorted him to the other side. Death changed almost everything around these two men and us.

One thing which did not change was the remembrance of one's earthly life before death. In two brief words Abraham brought profound truth to the forefront. The two words were, "Son, remember." The rich man remembered and recognized Lazarus. He recalled the crumbs which fell from his table and were evidently never given to Lazarus. He remembered his five brothers and their ungodliness and begged that something might be done to bring about their salvation.

Now, think of how all this impacts your life. How will you feel when you remember that you never did anything to help the least in the kingdom? How will you feel about your selfishly spending almost all you were prospered on your own pleasures when the church struggled to make its proposed budget? How will you feel when you recall the sermons you heard pleading with you to get involved in His work and to grow spiritually? Wasted money, wasted time and wasted opportunities will be part of the agony in the torment of fire.

It doesn't have to be that way. Think of what great memories the rich man could have had if he had changed his behavior. On the other side you will remember. The real question is whether the memories will bring regret or joy!

Who is the Greatest? Tim Dooley

In response to the question asked by His disciples about "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew18:1), Jesus juxtaposes the contrast seen in human nature between greatness and service in his discourse about children and the kingdom. He

taught His disciples to be humble and forgiving. Yet soon after this teaching these same men tried to forbid the approach of little children to Jesus, a rich man refuses to serve others and follow the Lord, and Peter asks what the faithful will receive (to which Jesus tells the parable of the laborers in the vineyard, teaching that all receive the same reward). Then the mother of James and John come to Jesus with her sons and asks a prominent place for them with Jesus in the kingdom. When the others hear it they are filled with outrage, jealousy, and resentment. So Jesus pulls them aside and tells them that to be great in the kingdom they must humble themselves and serve each other.

We live in an age of obscene pride, jealousy, and covetousness. Churches are divided, marriages broken, and nations warring and degenerating all due to the sin of selfishness. Do we want to be considered great in the kingdom? Or do we just want to be seen as great among the world? If the latter you already have your reward. But if the former, the greatest reward awaits you! Serve God, serve others, and ask yourself, "Am I greater than the Lord?" (Matthew 20:28).

1 Peter 1:3,4 – The Heavenly Hope by Wayne Jackson

It is a strange thing that there are so many folks in the world of "Christendom" who entertain the concept that the righteous, in the eternal state of things, will dwell on the earth forever. The Watchtower devotees believe that all but 144,000 (those who will enter the heavenly kingdom) will live on "God's glorified earth." Many protestants even believe that the earth eventually will be purified by fire; and so a cleansed earth will become the abode of the saints. Simple Bible logic, however, destroys that theory.

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul declared that there is but "one hope" for the righteous (Ephesians 4:4). But that "hope" (1 Peter 1:3) is "reserved in heaven" (1 Peter 1:4; cf. Colossians 1:5) for the faithful. It is therefore clear that our one hope is in heaven.

But heaven is not earth, for the Lord taught that we are to lay up treasures in heaven, not on earth (Matthew 6:19). The irresistible conclusion, then, is this: the one hope for the child of God is not upon this earth, but is exclusively in heaven.

Circle "hope" in verse 3, and then circle "reserved in heaven" in verse 4. Connect these two expressions with a line and draw an arrow to the margin, recording this comment: See Ephesians 4:4 — one hope. Not on earth, but in heaven — Matthew 6:19.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations

Juan Stroupe - Great Granddaughter!

Layla Ann Jasso
April 9, 2018

7 pounds, 15 ounces & 20 inches Proud Parents: Andrea & Jeremy

UPCOMING EVENTS

GREAT 2018 SPRING BRING!

Thanks to everyone who had a part in our "Spring Bring." We were blessed to have so many visitors. We appreciate all who invited others and to all who prepared the wonderful meal.

It was truly a great day!

CHAPMAN LADIES BIBLE CLASS
Thursday, April 19th at 6:30
Lesson Coordinator....Kim Lindley
Snack Ladies....Kathy Moore,
Sammie Pilgrim & Dala Vandygriff

BRIDAL SHOWER

Bryana Davís & Nathan Gaíllard Sunday, April 22, 2018

3:30 to 4:30

Chapman Fellowship Hall
Registered: Walmart, Bed Bath & Beyond,
Gift of Gab Colors: Neutrals

5th SUNDAY - April 29th

Fellowship meal (potluck) after morning services.

Evening service at 1:30 PM

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

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

• SICK SUNDAY: Mary Brady, Kevin Shackelford, Chap Moore

•**HOSPITAL:** Louise Pannell (Sharon Pannell's Mother, Ripley Hospital – Rehab)

• RECOVERING AT HOME: Janie Chapman

•TEST/PROCEDURES: Johnny Cissom

- •EXTENDED ILLNESS: Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Nancy Yates, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Cortney Cissom, Tony & Jane Morrison, Juanita Mauney, 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: Roxieann Foster, Danny Yancey, Lana Waldon, Diane Hodges, Bobby White, Sandra Jones, Dianne Graves, Betty Faye Ledbury, 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).