

August 19, 2018
ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements

David Yancey

Song Leader

Chris Moore

Scripture Reading

Danny Shackelford

Opening Prayer

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

Closing Prayer

Andy Reese (A.M.) Larry Wood (P.M.)

Lord's Table

Terry Chapman (Presiding),
Chase Chapman, Ricky Loveless,
Kevin Shackelford

Count and Usher

Joel Moore & Palmer Jones

Prepare Communion

Joy Simmons & Juan Stroupe

Wednesday Night Song Leader

Larry Wood (08/22/18)

OUR RECORD

August 12, 2018

Sunday Bible Study: 119

Sunday Morning Worship:138

Sunday Evening Worship: 122

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 124

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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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BIBLICAL MATH: ADDITION (No. 1)
James Pilgrim

The word of God speaks addition subtraction, multiplication, and division. Herein is a brief look at addition.

Addition can be good. For example, one might be blessed with any number of additional things, even above and beyond what was expected. A farmer might reap more than expected. One in another business might sell more than anticipated, even having to order more stock. Merchandise might even bring more to the farmer or owner of a store. The same might apply to others.

Attention is now given to the inspired word of God. (2 Timothy 3:16, 17). God said, "Now therefore, hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go into the land which the Lord God of your fathers giveth you,

Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, ..." (Deuteronomy 4:1, 2; Compare 12:32). Addition to the scriptures is clearly forbidden. Balak, king of the Moabites (Numbers 22:4), tried to get Balaam to curse God's people. (Verses 5, 6). Balaam, at God's word, refused to do so. (Verses 8-13). Balak tried again to get Balaam to curse the people of God. (Verses 14-17). Balaam told Balak, "I cannot go beyond the word of the Lord my God, to do less or more." (Verse 18). In other words, he could not obey God and add to what God had said. Compare 24:13. Promises of fame and fortune could not change what God said. (24:11-13). Balaam did not add to what God said. (22-24).

Solomon (Proverbs 1:1) said, "Add thou not unto his word, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." (30:6). Revelation 22:18 forbids adding to God's word, saying, "If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book."

In spite of these inspired statements, many uninspired people have added to God's word in many things. For example, the New Testament, our law for today (2 Corinthians 3; Colossians 2: 14-16); Hebrews 8:6-13; and more), calls upon all to sing (Matthew 26:30; Acts 16:25; 1 Corinthians 14:15; _Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 2:12; and James 5:13). However, many add mechanical instruments of music, clapping, humming, solos, choruses, and other things. Others sing songs filled with error.

Any number of worshippers add the doctrines and commandments of men, rendering their worship in vain. (Matthew 15:7-9; Galatians 1:6-9). Yet, God said, "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God;..." Colossians 3:17 says, "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus,..." In other words, do what you do because Jesus said to do it, and do it in His way.

God calls for some addition. For example, we should teach the word of God as they did on the day of Pentecost, adding people to the church. (Acts 2:41, 47). Compare Acts 5:14; 11:24. The saved are to add the Christian graces. (2 Peter 1:5-7). Every Christian should continue to add good things to his/her life. (1 Peter 2:2).

Beloved, read and study the word of God, rightly dividing it. (2 Timothy 2:15). Be careful not to add to what God has said, and be careful not to allow others to lead you into adding to His word. Speak and do as God says without addition. The late beloved Marshall Keeble used to say, "The Bible is right." True. We do not need to add to it.

BIBLICAL MATH: SUBTRACTION (No. 2)

James Pilgrim

This second installment of Biblical Math focuses on subtraction.

Subtraction can be good. For example, one might be blessed with being paid the same salary, while having work hours reduced. One might be given less territory to work, but retain the same salary. Less responsibility could be better for one. There are many ways in which subtraction might benefit one.

The same verses that God used to teach Israel not to add to His word also said, "Neither shall ye diminish aught from it, that ye may keep the commandment of the Lord your God, which I command you." (Deuteronomy 4:1, 2). Chapter 12, verse 32 says, "nor diminish from it." John declared, "And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things that are written in this book."

(Revelation 22:19).

Some, however, in the early days of the church, were subtracting or ceasing to do what God said. Some were forsaking the assembling. (Hebrews 10:25). Jesus told the scribes and Pharisees, "These ought ye to have done, and not leave the other undone." (Luke 11:42; Matthew 23:23). Jesus told them, ye have paid "tithes of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith." (Ibid). Notice the word, "undone", suggesting subtraction.

There is a need for more people to do as Moses and Joshua; they "left nothing undone of all that the Lord commanded Moses." (Joshua 11:15). Unfortunately, some, are like Saul, who failed to do what he was told, to "smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, to spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass." (1 Samuel 15:1-3). Saul changed what God said, saving "Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and of the lambs, and all that was good,"

(Verse 4). He did less than God required to please the people and to do what he thought was a good thing, "to sacrifice unto the Lord thy God in Gilgal." (Verse 15-21).

Not only did Saul subtract from God's will, but he tried to blame the people for it. (Ibid). Saul paid a price for subtracting from what God required; the kingdom was taken from him. (Verses 26-28). Balaam told Balak that all he could give him would not allow him to "go beyond the word of the Lord my God, to do less or more." (Numbers 22:18). All should know what God requires, and be faithful to do that, without subtraction or addition. Cf. Micah 6:8.

In spite of such plain teaching, some do less than God desires. Some are guilty of "forsaking the assembling" as were those mentioned above. (Hebrews 10:25). The Lord's Supper was to be observed in the kingdom (Matthew 26:26-29), and was "upon the first day of the week." (Acts 20:7). However, most today infrequently enjoy this communion. (1 Corinthians 10:16). From weekly, many observe the feast yearly, bi-yearly, quarterly, or monthly. Some have ceased to break the bread on Sunday, changing the day to some week-day. A number of Christians fail to examine themselves, and observe the feast unworthily. (1 Corinthians 11:17-34).

Almost all religions have taken baptism out of Acts 2:38, Mark 16:16, and like passages. They have taught people that baptism is unimportant. However, Peter said baptism is a part of salvation, in agreement with Jesus and His instructors.

The Lord does require some subtraction. Paul said, "Put away from among yourselves that wicked person." (1 Corinthians 5:1-13). Christians must put off the old man of sin. (Ephesians 4:22; Colossians 3:1-5).

Beloved, do you subtract from God's word where you should not? Do you fail to subtract where you should? Be faithful to do all God says, not less.

Continued next week...

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAPMAN LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Thursday, August 16th, 6:30PM

LECTURESHIP CDS

Ready to pickup in foyer. Lectureship sermons are also available on our website.

HAPPY PLATES

Tuesday, August 21st - 9:00AM



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
HOUSEWARMING

to celebrate the Hopper's new home!

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 19 2018, 3:30 -
4:30PM**

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Colors: Living Room/Kitchen: reds, browns, greens & turquoise//teal
Kid's Bath: Grays - Master Bath: Browns Basically Anything Rustic

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

•**SICK SUNDAY:** Mary Brady, Thad Berryman

•**HOSPITAL:** Curtis Mauney (Corinth)

•**SURGERY:** Edie Chapman (Heart/Lebonheur), Annalee Chapman (Kidney/Lebonheur) – (Debbie Chapman's Granddaughters), Scotty Cliburn (Heart/Jackson) – Nephew of Barrett and Starrett Chapman, Kathy Alison (Hip/Tupelo) - Bree's Grandmother

•**EXTENDED ILLNESS:** Linda Chapman, Nina Morrison, Jo Chapman, Louise Pannell, Roger Bryant (ALS), Venie Holbrook, Cortney Cissom, Tony Morrison, Bobbie Prather, Sandra Hopper, George Doss (Kelly Brewer's Father), Connie Mauney, Brandon King, Jane Bates, Lylah McGauhy, Niles Jones, Thad Berryman.

•**CANCER:** Cohen Hurt (2nd grade/Pine Grove), Jimmy Smith, Roxieann Foster, Danny Yancey, Lana Waldon, Diane Hodges, 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.

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