## June 11, 2017 ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### **Announcements**

Larry Wood

## **Song Leader**

**Brad McAlister** 

## **Scripture Reading**

**Jack Harris** 

## **Opening Prayer**

Jodie Criswell (A.M.) Tom Wade (P.M.)

## **Closing Prayer**

Gene Yancey (A.M.) Kevin Shackelford (P.M.)

#### Lord's Table

Bryan Davis (Presiding),

Logan Yancey, Bo Chapman, Casey Harris

#### **Count and Usher**

Ricky Cissom and Devin McVey

## **Prepare Communion**

Jill and Hannah Loveless

## **Wednesday Night Song Leader**

Jack Harris (06/14/17)

## **OUR RECORD**

June 4, 2017

Sunday Bible Study: 116

Sunday Morning Worship:120

Sunday Evening Worship: 97

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 114

Budget: \$3,500

Contribution this week: \$4,023

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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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# "Your Money" By Dalton Key

At the time of his death, Howard Hughes was the second richest man ever produced by the United States. He left a vast estate of nearly 2.5 billion dollars. In order to spend that much money one would have to spend one thousand dollars a day for over seven thousand, five hundred years! In terms of this world's wealth, Mr. Hughes had more than any man could possibly need.

But did his billions make him happy? No.

In fact, we now understand that his staggering wealth forced him into a life of seclusion from which he found no escape. Only sixteen people attended the Hughes funeral and according to one reporter, "not one of them cried."

Howard Hughes was rich in money, yet poor in contentment and peace of mind. Wealth was far from the answer to his problems – it caused most of them!

Is it wrong, then, to have money? Again, the answer is no. In and of itself, money is neither good nor bad. Money's value is determined by how we obtain it, what we do with it, and what attitude we have toward it. As Emerson once observed, "Money often costs too much." A lost family, a broken marriage, or a condemned eternity are prices too high to pay in exchange for any amount of money, whether it be ten dollars or ten billion dollars.

Money serves as a good and useful servant, but if we're not careful, it can easily become a hard and merciless master.

While the Bible does not say money is evil, it does warn, "The love of money is the root of all evil." (1 Timothy 6:10.) May we wisely use money without our money using us.

# Does God Keep Score? Kevin Cauley

Several years ago, I was having a conversation with someone about getting credit for ideas. I mentioned to them that it doesn't matter to me if I get credit for an idea or not, because God knows who did what and I was content to let God handle such things. This person then wondered whether or not God really credited man with such things. In essence, the question can be framed, Does God keep score?

First, we need to understand that God does not keep score in the sense that if we could only get enough points, then we would win salvation. The Bible teaches us that salvation isn't something that we earn. Jesus said in Luke 17:10, So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do. When we do everything that God tells us, we still haven't earned our salvation. We are still dependent upon Him for eternal life. Salvation is a gift that God gives upon the condition of faith and obedience (see Hebrews 11:6 and Hebrews 5:9). Neither our faith nor our obedience earns our salvation; but God promises to give us salvation when we trust and obey Him. It is the promise of God in which we trust, not in our own faith or obedience. In that regard, God doesn't keep score because no matter how high a score we get, we'll never be high enough to earn our salvation.

Second, neither does God keep score as to how long we have been a faithful Christian as if that would make a difference in our salvation. Jesus told the parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard in Matthew 20:1-16. In the parable, the vineyard owner agrees with laborers for the same wage though they begin working at different times in the day. At the end of the day, they all get the same pay. The ones who started early complain, saying that they worked longer than the others. The owner asks them whether or not they agreed to that pay. They did, so that is what they got. The lesson from the parable is that salvation is available for all and it doesn't matter when you started working for God, everyone, whether young or old gets the same pay eternal life and for that we ought to be very thankful. No, God does not keep score in regard to one's longevity of service in His

Third, there is a sense, however, in which God does keep score. In Hebrews 6:10 we read, For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. We learn from this passage that God takes note of those who do good things and He remembers those things. Moreoever, Jesus said. But lay up for vourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal (Matthew 6:20). What are these treasures that we are to be laying up in heaven? He explains in Luke 12:33. Sell that ve have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth. When we do good things for others, we lay up treasures in heaven. Are they for earning our salvation? No. What then are these treasures for? There is only one explanation. It is because God wants us to appreciate the results of the good things that we did once we are in heaven. That will be our treasure!

Does God keep score? He doesn't keep score when it comes to good works meriting salvation. Regardless of how high the score, it would never be enough to earn salvation. However, He does keep score when it comes to having treasure in heaven over which we can appreciate the results of our good efforts. And so John can write, Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward (2 John 1:8). God doesn't keep score to determine who earned what, but to determine who IS what!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# SUNDAY EVENING TIME CHANGE: Starting June 11<sup>th</sup> – 2:00PM

# Chapman Ladies Bible Class Thursday June 15th at 6:30PM

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# **Chapman VBS**

July 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

# **Chapman Lectureship**

July 30th-August 2nd

## **New Members:**

James & Sammie Pilgrim 250 CR 550, Ripley, MS 38663 James: 205-266-5247

Sammie: 205-821-4695
Please add to your church directory.

# PROGRAMS OF WORK Website: chapmanchurch.com

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• Chapman Challengers

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Every other Wednesday

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## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- •SICK SUNDAY: Tony Morrison, Everett Hurt, Jarvene Shackelford, Sammie Pilgrim, Maynon Maunev
- HOSPITAL: Michael Kubenthiran (Robin Chapman's Nephew car wreck/severe leg injuries) Please send cards: 2618 Sunlight Drive, Arlington, TX 76006. Becky Jefferies (Tupelo/ICU), Tyler McCartey, Shaun McCollum (Tupelo/ICU)
- •SURGERY RECOVERY: Rhonda Newby (Knee), Ramonia McAlister (Brad's Mother)
- •**TEST**: Erik Longoria
- •SURGERY: Tracie Gross (June9th/Back)
- •EXTENDED ILLNESS: Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Ed James Pannell, Connie Mauney,, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Sandra & Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.
- CANCER: Dwight Ward, Betty Faye Ledbury, Chester Smith, Lana Waldon, Cutah Newby, Peggy Boggs, Marsha Jones, Nita Trotter, Lyle Bullock, 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, Ruth Greer.
- •SHUT-INS: Resthaven: Oleta Phillips (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). Johnnie Carpenter (Mailing: Tishomingo Living Center, 1410 West Quitman Street, luka, MS 38852